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# **3512 INDUSTRIAL ENGINES**

## **Maintenance Intervals**

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## Maintenance Interval Schedule

**SMCS Code:** 1000; 7500

**Before performing any operation or maintenance procedures, ensure that the Safety Information, warnings, and instructions are read and understood.**

Before each consecutive interval is performed, all of the maintenance requirements from the previous interval must be performed.

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## Maintenance Recommendations

**SMCS Code:** 1000

### Service Hours and Fuel Consumption

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Service Hours and Fuel Consumption for 3512 Engines	
Interval	Fuel Consumption
250 service hours	43,750 L (11,500 US gal)
500 service hours	87,500 L (23,000 US gal)
1000 service hours	175,000 L (46,000 US gal)
2000 service hours	350,000 L (92,000 US gal)
3000 service hours	525,000 L (138,000 US gal)
Top end overhaul (4000 service hours)	787,500 L (206,250 US gal)
6000 service hours	1,050,000 L (276,000 US gal)
Major overhaul (18,000 service hours)	1,575,000 L (412,500 US gal)

### Severe Operation

Severe operation is the use of an engine that exceeds current published standards for that engine. Caterpillar maintains standards for the following engine parameters:

- Horsepower
- Range of rpm
- Fuel consumption
- Fuel quality
- Altitude
- Maintenance intervals
- Selection of oil
- Selection of coolant

- Environmental qualities
- Installation

Refer to the standards for your engine or consult your Caterpillar dealer in order to determine if your engine is operating within the defined parameters.

Severe operation can accelerate component wear. Engines that are operating under severe conditions may need more frequent maintenance intervals for the following reasons:

- Maximum reliability
- Retention of full service life

Because of individual applications, it is not possible to identify all of the factors which can contribute to severe operation. Consult your Caterpillar dealer about the maintenance that is needed for your specific engine.

The following factors can contribute to severe operation: environment, improper operating procedures, and improper maintenance practices.

### Environmental Factors

#### Extreme Ambient Temperatures

Extended operation in environments that are extremely cold or hot can damage components. Valve components can be damaged by carbon buildup if the engine is frequently started and stopped in very cold temperatures. Extremely hot inlet air reduces the performance capabilities of the engine.

**Note:** Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cold Weather Operations" topic (Operation Section), or refer to Supplement, SEBU5898, "Cold Weather Recommendations".

#### Cleanliness

Unless the equipment is cleaned regularly, extended operation in a dirty environment and in a dusty environment can damage components. Built up mud, dirt, and dust can encase components. This can make maintenance difficult. The buildup can contain corrosive chemicals. Corrosive chemicals and salt can damage some components.

#### Altitude

Engines are set to operate within a certain altitude. Operating above this altitude can cause engine damage. Adjustments are necessary for operation at higher altitudes.

## Improper Operating Procedures

- Extended operation at low idle
- Minimum cool down periods after high load factor operation
- Operating the engine at loads that are greater than the rated load
- Operating the engine at speeds that are greater than the rated rpm
- Use of the engine for an application that is not approved

## Improper Maintenance Practices

- Extension of maintenance intervals
- Not using recommended fuel, lubricants, and coolant/antifreeze

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## Actuator Control Linkage - Lubricate

**SMCS Code:** 1265-086

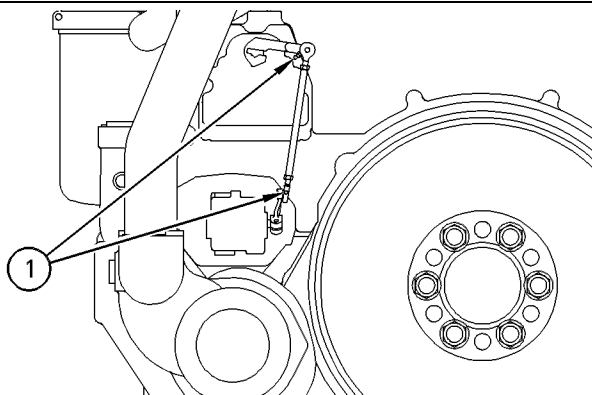


Illustration 21

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(1) Grease Fitting

Apply grease to the grease fittings (1).

Use a hand grease gun and lubricate the grease fittings with MPGM.

## Check the Linkage

Use the following procedure to check the linkage for binding.

1. Stop the engine.
2. Move the linkage by hand.

If the linkage binds, repair the linkage.

For information on adjustment, removal, and replacement, see the Service Manual. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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## Air Starting Motor Lubricator Bowl - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1451-070

1. Ensure that the air supply to the lubricator is OFF.

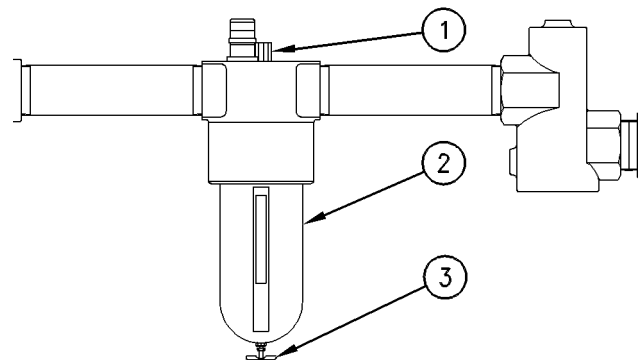


Illustration 22

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- (1) Plug
- (2) Bowl
- (3) Drain

**Note:** Always dispose of fluids according to local regulations.

2. Open drain (3). Drain the oil into a suitable container. Dispose of the used oil.
3. Remove bowl (2). Clean the bowl with warm water.
4. Dry the bowl. Inspect the bowl for cracks. If the bowl is cracked, replace the damaged bowl with a new bowl.
5. Install the bowl. Close drain (3).
6. Remove plug (1). Fill bowl (2) with oil. Use nondetergent "10W" oil for temperatures that are greater than 0°C (32°F). Use air tool oil for temperatures that are below 0°C (32°F). Install oil filler plug (1).
7. If necessary, adjust the lubricator in order to release two drops of oil per 30 seconds. For instructions, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Air Starting Motor Lubricator Oil Level - Check" topic (Maintenance Section).

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## Air Starting Motor Lubricator Oil Level - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1451-535

### NOTICE

Never allow the lubricator bowl to become empty. The air starting motor will be damaged by a lack of lubrication. Ensure that sufficient oil is in the lubricator bowl.

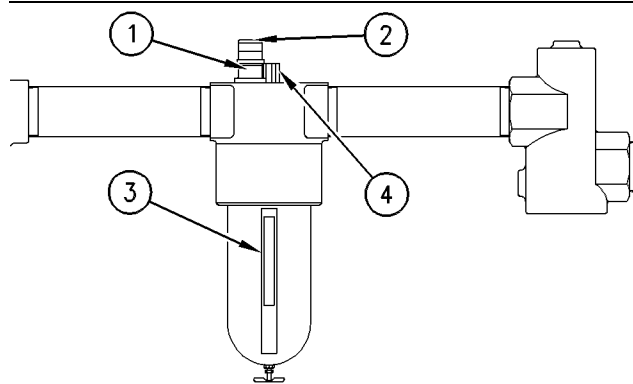


Illustration 23

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- (1) Dome
- (2) Knob
- (3) Sight gauge
- (4) Plug

1. Observe the oil level in sight gauge (3). If the oil level is less than 1/2, add oil to the lubricator bowl.
2. Ensure that the air supply to the lubricator is OFF.
3. Remove plug (4). Pour oil into the lubricator bowl. Use "10W" oil for temperatures that are greater than 0°C (32°F). Use air tool oil for temperatures that are below 0°C (32°F).
4. Install plug (4).

## Adjust the Lubricator

**Note:** Adjust the lubricator with a constant rate of air flow. After the adjustment, the lubricator will release oil in proportion to variations of the air flow.

1. Ensure that the fuel supply to the engine is OFF.

### 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.

2. Operate the air starting motor. Observe the drops of oil that are released in dome (1).

**Note:** Some lubricators have an adjustment screw rather than a knob.

3. If necessary, adjust the lubricator in order to release two drops of oil per 30 seconds. To increase the rate, turn knob (2) counterclockwise. To decrease the rate, turn the knob clockwise.

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## Alternator - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 1405-040

Inspect the alternator for the following conditions:

- Loose connections
- Proper charging of the battery

Observe the ammeter during engine operation in order to ensure proper battery performance and/or proper performance of the electrical system.

Make repairs, if necessary. See the Service Manual for service procedures. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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## Alternator and Fan Belts - Inspect/Adjust/Replace

**SMCS Code:** 1357-025; 1357-040; 1357-510; 1405

### Inspection

To maximize the engine performance, inspect the drive belt for wear and for cracking. Check the drive belt tension. Adjust the drive belt tension in order to minimize belt slippage. Belt slippage will decrease the life of the drive belt.

Check the drive belt tension according to the information in the Service Manual, "Systems Operation/Testing and Adjusting".

