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MAINTENANCE INTERVALS

Operation and Maintenance
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C4.4 GEN SET, C3.3 GEN SET and C4.4 GEN SET Electric Power Generation

D4B1-Up (Generator Set)
NCC1-Up (Generator Set)
GLD1-Up (Generator Set)
N4D1-Up (Generator Set)
NCD1-Up (Generator Set)
N4E1-Up (Generator Set)
NCE1-Up (Generator Set)

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Maintenance Interval Schedule

SMCS Code: 1000; 7500

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Use mileage, fuel consumption, service hours, or calendar time, WHICH EVER OCCURS FIRST, in order to determine the maintenance intervals. Products that operate in severe operating conditions may require more frequent maintenance.

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When Required

Battery - Recycle	83
Battery - Replace	83
Battery or Battery Cable - Disconnect	84
Engine - Clean	89
Fuel System - Prime	97
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Generator - Dry	103
Generator Bearing - Lubricate	106
Generator Set - Test	111
Generator Set Alignment - Check	111
Rotating Rectifier - Test	120

Daily

Electrical Connections - Check	88
Engine Air Cleaner Service Indicator - Inspect	90
Engine Oil Level - Check	91
Fuel System Primary Filter/Water Separator - Drain	100
Generator Bearing Temperature - Test/Record	110
Generator Load - Check	110
Walk-Around Inspection	120

Every Week

Generator - Inspect	104
Instrument Panel - Inspect	115

Every 50 Service Hours or Weekly

Fuel Tank Water and Sediment - Drain	102
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Every 250 Service Hours

Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 1) - Obtain	86
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Initial 500 Hours (for New Systems, Refilled Systems, and Converted Systems)

Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 2) - Obtain	87
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Every 500 Service Hours

Alternator and Fan Belts - Inspect/Adjust	82
Fuel System Secondary Filter - Replace	100

Every 500 Service Hours or 1 Year

Battery Electrolyte Level - Check	83
Engine Air Cleaner Element (Single Element) - Replace	89
Engine Oil Sample - Obtain	92
Engine Oil and Filter - Change	92
Fuel System Primary Filter (Water Separator) Element - Replace	99
Hoses and Clamps - Inspect/Replace	112

Every 1000 Service Hours

Engine Valve Lash - Inspect/Adjust	95
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Every 1000 Service Hours or 1 Year

Rotating Rectifier - Check	119
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Every 2000 Service Hours

Alternator - Inspect	82
Engine Mounts - Inspect	91
Starting Motor - Inspect	120

Every 2000 Service Hours or 6 Months

Generator Set Vibration - Test/Record	112
Insulation - Test	115

Every Year

Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 2) - Obtain	87
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Every 3000 Service Hours

Cooling System Water Temperature Regulator - Replace	88
Fuel Injection Nozzles - Test/Exchange	95
Water Pump - Inspect	121

Every 3000 Service Hours or 2 Years

Cooling System Water Temperature Regulator -
Replace 88

Every 6000 Service Hours or 3 Years

Cooling System Coolant Extender (ELC) - Add 86

Every 12 000 Service Hours or 6 Years

Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change 84

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Generator Bearing - Inspect/Replace 105

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Every 3 Years

Battery - Replace	83
Cooling System Coolant Extender (ELC) - Add	86
Cooling System Water Temperature Regulator - Replace	88

Every 6 Years

Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change	84
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Alternator - Inspect

SMCS Code: 1405-040

Caterpillar recommends a scheduled inspection of the alternator. Inspect the alternator for loose connections and proper battery charging. Inspect the ammeter (if equipped) during engine operation in order to ensure proper battery performance and/or proper performance of the electrical system. Make repairs, as required. Refer to the Service Manual.

Check the alternator and the battery charger for proper operation. If the batteries are properly charged, the ammeter reading should be very near zero. All batteries should be kept charged. The batteries should be kept warm because temperature affects the cranking power. If the battery is too cold, the battery will not crank the engine. The battery will not crank the engine, even if the engine is warm. When the engine is not run for long periods of time or if the engine is run for short periods, the batteries may not fully charge. A battery with a low charge will freeze more easily than a battery with a full charge.

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Alternator and Fan Belts - Inspect/Adjust

SMCS Code: 1357-025; 1357-040

Inspection

To maximize the engine performance, inspect the belts for wear and for cracking. Replace belts that are worn or damaged.

For applications that require multiple drive belts, replace the belts in matched sets. Replacing only one belt of a matched set will cause the new belt to carry more load because the older belt is stretched. The additional load on the new belt could cause the new belt to break.

If the belts are too loose, vibration causes unnecessary wear on the belts and pulleys. Loose belts may slip enough to cause overheating.

To accurately check the belt tension, Gauge 144-0235 Belt Tension Gauge should be used.

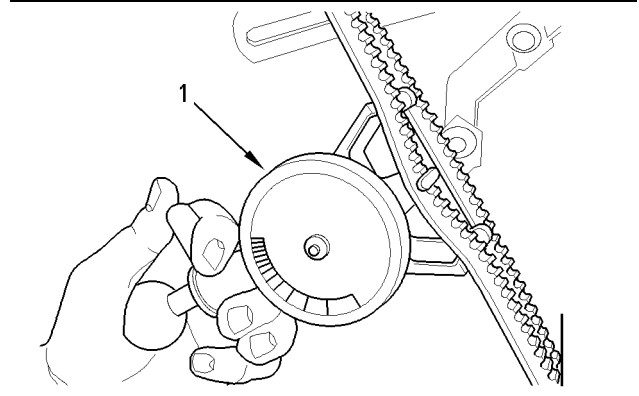


Illustration 68

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Typical example

(1) 144-0235 Belt Tension Gauge

Install the gauge (1) at the center of the belt between the alternator and the crankshaft pulley and check the belt tension. The correct tension for a new belt is 400 N (90 lb) to 489 N (110 lb). The correct tension for a used belt that has been in operation for 30 minutes or more at the rated speed is 267 N (60 lb) to 356 N (80 lb).

If twin belts are installed, check and adjust the tension on both belts.

Adjustment

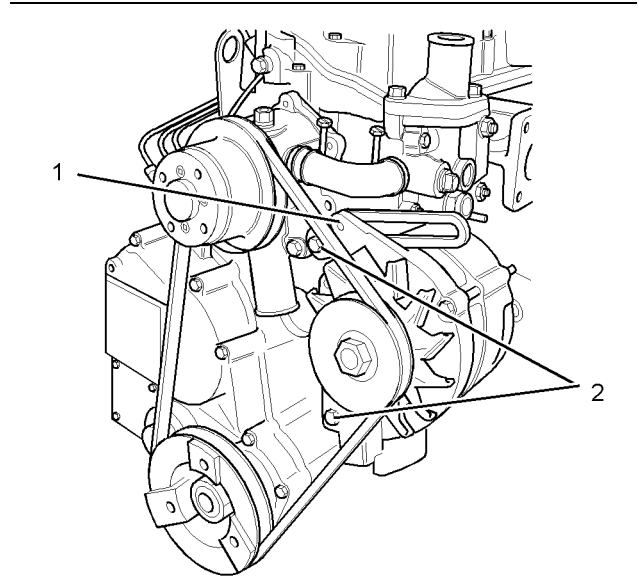


Illustration 69

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Typical example

(1) Adjusting bolt
(2) Mounting bolts

1. Loosen the mounting bolts (2) and the adjusting bolt (1).

2. Move the alternator in order to increase or decrease the belt tension.
3. Tighten the adjusting bolt (1). Tighten the mounting bolts (2). Refer to the Specifications Manual for the correct torque settings.

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Battery - Recycle

SMCS Code: 1401-561

Always recycle a battery. Never discard a battery. Return used batteries to one of the following locations:

- A battery supplier
- An authorized battery collection facility
- A recycling facility

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Battery - Replace

SMCS Code: 1401-510

WARNING

Batteries give off combustible gases which can explode. A spark can cause the combustible gases to ignite. This can result in severe personal injury or death.

Ensure proper ventilation for batteries that are in an enclosure. Follow the proper procedures in order to help prevent electrical arcs and/or sparks near batteries. Do not smoke when batteries are serviced.

WARNING

The battery cables or the batteries should not be removed with the battery cover in place. The battery cover should be removed before any servicing is attempted.

Removing the battery cables or the batteries with the cover in place may cause a battery explosion resulting in personal injury.

1. Turn the key start switch to the OFF position. Remove the key and all electrical loads.
2. Turn OFF the battery charger. Disconnect the charger.

3. The NEGATIVE “-” cable connects the NEGATIVE “-” battery terminal to the ground plane. Disconnect the cable from the NEGATIVE “-” battery terminal.
4. The POSITIVE “+” cable connects the POSITIVE “+” battery terminal to the starting motor. Disconnect the cable from the POSITIVE “+” battery terminal.

Note: Always recycle a battery. Never discard a battery. Return used batteries to an appropriate recycling facility.

5. Remove the used battery.
6. Install the new battery.

Note: Before the cables are connected, ensure that the key start switch is OFF.

7. Connect the cable from the starting motor to the POSITIVE “+” battery terminal.
8. Connect the cable from the ground plane to the NEGATIVE “-” battery terminal.

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Battery Electrolyte Level - Check

SMCS Code: 1401-535

When the engine is not run for long periods of time or when the engine is run for short periods, the batteries may not fully recharge. Ensure a full charge in order to help prevent the battery from freezing.

WARNING

All lead-acid batteries contain sulfuric acid which can burn the skin and clothing. Always wear a face shield and protective clothing when working on or near batteries.

1. Remove the filler caps. Maintain the electrolyte level to the “FULL” mark on the battery.

If the addition of water is necessary, use distilled water. If distilled water is not available use clean water that is low in minerals. Do not use artificially softened water.
2. Check the condition of the electrolyte with the 245-5829 Coolant Battery Tester Refractometer.
3. Keep the batteries clean.

Clean the battery case with one of the following cleaning solutions:

- A mixture of 0.1 kg (0.2 lb) of baking soda and 1 L (1 qt) of clean water
- A mixture of 0.1 L (0.11 qt) of ammonia and 1 L (1 qt) of clean water

Thoroughly rinse the battery case with clean water.

Use a fine grade of sandpaper to clean the terminals and the cable clamps. Clean the items until the surfaces are bright or shiny. DO NOT remove material excessively. Excessive removal of material can cause the clamps to not fit properly. Coat the clamps and the terminals with 5N-5561 Silicone Lubricant, petroleum jelly or MPMG.

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Battery or Battery Cable - Disconnect

SMCS Code: 1402-029

WARNING

The battery cables or the batteries should not be removed with the battery cover in place. The battery cover should be removed before any servicing is attempted.

Removing the battery cables or the batteries with the cover in place may cause a battery explosion resulting in personal injury.

1. Turn the start switch to the OFF position. Turn the ignition switch (if equipped) to the OFF position and remove the key and all electrical loads.
2. Disconnect the negative battery terminal at the battery that goes to the start switch. Ensure that the cable cannot contact the terminal. When four 12 volt batteries are involved, the negative side of two batteries must be disconnected.
3. Tape the leads in order to help prevent accidental starting.
4. Proceed with necessary system repairs. Reverse the steps in order to reconnect all of the cables.

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Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change

SMCS Code: 1350-070; 1395-044

Clean the cooling system and flush the cooling system before the recommended maintenance interval if the following conditions exist:

- The engine overheats frequently.
- Foaming is observed.
- The oil has entered the cooling system and the coolant is contaminated.
- The fuel has entered the cooling system and the coolant is contaminated.

Note: When the cooling system is cleaned, only clean water is needed when the ELC is drained and replaced.

Note: Inspect the water pump and the water temperature regulator after the cooling system has been drained. This is a good opportunity to replace the water pump, the water temperature regulator and the hoses, if necessary.

Drain

WARNING

Pressurized System: Hot coolant can cause serious burns. To open the cooling system filler cap, stop the engine and wait until the cooling system components are cool. Loosen the cooling system pressure cap slowly in order to relieve the pressure.

1. Stop the engine and allow the engine to cool. Loosen the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Remove the cooling system filler cap.

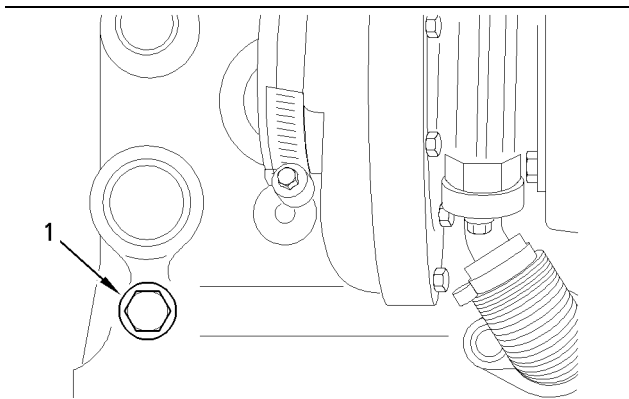


Illustration 70

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Typical example

2. Open the drain cock or remove the drain plug (1) on the engine. Open the drain cock or remove the drain plug on the radiator.

Allow the coolant to drain.

NOTICE

Dispose of used engine coolant properly or recycle. Various methods have been proposed to reclaim used coolant for reuse in engine cooling systems. The full distillation procedure is the only method acceptable by Caterpillar to reclaim the used coolant.

For information regarding the disposal and the recycling of used coolant, consult your Caterpillar dealer or consult Dealer Service Tools:

Outside Illinois: 1-800-542-TOOL
Inside Illinois: 1-800-541-TOOL
Canada: 1-800-523-TOOL

Flush

1. Flush the cooling system with clean water in order to remove any debris.
2. Close the drain valve (if equipped). Clean the drain plugs. Install the drain plugs. Refer to Torque Specifications, SENR3130 for more information on the correct torques.

NOTICE

Do not fill the cooling system faster than 5 L (1.3 US gal) per minute to avoid air locks.

Cooling system air locks may result in engine damage.

3. Fill the cooling system with clean water. Install the cooling system filler cap.

4. Start and run the engine at low idle until the temperature reaches 49 to 66 °C (120 to 150 °F).
5. Stop the engine and allow the engine to cool. Loosen the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Remove the cooling system filler cap. Open the drain valve (if equipped) or remove the cooling system drain plugs. Allow the water to drain. Flush the cooling system with clean water. Close the drain valve (if equipped). Clean the drain plugs. Install the drain plugs. Refer to Torque Specifications, SENR3130 for more information on the correct torques.

Fill

NOTICE

Do not fill the cooling system faster than 5 L (1.3 US gal) per minute to avoid air locks.

