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J8 MILSPEC Press Release -

The J8 is one of the toughest vehicles in the world and, until now, it was only sold to foreign militaries and governments. A very limited number of 2010 J8's will be made available to enthusiasts in the United States exclusively from American Expedition Vehicles (AEV) as the AEV J8 MILSPEC.

"Hardcore off-road enthusiasts have been asking for a vehicle like this for years, no frills and setup for a choice of diesel or V8 power and built with extra heavy-duty components," said Dave Harriton, CEO of American Expedition Vehicles. "It's certainly not for everyone, but that's all part of the appeal. Being able to offer even limited quantities to the American public is really a dream come true for AEV. First, it's a perfect match with our niche manufacturing and distribution channels, and second, the J8 is a unique part of history that we're proud to be part of."

The AEV J8 MILSPEC will be sold as a component rolling chassis. The vehicle is meant for off-road use, and as typical for component vehicles the engine and transmission will be installed by the buyer or at the buyer's direction by an independent contractor. Although AEV does not provide the

powertrain, there are a number of independent AEV dealers that can supply and install either a 2.8-liter diesel engine or a 5.7-liter V-8 HEMI® engine and transmission package.

The J8 MILSPEC will be assembled in Detroit by AEV. The complete rolling chassis will be delivered painted, upholstered, fully instrumented and will include ABS brakes, heavy duty suspension and axles, exhaust, wheels and tires.

Designed for military use, the J8 was designed to pass one of the world’s toughest durability cycles, which is three times more severe than what civilian applications must endure. The axles are both beefed up to a heavy duty Dana 44 front and a Dana 60 rear axle equipped with Dodge Ram brakes. The frame is built for severe use and the rear suspension uses leaf springs to facilitate more than a 2,500 lb. payload capacity and a 3,500 lb. tow rating. The J8 MILSPEC will accept two powertrain options, either a VM 2.8-liter diesel engine rated at 174 hp and 339 lb.-ft.of torque or a 5.7-liter V-8 HEMI rated at 330 hp and 375 lb.-ft. of torque. Both engine choices will use a 5 speed automatic transmission. The vehicles also have a number of military-specific components, including tow loops that are rated for helicopter use, an air filter capable of running as long as five hours in zero visibility dust storms and remote-mounted batteries. Don’t look for satellite navigation or leather seats, options are limited to paint color (Desert Sand or Military Green), a choice of a three door or five door body styles and air conditioning.

The J8 MILSPEC will only be sold and warranted through AEV and its authorized network.

Interested enthusiasts can contact American Expedition Vehicles to learn more or to place an order, www.aev-conversions.com / 248-926-0256. Owners should expect to invest approximately \$50,000 for a complete running vehicle, chassis plus powertrain.

Press Photos: www.aev-conversions.com/J8

J8 (built in Egypt)		AEV J8 (built in USA)	
Engine		Engine	None - sold as a component chassis only
Make	VM Motori	Make	n/a
Model Type	2.8L Panther Turbo Diesel	Model Type	Chassis can be ordered setup for a 2.8L Diesel or 5.7 HEMI V8
Max Power	118 kW (158hp)@3800 rpm	Max Power	n/a
Max Torque	400 Nm (295 lb-ft)@2000 rpm	Max Torque	n/a
Transmission	Chrysler 5-45 five speed automatic	Transmission	Diesels set up for 5-45 Auto, V8 Models set up for 5-45 or 6 Speed Manual
4WD System	Command Trac with 2.72 low range	4WD System	Command Trac with 2.72 low range
Brakes	Four Wheel Disc with ABS	Brakes	Four Wheel Disc with ABS
Electrical System	12V or 12V/24V Switchable, 180A@12V	Electrical System	12V
Body Styles	5 Door (5 pass), 3 Door (2-6 pass), RHD	Body Styles	5 Door (5 pass), 3 Door (2-6 pass), LHD Only
Optional	Available	Optional Equipment	AC, Airbags, Soft or Hard Tops, Paint Color
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Dimensions		Dimensions	
Length	4684mm	Length	4684mm
Width	1876mm	Width	1876mm

Height (w/Hardtop)	1839mm	Height (w/Hardtop)	1839mm
Wheelbase	2946mm	Wheelbase	2946mm
Turning Radius	6.2 m	Turning Radius	6.2 m
Weight		Weight	
Curb Weight	2019kg	Curb Weight	2019kg
GVW	3358kg	GVW	3358kg
Payload	1160kg	Payload	1160kg