### Replacement

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

## Alternator Belt Adjustment

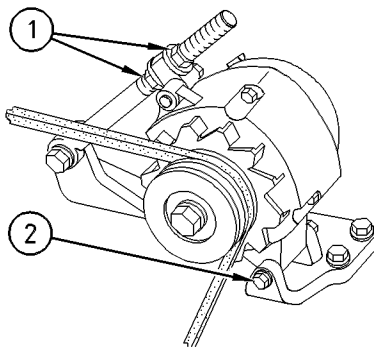


Illustration 24

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(1) Adjusting nuts  
(2) Mounting bolt

1. Remove the drive belt guard.
2. Loosen mounting bolt (2) and adjusting nuts (1).
3. Turn adjusting nuts (1) in order to increase or decrease the drive belt tension.
4. Tighten adjusting nuts (1). Tighten mounting bolt (2). Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual for the proper torques.
5. Reinstall the drive belt guard.

If new drive belts are installed, check the drive belt tension again after 30 minutes of engine operation at the rated rpm.

## Fan Drive Belt Adjustment

1. Loosen the mounting bolt for the pulley.
2. Loosen the adjusting nut for the pulley.
3. Move the pulley in order to adjust the belt tension.
4. Tighten the adjusting nut.
5. Tighten the mounting bolt.

## Batteries - 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.

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 connecting the cables, 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.

## Battery Electrolyte Level - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1401-535-FLV

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. If batteries are properly charged, ammeter reading should be very near zero.

### **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 1U-7298 Coolant/Battery Tester (°C) or the 1U-7297 Coolant/Battery Tester (°F).

3. Keep the batteries clean.

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

- A mixture of 0.1 L (0.11 qt) 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 MPGM grease.

## Cooling System Coolant (DEAC) - Change

**SMCS Code:** 1350-044

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

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

### Drain the Cooling System

1. Stop the engine and allow the engine to cool. Ensure that the engine will not start when the cooling system is drained.
2. Loosen the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Remove the cooling system filler cap.

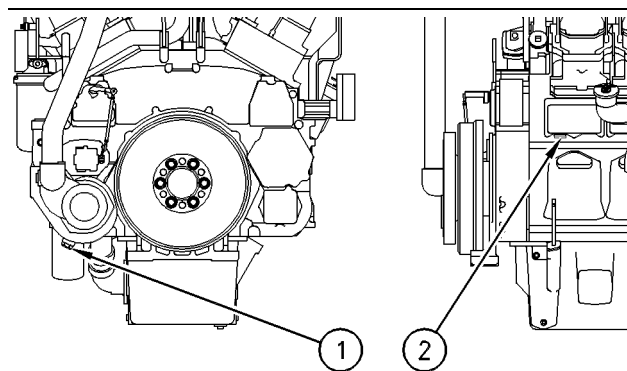


Illustration 25

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Locations of the drain plugs

- (1) Jacket water pump  
(2) Cylinder block

3. Open the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). If the cooling system is not equipped with drain valves, remove drain plugs (1) and (2). 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 Caterpillar Service Technology Group:

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

## Clean the Cooling System

1. After the cooling system has been drained, flush the cooling system with clean water in order to remove any debris.
2. Close the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). Clean the drain plugs and install the drain plugs.

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### NOTICE

Use of commercially available cooling system cleaners may cause damage to cooling system components. Use only cooling system cleaners that are approved for Caterpillar engines.

3. Fill the cooling system with a mixture of clean water and Caterpillar Fast Acting Cooling System Cleaner. Add .5 L (1 pint) of cleaner per 15 L (4 US gal) of the cooling system capacity. Install the cooling system filler cap.
4. Start the engine. Operate the engine for a minimum of 30 minutes with a coolant temperature of at least 82 °C (180 °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 cooling system drain valves (if equipped) or remove drain plugs (1) and (2). See Illustration 25.

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### NOTICE

Improper or incomplete rinsing of the cooling system can result in damage to copper and other metal components.

To avoid damage to the cooling system, make sure to completely flush the cooling system with clear water. Continue to flush the system until all signs of the cleaning agent are gone.

6. Allow the water to drain. Flush the cooling system with clean water until the water that drains is clean. Close the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). Clean the drain plugs and install the drain plugs.

## Cleaning a Cooling System that has Heavy Deposits or Plugging

**Note:** For the following procedure to be effective, there must be an active flow through the cooling system components.

1. After the cooling system has been drained, flush the cooling system with clean water in order to remove any debris.
2. Close the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). Clean drain plugs and install drain plugs (1) and (2). See Illustration 25.
3. Fill the cooling system with a mixture of clean water and Caterpillar Fast Acting Cooling System Cleaner. Add .5 L (1 pint) of cleaner per 3.8 to 7.6 L (1 to 2 US gal) of the cooling system capacity. Install the cooling system filler cap.
4. Start the engine. Operate the engine for a minimum of 90 minutes with a coolant temperature of at least 82 °C (180 °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 cooling system drain valves (if equipped) or remove drain plugs (1) and (2). See Illustration 25. Allow the water to drain.

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6. Flush the cooling system with clean water until the water that drains is clean. Close the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). Clean the drain plugs and install the drain plugs.

## Fill the Cooling System

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### NOTICE

Fill the cooling system no faster than 19 L (5 US gal) per minute to avoid air locks.

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**Note:** For information about the proper coolant to use, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Coolant Recommendations" (Maintenance Section). For the capacity of the cooling system, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities" (Maintenance Section).

1. Fill the cooling system with coolant/antifreeze. Do not install the cooling system filler cap.
2. Start the engine. Operate the engine in order to purge the air from the cavities of the engine block. Allow the coolant to warm and allow the coolant level to stabilize. Stop the engine.
3. Check the coolant level. Maintain the coolant to the proper level on the sight gauge (if equipped). If a sight gauge is not equipped, maintain the coolant within 13 mm (.5 inch) below the bottom of the filler pipe.
4. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Inspect the gaskets of the cooling system filler cap. If the gaskets of the cooling system filler cap are damaged, discard the old cooling system filler cap and install a new cooling system filler cap. If the gaskets of the cooling system filler cap are not damaged, use a 9S-8140 Pressurizing Pump in order to pressure test the cooling system filler cap. The correct pressure is stamped on the face of the cooling system filler cap. If the cooling system filler cap does not maintain 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 (ELC) - Change

**SMCS Code:** 1350-044-NL

Use only clean water to flush the cooling system when Extended Life Coolant (ELC) is drained and replaced.

### Drain the Cooling System

1. Stop the engine and allow the engine to cool. Ensure that the engine will not start when the cooling system is drained.
2. Loosen the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Remove the cooling system filler cap.

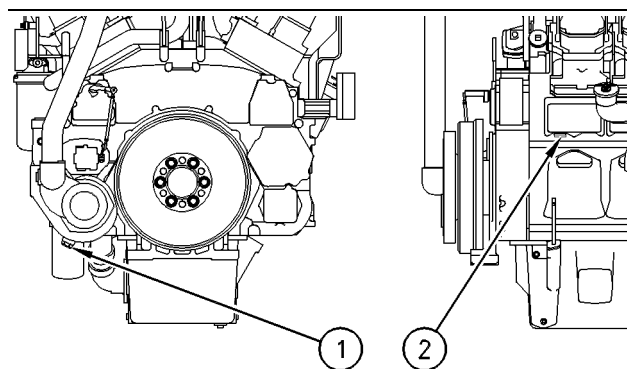


Illustration 26

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Locations of the cooling system drain plugs

- (1) Jacket water pump  
(2) Cylinder block

3. Open the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). If the cooling system is not equipped with drain valves, remove drain plugs (1) and (2). Allow the coolant to drain.

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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.

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2. Close the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). Clean the drain plugs and install the drain plugs.

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#### NOTICE

Fill the cooling system no faster than 19 L (5 US gal) per minute to avoid air locks.

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3. Fill the cooling system with clean water. Install the cooling system filler cap. Operate the engine until the temperature reaches 49 °C (120 °F) to 66 °C (150 °F).

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4. Stop the engine and allow the engine to cool. Ensure that the engine will not start when the cooling system is drained. Loosen the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Remove the cooling system filler cap.
5. Open the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). If the cooling system is not equipped with drain valves, remove drain plugs (1) and (2). See Illustration 26. Allow the coolant to drain. Flush the cooling system with clean water. Close the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). Install the drain plugs.
6. Repeat Steps 3, 4, and 5.

## Fill the Cooling System

### NOTICE

Fill the cooling system no faster than 19 L (5 US gal) per minute to avoid air locks.

1. Fill the cooling system with Extended Life Coolant (ELC). See the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities" for the correct cooling system capacity. Do not install the cooling system filler cap.
2. Start the engine. Operate the engine in order to purge the air from the cavities of the engine block. Allow the ELC to warm and allow the coolant level to stabilize. Stop the engine.
3. Check the coolant level. Maintain the coolant to the proper level on the sight gauge (if equipped). If a sight gauge is not equipped, maintain the coolant within 13 mm (.5 inch) below the bottom of the filler pipe.
4. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Inspect the gaskets of the cooling system filler cap. If the gaskets of the cooling system filler cap are damaged, discard the old cooling system filler cap and install a new cooling system filler cap. If the gaskets of the cooling system filler cap are not damaged, use a 9S-8140 Pressurizing Pump in order to pressure test the cooling system filler cap. The correct pressure is stamped on the face of the cooling system filler cap. If the cooling system filler cap does not maintain 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.

