

Easier Starting your A7 in cold weather

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Start on the handle, rather than the starter motor. The latter uses most of the battery power, with reduced power available for the spark plugs. Avoid 'Easy Start' as it dissolves the engine oil in the cylinder

Choke: make sure it is flat and mating with the carb air intake. If not, carefully straighten it out with a panel beating hammer. Put washing up peg on choke cable in cab, to keep it out for longer. Cover up the central hole in the choke flap with insulating tape to enrich the mixture further.

Petrol: this may be stale, so consider draining off and putting fresh in, and perhaps use a fuel-preservative

Check jets are correct size: In a Zenith 22FZB updraught carburettor the jets should be: Main jet:70, Compensating jet:75, Slow Running jet 35. These numbers refer to flow rate, rather than diameter (units unknown).