Cooling system air locks may result in engine damage.

1. Fill the cooling system with Extended Life Coolant (ELC). Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" topic (Maintenance Section) for more information on cooling system specifications. Do not install the cooling system filler cap.
2. Start and run the engine at low idle. Increase the engine rpm to high idle. Run the engine at high idle for one minute in order to purge the air from the cavities of the engine block. Stop the engine.
3. Check the coolant level. Maintain the coolant level within 13 mm (0.5 inch) below the bottom of the pipe for filling. Maintain the coolant level within 13 mm (0.5 inch) to the proper level on the sight glass (if equipped).
4. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Inspect the gasket that is on the cooling system filler cap. If the gasket that is on the cooling system filler cap is damaged, discard the old cooling system filler cap and install a new cooling system filler cap. If the gasket that is on the cooling system filler cap is not damaged, use a 9S-8140 Pressurizing Pump in order to pressure test the cooling system filler cap. The correct pressure for the cooling system filler cap is stamped on the face of the cooling system filler cap. If the cooling system filler cap does not retain the correct pressure, install a new cooling system filler cap.
5. Start the engine. Inspect the cooling system for leaks and for proper operating temperature.

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Cooling System Coolant Extender (ELC) - Add

SMCS Code: 1352-045; 1395-081

Cat ELC (Extended Life Coolant) does not require the frequent additions of any supplemental cooling additives which are associated with the present conventional coolants. The Cat ELC Extender only needs to be added once.

NOTICE

Use only Cat Extended Life Coolant (ELC) Extender with Cat ELC.

Do NOT use conventional supplemental coolant additive (SCA) with Cat ELC. Mixing Cat ELC with conventional coolants and/or conventional SCA reduces the Cat ELC service life.

Check the cooling system only when the engine is stopped and cool.

WARNING

Personal injury can result from hot coolant, steam and alkali.

At operating temperature, engine coolant is hot and under pressure. The radiator and all lines to heaters or the engine contain hot coolant or steam. Any contact can cause severe burns.

Remove cooling system pressure cap slowly to relieve pressure only when engine is stopped and cooling system pressure cap is cool enough to touch with your bare hand.

Do not attempt to tighten hose connections when the coolant is hot, the hose can come off causing burns.

Cooling System Coolant Additive contains alkali. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

NOTICE

Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, "Caterpillar Dealer Service Tool Catalog" for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Caterpillar products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

1. Loosen the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve pressure. Remove the cooling system filler cap.
2. It may be necessary to drain enough coolant from the cooling system in order to add the Cat ELC Extender.
3. Add Cat ELC Extender according to the requirements for your engine's cooling system capacity. Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" article for more information.
4. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Inspect the gaskets on the cooling system filler cap. Replace the cooling system filler cap if the gaskets are damaged. Install the cooling system filler cap.

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Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 1) - Obtain

SMCS Code: 1350-008; 1395-008; 1395-554; 7542

Note: Obtaining a Coolant Sample (Level 1) is optional if the cooling system is filled with Cat ELC (Extended Life Coolant). Cooling systems filled with Cat ELC should have a Coolant Sample (Level 2) that is obtained at the recommended interval as stated in the maintenance interval schedule.

Note: Obtain a Coolant Sample (Level 1) if the cooling system is filled with any other coolant instead of Cat ELC including the following coolants:

- Commercial long life coolants that meet the Caterpillar Engine Coolant Specification -1 (Caterpillar EC-1)
- Cat DEAC (Diesel Engine Antifreeze/Coolant)

- Commercial heavy-duty coolant/antifreeze

Table 22

Recommended Interval		
Type of Coolant	Level 1	Level 2
Cat DEAC	Every 250 service hours	Every year ⁽¹⁾
Conventional heavy duty-coolant		
Commercial coolant that meets the requirements of the Caterpillar EC-1 standard		
Cat ELC or conventional EC-1 coolant	Optional	Every year ⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ The Level 2 Coolant Analysis should be performed sooner if a problem is suspected or identified.

NOTICE

Always use a designated pump for oil sampling, and use a separate designated pump for coolant sampling. Using the same pump for both types of samples may contaminate the samples that are being drawn. This contaminate may cause a false analysis and an incorrect interpretation that could lead to concerns by both dealers and customers.

Note: Level 1 results may indicate a need for Level 2 Analysis.

Obtain the sample of the coolant as close as possible to the recommended sampling interval. In order to receive the full effect of S-O-S analysis, establish a consistent trend of data. In order to establish a pertinent history of data, perform consistent samplings that are evenly spaced. Supplies for collecting samples can be obtained from your Caterpillar dealer.

Use the following guidelines for proper sampling of the coolant:

- Complete the information on the label for the sampling bottle before you begin to take the samples.
- Keep the unused sampling bottles stored in plastic bags.
- Obtain coolant samples directly from the coolant sample port. You should not obtain the samples from any other location.
- Keep the lids on empty sampling bottles until you are ready to collect the sample.

- Place the sample in the mailing tube immediately after obtaining the sample in order to avoid contamination.

- Never collect samples from expansion bottles.

- Never collect samples from the drain for a system.

Submit the sample for Level 1 analysis.

For additional information about coolant analysis, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 2) - Obtain

SMCS Code: 1350-008; 1395-008; 1395-554; 7542

NOTICE

Always use a designated pump for oil sampling, and use a separate designated pump for coolant sampling. Using the same pump for both types of samples may contaminate the samples that are being drawn. This contaminate may cause a false analysis and an incorrect interpretation that could lead to concerns by both dealers and customers.

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Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 1) - Obtain" for the guidelines for proper sampling of the coolant.

Submit the sample for Level 2 analysis.

For additional information about coolant analysis, see Special Publication, SEBU6251, "Caterpillar Commercial Diesel Engines Fluids Recommendations" or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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Cooling System Water Temperature Regulator - Replace

SMCS Code: 1355-510

Replace the water temperature regulator before the water temperature regulator fails. This is a recommended preventive maintenance practice. Replacing the water temperature regulator reduces the chances for unscheduled downtime. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Maintenance Interval Schedule" for the proper maintenance interval.

A water temperature regulator that fails in a partially opened position can cause overheating or overcooling of the engine.

A water temperature regulator that fails in the closed position can cause excessive overheating. Excessive overheating could result in cracking of the cylinder head or piston seizure problems.

A water temperature regulator that fails in the open position will cause the engine operating temperature to be too low during partial load operation. Low engine operating temperatures during partial loads could cause an excessive carbon buildup inside the cylinders. This excessive carbon buildup could result in an accelerated wear of the piston rings and wear of the cylinder liner.

NOTICE

Failure to replace your water temperature regulator on a regularly scheduled basis could cause severe engine damage.

Caterpillar engines incorporate a shunt design cooling system and require operating the engine with a water temperature regulator installed.

If the water temperature regulator is installed incorrectly, the engine may overheat, causing cylinder head damage. Ensure that the new water temperature regulator is installed in the original position. Ensure that the water temperature regulator vent hole is open.

Do not use liquid gasket material on the gasket or cylinder head surface.

Refer to two articles in the Disassembly and Assembly Manual, "Water Temperature Regulators - Remove and Water Temperature Regulators - Install" for the replacement procedure of the water temperature regulator, or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

Note: If only the water temperature regulators are replaced, drain the coolant from the cooling system to a level that is below the water temperature regulator housing.

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Electrical Connections - Check

SMCS Code: 4459-535

DANGER

DANGER: Shock/Electrocution Hazard-Do not operate this equipment or work on this equipment unless you have read and understand the instructions and warnings in the Operation and Maintenance Manual. Failure to follow the instructions or heed the warnings will result in serious injury or death.

Checking the electrical connections is an important part of the maintenance for the generator set. Improper connections may cause the generator set to malfunction.

Check all exposed electrical connections for tightness.

Check the following devices for loose mounting or for physical damage:

- Transformers
- Fuses
- Capacitors
- Lightning arresters

Check the connections for the following components:

- Load cables
- Cables for the generator
- Potential transformers
- Current transformers

Check all lead wires and electrical connections for proper clearance. Inspect all cables for chafing, abrasion and corrosion.

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Engine - Clean

SMCS Code: 1000-070

WARNING

Personal injury or death can result from high voltage.

Moisture could create paths of electrical conductivity.

Make sure the unit is off line (disconnected from utility and/or other generators), locked out and tagged "Do Not Operate".

NOTICE

Accumulated grease and oil on an engine is a fire hazard. Keep the engine clean. Remove debris and fluid spills whenever a significant quantity accumulates on the engine.

NOTICE

Water or condensation can cause damage to generator components. Protect all electrical components from exposure to water.

Periodic cleaning of the engine is recommended. Steam cleaning the engine will remove accumulated oil and grease. A clean engine provides the following benefits:

- Easy detection of fluid leaks
- Maximum heat transfer characteristics
- Ease of maintenance

Note: Caution must be used in order to prevent electrical components from being damaged by excessive water when you clean the engine. Avoid electrical components such as the alternator, the starter, and the ECM.

Engine Air Cleaner Element (Single Element) - Replace

SMCS Code: 1051; 1054-510

WARNING

The high voltage that is produced by an operating generator set can cause severe injury or death. Before performing any maintenance or repairs, ensure that the generator will not start.

Place the engine control switch in the "OFF" position. Attach "DO NOT OPERATE" tags to all starting controls. Disconnect the batteries or disable the starting system. Lock out all switchgear and automatic transfer switches that are associated with the generator.

Perform the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Air Cleaner Service Indicator-Inspect" procedure before performing the following procedure.

NOTICE

Never run the engine without an air cleaner element installed. Never run the engine with a damaged air cleaner element. Do not use air cleaner elements with damaged pleats, gaskets or seals. Dirt entering the engine causes premature wear and damage to engine components. Air cleaner elements help to prevent airborne debris from entering the air inlet.

NOTICE

Never service the air cleaner element with the engine running since this will allow dirt to enter the engine.

Note: This type of air cleaner is only available on open generator sets.

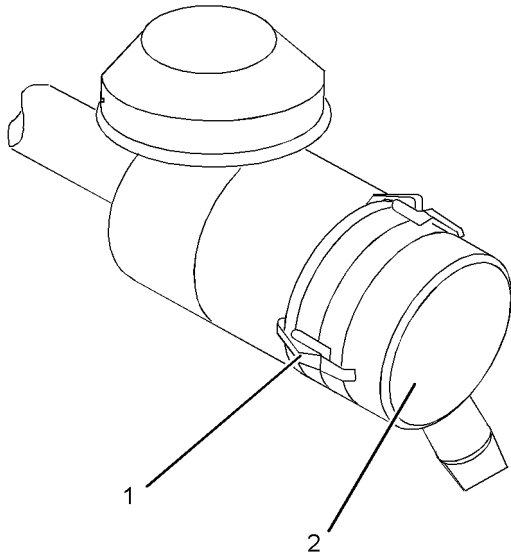


Illustration 71

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1. Unfasten latches (1). Remove cover (2).

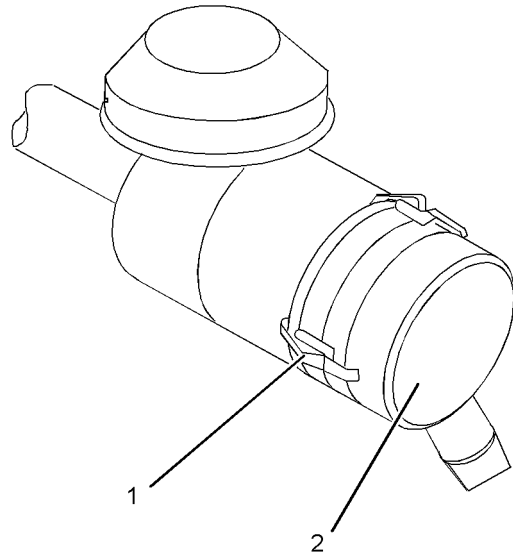


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4. Install cover (2). Fasten latches (1).

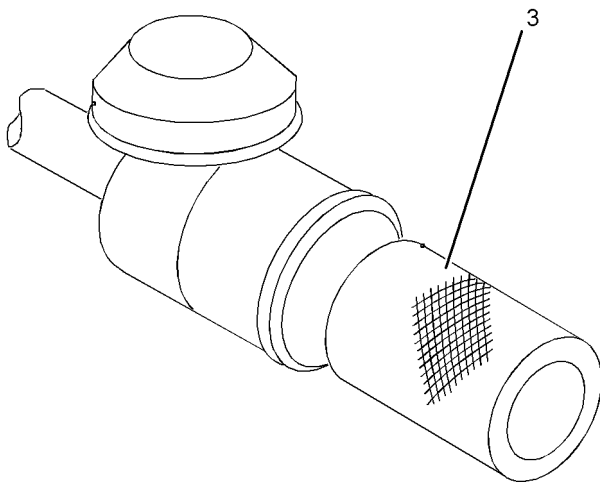


Illustration 72

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2. Remove air cleaner element (3).
3. Inspect the replacement element for the following items: damage, dirt, and debris. Install a clean, undamaged air filter element (3). Make sure that the element is properly seated in the air cleaner housing.

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Engine Air Cleaner Service Indicator - Inspect (If Equipped)

SMCS Code: 7452-040

Some engines may be equipped with a different service indicator.

Some engines are equipped with a differential gauge for inlet air pressure. The differential gauge for inlet air pressure displays the difference in the pressure that is measured before the air cleaner element and the pressure that is measured after the air cleaner element. As the air cleaner element becomes dirty, the pressure differential rises. If your engine is equipped with a different type of service indicator, follow the OEM recommendations in order to service the air cleaner service indicator.

The service indicator may be mounted on the air cleaner housing or in a remote location.

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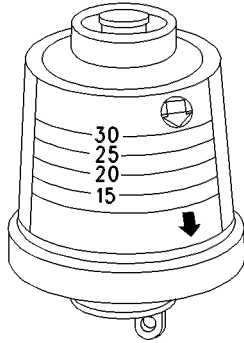


Illustration 74

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Typical service indicator

Observe the service indicator. The air cleaner element should be cleaned or the air cleaner element should be replaced when one of the following conditions occur:

- The yellow diaphragm enters the red zone.
- The red piston locks in the visible position.

Test the Service Indicator

Service indicators are important instruments.

- Check for ease of resetting. The service indicator should reset in less than three pushes.
- Check the movement of the yellow core when the engine is accelerated to the engine rated speed. The yellow core should latch approximately at the greatest vacuum that is attained.

If the service indicator does not reset easily, or if the yellow core does not latch at the greatest vacuum, the service indicator should be replaced. If the new service indicator will not reset, the hole for the service indicator may be plugged.