## Cooling System Coolant Analysis (Level II) - Obtain

**SMCS Code:** 1350

For conventional heavy-duty coolant/antifreeze, check the concentration of supplemental coolant additive (SCA) regularly. The concentration of SCA can be checked with an S-O-S coolant analysis (Level I). A more detailed coolant analysis is recommended periodically.

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 which 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 may be obtained from the following sources:

- Caterpillar dealer
- Local water utility company
- Agricultural agent
- Independent laboratory

Caterpillar recommends an S-O-S coolant analysis (Level II). This is a comprehensive chemical evaluation of the coolant. This analysis is also a check of the overall condition of the inside of the cooling system. The following services are provided:

- Full Level I analysis
- Identification of the source of metal corrosion and of contaminants
- Identification of buildup of the impurities that cause corrosion
- Identification of buildup of the impurities that cause scaling
- Determination of possible electrolysis within the engines' cooling system

A report of the results of the analysis is provided. Maintenance recommendations are based on the results.

For more information about S-O-S coolant analysis, consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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## Cooling System Coolant Extender (ELC) - Add

**SMCS Code:** 1352-544-NL

Caterpillar Extended Life Coolant (ELC) does not require the frequent Supplemental Coolant Additive (SCA) additions associated with the present conventional coolants. The Extender only needs to be added once.

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

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 Extender.
3. Add Extender according to the requirements for your engine's cooling system capacity. Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities" in the Maintenance Section for the capacity of the cooling system for your engine. Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cooling System Specifications" information for the Caterpillar ELC Extender additions.
4. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Inspect the cooling system filler cap gaskets. Replace the cooling system filler cap if the cooling system filler cap gaskets are damaged. Install the cooling system filler cap.

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## Cooling System Coolant Level - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1350-535-FLV

### **WARNING**

Climbing equipment may be required to access this service point. Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Mounting and Dismounting" topic for safety information.

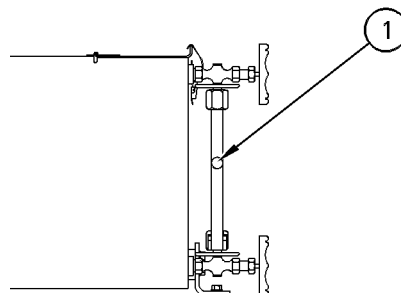


Illustration 27

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(1) Sight gauge

### **NOTICE**

Overfilling the overflow tank (if equipped) will result in damage to the cooling system.

If the cooling system has an overflow tank, maintain the coolant level in the tank below 1/2 full in order to avoid damage to the cooling system.

Observe the coolant level in the sight gauge. At normal operating temperature, the coolant should be in the upper half of the sight gauge. If the coolant level is low, add the proper coolant mixture.

## Add Coolant

**Note:** For the proper coolant mixture to use, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Coolant Recommendations" topic (Maintenance Section).

1. Stop the engine. Allow the engine to cool.
2. Remove the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Pour the proper coolant mixture into the filler pipe.

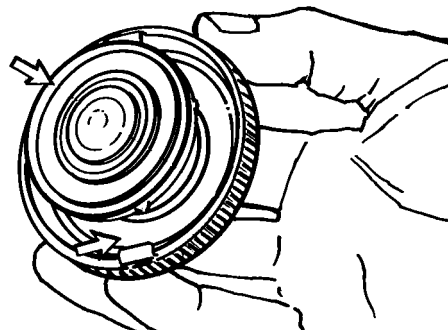


Illustration 28

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Filler cap gaskets

3. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Inspect the gaskets of the cooling system filler cap. If the gaskets are damaged, replace the old cooling system filler cap with a new cooling system filler cap. Install the cooling system filler cap.
4. Start the engine. Inspect the cooling system for leaks.

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## Cooling System Supplemental Coolant Additive (SCA) - Test/Add

**SMCS Code:** 1352-045; 1395-081

This maintenance procedure is required for conventional coolants such as DEAC and for mixtures of water and SCA. **This maintenance is NOT required for cooling systems that are filled with Extended Life Coolant.**

### WARNING

**Cooling system coolant additive contains alkali. To help prevent personal injury, avoid contact with the skin and eyes. Do not drink cooling system coolant additive.**

**Note:** Test the concentration of the SCA or obtain an S-O-S coolant analysis (Level I).

## Test the Concentration of the SCA

### Coolant/Antifreeze and SCA

#### NOTICE

Do not exceed the recommended six percent supplemental coolant additive concentration.

Test the concentration of the SCA with the 8T-5296 Coolant Conditioner Test Kit or the 4C-9301 Coolant Conditioner Test Kit. Follow the instructions that are on the label of the test kit.

### Water and SCA

#### NOTICE

Do not exceed the recommended eight percent supplemental coolant additive concentration.

Test the concentration of the SCA with the 8T-5296 Coolant Conditioner Test Kit. Follow the instructions that are in this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Water/Supplemental Coolant Additive (SCA)" topic (Maintenance Section).

## S-O-S Coolant Analysis (Level I)

Level I is a basic analysis of the coolant. The following items are tested: SCA concentration, glycol concentration, pH, and conductivity.

The results are reported, and recommendations are made according to the results. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for information on the benefits of managing your equipment with an S-O-S analysis.

## Add the SCA, If Necessary

### 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. Remove the cooling system filler cap slowly.

**Note:** Always dispose of fluids according to local regulations.

2. If necessary, drain some coolant in order to allow space for the addition of the SCA.

#### NOTICE

Excessive supplemental coolant additive concentration can form deposits on the higher temperature surfaces of the cooling system, reducing the engine's heat transfer characteristics. Reduced heat transfer could cause cracking of the cylinder head and other high temperature components.

Excessive supplemental coolant additive concentration could also result in blockage of the heat exchanger, overheating, and/or accelerated wear of the water pump seal.

Do not exceed the recommended amount of supplemental coolant additive concentration.

3. Add the proper amount of SCA. The concentration of the SCA depends on the type of coolant that is used.
  - a. For cooling systems that use conventional coolant/antifreeze, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Conventional Coolant/Antifreeze Cooling System Maintenance" topic (Maintenance Section).

- b. For cooling systems that use only a mixture of water and SCA, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Water/Supplemental Coolant Additive (SCA)" topic (Maintenance Section).
4. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Install the cooling system filler cap.

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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.

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 the Service Manual 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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## Crankshaft Vibration Damper - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 1205-040

The crankshaft vibration damper limits the torsional vibration of the crankshaft. The visconic damper has a weight that is located inside a fluid filled case.

Damage to the crankshaft vibration damper or failure of the damper can increase torsional vibrations. This can result in damage to the crankshaft and to other engine components. A deteriorating damper can cause excessive gear train noise at variable points in the speed range.

A damper that is hot may be the result of excessive friction. This could be due to misalignment. Use an infrared thermometer to monitor the temperature of the damper during operation. If the temperature reaches 100 °C (212 °F), consult your Caterpillar dealer.

Inspect the damper for evidence of dents, cracks, and leaks of the fluid.

If a fluid leak is found, determine the type of fluid. The fluid in the damper is silicone. Silicone has the following characteristics: transparent, viscous, smooth, and difficult to remove from surfaces.

If the fluid leak is oil, inspect the crankshaft seals for leaks. If a leak is observed, replace all of the seals.

Inspect the damper and repair or replace the damper for any of the following reasons.

- The damper is dented, cracked, or leaking.
- The paint on the damper is discolored from heat.
- The engine has had a failure because of a broken crankshaft.
- An analysis of the oil has revealed that the front bearing of the crankshaft is badly worn.
- There is a large amount of gear train wear that is not caused by a lack of oil.

## Removal and Installation

Refer to the Service Manual or consult your Caterpillar dealer for information about damper replacement.

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## Driven Equipment - Check

**SMCS Code:** 3279-535

To minimize bearing problems and vibration of the engine crankshaft and the driven equipment, the alignment between the engine and driven equipment must be maintained properly.

Check the alignment according to the instructions that are provided by the following manufacturers:

- Caterpillar
- OEM of the coupling
- OEM of the driven equipment

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## Driven Equipment - Inspect/Replace/Lubricate

**SMCS Code:** 3279-040

Observe the driven equipment during operation. Look for the following items:

- Unusual noise and vibration
- Loose connections
- Damaged parts

Perform any maintenance that is recommended by the OEM of the driven equipment. Refer to the literature of the OEM of the driven equipment for the following service instructions.

