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strange my e55's dont have a **top** sheild, its probably because yours are from a focus. i think those have **top** shields

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mine too. I got mine from a maxima and it has a **top shield** as well. Im gonna play around with it and take some pix. with and without the **top shield**.

also ill have some pix of bent cutoff **shield** mod.

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i think the sheild is there becace in those cars the projector is deep within the assembly so that way the foreground lighting doesnt bounce of the chrome infront of it and go up. I got mine from a set of e500 headlamps and no sheild

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If it has a **shield up top**, they are not E55's but rather new maxima projectors. They have more color than the E55's. Think of them as revised E55's lol.



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I like the concept of new E55's haha. but my question... can i remove that **shield** or do I leave it on? Is there any way to tell exactly what car they are off of, like markings or serial numbers jsut out of curiosity.

Anyway, anyone have bent **shield** pics or how to for the e55.

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Of course you can remove it, as some cars didn't come with it. I don't have them in my Integra w/ E-class/745i bi-xenon projectors. But depending on what car/housing you're going to put them into, the upper **shield** may help reduce glare and will give more color as previously mentioned.

I would not mess with the **shield** on those projectors. IMHO mine already have plenty of color at the cutoff from a distance. I did not want to mess with them as I would have run the risk of causing the **shield** to bind up when trying to switch to high beams.

1994 BG-33P Paradise Blue Integra GS-R
Full 98+ conversion
E-class bi-xenon projectors



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Ug. I have a pair of those lying around somewhere too. I'm assuming you mean the kind of **shield** were the **shield** isn't a semi-circle but it has a parallelogram for the lit.

With these you have major color (very pretty)... but your lighting also suffers. It really KILLS immediate forfront lighting. On the ground your lights won't show until about 4.5 feet in front of your car. It really doesn't affect you when you're in the car, but from the outside it looks kinda strange.

I'd rip the **top** half of that sucker off I were you. I'll increase output and throw more on the ground.

Note: what ren274u said is exactly correct. The projectors are set deeper in on stock and you don't want too much throw on housing. But they suck for retrofitting.

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I had it in my **RS6** projector, I threw it away. Light is much brighter. I think you only need it if the projector stay way into to back of the housing (prevent reflector from the bottom of the housing).

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Its a foreground reducer **shield**. Its what manufacturers are trying to do to overcome the complaints of HID output. They know that HID is a superior light source, but with many people complaining about them (because they arent used to them yet) its their resolution to reduce foreground lighting while maintaining great light directly in front of the car.

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I can understand the foreground lighting or even to keep the reflection off the bottom of the housing. But my projectors only have one **shield** and thats why it kinda threw me off... oh well, I will test it out both ways and see how it goes.

Thanks guys!

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HIDPLANET wrote:

Its a foreground reducer **shield**. Its what manufacturers are trying to do to overcome the complaints of HID output.

Bah... that annoys me that manufacturers have to do this to sastisfy people's complaints. When you live in Southern California and 1 out of 4 cars have HID, it really doesn't matter. Hell, even the MINIs have them.

And then you have cars like the old TL, RL, and IS300 (that should not be street legal) that throw light EVERYWHERE. Driving in front of those guys is like being flashed with the highs all the time. Don't even get me started on the new Lexus RX-78. If you notice they have their HID point straight ahead. There is serioduly no dropoff! I thought that your lights had to drop 1 foot when you get 25 ft out!?!?

There's gotta be a point where EVERY car should have HID.

Come on, just do the math... If you use high gauge wire, ballasts, lights, and projectors the whole setup should only come to be about 500 or so right?

What, if people bought an accord for 18,000 they wouldn't pay 500 for HID?

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what the heck is an Lexus RX-78??? 😞

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waterp7 wrote:

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Haha.... my bad. I meant an RX 330, the SUV.

For those of you who actually know, I was thinking about a Gundam RX-78!! LOL...

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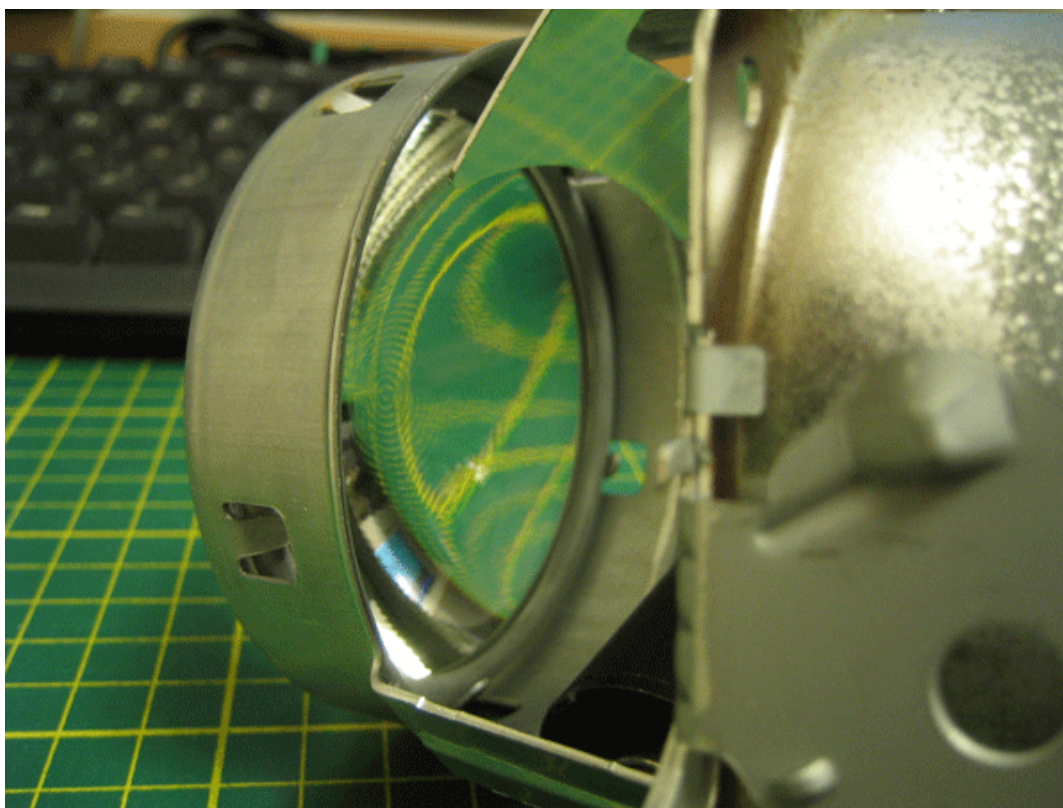
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hey i have thought. You see the sheild at the **top** the inside of it is reflective. So could that be why the maxima e55 put out alot more color than the e class e55? anythoughts? i wanna play around with mine to see if it makes a different. what do you guys think.

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