The service indicator may need to be replaced frequently in environments that are severely dusty, if necessary. Replace the service indicator annually regardless of the operating conditions. Replace the service indicator when the engine is overhauled, and whenever major engine components are replaced.

Note: When a new service indicator is installed, excessive force may crack the top of the service indicator. Tighten the service indicator to a torque of 2 N·m (18 lb in).

Engine Mounts - Inspect

SMCS Code: 1152-040

Inspect the engine mounts for deterioration and for proper bolt torque. Engine vibration can be caused by the following conditions:

- Improper mounting of the engine
- Deterioration of the engine mounts

Any engine mount that shows deterioration should be replaced. Refer to Special Publication, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications" for the recommended torques. Refer to the OEM recommendations for more information.

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Engine Oil Level - Check

SMCS Code: 1348-535-FLV

WARNING

Hot oil and hot components can cause personal injury. Do not allow hot oil or hot components to contact the skin.

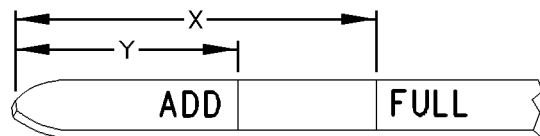


Illustration 75

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(Y) "ADD" mark. (X) "FULL" mark.

NOTICE

Perform this maintenance with the engine stopped.

1. Maintain the oil level between "ADD" mark (Y) and "FULL" mark (X) on oil level gauge (1). Do not fill the crankcase above "FULL" mark (X).

NOTICE

Operating your engine when the oil level is above the "FULL" mark could cause your crankshaft to dip into the oil. The air bubbles created from the crankshaft dipping into the oil reduces the oil's lubricating characteristics and could result in the loss of power.

2. Remove the oil filler cap and add oil, if necessary. Clean the oil filler cap. Install the oil filler cap.

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Engine Oil Sample - Obtain

SMCS Code: 1000-008; 1348-554-SM;
7542-554-OC, SM

In addition to a good preventive maintenance program, Caterpillar recommends using S·O·S oil analysis at regularly scheduled intervals. S·O·S oil analysis provides infrared analysis, which is required for determining nitration and oxidation levels.

Obtain the Sample and the Analysis

WARNING

Hot oil and hot components can cause personal injury. Do not allow hot oil or hot components to contact the skin.

Before you take the oil sample, complete the Label, PEEP5031 for identification of the sample. In order to help obtain the most accurate analysis, provide the following information:

- Engine model
- Service hours on the engine
- The number of hours that have accumulated since the last oil change
- The amount of oil that has been added since the last oil change

To ensure that the sample is representative of the oil in the crankcase, obtain a warm, mixed oil sample.

To avoid contamination of the oil samples, the tools and the supplies that are used for obtaining oil samples must be clean.

Caterpillar recommends using the sampling valve in order to obtain oil samples. The quality and the consistency of the samples are better when the sampling valve is used. The location of the sampling valve allows oil that is flowing under pressure to be obtained during normal engine operation.

The 169-8373 Fluid Sampling Bottle is recommended for use with the sampling valve. The fluid sampling bottle includes the parts that are needed for obtaining oil samples. Instructions are also provided.

NOTICE

Always use a designated pump for oil sampling, and use a separate designated pump for coolant sampling. Using the same pump for both types of samples may contaminate the samples that are being drawn. This contaminate may cause a false analysis and an incorrect interpretation that could lead to concerns by both dealers and customers.

If the engine is not equipped with a sampling valve, use the 1U-5718 Vacuum Pump. The pump is designed to accept sampling bottles. Disposable tubing must be attached to the pump for insertion into the sump.

For instructions, see Special Publication, PEGJ0047, "How To Take A Good S·O·S Oil Sample". Consult your Cat dealer for complete information and assistance in establishing an S·O·S program for your engine.

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Engine Oil and Filter - Change

SMCS Code: 1318-510; 1348-044

WARNING

Hot oil and hot components can cause personal injury. Do not allow hot oil or hot components to contact the skin.

NOTICE

Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

NOTICE

Keep all parts clean from contaminants.

Contaminants may cause rapid wear and shortened component life.

Do not drain the oil when the engine is cold. As the oil cools, suspended waste particles settle on the bottom of the oil pan. The waste particles are not removed with the draining cold oil. Drain the crankcase with the engine stopped. Drain the crankcase with the oil warm. This draining method allows the waste particles that are suspended in the oil to be drained correctly.

Failure to follow this recommended procedure will cause the waste particles to be recirculated through the engine lubrication system with the new oil.

Drain the Engine Oil

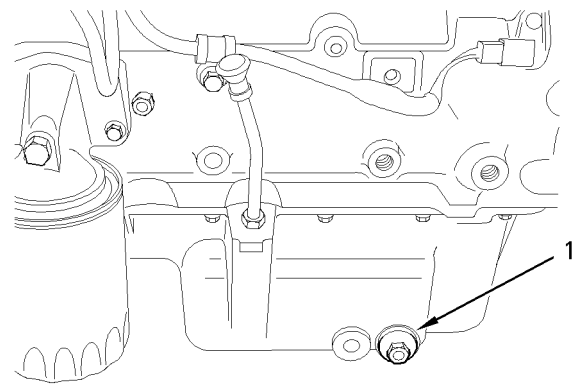


Illustration 76
Oil drain plug

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After the engine has been run at the normal operating temperature, stop the engine. Use one of the following methods to drain the engine crankcase oil:

- If the engine is equipped with a drain valve, turn the drain valve knob counterclockwise in order to drain the oil. After the oil has drained, turn the drain valve knob clockwise in order to close the drain valve.
- If the engine is not equipped with a drain valve, remove the oil drain plug (1) in order to allow the oil to drain. If the engine is equipped with a shallow sump, remove the bottom oil drain plugs from both ends of the oil pan.

After the oil has drained, the oil drain plugs should be cleaned and installed. If necessary, renew the O ring seal on the drain plug.

Some types of oil pans have oil drain plugs that are on both sides of the oil pan, because of the shape of the pan. This type of oil pan requires the engine oil to be drained from both plugs.

Replace the Spin-on Oil Filter

NOTICE

Caterpillar oil filters are built to Caterpillar specifications. Use of an oil filter not recommended by Caterpillar could result in severe engine damage to the engine bearings, crankshaft, etc., as a result of the larger waste particles from unfiltered oil entering the engine lubricating system. Only use oil filters recommended by Caterpillar.

1. Remove the oil filter with a 1U-8760 Chain Wrench.

Note: The following actions can be carried out as part of the preventive maintenance program.

2. Cut the oil filter open with a 175-7546 Oil Filter Cutter Gp. Break apart the pleats and inspect the oil filter for metal debris. An excessive amount of metal debris in the oil filter may indicate early wear or a pending failure.

Use a magnet to differentiate between the ferrous metals and the nonferrous metals that are found in the oil filter element. Ferrous metals may indicate wear on the steel and cast iron parts of the engine.

Nonferrous metals may indicate wear on the aluminum parts, brass parts or bronze parts of the engine. Parts that may be affected include the following items: main bearings, rod bearings, turbocharger bearings, and cylinder heads.

Due to normal wear and friction, it is not uncommon to find small amounts of debris in the oil filter. Consult your Caterpillar dealer in order to arrange for a further analysis if an excessive amount of debris is found in the oil filter.

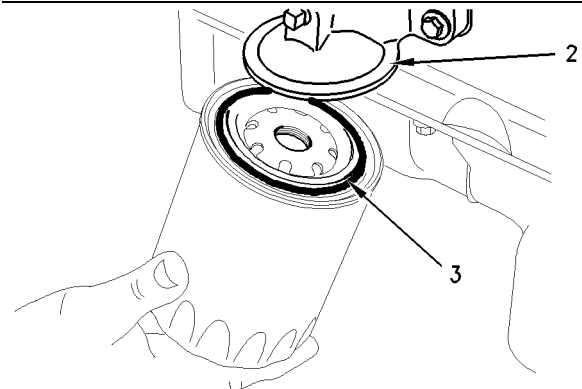


Illustration 77

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- (2) Filter head
- (3) O ring seal

3. Clean the sealing surface of the oil filter head (2). Ensure that the union (not shown) in the oil filter head is secure.

4. Apply clean engine oil to the new oil filter seal (3).

NOTICE

Do not fill the oil filters with oil before installing them. This oil would not be filtered and could be contaminated. Contaminated oil can cause accelerated wear to engine components.

5. Install the oil filter. Tighten the oil filter until the oil filter seal contacts the cylinder block or the oil cooler. Tighten the oil filter by hand according to the instructions that are shown on the oil filter. Do not overtighten the oil filter.

Replace the Element for the Oil Filter

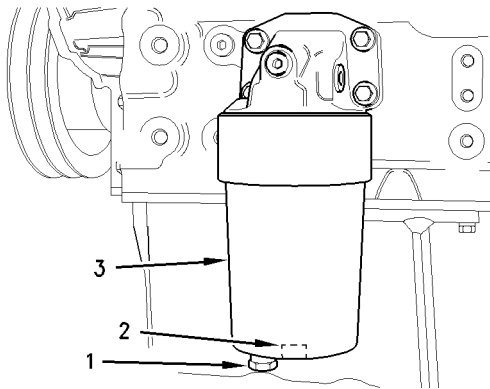


Illustration 78

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- (1) Drain plug
- (2) Square hole
- (3) Filter bowl

1. Place a suitable container under the oil filter. Remove the drain plug (1) and the seal, from the oil filter.
2. Locate a suitable wrench into the square hole (2) in order to remove the filter bowl (3).
3. Remove the filter bowl (3) and remove the element from the filter bowl. Clean the filter bowl.

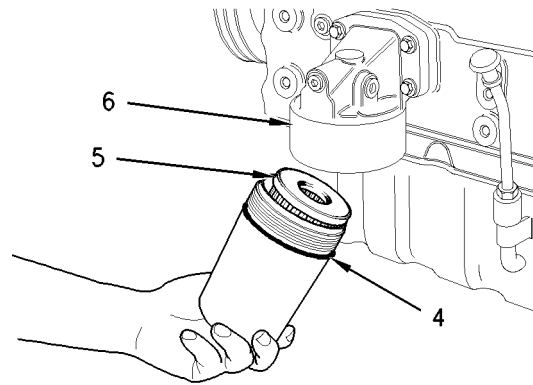


Illustration 79

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- (4) O ring seal
- (5) Element
- (6) Filter head

4. Install a new O ring (4) onto the filter bowl and lubricate the O ring with clean engine oil. Install the filter element (5) into the filter bowl.
5. Install the filter bowl into the oil filter head (6). Tighten the filter bowl to the following torque 25 N·m (18 lb ft).
6. Install a new seal onto the drain plug (1) and install the drain plug into the oil filter. Tighten the drain plug to the following torque 12 N·m (8 lb ft).

Note: Some engines may have a horizontally mounted oil filter. This oil filter has a drain plug that is located in the oil filter head.

Fill the Engine Crankcase

1. Remove the oil filler cap. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual , "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" for more information on lubricant specifications. Fill the crankcase with the correct amount of oil. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual , "Refill Capacities" for more information on refill capacities.

NOTICE

If equipped with an auxiliary oil filter system or a remote oil filter system, follow the OEM or filter manufacturer's recommendations. Under filling or overfilling the crankcase with oil can cause engine damage.

NOTICE

To prevent crankshaft bearing damage, crank the engine with the fuel OFF. This will fill the oil filters before starting the engine. Do not crank the engine for more than 30 seconds.

2. Start the engine and run the engine at "LOW IDLE" for two minutes. Perform this procedure in order to ensure that the lubrication system has oil and that the oil filters are filled. Inspect the oil filter for oil leaks.
3. Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain back to the sump for a minimum of ten minutes.

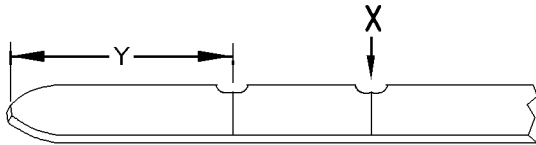


Illustration 80

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(Y) "ADD" mark. (X) "FULL" mark.

4. Remove the oil level gauge in order to check the oil level. Maintain the oil level between the "ADD" and "FULL" marks on the oil level gauge.

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Engine Valve Lash - Inspect/Adjust

SMCS Code: 1102-025

The initial valve lash adjustment on new engines, rebuilt engines, or remanufactured engines is recommended at the first scheduled oil change. The adjustment is necessary due to the initial wear of the valve train components and to the seating of the valve train components.

This maintenance is recommended by Caterpillar as part of a lubrication and preventive maintenance schedule in order to help provide maximum engine life.

NOTICE

Only qualified service personnel should perform this maintenance. Refer to the Systems Operation/Testing and Adjusting Manual, "Valve Lash and Valve Bridge Adjustment" article or consult your Caterpillar dealer for the complete valve lash adjustment procedure.

Operation of Caterpillar engines with improper valve adjustments can reduce engine efficiency. This reduced efficiency could result in excessive fuel usage and/or shortened engine component life.

WARNING

Ensure that the engine cannot be started while this maintenance is being performed. To help prevent possible injury, do not use the starting motor to turn the flywheel.

Hot engine components can cause burns. Allow additional time for the engine to cool before measuring/adjusting valve lash clearance.

Ensure that the engine is stopped before measuring the valve lash. To obtain an accurate measurement, allow the valves to cool before this maintenance is performed.

Refer to the Service Manual for more information.

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Fuel Injection Nozzles - Test/Exchange

SMCS Code: 1254-013; 1254-081

WARNING

Fuel leaked or spilled onto hot surfaces or electrical components can cause a fire.

NOTICE

Do not allow dirt to enter the fuel system. Thoroughly clean the area around a fuel system component that will be disconnected. Fit a suitable cover over disconnected fuel system component.

The fuel injector (1) in illustration81 has no fuel return. The fuel injector (2) has a fuel return.