- Inspection
- Lubricating grease and lubricating oil requirements
- Specifications for adjustment
- Replacement of components
- Requirements for ventilation

## Engine - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1000-070

### 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.

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

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## Engine Air Cleaner Element (Dual Element) - Clean/Replace

**SMCS Code:** 1051; 1054-037

### 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 air-borne 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.

## Servicing the Air Cleaner Elements

If the air cleaner element becomes plugged, the air can split the material of the air cleaner element. Unfiltered air will drastically accelerate internal engine wear. Your Caterpillar dealer has the proper air cleaner elements for your application. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for the correct air cleaner element.

- Check the precleaner (if equipped) daily for accumulation of dirt and debris. Remove any dirt and debris, as needed.
- Operating conditions (dust, dirt and debris) may require more frequent service of the air cleaner element.

- The air cleaner element may be cleaned up to six times if the element is properly cleaned and inspected.
- The air cleaner element should be replaced at least one time per year. This replacement should be performed regardless of the number of cleanings.

Replace the dirty paper air cleaner elements with clean air cleaner elements. Before installation, the air cleaner elements should be thoroughly checked for tears and/or holes in the filter material. Inspect the gasket or the seal of the air cleaner element for damage. Maintain a supply of suitable air cleaner elements for replacement purposes.

### Dual Element Air Cleaners

The dual element air cleaner contains a primary air cleaner element and a secondary air cleaner element. The primary air cleaner element can be used up to six times if the element is properly cleaned and inspected. The primary air cleaner element should be replaced at least one time per year. This replacement should be performed regardless of the number of cleanings.

The secondary air cleaner element is not serviceable or washable. The secondary air cleaner element should be removed and discarded for every three cleanings of the primary air cleaner element. When the engine is operating in environments that are dusty or dirty, air cleaner elements may require more frequent replacement.

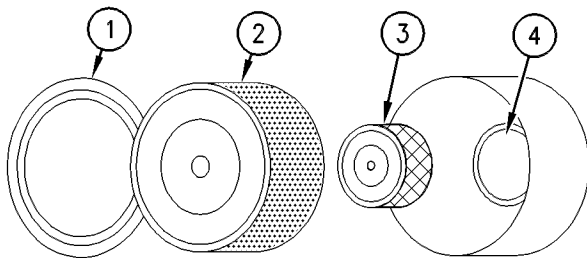


Illustration 29

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(1) Cover. (2) Primary air cleaner element. (3) Secondary air cleaner element. (4) Turbocharger air inlet.

1. Remove the cover. Remove the primary air cleaner element.
2. The secondary air cleaner element should be removed and discarded for every three cleanings of the primary air cleaner element.

**Note:** Refer to “Cleaning the Primary Air Filter Elements”.

3. Cover the turbocharger air inlet with tape in order to keep dirt out.
4. Clean the inside of the air cleaner cover and body with a clean, dry cloth.
5. Remove the tape for the turbocharger air inlet. Install the secondary air cleaner element. Install a primary air cleaner element that is new or cleaned.
6. Install the air cleaner cover.
7. Reset the service indicator.

### Cleaning the Primary Air Cleaner Elements

The primary air cleaner element can be used up to six times if the element is properly cleaned and inspected. When the primary air cleaner element is cleaned, check for rips or tears in the filter material. The primary air cleaner element should be replaced at least one time per year. This replacement should be performed regardless of the number of cleanings.

Use clean primary air cleaner elements while dirty elements are being cleaned.

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#### NOTICE

Do not clean the air cleaner elements by bumping or tapping. This could damage the seals. Do not use elements with damaged pleats, gaskets or seals. Damaged elements will allow dirt to pass through. Engine damage could result.

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Visually inspect the primary air cleaner elements before cleaning. Inspect the air cleaner elements for damage to the seal, the gaskets, and the outer cover. Discard any damaged air cleaner elements.

There are four common methods that are used to clean primary air cleaner elements:

- Pressurized water
- Pressurized air
- Vacuum cleaning
- Washing with nonsudsing detergent

## Pressurized Water

Pressurized water will clean the primary air cleaner element unless carbon and oil have accumulated on the surface of the primary air cleaner element. The maximum water pressure for cleaning purposes must be below 275 kPa (40 psi). Do not use a spray nozzle.

**Note:** When the primary air cleaner element is cleaned, always begin with the clean side (inside) in order to force dirt particles toward the dirty side (outside).

Aim the hose so that the water flows inside the element along the length of the filter in order to help prevent damage to the paper pleats. Do not aim the stream of water directly at the primary air cleaner element. Dirt could be forced further into the pleats.

**Note:** Refer to “Drying the Primary Air Cleaner Elements”. Refer to “Inspecting the Primary Air Cleaner Elements”.

## Pressurized Air

Pressurized air can be used to clean primary air cleaner elements that have not been cleaned more than two times. Pressurized air will not remove deposits of carbon and oil. Use filtered, dry air with a maximum pressure of 207 kPa (30 psi).

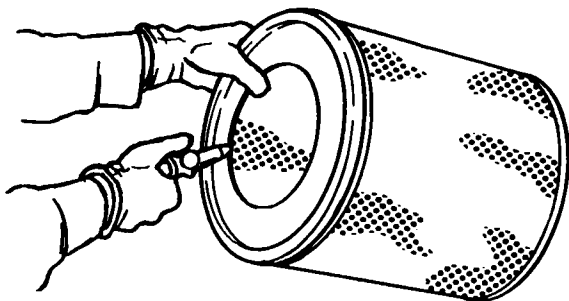


Illustration 30

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**Note:** When the primary air cleaner elements are cleaned, always begin with the clean side (inside) in order to force dirt particles toward the dirty side (outside).

Aim the hose so that the air flows inside the element along the length of the filter in order to help prevent damage to the paper pleats. Do not aim the stream of air directly at the primary air cleaner element. Dirt could be forced further into the pleats.

**Note:** Refer to “Inspecting the Primary Air Cleaner Elements”.

## Vacuum Cleaning

Vacuum cleaning is a good method for cleaning primary air cleaner elements which require daily cleaning because of a dry, dusty environment. Cleaning with pressurized air is recommended prior to vacuum cleaning. Vacuum cleaning will not remove deposits of carbon and oil.

**Note:** Refer to “Inspecting the Primary Air Cleaner Elements”.

## Washing the Primary Air Cleaner Elements with Nonsudsing Detergent

### WARNING

**Do not wash air cleaner elements in any flammable solution such as diesel fuel or gasoline. Doing so can cause fire or an engine runaway and can result in personal injury.**

Washing with nonsudsing detergent is effective for cleaning primary air cleaner elements that have deposits of carbon or oil. Use a cleaning agent that is specifically manufactured for cleaning primary air cleaner elements. Cleaning with pressurized water, pressurized air, or a vacuum is recommended prior to washing with nonsudsing detergent.

1. Place the primary air cleaner element into a wash tank so that the gasket is up. The wash tank should be equipped with a rack so that the primary air cleaner element does not sit on the bottom of the wash tank.

**Note:** Caterpillar does not recommend a process for washing the primary air cleaner element which includes agitation. Agitation may cause carbon particles to be distributed.

2. Fill the wash tank with the cleaning agent and warm water to a maximum temperature of 60°C (140°F). Follow the manufacturers recommendations for the cleaning agent. Allow the primary air cleaner element to soak for six hours.
3. Drain the wash tank. Do not use the cleaning agent more than one time. Remove the primary air cleaner element from the wash tank. Rinse the primary air cleaner element with the method for using pressurized water.

**Note:** Refer to “Drying the Primary Air Cleaner Elements”. Refer to “Inspecting the Primary Air Cleaner Elements”.



## Drying the Primary Air Cleaner Elements

The oven method may be used in order to dry primary air cleaner elements. If an oven is used, do not expose the primary air cleaner elements to temperatures that exceed 82°C (160°F).

**Note:** Do not use compressed air in order to dry the primary air cleaner elements.

Primary air cleaner elements may be allowed to air dry. Allow two days for the primary air cleaner elements to air dry before the elements are inspected and installed.

## Inspecting the Primary Air Cleaner Elements

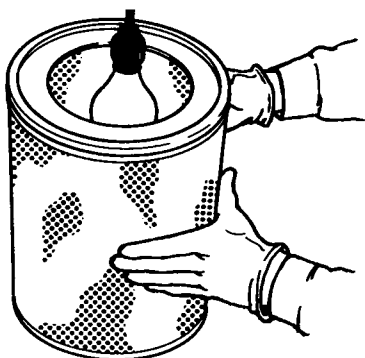


Illustration 31

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Inspect the clean, dry primary air cleaner element. Use a 60 watt blue light in a dark room or in a similar facility. Place the blue light in the primary air cleaner element. Rotate the primary air cleaner element. Inspect the primary air cleaner element for tears and/or holes. Inspect the primary air cleaner element for light that may show through the filter material. If it is necessary in order to confirm the result, compare the primary air cleaner element to a new primary air cleaner element that has the same part number.

Do not use a primary air cleaner element that has any tears and/or holes in the filter material. Do not use an primary air cleaner element with damaged pleats, gaskets or seals. Discard damaged primary air cleaner elements.

