

1948 FORD V8 3 TON TRUCK

Last registered (WM-1245) in 1972 by M Gamble this Ford Flathead V8 truck with its bulk grain bin was donated by Mr Larry Elsegood in 1981.

Built in Canada, this is a rare vehicle with a split windscreen and the 'manual direction indicator arm' on the door, it also has the hard-to-find Flat Head Ford, side-valve V8 Motor, a motor cherished by 'Hot Rodders'.

As Ford was producing cars to meet postwar demand back then, no changes to the engine came until 1948, when the new large truck version of the flat-head V8 was released, displacing a whopping 336.7 cubic inches, the new engine featured a 3.5-inch bore and 4.38-inch stroke. This engine produced 145 horsepower and 225 pound-feet of torque.

Our exhibit is in surprisingly good condition and has been hidden in a corner for a couple of decades but is now to see light of day – "WELL WORTH A LOOK".
337 cu in (5,520 cm³) Flathead V8 1948–51 - 5.5 litre - 145 hp (108 kW) at 3,600 rpm - 4-speed Synchro-Silent.

It was introduced in the 1948 two and a half ton and three ton Ford trucks and the 1949 Lincoln passenger cars. It was produced through the 1951 model year. In 1952 it was replaced in the Lincoln passenger cars and Ford three ton trucks with the Lincoln Y Block 317 cu in (5.2 L) overhead valve V8. The two and a half ton Ford trucks got a 279 cu in (4.6 L) version of the 317 engine.