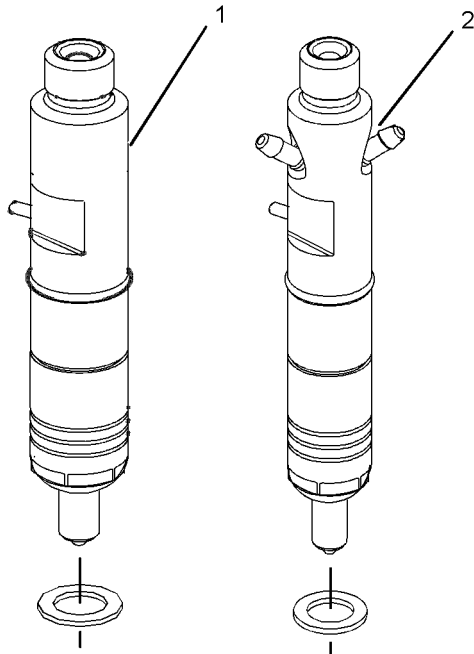


Illustration 81

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Typical fuel injector nozzles

Fuel injection nozzles are subject to tip wear. Tip wear is a result of fuel contamination. Tip wear can cause the following problems:

- The engine will not start or the engine is difficult to start.
- The engine misfires or the engine runs erratically.
- The engine does not have enough power.
- The engine has increased fuel consumption.
- The engine emits black exhaust smoke.
- The engine temperature is excessive.
- The engine knocks or there is vibration in the engine.

Fuel Injection nozzles should be cleaned, inspected, tested, and replaced, if necessary. Do not use a wire brush to clean a fuel injection nozzle. Refer to Special Instruction, SEHS7292 for using the 8S-2245 Injector Cleaning Tool Group. Consult your Caterpillar dealer about cleaning the fuel injection nozzle and testing the fuel injection nozzle.

⚠ WARNING

Work carefully around an engine that is running. Engine parts that are hot, or parts that are moving, can cause personal injury.

⚠ WARNING

Make sure that you wear eye protection at all times during testing. When fuel injection nozzles are tested, test fluids travel through the orifices of the nozzle tip with high pressure. Under this amount of pressure, the test fluid can pierce the skin and cause serious injury to the operator. Always keep the tip of the fuel injection nozzle pointed away from the operator and into the fuel collector and extension.

Each fuel injection nozzle must be isolated one at a time in order to determine the malfunctioning fuel injection nozzle.

1. Start the engine.
2. Loosen each fuel line nut one at a time at the fuel injection pump. A cloth or similar material must be used in order to prevent fuel from spraying on the hot exhaust components. Tighten each nut before loosening the next nut.
3. A faulty fuel injection nozzle may be identified when a fuel line nut is loosened and the following conditions are present:
 - The exhaust smoke is partially eliminated or the exhaust smoke is completely eliminated.
 - Engine performance is not affected.

A fuel injection nozzle that is suspected of being faulty should be removed. A new fuel injection nozzle should be installed in the cylinder in order to determine if the removed fuel injection nozzle is faulty.

Removal and Installation of the Fuel Injection Nozzles

For the removal and the installation of fuel injection nozzles, special tooling is required. Refer to the Service Manual for more information. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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Fuel System - Prime

SMCS Code: 1258-548

S/N: NCC1-Up

S/N: N4D1-Up

S/N: NCD1-Up

S/N: N4E1-Up

S/N: NCE1-Up

If air enters the fuel system, the air must be purged from the fuel system before the engine can be started. Air can enter the fuel system when the following events occur:

- The fuel tank is empty or the fuel tank has been partially drained.
- The low pressure fuel lines are disconnected.
- A leak exists in the low pressure fuel system.
- The fuel filter is replaced.
- A new injection pump is installed.

Use the following procedure in order to remove air from the fuel system:

1. Remove the cover for the fuel injectors. Refer to the Disassembly and Assembly Manual.
2. Turn the key switch to the RUN position. Leave the key switch in the RUN position for three minutes.
3. Turn the key switch to the OFF position.

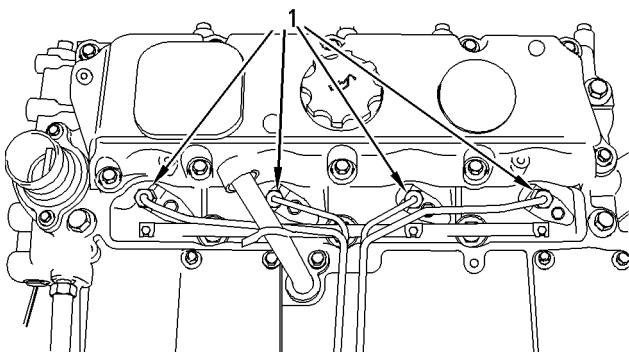


Illustration 82

Injector nuts

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Note: Damage to the fuel injection pump, to the battery, and to the starter motor can occur if the starter motor is used excessively to purge the air from the fuel system.

4. Loosen the flare nuts (1) for the high pressure fuel lines on all of the fuel injectors.

NOTICE

Do not crank the engine continuously for more than 30 seconds. Allow the starting motor to cool for two minutes before cranking the engine again.

5. Observe the connection at the flare nut. Operate the starting motor and crank the engine until the fuel is free of air.
6. Tighten the flare nuts (1) to a torque of 30 N·m (22 lb ft).
7. The engine is now ready to start. Operate the engine at low idle for a minimum of five minutes immediately after air has been removed from the fuel system.

Note: Running the engine for this period of time will help ensure that the pump is completely free of air.

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Fuel System - Prime

SMCS Code: 1258-548

S/N: D4B1-Up

S/N: GLD1-Up

WARNING

Contact with high pressure fuel may cause fluid penetration and burn hazards. High pressure fuel spray may cause a fire hazard. Failure to follow these inspection, maintenance and service instructions may cause personal injury or death.

Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual , “General Hazard Information and High Pressure Fuel Lines” before adjustments and repairs are performed.

Note: Refer to Systems Operation, Testing and Adjusting, “Cleanliness of Fuel System Components” for detailed information on the standards of cleanliness that must be observed during ALL work on the fuel system.

Ensure that all adjustments and repairs are performed by authorized personnel that have had the correct training.

NOTICE

Do not crank the engine continuously for more than 30 seconds. Allow the starting motor to cool for two minutes before cranking the engine again.

If air enters the fuel system, the air must be purged from the fuel system before the engine can be started. Air can enter the fuel system when the following events occur:

- The fuel tank is empty or the fuel tank has been partially drained.
- The low pressure fuel lines are disconnected.
- A leak exists in the low pressure fuel system.
- The fuel filter has been replaced.

Hand Fuel Priming Pump

Use the following procedures in order to remove air from the fuel system:

1. Ensure that the fuel system is in working order. Restore the fuel supply.
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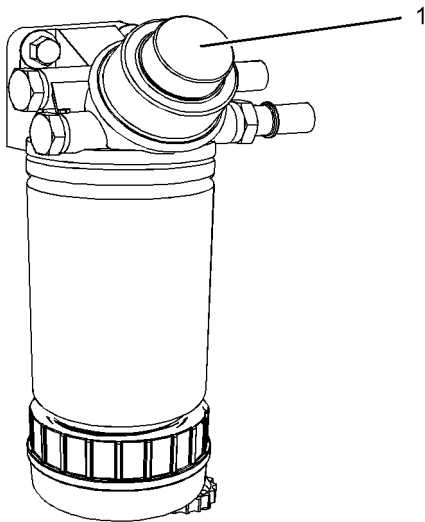


Illustration 83
Typical example

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2. Operate the fuel priming pump (1). Count the number of operations of the fuel priming pump. After 100 depressions of the fuel priming pump stop.
3. The engine fuel system should now be primed and the engine should now be able to start.

Note: Do not loosen the high pressure fuel line in order to purge air from the fuel system. This procedure is not required.

4. Operate the engine starter and crank the engine. After the engine has started, operate the engine at low idle for a minimum of five minutes, immediately after air has been removed from the fuel system.

Note: Operating the engine for this period of time will help ensure that the fuel system is free of air.

After the engine has stopped, you must wait for 60 seconds in order to allow the fuel pressure to be purged from the high pressure fuel lines before any service or repair is performed on the engine fuel lines. If necessary, perform minor adjustments. Repair any leaks from the low pressure fuel system and from the cooling, lubrication or air systems. Replace any high pressure fuel line that has leaked. Refer to Disassembly and Assembly, "Fuel Injection Lines - Install".

If you inspect the engine in operation, always use the proper inspection procedure in order to avoid a fluid penetration hazard. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "General hazard Information".

Electric Fuel Priming Pump

1. Ensure that the fuel system is in working order. Restore the fuel supply.
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NOTICE

The electric fuel priming pump will operate for 90 seconds. If necessary the electric fuel priming pump can be stopped during the 90 seconds of operation, by operation of the switch.

2. Turn the keyswitch to the "RUN" position. Operate the switch for the electric priming pump. After 100 seconds of the electric fuel priming pump operation the fuel system will be primed and the electric fuel priming pump will turn off.
3. The engine should now be able to start.

Note: Do not loosen the high pressure fuel line in order to purge air from the fuel system. This procedure is not required.

4. Operate the engine starter and crank the engine. After the engine has started, operate the engine at low idle for a minimum of five minutes, immediately after air has been removed from the fuel system.

Note: Operating the engine for this period of time will help ensure that the fuel system is free of air.

After the engine has stopped, you must wait for 60 seconds in order to allow the fuel pressure to be purged from the high pressure fuel lines before any service or repair is performed on the engine fuel lines. If necessary, perform minor adjustments. Repair any leaks from the low pressure fuel system and from the cooling, lubrication or air systems. Replace any high pressure fuel line that has leaked. Refer to Disassembly and Assembly, "Fuel Injection Lines - Install".

If you inspect the engine in operation, always use the proper inspection procedure in order to avoid a fluid penetration hazard. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "General hazard Information".

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Fuel System Primary Filter (Water Separator) Element - Replace

SMCS Code: 1260-510-FQ; 1263-510-FQ

WARNING

Fuel leaked or spilled onto hot surfaces or electrical components can cause a fire. To help prevent possible injury, turn the start switch off when changing fuel filters or water separator elements. Clean up fuel spills immediately.

Note: Refer to Testing and Adjusting Manual, "Cleanliness of Fuel System Components" for detailed information on the standards of cleanliness that must be observed during ALL work on the fuel system.

NOTICE

Ensure that the engine is stopped before any servicing or repair is performed.

If your engine is equipped with high pressure fuel lines you must wait for 60 seconds after the engine has stopped, in order to allow the fuel pressure to be purged from the high pressure fuel lines before any service or repair is performed on the engine fuel lines. If necessary, perform minor adjustments. Repair any leaks from the low pressure fuel system and from the cooling, lubrication or air systems. Replace any high pressure fuel line that has leaked. Refer to Disassembly and assembly Manual, "Fuel Injection Lines - Install".

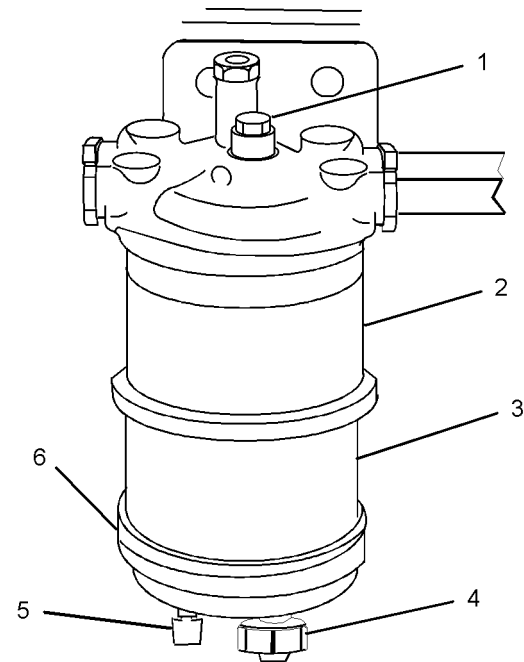


Illustration 84

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- (1) Screw
- (2) Element
- (3) Glass bowl
- (4) Sensor connection
- (5) Drain
- (6) Bottom cover

1. Turn the fuel supply valve (if equipped) to the OFF position.
2. Place a suitable container under the water separator. Clean the outside of the water separator.
3. Open the drain (5). Allow the fluid to drain into the container.
4. Tighten the drain (5) by hand pressure only.
5. Hold the element (2) and remove the screw (1). Remove the element and the glass bowl (3) from the base. Discard the old element.
6. Clean the glass bowl (4). Clean the bottom cover (6).
7. Install the new O ring seal. Install the bottom cover onto the new element. Install the assembly onto the base.
8. Install the screw (1) and tighten the screw to a torque of 8 N·m (6 lb ft).

9. Remove the container and dispose of the fuel safely.
10. Open the fuel supply valve.
11. Prime the fuel system. Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System - Prime" for more information.

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Fuel System Primary Filter/Water Separator - Drain

SMCS Code: 1260-543; 1263-543

WARNING

Fuel leaked or spilled onto hot surfaces or electrical components can cause a fire. To help prevent possible injury, turn the start switch off when changing fuel filters or water separator elements. Clean up fuel spills immediately.

NOTICE

The water separator is not a filter. The water separator separates water from the fuel. The engine should never be allowed to run with the water separator more than half full. Engine damage may result.

NOTICE

The water separator is under suction during normal engine operation. Ensure that the drain valve is tightened securely to help prevent air from entering the fuel system.

If your engine is equipped with high pressure fuel lines you must wait for 60 seconds after the engine has stopped, in order to allow the fuel pressure to be purged from the high pressure fuel lines before any service or repair is performed on the engine fuel lines. If necessary, perform minor adjustments. Repair any leaks from the low pressure fuel system and from the cooling, lubrication or air systems. Replace any high pressure fuel line that has leaked. Refer to Disassembly and assembly Manual, "Fuel Injection Lines - Install".

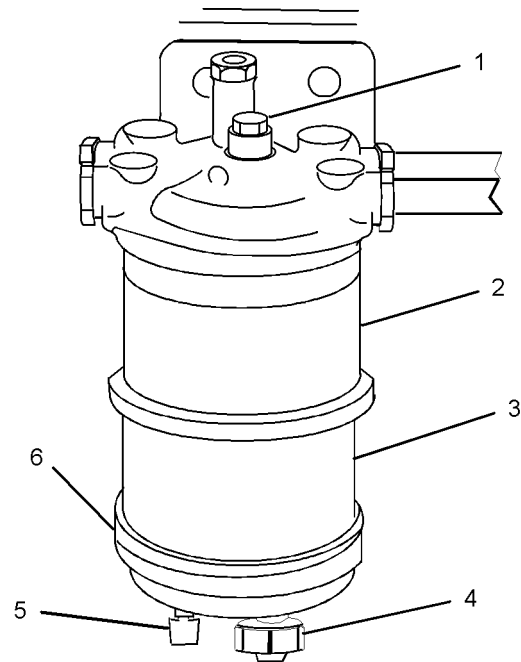


Illustration 85

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- (1) Screw
- (2) Element
- (3) Glass bowl
- (4) Sensor connection
- (5) Drain
- (6) Bottom cover

1. Place a suitable container below the water separator.
2. Open the drain (5). Allow the fluid to drain into the container.
3. When clean fuel drains from the water separator close the drain (5). Tighten the drain by hand pressure only. Dispose of the drained fluid correctly.