## Storing Primary Air Cleaner Elements

If a primary air cleaner element that passes inspection will not be used, the primary air cleaner element can be stored for future use.

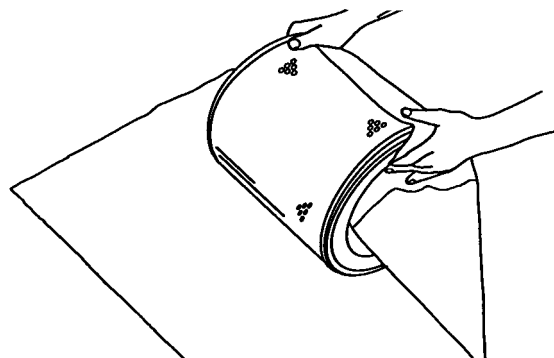


Illustration 32

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Do not use paint, a waterproof cover, or plastic as a protective covering for storage. Restricted air flow may result. To protect against dirt and damage, wrap the primary air cleaner elements in Volalite Corrosion Inhibited (VCI) paper.

Place the primary air cleaner element into a box for storage. For identification, mark the outside of the box and mark the primary air cleaner element. Include the following information:

- Date cleaned
- Number of cleanings

Store the box in a dry location.

For more detailed information on cleaning the primary air cleaner element, refer to Special Publication, SEBF8062, "Procedure to Inspect and Clean Air Filters".

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## Engine Air Cleaner Element (Single Element) - Inspect/Replace

**SMCS Code:** 1054-040; 1054-510

### 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.

## Servicing the Air Cleaner Elements

If the air cleaner element becomes plugged, the air can split the material of the air cleaner element. Unfiltered air will drastically accelerate internal engine wear. Your Caterpillar dealer has the proper air cleaner elements for your application. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for the correct air cleaner element.

- Check the precleaner (if equipped) daily for accumulation of dirt and debris. Remove any dirt and debris, as needed.
- Operating conditions (dust, dirt and debris) may require more frequent service of the air cleaner element.
- The air cleaner element may be cleaned up to six times if the element is properly cleaned and inspected.
- The air cleaner element should be replaced at least one time per year. This replacement should be performed regardless of the number of cleanings.

Replace the dirty paper air cleaner elements with clean air cleaner elements. Before installation, the air cleaner elements should be thoroughly checked for tears and/or holes in the filter material. Inspect the gasket or the seal of the air cleaner element for damage. Maintain a supply of suitable air cleaner elements for replacement purposes.

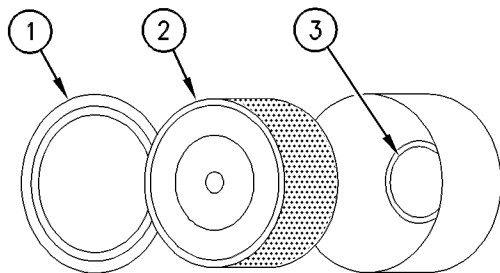


Illustration 33

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- (1) Cover  
(2) Element  
(3) Air inlet

1. Remove the air cleaner cover. Remove the air cleaner element.
2. Cover the air inlet with tape in order to keep dirt out.
3. Clean the inside of the air cleaner cover and body with a clean, dry cloth.

4. Remove the tape for the air inlet. Install an air cleaner element that is new or cleaned.
5. Install the air cleaner cover.
6. If necessary, reset the air cleaner service indicator.

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## Engine Air Cleaner Service Indicator - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 7452-040

A service indicator may be mounted on the air cleaner element or in a remote location.

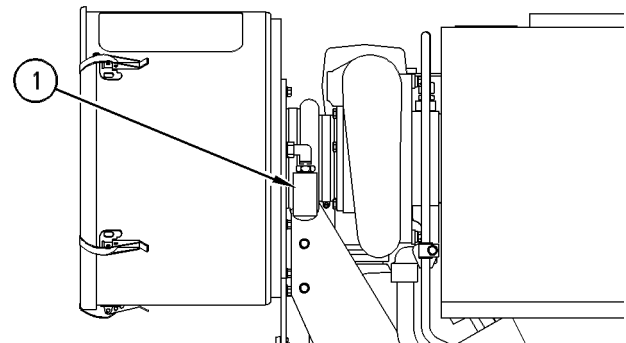


Illustration 34

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(1) Service indicator

Some engines may be equipped with a different service indicator.

Observe the service indicator. Clean the air cleaner element or replace the air cleaner element when the following conditions occur:

- The yellow diaphragm enters the red zone.
- The red piston locks in the visible position.
- The air restriction reaches 6 kPa (25 inches of H<sub>2</sub>O).

## 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 rpm. 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 fitting for the service indicator may be plugged.

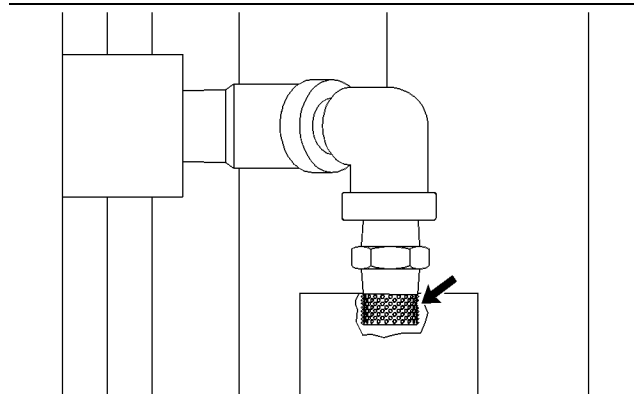


Illustration 35

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Porous filter

A porous filter is part of a fitting that is used for mounting of the service indicator. Inspect the filter for cleanliness. Clean the filter, if necessary. Use compressed air or a clean, nonflammable solvent.

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).

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## Engine Air Precleaner - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1055-070

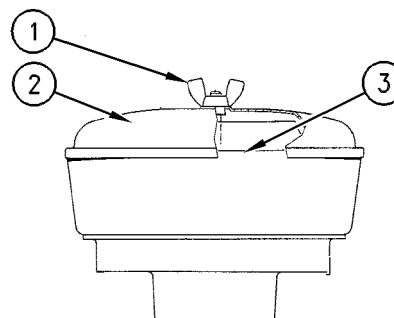


Illustration 36

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Typical precleaner

- (1) Wing nut
- (2) Cover
- (3) Body

Remove wing nut (1) and cover (2). Check for an accumulation of dirt and debris in body (3). Clean the body, if necessary.

After cleaning the precleaner, install cover (2) and wing nut (1).

**Note:** When the engine is operated in dusty applications, more frequent cleaning is required.

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## Engine Crankcase Breather - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1317-070

If the crankcase breather is not maintained on a regular basis, the crankcase breather will become plugged. A plugged crankcase breather will cause excessive crankcase pressure that may cause crankshaft seal leakage.

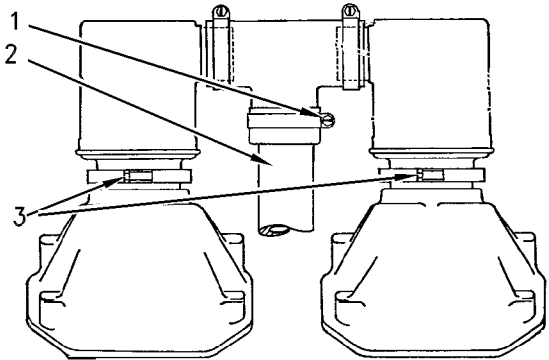


Illustration 37

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1. Loosen clamp (1). Slide the clamp down on tube (2).
2. Loosen clamps (3). Remove both breathers as a unit.

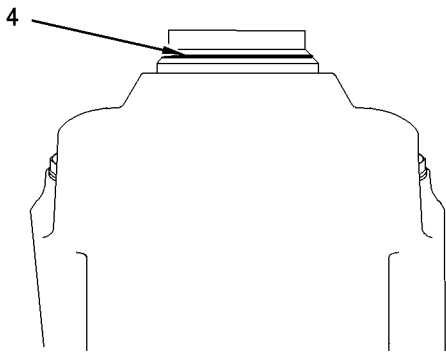


Illustration 38

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3. Remove O-ring seals (4) from the valve covers. Inspect the O-ring seals for good condition. Obtain new O-ring seals, if necessary.

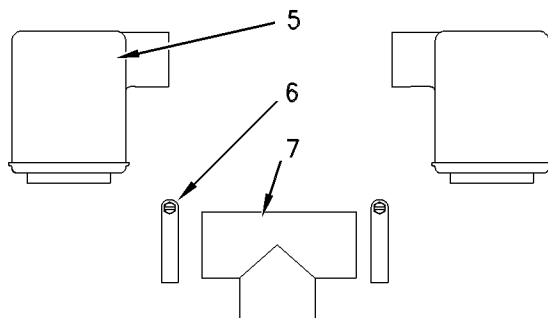


Illustration 39

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4. Remove two clamps (6). Remove both breathers (5) from hose tee (7).

