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This 1968 Dodge Coronet Cop Car Has a Hellcat Engine Under the Hood

It make look like an old police cruiser, but it runs tens.

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One of the most prolific myths in the automotive world is the idea that police cars are specially prepped, ultra-fast versions of the cars civilians buy. One myth even says that the Bugatti Veyron was banned in the U.S. because it was faster than the cop cars, as if your local tuner Civic couldn't stomp a Crown Vic through city streets. This, though, is a properly fast cop car: [A 1968 Dodge Coronet that runs tens in the quarter mile.](#)

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That's accomplished as a direct result of its engine transplant. Gone is the Coronet's original V-8, replaced with a 6.2-liter supercharged eight-banger out of a crashed 2018 Dodge Challenger SRT Hellcat. Power output for that mill is infamously 707 hp, with 650 lb-ft of twist to get you off the line. Not content with those figures, the builder has swapped pulleys, retuned the ECU, and improved airflow to try to get final output above 800hp.

There's also a custom GearStar GM4L85E transmission to handle that torque, upgraded brakes, new front suspension, and upgraded drivetrain components like a Dana 60 rear axle. The lights, siren, and radio all work, too, so you can role-play your super cop fantasy. [All it requires is a \\$55,000 payout](#) and the restraint necessary to avoid flashing that siren in public and getting busted for police impersonation.

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