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Fuel System Secondary Filter - Replace

SMCS Code: 1261-510-SE

WARNING

Fuel leaked or spilled onto hot surfaces or electrical components can cause a fire. To help prevent possible injury, turn the start switch off when changing fuel filters or water separator elements. Clean up fuel spills immediately.

NOTICE

Do not allow dirt to enter the fuel system. Thoroughly clean the area around a fuel system component that will be disconnected. Fit a suitable cover over disconnected fuel system component.

If your engine is equipped with high pressure fuel lines you must wait for 60 seconds after the engine has stopped, in order to allow the fuel pressure to be purged from the high pressure fuel lines before any service or repair is performed on the engine fuel lines. If necessary, perform minor adjustments. Repair any leaks from the low pressure fuel system and from the cooling, lubrication or air systems. Replace any high pressure fuel line that has leaked. Refer to Disassembly and assembly Manual, "Fuel Injection Lines - Install".

Element filter

Turn the valves for the fuel lines (if equipped) to the OFF position before performing this maintenance. Place a tray under the fuel filter in order to catch any fuel that might spill. Clean up any spilled fuel immediately.

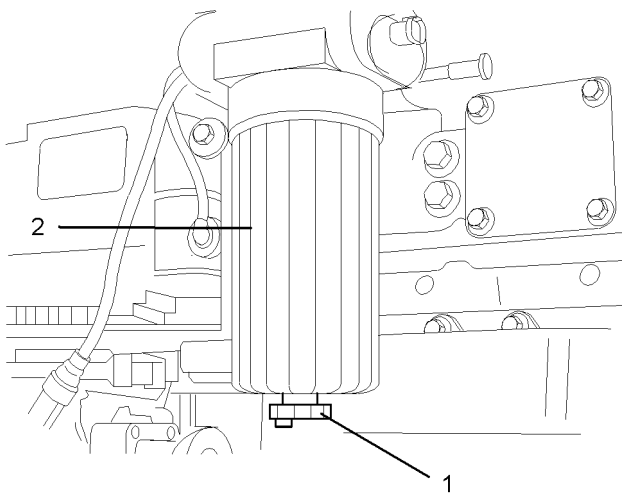


Illustration 86

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- (1) Drain
(2) Filter bowl

1. Close the valves for the fuel lines (if equipped).
2. Clean the outside of the fuel filter assembly. Open the fuel drain (1) and drain the fuel into a suitable container.

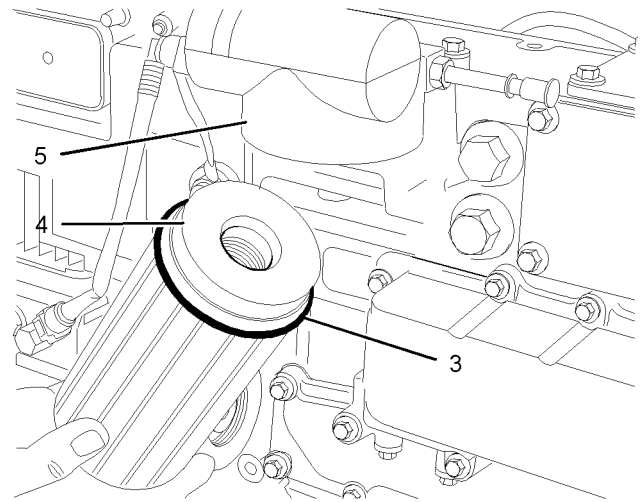


Illustration 87

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- (3) O ring seal
(4) Element
(5) Filter head

3. Remove the filter bowl (2) from the filter head (5). Press on the element (4). Rotate the element counterclockwise in order to release the element for the filter bowl and remove the element from the bowl. Discard the used element.
4. Remove the O ring (3) from the filter bowl and clean the filter bowl. Check that the threads of the filter bowl are not damaged.
5. Install a new O ring seal (3) to the filter bowl (2).
6. Locate a new filter element (4) into the filter bowl. Press on the element and rotate the element clockwise in order to lock the element into the filter bowl.
7. Install the filter bowl (4) into the top of the filter head (5).
8. Tighten the filter bowl by hand until the filter bowl contacts the filter head. Rotate the filter bowl through 90 degrees.

Note: Do not use a tool to tighten the filter bowl.

9. Open the valves for the fuel lines (if equipped).

Spin-on filter

Turn the valves for the fuel lines (if equipped) to the OFF position before performing this maintenance. Place a tray under the fuel filter in order to catch any fuel that might spill. Clean up any spilled fuel immediately.

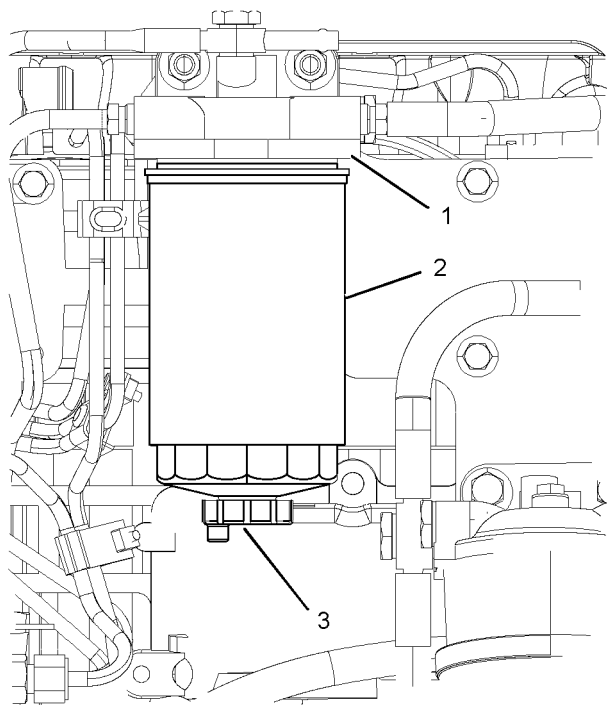


Illustration 88

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- (1) Spin-on filter
- (2) Drain

1. Clean the outside of the fuel filter assembly. Open the fuel drain (3) and drain the fuel into a suitable container.
2. Use a suitable tool in order to remove the spin-on filter (2) from the filter head (1).
3. Ensure that the fuel drain (3) on the new spin-on filter is closed.

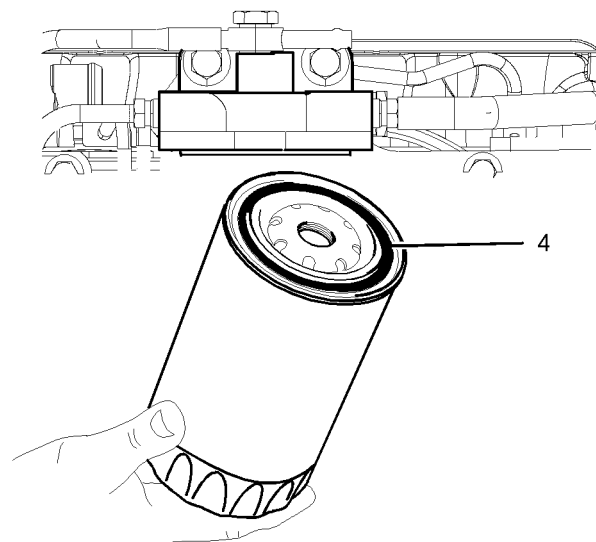


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4. Lubricate the sealing ring (4) with clean fuel oil.
5. Install the spin-on filter (2) into the top of the filter head (1).
6. Tighten the spin-on filter by hand until the sealing ring contacts the filter head. Rotate the spin-on filter through 90 degrees.
7. Prime the fuel system. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System - Prime".

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Fuel Tank Water and Sediment - Drain

SMCS Code: 1273-543-M&S

NOTICE

Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting, and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, "Cat Dealer Service Tool Catalog" or refer to Special Publication, PECJ0003, "Cat Shop Supplies and Tools Catalog" for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Cat products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

Fuel Tank

Fuel quality is critical to the performance and to the service life of the engine. Water in the fuel can cause excessive wear to the fuel system. Condensation occurs during the heating and cooling of fuel. The condensation occurs as the fuel passes through the fuel system and the fuel returns to the fuel tank. This causes water to accumulate in fuel tanks. Draining the fuel tank regularly and obtaining fuel from reliable sources can help to eliminate water in the fuel.

Drain the Water and the Sediment

Fuel tanks should contain some provision for draining water and draining sediment from the bottom of the fuel tanks.

Open the drain valve on the bottom of the fuel tank in order to drain the water and the sediment. Close the drain valve.

Note: Failure to properly close the drain can allow air into the system, which could have detrimental results to performance.

Check the fuel daily. Drain the water and sediment from the fuel tank after operating the engine or drain the water and sediment from the fuel tank after the fuel tank has been filled. Allow five to ten minutes before performing this procedure.

Fill the fuel tank after operating the engine in order to drive out moist air. This will help prevent condensation. Do not fill the tank to the top. The fuel expands as the fuel gets warm. The tank may overflow.

Some fuel tanks use supply pipes that allow water and sediment to settle below the end of the fuel supply pipe. Some fuel tanks use supply lines that take fuel directly from the bottom of the tank. If the engine is equipped with this system, regular maintenance of the fuel system filter is important.

Fuel Storage Tanks

Drain the water and the sediment from the fuel storage tank during the following conditions:

- Weekly
- Oil change
- Refill of the tank

This will help prevent water or sediment from being pumped from the storage tank into the engine fuel tank. A four micron(c) absolute filter for the breather vent on the fuel tank is also recommended.

If a bulk storage tank has been refilled or moved recently, allow adequate time for the sediment to settle before filling the engine fuel tank. Internal baffles in the bulk storage tank will also help trap sediment. Filtering fuel that is pumped from the storage tank helps to ensure the quality of the fuel. When possible, water separators should be used.

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Generator - Dry

SMCS Code: 4450-569

NOTICE

Do not operate the generator if the windings are wet. If the generator is operated when the windings are wet, damage can occur due to insulation breakdown.

When moisture is present or when moisture is suspected in a generator, the generator must be dried before being energized.

If the drying procedure does not restore the insulation resistance to an acceptable value, the winding should be reconditioned.

Note: For additional information, refer to Special Instruction, SEHS9124 .

Drying Methods

The following methods can be used for drying a generator:

- Self-circulating air method
- Oven method

NOTICE

Do not allow the winding temperature to exceed 85 °C (185.0 °F). Temperatures that are greater than 85 °C (185.0 °F) will damage the winding insulation.

Self-Circulating Air Method

Note: Disable the excitation before using this method.

Run the engine and disconnect the generator load. This will help circulate air. Operate the generator space heaters.

Oven Method

Place the entire generator inside a forced air drying oven for four hours at 65 °C (149 °F).

NOTICE

Use a forced air type oven rather than a radiant type oven.

Radiant type ovens can cause localized overheating.

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Generator - Inspect

SMCS Code: 4450-040

WARNING

Personal injury or death can result from improper troubleshooting and repair procedures.

The following troubleshooting and repair procedures should only be performed by qualified personnel familiar with this equipment.

WARNING

The high voltage that is produced by an operating generator set can cause severe injury or death. Before performing any maintenance or repairs, ensure that the generator will not start.

Place the engine control switch in the "OFF" position. Attach "DO NOT OPERATE" tags to all starting controls. Disconnect the batteries or disable the starting system. Lock out all switchgear and automatic transfer switches that are associated with the generator.

Refer to Safety Section, "Generator Isolating for Maintenance" for information regarding the procedure to safely isolate the generator.

Proper maintenance of electrical equipment requires periodic visual examination of the generator and periodic visual examination of the windings. Proper maintenance of electrical equipment also requires appropriate electrical checks and appropriate thermal checks. Insulation material should be examined for cracks. The insulation material should be examined for accumulations of dirt and dust. If there is an insulation resistance value that is below normal, a conductive path may be present. This conductive path may be made of one of the following materials:

- Carbon
- Salt
- Metal dust

- Dirt that is saturated with moisture

These contaminants will develop a conductive path which may produce shorts. Cleaning is advisable if heavy accumulations of dirt can be seen or if heavy accumulations of dust can be seen. If excess dirt is the cause of a restriction in the ventilation, cleaning is also advisable. Restricted ventilation will cause excessive heating.

NOTICE

To avoid the possibility of deterioration to the generator windings, do not clean the generator unless there is visual, electrical, or thermal evidence that dirt is present.

If harmful dirt accumulations are present, a variety of cleaning techniques are available. The cleaning procedure that is used may be determined by one of the items on the following list:

- The extent of the cleaning procedure that is being attempted
- The type of enclosure of the generator
- The voltage rating of the generator
- The type of dirt that is being removed

Cleaning (Assembled Generators)

NOTICE

Do not use water to clean the generator.

NOTICE

Do not use trichloroethane, perchlorethylene, trichloroethane or any alkaline products to clean the generator.

Cleaning may be required at the point of installation. At this point, complete disassembly of the generator may not be necessary or feasible. In this case, a vacuum cleaner should be used to pick up the following items: dry dirt, dust, and carbon. This will prevent the spreading of these contaminants.

A small nonconductive tube may need to be connected to the vacuum cleaner. This will allow the vacuum cleaner to clean the surfaces that are not exposed. After most of the dust has been removed, a small brush may be attached to the vacuum hose in order to loosen dirt that is more firmly attached to the surface.

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After the initial cleaning with a vacuum, compressed air may be used to remove the remaining dust and dirt. Compressed air that is used for cleaning should be free of moisture and free of oil. Air pressure should be a maximum of 210 kPa (30 psi) in order to prevent mechanical damage to the insulation. If the above cleaning procedures are not effective, consult a Caterpillar dealer.

Cleaning (Disassembled Generators)

NOTICE

Do not use water to clean the generator.

NOTICE

Do not use trichloroethane, perchlorethylene, trichloroethane or any alkaline products to clean the generator.

An initial insulation resistance check should be made on the generator in order to confirm electrical integrity. A minimum reading of one megohm would be expected with severely contaminated generators. A zero megohm reading may indicate an insulation breakdown. An insulation breakdown requires more than cleaning. An insulation breakdown requires repair.

