

**Wheels:** An e-mail from Wilson says, "I have a 1999 Chevy Monte Carlo with 58,000 miles and a 3.1 engine. I have replaced the intake manifold gasket because of a coolant leak. Recently I have become aware that this problem can be caused by the new orange antifreeze that GM is now using. What can I do in the future to keep this from happening again? Should I go back to the old style green antifreeze or change the new style orange antifreeze every year? I enjoy your column."

**Halderman:** The problem you had with the intake manifold gasket is a pattern failure with this engine and not related to the use of the Dexcool coolant. There have been some issues with this coolant and it can cause rust in the cooling system, but not without another failure of the radiator cap or radiator, which allows air to enter the system. The "by the book" answer is to use Dexcool, but others have used conventional coolant without any problems.