Inspect the hose tee for cracks. If the tee is cracked, discard the old tee and obtain a new tee for installation.

5. Turn the breathers upside-down in order to inspect the condition of the breather elements.

Clean the breather elements with clean, nonflammable solvent. If the breather elements remain contaminated after the cleaning, discard the breathers and obtain new breathers. Do not attempt to disassemble the breathers.

Allow the breather elements to dry before installation.

**Note:** Coat the rubber parts with clean engine oil or petroleum jelly in order to make installation easier.

6. Place clamps (6) over the parts of hose tee (7) that will receive breathers (5). Install the breathers into the tee. Tighten the clamps to the torque that is listed in the Service Manual, "Specifications".
7. Coat O-ring seals (4) with clean engine oil. Place the O-ring seals on the valve covers.
8. Place clamps (3) around the parts of the breathers that will be attached to the valve covers. Install both breathers as a unit. Tighten the clamps.
9. Place clamp (1) on the part of the hose tee that will receive tube (2). Install the tube into the hose tee. Tighten the clamp to the torque that is listed in the Service Manual, "Specifications".

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## Engine Mounts - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1152-535

Misalignment of the engine and the driven equipment will cause extensive damage. Excessive vibration can lead to misalignment. Excessive vibration of the engine and the driven equipment can be caused by the following conditions:

- Improper mounting
- Loose bolts
- Deterioration of the isolators

Ensure that the mounting bolts are tightened to the proper torque. For standard torques, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Torque Specifications" (Maintenance Section).

Ensure that the isolators are free of oil and contamination. Inspect the isolators for deterioration. Ensure that the bolts for the isolators are tightened to the proper torque.

Replace any isolator that shows deterioration. For more information, see the literature that is provided by the OEM of the isolators. Also see the Application and Installation Guide for the engine. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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## Engine Oil Level - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1348-535-FLV

The most accurate check of the oil level is obtained when the engine is stopped. Perform this maintenance on a surface that is as level as possible.

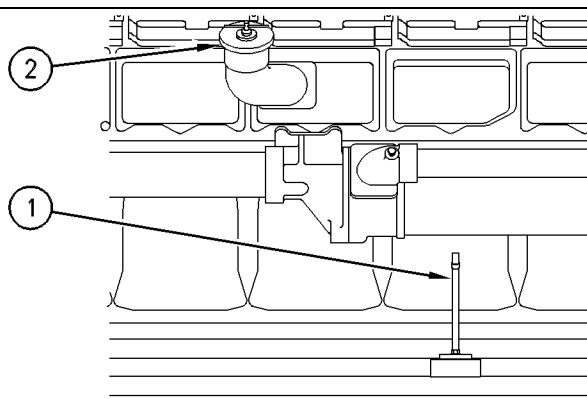


Illustration 40

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- (1) Oil filler  
(2) Oil level gauge

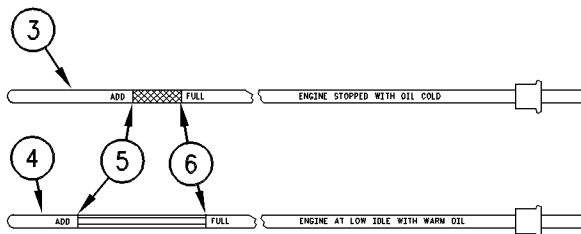


Illustration 41

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- (3) "ENGINE STOPPED WITH OIL COLD" side  
(4) "ENGINE AT LOW IDLE WITH WARM OIL" side  
(5) "ADD" mark  
(6) "FULL" mark

1. Ensure that oil level gauge (1) is seated.

- a. If the engine is stopped, remove the oil level gauge. Observe the oil level on "ENGINE STOPPED WITH OIL COLD" side (3).
- b. If the engine is operating, reduce the engine speed to low idle. Remove the oil level gauge and observe the oil level on "ENGINE AT LOW IDLE WITH WARM OIL" side (4).

The oil level should be between "ADD" mark (5) and "FULL" mark (6).

### NOTICE

Engine damage can occur if the crankcase is filled above the "FULL" mark on the oil level gauge (dipstick).

An overfull crankcase can enable the crankshaft to dip into the oil. This will reduce the power that is developed and also force air bubbles into the oil. These bubbles (foam) can cause the following problems: reduction of the oil's ability to lubricate, reduction of oil pressure, inadequate cooling of the pistons, oil blowing out of the crankcase breathers, and excessive oil consumption.

Excessive oil consumption will enable deposits to form on the pistons and in the combustion chamber. Deposits in the combustion chamber lead to the following problems: guttering of the valves, packing of carbon under the piston rings, and wear of the cylinder liner.

If the oil level is above the "FULL" mark on the oil level gauge, drain some of the oil immediately.

2. If necessary, remove oil filler cap (2) and add oil. For the correct oil to use, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Oil" topic (Maintenance Section). Do not fill the crankcase above the "FULL" mark on the oil level gauge. Clean the oil filler cap. Install the oil filler cap.
3. Record the amount of oil that is added. For the next oil sample and analysis, include the total amount of oil that has been added since the previous oil change. This will help to provide the most accurate oil analysis.

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## Engine Oil Sample - Obtain

**SMCS Code:** 1348-554-SM

In addition to a good preventive maintenance program, Caterpillar recommends using S-O-S oil analysis at regularly scheduled intervals in order to monitor the condition of the engine and the maintenance requirements of the engine.

## 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, well 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 8T-9190 Fluid Sampling Bottle Group is recommended for use with the sampling valve. The bottle group includes the parts that are needed for obtaining oil samples. Instructions are also provided.

### **NOTICE**

Do not use the same vacuum sampling pump for extracting oil samples that is used for extracting coolant samples.

A small residue of either type sample may remain in the pump and may cause a false positive analysis for the sample being taken.

Always use a designated pump for oil sampling and a designated pump for coolant sampling.

Failure to do so may cause a false analysis which could lead to customer and dealer concerns.

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, PEHP6001, "How To Take A Good Oil Sample". Consult your Caterpillar 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

### **WARNING**

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

The S-O-S oil analysis program analyzes used oil in order to determine if the oil change interval is suitable for your specific engine.

## Drain the Oil

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 when the cold oil is drained. Drain the crankcase when the oil is warm. This draining method allows the waste particles that are suspended in the oil to be drained properly.

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

1. After the engine has been operated at normal operating temperature, STOP the engine.
2. Drain the oil according to the equipment on the engine.

**Note:** Drain the oil into a suitable container. Dispose of the oil according to local regulations.

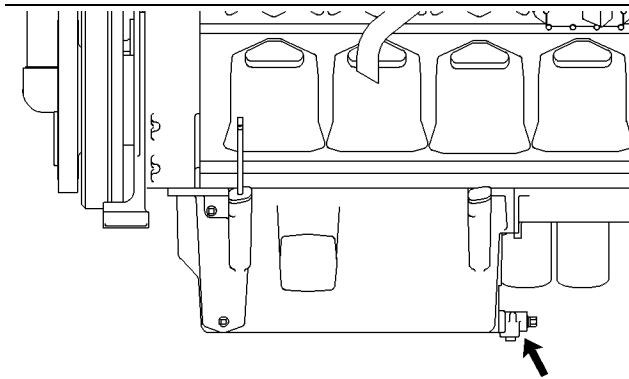


Illustration 42

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Oil drain

- a. Open oil drain (1). After the oil has drained, close the oil drain.
- b. If a suction device is inserted into the oil pan, ensure that the suction device is clean. This will prevent dirt from entering into the oil pan. Be careful not to strike the engine oil suction tubes or the piston cooling jets.
- c. If a suction device that attaches to the oil drain is used, ensure that the suction device is clean. Attach the suction device to the oil drain. Open the oil drain. After the oil has drained, close the oil drain and remove the suction device.

## Replace the Oil Filter Elements

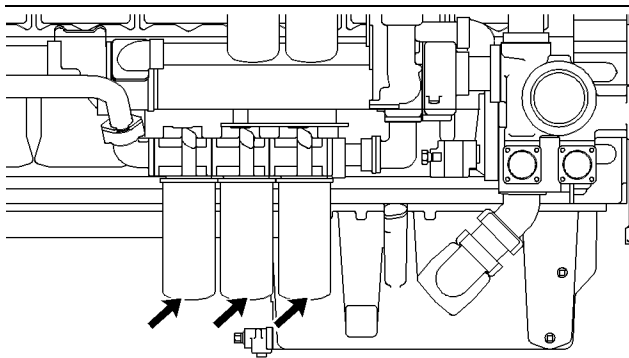


Illustration 43

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Oil filters

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



Illustration 44

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Mounting base and gasket

2. Clean the sealing surface of the mounting base. Ensure that all of the old gasket is removed.

### 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.

3. Apply clean engine oil to the gasket of the new oil filter.

### 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.

4. Place the oil filter in position. Tighten the oil filter until the gasket contacts the base. Tighten the oil filter by hand for an additional 3/4 turn (270 degrees). Do not overtighten the oil filter.