Use the following for cleaning the stator, the rotor, the exciter and the diode bridge:

- Unleaded Gasoline
- Toluene
- Benzene
- Ciclohexare

Avoid permitting the solvent to run into the slots. Apply the solvent with a brush. Use a sponge on the windings frequently in order to remove the debris. Dry the winding with a dry cloth. Allow the solvent to evaporate before reassembling the generator.

Allow the generator to dry at room temperature. Check the insulation resistance. The insulation resistance should now be normal. If the insulation resistance is not normal, repeat the procedure.

Note: For more information on drying methods, refer to Special Instructions, SEHS9124, "Cleaning and Drying of Electric Set Generators".

Generator Bearing - Inspect/Replace (SR4 Generator)

SMCS Code: 4471-040; 4471-510

The following maintenance procedure for generator bearings should be followed at every major engine overhaul:

Inspect

1. Remove the bearing bracket. Inspect the following items: bracket bore, bearing outer race, and rolling elements. On standby power units, the bearing must be inspected and the grease must be replaced at three year intervals. The sleeve in the bearing bracket should be inspected for out of roundness, excessive wear, and a bracket step that is less than 0.0762 mm (0.0030 inch). If there is no sleeve in the bearing bracket, inspect the bore of the bearing bracket. The bearing should be inspected for damage to the outer race, severe fretting, and smoothness of operation. When possible, the bearing elements should be inspected. Some double shielded ball bearings prevent visual inspection of the elements of the bearing. Other double shielded ball bearings have a retaining ring. This retaining ring can be removed in order to allow access for a visual inspection of the elements of the bearing.

On two-bearing generators, the front bearing can only be removed after the drive coupling is removed. Refer to the Systems Operation Testing and Adjusting Disassembly and Assembly, "Coupling - Remove" for the generator for instructions for removing the drive coupling.

Replace

1. All ball bearings should be cleaned. The cavity in the bracket should be repacked with 2S-3230 Grease. Pack the ball bearings (one-third to one-half of the volume of the cavity).
2. Use an induction heater to heat the ball bearings to 107 °C (224.6 °F) for ten minutes in order to install either of the following bearings: ball bearings that are new and ball bearings that have been inspected. Mount the bearings on the shaft. To reinstall the hub, heat the hub to 400 °C (752.0 °F) for three hours. Mount the hub to the shaft.
3. Ensure that the tube of the grease gun is filled with grease.

4. Remove the bracket drain plug and operate the generator for one hour. This will allow the grease to expand. The expanding grease will force the excess grease from the cavity. When the excess grease is forced from the cavity, the internal pressure will be reduced. The generator should continue to operate until the grease stops purging.
5. Stop the engine. Install the bracket drain plug. Wipe off the excess grease.
6. For greasing intervals, follow the recommendations on the lubrication plate (if equipped) or refer to Maintenance Schedule, "Generator Bearing - Lubricate". Whenever the bearings are greased, repeat Step 1. DO NOT MIX GREASES.

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Generator Bearing - Lubricate

SMCS Code: 4471-086

Procedure for Bearing Service

Perform periodic bearing lubrication at the intervals that are shown in Table 23. Use the following instructions as the suggested procedure in order to service the bearings of the generator.

Note: If the generator already has a visible grease point, go to Step 4.

1. Stop the generator set. Remove the required external cover plates, grills, and louvers of the generator in order to access the bearings.
2. Remove the top grease pipe plug and the lower grease pipe plug. If no grease pipes can be found, then locate the insert for the grease pipe. The insert is located on the bearing brackets. Remove the inserts. Install the grease pipes.
3. Install a grease fitting in the top grease pipe.
4. Use a Cat® 8F-9866 Grease Gun or equivalent grease gun to grease the bearings. Use the appropriate type of grease and the quantity that is listed in Table 23. Avoid the use of alternate types of grease. Usage of alternate types of grease could cause premature bearing failure.

Note: Add only the amount of grease listed in Table 23. Do not continue to add grease until purging is observed. Purging of grease will not always be observed.

5. If grease fittings are permanently installed, ensure that the protective caps for the grease fittings are installed on the fittings when finished. If a grease fitting was installed in Step 2, remove the top grease fitting and install the plug that was removed. If applicable, do not install the plug on the bottom grease location yet. Wipe off the excess grease.

Note: Do not allow grease to drip on the stator windings of the generator. The stator windings that are exposed to grease could suffer degraded insulation. The degraded insulation would cause a reduction in the life of the windings.

6. Operate the generator set at rated speed for approximately 1 hour. When running the engine more than 30 minutes, the recommended engine load to apply is a minimum of 50%. The procedure will allow the grease to expand. The expanding grease will force the excess grease from the cavity. The internal pressure will be reduced as the excess grease is forced from the cavity. Operate the generator until no grease is forced out of the cavity.

7. Stop the generator set. Inspect the generator windings, grease tubes, and bearing housings. Wipe off any excess grease. If a grease pipe plug was removed in Step 2, install the plug in the bottom grease pipe. Wipe off any excess grease.

Note: Do not allow grease to drip on the stator windings of the generator. The stator windings that are exposed to grease could suffer degraded insulation. The degraded insulation would cause a reduction in the life of the windings.

8. Install all of the external cover plates, grills, and louvers of the generator that were removed in order to access the bearings.

Table 23

Bearing Part Number	Bearing Type	Frame Size	Temperature Maximum ⁽¹⁾	Grease Part Number	Interval	Weight	Volume	Shaft Diameter
5P-2448 Ball Bearing	315 BC 160 mm (6.3 inch) OD 75 mm (3 inch) ID	580 590	85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	75 mm (3 inch)
6Y-3955 Ball Bearing	220 BC 180 mm (7.1 inch) OD 100 mm (3.9 inch) ID	450	85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	100 mm (3.9 inch)
6Y-6488 Ball Bearing	318 BC 190 mm (7.5 inch) OD 90 mm (3.5 inch)	597	85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	90 mm (3.5 inch)
108-1760 Ball Bearing	321 BC 225 mm (8.9 inch) OD 105 mm (4.1 inch) ID	680	85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	105 mm (4.1 inch)
108-1761 Ball Bearing	322 BC 240 mm (9.4 inch) OD 110 mm (4.3 inch) ID	690 800	85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	110 mm (4.3 inch)
109-7687 Ball Bearing	316 BC 170 mm (6.7 inch) OD 80 mm (3.15 inch) ID	580	85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	80 mm (3.15 inch)
139-0349 Roller Bearing	Roller	2900 2800	85° C (185° F)	108-8611	Every 250 service hours	2.8 g (0.1 oz)	N/A	127 mm (5 inch)
139-0350 Roller Bearing	Roller	2900 2800	85° C (185° F)	108-8611	Every 250 service hours	2.8 g (0.1 oz)	N/A	127 mm (5 inch)
154-3032 Ball Bearing	326 BC 280 mm (11 inch) OD 130 mm (5.1 inch) ID	820 1800 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 2600 ⁽³⁾ 2700 ⁽³⁾	85° C (185° F) 95° C (203° F) 85° C (185° F) 85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	130 mm (5.1 inch)

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Bearing Part Number	Bearing Type	Frame Size	Temperature Maximum ⁽¹⁾	Grease Part Number	Interval	Weight	Volume	Shaft Diameter
193-4070 Ball Bearing	018 BC 140 mm (5.5 inch) OD 90 mm (3.5 inch) ID	498 499	85° C (185° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2000 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	90 mm (3.5 inch)
241-4644 Bearing	320 BC 215 mm (8.5 inch) OD 100 mm (3.9 inch) ID	LC7	95° C (203° F)	UNIREX N3	Every 4500 service hours or 12 months	60 g (2.1 oz)	N/A	100 mm (3.9 inch)
243-5220 Bearing	315 BB 160 mm (6.3 inch) OD 75 mm (3.0 inch) ID	LC6100 LC5000	95° C (203° F)	UNIREX N3	Sealed ⁽⁴⁾	Sealed	Sealed	75 mm (3.0 inch)
253-9789 Bearing	320 BC 215 mm (8.5 inch) OD 100 mm (3.9 inch) ID	1400	85° C (185° F)	UNIREX N3	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	N/A	N/A	100 mm (3.9 inch)
253-9792 Bearing	226BC 230 mm (9.05 inch) OD 130 mm (5.12 inch) ID	1400	95° C (203° F)	EA6	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	140 mm (5.5 inch)
261-3545 Bearing	307 BB 80 mm (3.1 inch) OD 35 mm (1.4 inch) ID	LC2000	95° C (203° F)	UNIREX N3	Sealed ⁽⁴⁾	Sealed	Sealed	35 mm (1.4 inch)
262-5921 Bearing	307 BC 80 mm (3.1 inch) OD 35 mm (1.4 inch) ID	LC2000	95° C (203° F)	UNIREX N3	Sealed ⁽⁴⁾	Sealed	Sealed	35 mm (1.4 inch)
263-0161 Bearing	309 BC 100 mm (3.9 inch) OD 45 mm (1.8 inch) ID	LC3000	95° C (203° F)	UNIREX N3	Sealed ⁽⁴⁾	Sealed	Sealed	45 mm (1.8 inch)

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Bearing Part Number	Bearing Type	Frame Size	Temperature Maximum ⁽¹⁾	Grease Part Number	Interval	Weight	Volume	Shaft Diameter
281-3091 Ball Bearing	328 BC 300 mm (11.8 inch)OD 140 mm (5.5 inch) ID	3010 ⁽²⁾ 3020 ⁽²⁾ 3042 ⁽²⁾ 3044 ⁽²⁾ 3045 ⁽²⁾	95° C (203° F)	EA6	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	140 mm (5.5 inch)
311-0843 Ball Bearing	326 BC 280 mm (11 inch) OD 130 mm (5.1 inch) ID	1800 ⁽²⁾	95° C (203° F)	EA6	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	N/A	N/A	130 mm (5.1 inch)
311-0844 Ball Bearing	322 BC 240 mm (9.4 inch) OD 110 mm (4.3 inch) ID	1600	95° C (203° F)	EA6	Grease cannot be added to this bearing.	N/A	N/A	110 mm (4.3 inch)
341-7383 Ball Bearing	330 BC 320 mm (12.6 inch) OD 150 mm (5.9 inch) ID	3055 ⁽⁵⁾ 3066 ⁽⁵⁾ 3068 ⁽⁵⁾	95° C (203° F)	Exxon Polyrex EMBase material is Polyurea.	Every 1800 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	14.9 mL (0.5 oz)	150 mm (5.9 inch)
375-3715 Ball Bearing	328 BC 300 mm (11.8 inch) OD 140 mm (5.5 inch) ID	3010 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 3020 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 3042 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 3044 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 3045 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	95° C (203° F)	2S-3230 Bearing Lubricant	Every 2400 service hours or 12 months	51.2 g (1.8 oz)	59 mL (2 oz)	140 mm (5.5 inch)

⁽¹⁾ Indicates the alarm temperature set point that the bearing should be continuously operated at on the specified generator frame size. Shutdown set points are typically 10° C (18° F) higher.

⁽²⁾ 1800 frame generators and 3000 frame generators shipped before 2012 use double-shielded bearings with EA6 grease. There are no threaded holes in the bearing brackets for the grease tubes that are used to add grease. Therefore, no grease can be added to the bearings. Beginning in 2012, 1800 frame generators and 3000 frame generators that are shipped will use a single-shielded bearing with 2S-3230 grease. The front and rear brackets contain factory installed grease fittings, therefore, single-shielded bearings must be lubricated periodically. Reference the Parts Manual with package serial number to identify the bearing part number and to determine bearing lubrication requirements.

⁽³⁾ All 2700 and 2600 frame generators, regardless of ship date, as well as 1800 and 3000 frame generators shipped beginning in 2012, use a single-shielded bearing design. Replacement bearings received from the Parts Division will have a shield on each side of the bearing. The shield facing the outside of the generator must be removed when the new bearing is installed.

⁽⁴⁾ Grease cannot be added to this bearing. Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Generator Bearing - Replace" article for information concerning the replacement of these bearings.

⁽⁵⁾ The generator uses a non-shielded bearing design. Although replacement bearings may have a shield on each side, both shields must be removed when the new bearing is installed. Replacement bearings are shipped as dry bearings and must be packed to 50% grease fill at time of installation.

Bearing Replacement

Replace any bearing wear sleeves and lip seals when the bearings are replaced.

Refer to the appropriate publication for each specific generator for bearing replacement procedures.

Replace both bearings of a two-bearing generator.

Except for the 341 - 7383 Ball Bearing, replacement bearings are pre-lubricated. The pre-lubricated bearings do not require additional grease at time of replacement. The 341 - 7383 Ball Bearing is shipped as a dry bearing. The 341 - 7383 Ball Bearing must be packed to 50% grease fill at time of installation.

Old grease must be removed at the time of bearing replacement from the bearing bracket cavity. After the bearing bracket cavity is cleaned, the bearing bracket cavity must be packed with new grease from one-third to one-half full.

Note: Generator set alignment is required after the bearings are replaced.

Additional Information

Refer to Special Instruction, REHS4892, "Generator Bearing Service" for further information.

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Generator Bearing Temperature - Test/Record

SMCS Code: 4471-081-TA

The monitoring of bearing temperature may prevent premature bearing failure. A generator set should never operate above the recommended set points. Keep records in order to monitor the changes in the temperature of the bearing.

Note: Measure the bearing temperature after the generator reaches normal operating temperature.

Resistive Temperature Detectors (RTDs)

Caterpillar Generators may be equipped with resistance temperature detectors for generator bearings. These detectors are 100 ohm resistance temperature detectors. A resistance temperature detector may be monitored by the optional monitor for the EMCP 3.2/3.3 resistance temperature detector. A resistance temperature detector may be monitored by equipment that is provided by the customer. Consult with your Caterpillar dealer about other methods of measuring the bearing temperature.

The EMCP 3.2/3.3 may be configured to "ALARM" or the EMCP 3.2/3.3 may be configured to "SHUTDOWN". An alarm is activated if the temperature of the bearing reaches 85 °C (185 °F). A shutdown occurs if the temperature of the bearing reaches 95 °C (203 °F).

Infrared Thermometers

Bearing temperatures can also be recorded with the use of an infrared thermometer. Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, "Caterpillar Dealer Service Tools Catalog" for a variety of infrared thermometers. Follow the instructions that come with your infrared thermometer.

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Generator Load - Check

SMCS Code: 4450-535-LA

WARNING

Personal injury or death can result from high voltage.

When power generation equipment must be in operation to make tests and/or adjustments, high voltage and current are present.

Improper test equipment can fail and present a high voltage shock hazard to its user.

