Lagondaforum: radio for rapide

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Written by jay at Nov 12, 2011 7:12 pm

hi

im looking for an original radio.

i belive there are 2 models fitted and any input of model numbers and years fitted would be appreciated.

but does anyone have one,or know what other vehicals they were put in ?

many thanks

jay

Re: radio for rapide
Written by randall977 at Nov 13, 2011 5:12 pm

Mine has a Motorola 707 (or 717T see below) which is original to my car. They do turn up on eBay every so often - like here...

eBay link to 717T

Re: radio for rapide
Written by David at Nov 13, 2011 6:43 pm

Jay, depending on which car you have, to be authentic the radio may need the word lagonda illiminated in red when swirched on, behind or embedded in the wavelength scale

I know where my spare radio was a few years ago but it may now be in Scandinavia (long story!)

Again if you PM me, I might be able to point you in its possible direction

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Re: radio for rapide
Written by jay at Nov 17, 2011 9:42 pm

hi

thanks for the replys,from the build no i belive i need a radio that lights up with the lagonda logo.

any help to locate one appreciated .

Re: radio for rapide
Written by David at Nov 18, 2011 7:58 am

Jay, It may be that you have to buy a standard radio as Christian illustrates then modify it with the Lagonda name, which is what I guess AML did in 62-64. It's just the word Lagonda rather than the winged logo etc

Regards

David

Re: radio for rapide
Written by jay at Nov 18, 2011 9:47 pm

thanks david

can you or any one else post a photo of a radio in close up so i know what im trying to achieve together with any advice on how to do it,im sure your right in saying that the facia is altered rather than a complete unit made.

thanks again for your help

Re: radio for rapide

Written by randall977 at Nov 18, 2011 10:31 pm

Yes, I would like to see this also, though I don't think I will alter mine as it's original to my car. Having said that I would like the challenge but I think it would involved the moulding, or fine painting of a small piece of red plastic?

A good radio off eBay is around £200...

Re: radio for rapide

Written by David at Nov 19, 2011 8:16 pm

I can't do a picture of my car's radio, but here's a brief description, referring to Christain's photo above which has an illuminated red M - for Motorola - in the middle and which if I recall appears behind the wavelength needle. Well, if you take the front off the radio, I'd guess you'd find this M is on a small piece of thin clear perspex or similar. Substitute a similar piece of perspex with LAGONDA on it, with the word about 2.5cm long, text about 4mm high. It's probably imperial measure so 1 inch long and 3/16 high. The font is pretty plain, not recognisably a trade-mark font - not Arial (too new?), but something like Calibri or Century Gothic. Hope this helps!

Sorry, the backing is clear, the letters are red, and cannot be seen when the radio is switched off

If ever you enter a concours the judges will not be qualified to know the difference anyway...