## Inspect the Used Oil Filter Elements

1. Cut the used oil filter element open with a 4C-5084 Oil Filter Cutter. Spread apart the pleats and inspect the filter material for metal debris.

An excessive amount of debris in the element may indicate early wear or a pending failure.

2. Use a magnet to differentiate between the ferrous metals and the nonferrous metals that are found in the filter.

Ferrous metals may indicate wear on the steel and the cast iron parts of the engine. Nonferrous metals may indicate wear on the aluminum parts, the brass parts, or the bronze parts of the engine. Parts that may be affected include the following components: 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. If an excessive amount of debris is found, consult your Caterpillar dealer in order to arrange for further oil analysis.

## Fill the Crankcase

### NOTICE

Only use oils that are recommended by Caterpillar. For the proper oil to use, refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Oil" topic (Maintenance Section).

### NOTICE

If the engine is equipped with an auxiliary oil filter system, extra oil must be added when filling the crankcase. If equipped with an auxiliary oil filter system that is not supplied by Caterpillar, follow the recommendations of the OEM.

### NOTICE

Engine damage can occur if the crankcase is filled above the "FULL" mark on the oil level gauge (dipstick).

An overfull crankcase can enable the crankshaft to dip into the oil. This will reduce the power that is developed and also force air bubbles into the oil. These bubbles (foam) can cause the following problems: reduction of the oil's ability to lubricate, reduction of oil pressure, inadequate cooling of the pistons, oil blowing out of the crankcase breathers, and excessive oil consumption.

Excessive oil consumption will enable deposits to form on the pistons and in the combustion chamber. Deposits in the combustion chamber lead to the following problems: guttering of the valves, packing of carbon under the piston rings, and wear of the cylinder liner.

If the oil level is above the "FULL" mark on the oil level gauge, drain some of the oil immediately.

1. Remove the oil filler cap. Fill the crankcase through the oil filler tube only.

For the amount of oil to use, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities" topic (Maintenance Section).

2. Clean the oil filler cap. Install the oil filler cap.

### NOTICE

To prevent crankshaft or bearing damage, crank engine with fuel off to fill all filters before starting.

Do Not crank engine for more than 30 seconds.

3. Close the fuel supply line and crank the engine until the oil pressure gauge indicates 70 kPa (10 psi). Open the fuel supply line.

Allow the starting motor to cool for two minutes before cranking again.

4. Follow the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Starting The Engine" procedure (Operation Section).

Operate the engine at low idle for two minutes.

This will ensure that the lubrication system has oil and that the oil filters are filled with oil.

Inspect the engine for oil leaks. Ensure that the oil level is at the "FULL" mark on the "ENGINE AT LOW IDLE WITH WARM OIL" side of the oil level gauge.

5. Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain back into the sump for a minimum of ten minutes.

6. Remove the oil level gauge and check the oil level.

Maintain the oil level to the "FULL" mark on the "ENGINE STOPPED WITH OIL COLD" side of the oil level gauge.

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## Engine Protective Devices - Check

**SMCS Code:** 7400-535

Alarms and shutoffs must function properly. Alarms provide timely warning to the operator. Shutoffs help to prevent damage to the engine. It is impossible to determine if the engine protective devices are in good working order during normal operation. Malfunctions must be simulated in order to test the engine protective devices.

A calibration check of the engine protective devices will ensure that the alarms and shutoffs activate at the setpoints. Ensure that the engine protective devices are functioning properly.



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**NOTICE**

During testing, abnormal operating conditions must be simulated.

The tests must be performed correctly in order to prevent possible damage to the engine.

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To prevent damage to the engine, only authorized service personnel or your Caterpillar dealer should perform the tests.

## Visual Inspection

Visually check the condition of all gauges, sensors and wiring. Look for wiring and components that are loose, broken, or damaged. Damaged wiring or components should be repaired or replaced immediately.

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## Engine Valve Lash - Inspect/Adjust

**SMCS Code:** 1102-025

**Note:** For procedures on adjusting the valve bridge and adjusting the engine valve lash, see the Service Manual, "Systems Operation/Testing and Adjusting" module. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

## Valve Bridge

Check the valve bridge and adjust the valve bridge, if necessary. Perform the procedure for both valve bridges for each cylinder. After the valve bridge is checked for each cylinder, proceed with the valve lash adjustment, if necessary.

## Engine Valve Lash

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**NOTICE**

Only qualified service personnel should perform this maintenance. Refer to the Service Manual or 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.

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The valve bridge adjustment must be performed before making a valve lash adjustment. If the valve lash is within the tolerance, an adjustment of the valve lash is NOT necessary.

Perform the valve lash setting when the engine is cold. After the engine has been shut down and the valve covers are removed, the engine is considered cold. Before performing maintenance, prevent the entry of foreign matter into the top of the cylinder head and the valve mechanism. Thoroughly clean the area around the valve mechanism covers.

For the valve lash setting, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Description" topic (Product Information Section).

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## Fuel Injector - Inspect/Adjust

**SMCS Code:** 1290-025

**Note:** Perform this procedure when the engine valve lash is inspected.

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**NOTICE**

The camshafts must be correctly timed with the crankshaft before an adjustment of the lash for the fuel injector is made. The timing pins must be removed from the camshafts before the crankshaft is turned or damage to the cylinder block will be the result.

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Inspect the adjustment of the lash for the fuel injector according to the Systems Operation/Testing And Adjusting, "Fuel System" topic. Adjust the lash for the fuel injector, if necessary.

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## Fuel System - Prime

**SMCS Code:** 1250-548; 1258-548

1. Open the fuel supply valve. Ensure that the engine will not start during the priming procedure. Turn the start switch to the OFF position.

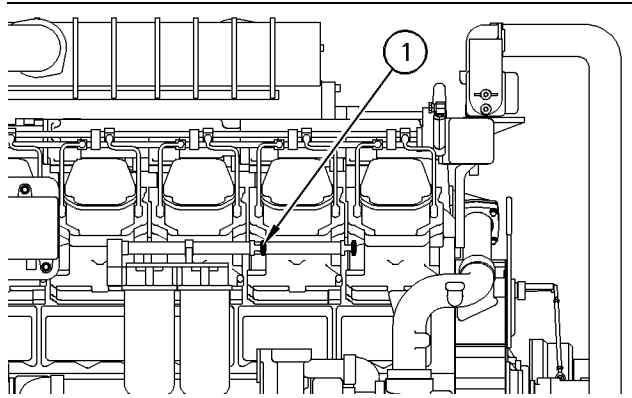


Illustration 45

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(1) Fuel priming pump plunger

2. Turn the fuel priming pump plunger counterclockwise in order to release the lock plate from the retainer.
3. Operate the fuel priming pump until the air in the fuel system has been pumped through the fuel return line back to the fuel tank.
4. Press the fuel priming pump plunger to the locking position. Turn the fuel priming pump plunger clockwise in order to engage the lock plate in the retainer.

**Note:** Enable the starting system only after all maintenance has been completed.

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## Fuel System Primary Filter - Clean/Inspect/Replace

**SMCS Code:** 1260-510; 1260-571

### **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.**

1. Stop the engine. Ensure that the engine will not start during this procedure.
2. Shut off the fuel supply valve to the engine.

### 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.

### NOTICE

Use a suitable container to catch any fuel that might spill. Clean up any spilled fuel immediately.

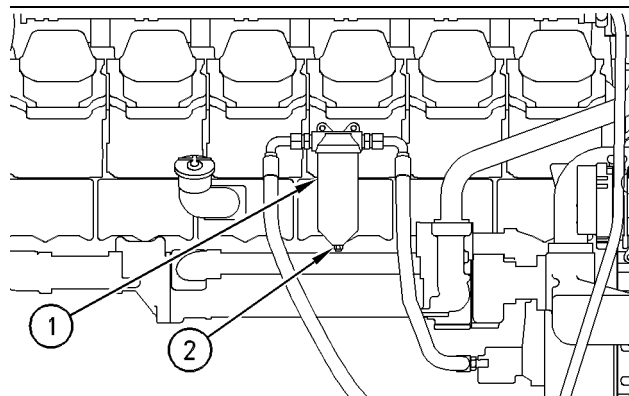


Illustration 46

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(1) Filter case  
(2) Nut

3. Loosen nut (2). Hold filter case (1) and remove nut (2). Prepare to catch the fuel that is inside of the filter case with a suitable container. Remove the filter case from the mounting bolt.
4. Remove the element and wash the element in clean, nonflammable solvent. Allow the element to dry. Inspect the element. Install a new element if the old element is damaged or deteriorated.
5. Clean the inside of the filter case. Allow the filter case to dry.
6. Inspect the seal rings. Ensure that the surfaces for the seal rings are clean. Install new seal rings if the old seal rings are damaged or deteriorated.

### NOTICE

Do not fill the fuel filters with fuel before installing them. The fuel would not be filtered and could be contaminated. Contaminated fuel will cause accelerated wear to fuel system parts.