Make sure the testing equipment is designed for and correctly operated for high voltage and current tests being made.

During normal operation, monitor the power factor and monitor generator loading.

When a three-phase generator is installed or when a three-phase generator is reconnected, ensure that the total current in any one phase does not exceed the nameplate rating. Each phase should carry the same load. This allows the three-phase generator to work at the rated capacity. If one phase current exceeds the nameplate amperage, an electrical imbalance will occur. An electrical imbalance can result in an electrical overload and an electrical imbalance can result in overheating on three-phase generators. This is not applicable to single-phase generators.

The power factor can be referred to as the efficiency of the load. This can be expressed as the ratio of kVA to actual kW. The power factor can be calculated by dividing kW by kVA. Power factor is expressed as a decimal. Power factor is used to mean the portion of current that is supplied to a system that is doing useful work. The portion of the current that is not doing useful work is absorbed in maintaining the magnetic field in motors. This current (reactive load) can be maintained without engine power.

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Generator Set - Test

SMCS Code: 4450-081

S/N: NCC1-Up

WARNING

Personal injury or death can result from high voltage.

When power generation equipment must be in operation to make tests and/or adjustments, high voltage and current are present.

Improper test equipment can fail and present a high voltage shock hazard to its user.

Make sure the testing equipment is designed for and correctly operated for high voltage and current tests being made.

When servicing or repairing electric power generation equipment:

- Make sure the unit is off-line (disconnected from utility and/or other generators power service), and either locked out or tagged DO NOT OPERATE.
- Make sure the generator engine is stopped.
- Make sure all batteries are disconnected.
- Make sure all capacitors are discharged.

Table 24

Tools Needed		
Part Number	Part	Quantity
6V-7070	Digital Multimeter	1
	12 VDC battery	1
	Potential Transformer	1

The generator set functional test is a simplified test that can be performed in order to determine if the generator is functional. The generator set functional test should be performed on a generator set that is under load.

The generator set functional test determines if the following statements happen:

- A phase voltage is being generated.

- The phase voltages are balanced.
- The phase voltages change relative to engine speed.

The generator set functional test consists of the following steps:

1. Stop the generator. Connect the potential transformer's high voltage winding to the generator terminals (T1) and (T2). Connect the voltmeter to the low voltage winding. If two transformers are available, connect the high voltage winding of the second transformer to the generator terminals (T1) and (T3). Connect the secondary terminals that correspond to generator terminal (T2) of both transformers together.
2. Disconnect wires "E+" and "E-" from the voltage regulator. Disconnect the generator from the load.
3. Connect a 12 VDC automotive battery to wires "E+" and "E-".
4. Measure the AC voltage across the low voltage terminals of the transformer that correspond to the following generator terminals: "T1" and "T2", "T2" and "T3", and "T3" and "T1". Record the voltages.

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Generator Set Alignment - Check (Generator Sets)

SMCS Code: 7002-024

The genset must be aligned when the genset is installed or moved into a different position. If the generator set is run at the full continuous rating, the alignment of the generator to the engine must be checked annually.

Properly maintain the alignment between the engine and the driven equipment in order to minimize the following problems:

- Bearing problems
- Vibration of the engine crankshaft
- Vibration of the driven equipment

Refer to the following information for more information about the alignment of the generator set:

- Special Instruction, SEHS7654, "Alignment - General Instructions"

- Special Instruction, SEHS7259, "Alignment of Single Bearing Generators"
- Special Instruction, REHS0177, "Alignment of the Close Coupled Two Bearing Generators"

Keep a record of the measurement of the alignment. The record may be used to check the trend of the alignment. The record may be used to analyze the trend of the alignment.

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Generator Set Vibration - Test/Record

SMCS Code: 4450-081-VI

Check for vibration damage.

Vibration may cause the following problems:

- Coupling wear
- Loose fittings
- Fatigue of the metal components of the engine
- Cracks in the cabinet which surrounds the generator
- Cracks in welds
- Excessive noise
- Cracked insulation

The following areas are susceptible to vibration damage:

- Coupling for the generator set
- Generator bearings
- Stator output leads
- Protective sleeving
- Insulation
- Exposed electrical connections
- Transformers
- Fuses
- Capacitors
- Lightning arresters

When a generator set is installed, a vibration plot should be recorded in order to assist in diagnosing potential problems. This vibration plot should be updated yearly. The vibration plot should also be updated when the generator set is moved and when the engine is overhauled. This will allow the trend of the vibration to be monitored and analyzed. A potential problem may be prevented by monitoring the trend of the vibration. If the vibration is approaching the limit of the specification of the component, the problem may be more imminent. Refer to Data Sheet, LEKQ4023, "Linear Vibration" for the allowable limits of vibration.

Caterpillar also recommends recording the vibration of the bearing at the generator bearing bracket.

If the vibration exceeds the EDS limits for vibration, check the alignment. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Generator Set Alignment - Check" for the alignment procedure.

Contact the Caterpillar Dealer Service Tools group for information on ordering a vibration analyzer that will meet your needs.

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Hoses and Clamps - Inspect/Replace

SMCS Code: 7554-040; 7554-510

Hoses and clamps must be inspected periodically in order to ensure safe operation and continuous operation of the engine. Take proper safety precautions before inspecting or replacing hoses and clamps.

Note: Always use a board or cardboard when the engine components are checked for leaks. Leaking fluid that is under pressure can cause serious injury or possible death. Leaks that are the size of a pin hole are included. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "General Hazard Information" for more information.

Inspect the Hoses and the Clamps

Inspect all hoses for leaks that are caused by the following conditions. Replace any hose which exhibits any of the following conditions. Failure to replace a hose which exhibits any of the following conditions may result in a hazardous situation.

- Hoses which are cracked
- Hoses which are soft
- Outer covering that is chafed or cut

- Exposed wire that is used for reinforcement
- Outer covering that is ballooning locally
- Flexible part of the hose that is kinked or crushed
- Armoring that is embedded in the outer covering
- Hoses which exhibit signs of leakage which are not the result of loose couplings or clamps

Inspect all clamps for the following conditions. Replace any clamp which exhibits signs of any of the following conditions.

- Cracking
- Looseness
- Damage

Inspect all couplings for leaks. Replace any coupling which exhibits signs of leaks.

Each installation application can be different. The differences depend on the following factors:

- Type of hose
- Type of fitting material
- Anticipated expansion and contraction of the hose
- Anticipated expansion and contraction of the fittings

Due to extreme temperature changes, the hose will heat set. Heat setting causes hose clamps to loosen which can result in leaks. A constant torque hose clamp will help to prevent loose hose clamps.

Replace hoses that are cracked or soft. Replace hoses that show signs of leakage. Replace hoses that show signs of damage. Replace hose clamps that are cracked or damaged. Tighten or replace hose clamps which are loose.

Replace the Hoses and the Clamps

NOTICE

Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting, and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, "Cat Dealer Service Tool Catalog" or refer to Special Publication, PECJ0003, "Cat Shop Supplies and Tools Catalog" for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Cat products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

Cooling System

WARNING

Pressurized System: Hot coolant can cause serious burns. To open the cooling system filler cap, stop the engine and wait until the cooling system components are cool. Loosen the cooling system pressure cap slowly in order to relieve the pressure.

WARNING

Personal injury can result from removing hoses or fittings in a pressure system.

Failure to relieve pressure can cause personal injury.

Do not disconnect or remove hoses or fittings until all pressure in the system has been relieved.

1. Stop the engine.
2. Allow the engine to cool.
3. Before servicing a coolant hose, slowly loosen the filler cap for the cooling system in order to relieve any pressure.
4. Remove the filler cap for the cooling system.
5. Drain the coolant from the cooling system to a level that is below the hose that is being replaced. Drain the coolant into a suitable clean container. The coolant can be reused.
6. Remove the hose clamps.

7. Disconnect the old hose.
8. Replace the old hose with a new hose.
9. Install hose clamps which have been inspected or install new hose clamps. Refer to Specifications, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications", "Hose Clamps" for information about selecting and installing the proper hose clamps.
10. Refill the cooling system.
11. Clean the filler cap for the cooling system. Inspect the gaskets on the filler cap. Replace the filler cap if the gaskets are damaged. Install the filler cap.
12. Start the engine. Inspect the cooling system for leaks.

Fuel System

WARNING

Personal injury can result from removing hoses or fittings in a pressure system.

Failure to relieve pressure can cause personal injury.

Do not disconnect or remove hoses or fittings until all pressure in the system has been relieved.

WARNING

Contact with high pressure fuel may cause fluid penetration and burn hazards. High pressure fuel spray may cause a fire hazard. Failure to follow these inspection, maintenance and service instructions may cause personal injury or death.

NOTICE

Do not bend or strike high pressure lines. Do not install bent or damaged lines, tubes or hoses. Repair any loose or damaged fuel and oil lines, tubes and hoses. Leaks can cause fires. Inspect all lines, tubes and hoses carefully. Tighten all connections to the recommended torque.

NOTICE

Do not allow dirt to enter the fuel system. Thoroughly clean the area around a fuel system component that will be disconnected. Fit a suitable cover over any disconnected fuel system components.

Note: High-pressure fuel lines may be installed between the high-pressure fuel pump and the fuel injectors. High-pressure fuel lines are constantly charged with high pressure. Do not check the high-pressure fuel lines with the engine or the starting motor in operation. Wait for 10 minutes after the engine stops before you perform any service or repair on high-pressure fuel lines. Waiting for 10 minutes will allow the pressure to be purged.

1. Drain the fuel from the fuel system to a level that is below the hose that is being replaced.
2. Remove the hose clamps.
3. Disconnect the old hose.
4. Replace the old hose with a new hose.
5. Install hose clamps which have been inspected or install new hose clamps. Refer to Specifications, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications", "Hose Clamps" for information about selecting and installing the proper hose clamps.
6. Carefully inspect the engine for any spilled fuel. Make sure that no fuel remains on or close to the engine.

Note: Fuel must be added to the fuel system ahead of the fuel filter.

7. Refill the fuel system. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System - Prime" for information about priming the engine with fuel.
8. Start the engine. Inspect the fuel system for leaks.

Lubrication System

WARNING

Hot oil and hot components can cause personal injury. Do not allow hot oil or hot components to contact the skin.

1. Drain the oil from the lubrication system to a level that is below the hose that is being replaced.
2. Remove the hose clamps.
3. Disconnect the old hose.
4. Replace the old hose with a new hose.
5. Install hose clamps which have been inspected or install new hose clamps. Refer to Specifications, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications", "Hose Clamps" for information about selecting and installing the proper hose clamps.

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6. Refill the lubrication system. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Oil Level - Check" in order to ensure that the lubrication system is filled with the proper amount of engine oil.
7. Start the engine. Inspect the lubrication system for leaks.

Air System

1. Remove the hose clamps.
2. Disconnect the old hose.
3. Replace the old hose with a new hose.
4. Install hose clamps which have been inspected or install new hose clamps. Refer to Specifications, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications", "Hose Clamps" for information about selecting and installing the proper hose clamps.

Note: The bellows and the V-clamps that are used on the bellows should never be reused.

5. Start the engine. Inspect the air lines for leaks.

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Instrument Panel - Inspect

SMCS Code: 7451-040

Inspect the instrument panel for good condition. Perform the self test. All of the warning lamps should illuminate. If a warning lamp does not illuminate, replace the bulb immediately. If the alarm does not sound, investigate the problem and correct the problem.

Check the condition of all of the gauges. If a gauge is broken, repair the gauge or replace the gauge immediately.

Frequently monitor the gauges during normal operation.

Record the data in a log. Compare the new data to the data that was previously recorded. Comparing the new data to the recorded data will help to establish the trends of engine performance. A gauge reading that is abnormal may indicate a problem with operation or a problem with the gauge.

Insulation - Test

SMCS Code: 4453-081; 4454-081; 4457-081; 4470-081

WARNING

The high voltage that is produced by an operating generator set can cause severe injury or death. Before performing any maintenance or repairs, ensure that the generator will not start.

Place the engine control switch in the "OFF" position. Attach "DO NOT OPERATE" tags to all starting controls. Disconnect the batteries or disable the starting system. Lock out all switchgear and automatic transfer switches that are associated with the generator.

Table 25

TOOLS NEEDED		
Part Number	Tool	Quantity
142-5055	Insulation Tester Megohmmeter	1

WARNING

Personal injury or death can result from electrocution.

The megohmmeter is applying a high voltage to the circuit.

To avoid electrocution, do not touch the instrument leads without first discharging them. When finished testing also discharge the generator windings.

The following materials will cause the winding insulation to deteriorate:

- moisture (water)
- dust
- grease
- other foreign matter within the generator

This deterioration reduces the resistance of the insulation. This test will measure the resistance of the winding insulation.

The insulation tester (megohmmeter) produces a high potential voltage between the test leads. During the test, a small current flows. The tester converts this current to a resistance reading.

The insulation test is performed as part of periodic maintenance in order to detect the deterioration of the winding insulation. When there is a rapid decrease in the insulation resistance in a short amount of time, the generator needs to be cleaned.

Note: For information on generator cleaning, refer to Special Instruction, SEHS9124.

When generators have not been used for a period of time, moisture can accumulate. Therefore, the insulation test should be performed on generators that have been idle. If moisture is known to exist, the windings must be dried prior to testing. Refer to Testing And Adjusting, "Generator - Dry".

The insulation test should be performed on generators that are being used for the first time. The insulation test should be performed more frequently in the following cases:

- The generator set is operating in a humid environment.
- The generator set is not protected from the elements in an enclosed area.
- The generator set has not been run under load for three months.

Note: Space heaters may need to be used around the generator set in the following cases:

- The generator set has not been run under load for three months.
- The generator set is exposed to a sea water environment.
- The humidity is above 75 percent.
- A test result was below 3 megohms.

The winding needs to be reconditioned or the winding needs to be replaced in the following cases:

- The measured insulation resistance falls below the specified amount. The cleanup procedure does not correct the discrepancy.
- The measured insulation resistance falls below the specified amount. The drying procedure does not correct the discrepancy.

The specified insulation resistance is an approximate value. It can be possible to operate the generator with less than the specified value. However, a generator that has a low winding insulation resistance will be more likely to have a failure.

WARNING

Personal injury or death can result from improper troubleshooting and repair procedures.

The following troubleshooting and repair procedures should only be performed by qualified personnel familiar with this equipment.

The insulation test gives accurate results only when the generator windings are free of moisture and the generator windings are at room temperature.

Each winding must have a minimum insulation resistance of one megohm.

Main Armature (Stator L4)

1. Remove the load from the generator by either of the following:
 - Open the line circuit breaker.
 - Open the following load connections: T1, T2, T3, and T0.

Prevent these wires from coming into contact with each other and prevent these wires from contacting ground.

2. Isolate the main armature (L4) from the voltage regulator by disconnecting the wires for voltage sensing. If generator lead (T0) is connected to the generator frame or ground, open the connection.
3. Connect one test lead of the insulation tester (megohmmeter) to the generator enclosure (ground).
4. Connect the other test lead of the insulation tester (megohmmeter) to generator lead (T0).
5. The insulation resistance must be one megohm or more.

Exciter Field (Stator L1)

1. Isolate exciter field (L1) from the voltage regulator by disconnecting wires 5+ and 6-. Prevent these wires from coming into contact with each other and prevent these wires from contacting ground.

2. Connect one test lead of the insulation tester (megohmmeter) to the generator enclosure (ground).
3. Connect one test lead of the insulation tester (megohmmeter) to exciter field lead (5+ or 6-).
4. Measure the resistance of the exciter field winding insulation to ground. The insulation resistance must be a minimum of 0.25 megohm (250000 ohms).

Exciter Armature (Rotor L2)

1. Isolate exciter armature (L2) from the rectifier circuit. Disconnect the three wires of the exciter armature from the rectifier blocks.
2. Connect one test lead of the insulation tester (megohmmeter) to the rotor shaft.
3. Connect one test lead of the insulation tester (megohmmeter) to any one exciter field lead.
4. The insulation resistance must be a minimum of 0.25 megohm (250000 ohms).

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Overhaul Considerations

SMCS Code: 7595-043

Reduced hours of operation at full load will result in a lower average power demand. A decreased average power demand should increase both the engine service life and the overhaul interval.

The need for an overhaul is generally indicated by increased fuel consumption and by reduced power.

The following factors are important when a decision is being made on the proper time for an engine overhaul:

- The need for preventive maintenance
- The quality of the fuel that is being used
- The operating conditions
- The results of the S·O·S analysis

Oil Consumption as an Overhaul Indicator

Oil consumption, fuel consumption, and maintenance information can be used to estimate the total operating cost for your Caterpillar engine. Oil consumption can also be used to estimate the required capacity of a makeup oil tank that is suitable for the maintenance intervals.

Oil consumption is in proportion to the percentage of the rated engine load. As the percentage of the engine load is increased, the amount of oil that is consumed per hour also increases.

The oil consumption rate (brake specific oil consumption) is measured in grams per kW/h (lb per bhp). The brake specific oil consumption (BSOC) depends on the engine load. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance in determining the typical oil consumption rate for your engine.

When an engine's oil consumption has risen to three times the original oil consumption rate due to normal wear, an engine overhaul should be scheduled. There may be a corresponding increase in blowby and a slight increase in fuel consumption.

Overhaul Options

Before Failure Overhaul

A planned overhaul before failure may be the best value for the following reasons:

- Costly unplanned downtime can be avoided.
- Many original parts can be reused according to the standards for reusable parts.
- The engine's service life can be extended without the risk of a major catastrophe due to engine failure.
- The best cost/value relationship per hour of extended life can be attained.

After Failure Overhaul

Many options are available if a major engine failure occurs. An overhaul should be performed if the engine block or the crankshaft can be repaired.

If the engine block is repairable and/or the crankshaft is repairable, the overhaul cost should be less than the cost of a new engine with a similar exchange core.

This lower cost can be attributed to these aspects:

- Caterpillar dealer exchange components

- Caterpillar Inc. remanufactured exchange components

Overhaul Recommendation

To minimize downtime, Caterpillar Inc. recommends a scheduled engine overhaul by your Caterpillar dealer before the engine fails. This will provide you with the best cost/value relationship.

Note: Overhaul programs vary according to the engine application and according to the dealer that performs the overhaul. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for specific information about the available overhaul programs and about overhaul services for extending the engine life.

If an overhaul is performed without overhaul service from your Caterpillar dealer, be aware of the following maintenance recommendations.

Rebuild or Exchange

These components should be inspected according to the instructions that are found in various Caterpillar reusability publications. The Special Publication, SEBF8029 lists the reusability publications that are needed for inspecting the engine parts.

If the parts comply with the established inspection specifications that are expressed in the reusable parts guideline, the parts should be reused.

Parts that are not within the established inspection specifications should be dealt with in one of the following manners:

- Salvaging
- Repairing
- Replacing

Using out-of-spec parts can result in the following problems:

- Unscheduled downtime
- Costly repairs
- Damage to other engine parts
- Reduced engine efficiency
- Increased fuel consumption

Reduced engine efficiency and increased fuel consumption translates into higher operating costs. Therefore, Caterpillar Inc. recommends repairing out-of-spec parts or replacing out-of-spec parts.

Inspection and/or Replacement

The following components may not last until the second overhaul.

- Piston rings
- Thrust bearings
- Main bearings
- Connecting rod bearings
- Crankshaft seals
- Engine mounts
- Hoses

Caterpillar Inc. recommends the installation of new parts at each overhaul period.

Inspect these parts while the engine is disassembled for an overhaul.

Inspect the crankshaft for any of the following conditions:

- Deflection
- Damage to the journals
- Bearing material that has seized to the journals

Check the journal taper and the profile of the crankshaft journals. Check these components by interpreting the wear patterns on the following components:

- Rod bearing
- Main bearings

Note: If the crankshaft is removed for any reason, use the magnetic particle inspection process to check for cracks in the crankshaft.

Inspect the camshaft for damage to the journals and to the lobes.

Note: If the camshaft is removed for any reason, use the magnetic particle inspection process to check for cracks in the camshaft.

Inspect the following components for signs of wear or for signs of scuffing:

- Camshaft bearings
- Valve lifters

Testing

Test the following components during the overhaul.

- Fuel injection nozzles
- Fuel injection pump

Testing the fuel system during the overhaul will ensure that your engine operates at peak efficiency. Your Caterpillar dealer can provide these services and components in order to ensure that your fuel system is operating within the appropriate specifications.

Cleaning

Caterpillar Inc. recommends the use of Hydrosolv Liquid Cleaners. Table 26 lists the Hydrosolv Liquid Cleaners that are available from your Caterpillar dealer.

Table 26

HydrosolvLiquid Cleaners		
Part Number	Description	Size
1U-8812	Hydrosolv4165	4 L (1 US gallon)
1U-5490		19 L (5 US gallon)
8T-7570		208 L (55 US gallon)
1U-8804	Hydrosolv100	4 L (1 US gallon)
1U-5492		19 L (5 US gallon)
8T-5571		208 L (55 US gallon)

Obtain Coolant Analysis

The concentration of supplemental coolant additive (SCA) should be checked regularly with test kits or with S·O·S Coolant Analysis (Level I). Further coolant analysis is recommended when the engine is overhauled.

For example, considerable deposits are found in the water jacket areas on the external cooling system, but the concentrations of coolant additives were carefully maintained. The coolant water probably contained minerals that were deposited on the engine over time.

A coolant analysis can be conducted in order to verify the condition of the water that is being used in the cooling system. A full water analysis can be obtained by consulting your local water utility company or an agricultural agent. Private laboratories are also available for water analysis.

Caterpillar Inc. recommends an S·O·S Coolant Analysis (Level II).

S·O·S Coolant Analysis (Level II)

An S·O·S Coolant Analysis (Level II) is a comprehensive coolant analysis which completely analyzes the coolant and the effects on the cooling system. An S·O·S Coolant Analysis (Level II) provides the following information:

- Complete S·O·S Coolant Analysis (Level I)
- Visual inspection of properties
- Identification of metal corrosion
- Identification of contaminants
- Identification of built up impurities (corrosion and scale)

S·O·S Coolant Analysis (Level II) provides a report of the results of both the analysis and the maintenance recommendations.

For more information about coolant analysis, see your Caterpillar dealer.

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Rotating Rectifier - Check

SMCS Code: 4465-535

WARNING

The high voltage that is produced by an operating generator set can cause severe injury or death. Before performing any maintenance or repairs, ensure that the generator will not start.

Place the engine control switch in the “OFF” position. Attach “DO NOT OPERATE” tags to all starting controls. Disconnect the batteries or disable the starting system. Lock out all switchgear and automatic transfer switches that are associated with the generator.

Check the exciter armature. Ensure that the rotating rectifier is tight. If a failure of a rectifier is suspected, refer to Maintenance Procedure, “Rotating Rectifier - Test”.

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Rotating Rectifier - Test

SMCS Code: 4465-081

WARNING

The high voltage that is produced by an operating generator set can cause severe injury or death. Before performing any maintenance or repairs, ensure that the generator will not start.

Place the engine control switch in the "OFF" position. Attach "DO NOT OPERATE" tags to all starting controls. Disconnect the batteries or disable the starting system. Lock out all switchgear and automatic transfer switches that are associated with the generator.

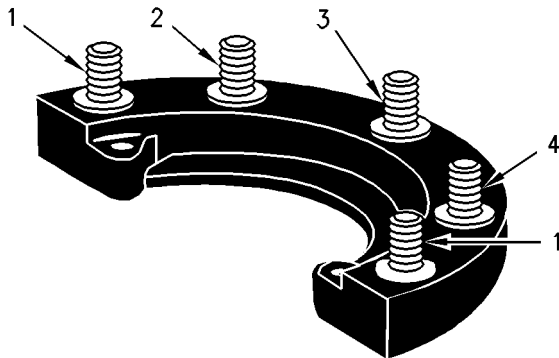


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- (1) Positive DC terminal or Negative DC terminal
- (2) AC terminal
- (3) AC terminal
- (4) AC terminal

The following procedure tests all three diodes within a block. Check the positive rectifier block and the negative rectifier block. If any meter reading does not fall within the given ranges, replace the rectifier block.

1. Set the digital multimeter on the diode range. Remove all leads from the rectifier block.
2. To test the negative rectifier block, follow these steps:
 - a. Place the red test lead on the negative "-" terminal (1). Place the black test lead on the following rectifier terminals: AC terminal (2), AC terminal (3), and AC terminal (4). All readings on the meter should be between 0.4 and 1.0.

- b. Place the black test lead on the negative "-" terminal (1). Place the red test lead on the following rectifier terminals: AC terminal (2), AC terminal (3), and AC terminal (4). In all cases, the meter should read "OL" (overload).

3. To test the positive rectifier block, follow these steps:
 - a. Place the red test lead on the positive "+" rectifier terminal (1). Place the black test lead on the following rectifier terminals: AC terminal (2), AC terminal (3), and AC terminal (4). In all cases, the meter should read "OL" (overload).
 - b. Place the black test lead on the positive "+" rectifier terminal (1). Place the red test lead on the following rectifier terminals: AC terminal (2), AC terminal (3), and AC terminal (4). All readings on the meter should be between 0.4 and 1.0.

Note: A shorted diode can cause damage to the exciter rotor. If a diode is shorted, check the exciter rotor. Refer to the Testing and Adjusting, "Winding - Test" and Testing and Adjusting, "Insulation - Test". Perform these tests.

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Starting Motor - Inspect

SMCS Code: 1451-040; 1453-040

Caterpillar Inc. recommends a scheduled inspection of the starting motor. If the starting motor fails, the engine may not start in an emergency situation.

Check the starting motor for proper operation. Check the electrical connections and clean the electrical connections. Refer to the Service Manual for more information on the checking procedure and for specifications or consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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Walk-Around Inspection

SMCS Code: 1000-040

Inspect the Engine for Leaks and for Loose Connections

A walk-around inspection should only take a few minutes. When the time is taken to perform these checks, costly repairs and accidents can be avoided.

For maximum engine service life, make a thorough inspection of the engine compartment before starting the engine. Look for items such as oil leaks or coolant leaks, loose bolts, worn belts, loose connections and trash buildup. Make repairs, as needed:

- The guards must be in the proper place. Repair damaged guards or replace missing guards.
- Wipe all caps and plugs before the engine is serviced in order to reduce the chance of system contamination.

NOTICE

For any type of leak (coolant, lube, or fuel) clean up the fluid. If leaking is observed, find the source and correct the leak. If leaking is suspected, check the fluid levels more often than recommended until the leak is found or fixed, or until the suspicion of a leak is proved to be unwarranted.

NOTICE

Accumulated grease and/or oil on an engine or deck is a fire hazard. Remove this debris with steam cleaning or high pressure water.

- Ensure that cooling lines are properly clamped and tight. Check for leaks. Check the condition of all pipes.
- Inspect the water pump for coolant leaks.

Note: The water pump seal is lubricated by coolant in the cooling system. It is normal for a small amount of leakage to occur as the engine cools down and the parts contract.

Excessive coolant leakage may indicate the need to replace the water pump seal. For the removal of water pump and the installation of water pump and/or seals, refer to the Service Manual for the engine or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

- Inspect the lubrication system for leaks at the front crankshaft seal, the rear crankshaft seal, the oil pan, the oil filters and the valve cover.
- Inspect the fuel system for leaks. Look for loose fuel line clamps.
- Inspect the piping for the air inlet system and the elbows for cracks and for loose clamps.
- Inspect the alternator belt and the accessory drive belts for cracks, breaks or other damage.

Belts for multiple groove pulleys must be replaced as matched sets. If only one belt is replaced, the belt will carry more load than the belts that are not replaced. The older belts are stretched. The additional load on the new belt could cause the belt to break.

- Drain the water and the sediment from fuel tanks on a daily basis in order to ensure that only clean fuel enters the fuel system.
- Inspect the wiring and the wiring harnesses for loose connections and for worn wires or frayed wires.
- Inspect the ground strap for a good connection and for good condition.
- Inspect the engine-to-frame ground strap for a good connection and for good condition.
- Disconnect any battery chargers that are not protected against the current drain of the starting motor. Check the condition and the electrolyte level of the batteries, unless the engine is equipped with a maintenance free battery.
- Check the condition of the gauges. Replace any gauges which are cracked or can not be calibrated.

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Water Pump - Inspect

SMCS Code: 1361-040; 1361

A failed water pump may cause severe engine overheating problems that could result in the following conditions:

- Cracks in the cylinder head
- A piston seizure
- Other potential damage to the engine

Note: The water pump seal is lubricated by the coolant in the cooling system. It is normal for a small amount of leakage to occur as the engine cools down and parts contract.

Visually inspect the water pump for leaks. Renew the water pump seal or the water pump if there is an excessive leakage of coolant. Refer to the Disassembly and Assembly Manual, "Water Pump - Remove and Install" for the disassembly and assembly procedure.