7. Place the element in the filter case. Slide the filter case over the mounting bolt.
8. Install the nut.
9. Open the fuel supply valve.

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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.**

### **NOTICE**

Use a suitable container to catch any fuel that might spill. Clean up any spilled fuel immediately.

Drain the primary filter/water separator on a daily basis before starting the engine.

For specific instructions for draining the primary filter/water separator, see the service information that is provided by the OEM of the primary filter/water separator.

### **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.

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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.**

### **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.

Replace the element of the primary filter/water separator according to the instructions that are provided by the OEM of the primary filter/water separator.

**Note:** It may be necessary to prime the fuel system before the engine will start. See this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System - Prime" topic (Maintenance Section).

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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.

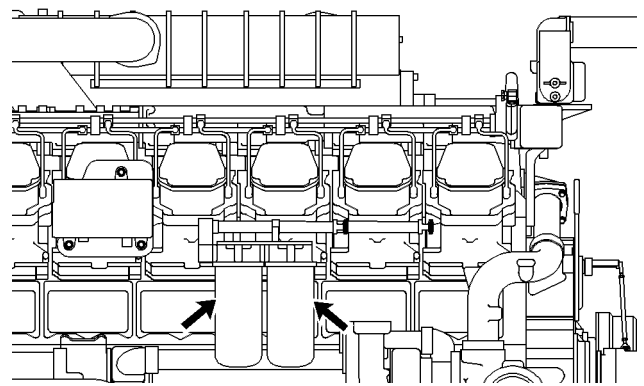


Illustration 47

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Secondary fuel filters

1. Remove the used fuel filter with a 1U-8760 Chain Wrench. Discard the used fuel filter.
2. Clean the gasket sealing surface of the fuel filter base.

Ensure that all of the old gasket is removed.

3. Apply clean diesel fuel to the new fuel filter gasket.

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#### NOTICE

Do not fill the fuel filters with fuel before installing the fuel filters. The fuel will not be filtered and could be contaminated. Contaminated fuel will cause accelerated wear to fuel system parts.

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#### 4. Install the new fuel filter.

Spin the new fuel filter onto the fuel filter base until the gasket contacts the base. Tighten the fuel filter by hand by one full turn. Do not overtighten the fuel filter. Use the rotation index marks that are on the fuel filter as a guide for proper tightening.

#### 5. Prime the fuel system.

See this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System - Prime" topic (Maintenance Section).

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## Fuel Tank Water and Sediment - Drain

**SMCS Code:** 1273-543-M&S

### Fuel Tank

Fuel quality is critical to the performance and to the service life of the engine. Water in the fuel can cause excessive fuel system wear. 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.

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.

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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### Hoses and Clamps - Inspect/Replace

**SMCS Code:** 7554-040; 7554-510

Inspect all hoses for leaks that are caused by the following conditions:

- Cracking
- Softness
- Loose clamps

Replace hoses that are cracked or soft. Tighten any loose clamps.

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**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.

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Check for the following conditions:

- End fittings that are damaged or leaking
- 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

A constant torque hose clamp can be used in place of any standard hose clamp. Ensure that the constant torque hose clamp is the same size as the standard clamp.

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

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

## Replace the Hoses and the Clamps

### **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.**

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1. Stop the engine. Allow the engine to cool.

2. Loosen the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Remove the cooling system filler cap.

**Note:** Drain the coolant into a suitable, clean container. The coolant can be reused.

3. Drain the coolant from the cooling system to a level that is below the hose that is being replaced.

4. Remove the hose clamps.

5. Disconnect the old hose.

6. Replace the old hose with a new hose.

**Note:** For torques on hose clamps, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Torque Specifications" (Maintenance Section).

7. Install the hose clamps with a torque wrench.

**Note:** For the proper coolant to use, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Coolant Recommendations" (Maintenance Section).

8. Refill the cooling system.

9. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Inspect the cooling system filler cap's gaskets. Replace the cooling system filler cap if the gaskets are damaged. Install the cooling system filler cap.

10. Start the engine. Inspect the cooling system 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 following parameters during normal operation:

- Fuel filter differential pressure
- Inlet air restriction
- Oil filter differential pressure

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 establish the normal gauge readings for the engine. A gauge reading that is abnormal may indicate a problem with operation or a problem with the gauge.

## **Record the Performance of the Engine**

Records of engine performance are an important element of a maintenance program. Record information about the engine operation on a daily basis. This will help to reveal the trends of the engine performance.

The data on engine performance can help to predict problems with operation. Also, the data can provide your Caterpillar dealer with information that is useful for recommending optimum operation.

Table 33 is offered for use as a log for engine performance. Make several copies of Table 33 for continued use. Retain the recorded information for reference.

Table 33

Engine Performance						
Engine Serial Number	Authorization					
Date						
Engine hours						
Engine rpm						
Percent of load						
Ambient temperature						
Inlet manifold air temperature						
Inlet manifold air pressure						
Air restriction (left)						
Air restriction (right)						
Jacket water temperature						
Engine oil temperature						
Engine oil pressure						
Fuel pressure						
Fuel filter differential pressure						
Exhaust manifold temperature (left)						
Exhaust manifold temperature (right)						
Cylinder temperature (1)						
Cylinder temperature (2)						
Cylinder temperature (3)						
Cylinder temperature (4)						
Cylinder temperature (5)						
Cylinder temperature (6)						
Cylinder temperature (7)						
Cylinder temperature (8)						
Cylinder temperature (9)						
Cylinder temperature (10)						
Cylinder temperature (11)						
Cylinder temperature (12)						
<b>Auxiliary Equipment</b>						
Transmission oil pressure						
Transmission oil temperature						
Comments						

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## Magnetic Pickups - Clean/Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 1907-040

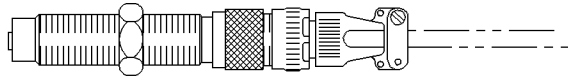


Illustration 48

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Typical magnetic pickup

1. Remove the magnetic pickup from the flywheel housing. Check the condition of the end of the magnetic pickup. Check for signs of wear and contaminants.
2. Clean the metal shavings and other debris from the face of the magnet.
3. Install the magnetic pickup according to the information in the Service Manual, "Specifications".

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## Overhaul (Major)

**SMCS Code:** 7595-020-MJ

### Major Overhaul Information

A major overhaul includes the work that is done for a top end overhaul. All other parts that are visible during the major overhaul are completely inspected. The seals and gaskets that are exposed are also replaced. The internal passages of the engine are cleaned.

Your Caterpillar dealer can provide these services and components. Your Caterpillar dealer can ensure that the components are operating within the appropriate specifications.

If you elect to perform an overhaul without the services of a Caterpillar dealer, be aware of the following recommendations.

### Components for Replacement

Replace the following components during the major overhaul. In addition, replace the components that are specified in this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Overhaul (Top End)" topic.

- Connecting rod bearings
- Crankshaft seals
- Exhaust shields
- Gaskets and seals
- Main bearings
- Piston rings
- Valve rotators

### Components for Inspection, Rebuilding or Exchanging

Inspect the following components according to the instructions that are in Caterpillar reusability publications. Refer to Guidelines for Reusable Parts and Salvage Operations, SEBF8029, "Index of Publications on Reusability or Salvage of Used Parts".

- Camshaft followers
- Connecting rods
- Cylinder liners
- Fuel transfer pump
- Oil pump
- Pistons
- Piston pins
- Prelube pump
- Scavenge oil pump
- Turbochargers

### Inspection of Components

Inspect the following components according to the instructions that are in Caterpillar reusability publications. Refer to Guidelines for Reusable Parts and Salvage Operations, SEBF8029, "Index of Publications on Reusability or Salvage of Used Parts".

- Camshaft



- Camshaft bearings
- Crankshaft
- Crankshaft vibration damper
- Driven equipment (alignment)
- Gear train
- Gear train bushings
- Spacer plates

Inspect the camshaft for damage to the journals and the lobes. Inspect the following components for signs of wear and/or for signs of fatigue:

- camshaft bearings
- camshaft followers

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 or the camshaft are removed for any reason, use the magnetic particle inspection process to check for cracks.

Replace the crankshaft vibration damper if any of the following conditions occur:

- Engine failure due to a broken crankshaft
- Excessive wear of the front bearing for the crankshaft
- Excessive wear of the gear train that is not caused by a lack of lubrication

Inspect the gears of the gear train and inspect the gear train bushings for the following conditions:

- Worn gear teeth
- Unusual fit

- Unusual wear

In addition to the inspection of components, inspect the alignment of the driven equipment. See the Application and Installation Guide for the engine.

## Cleaning of Components

Clean the oil cooler core and the aftercooler core. Then, pressure test both of these cores.

1. Remove the core.
2. Remove any debris from the core. To remove debris from the oil cooler core, turn the oil cooler core onto one end. To remove debris from the aftercooler core, turn the aftercooler core upside-down.

### NOTICE

Do not use a high concentration of caustic cleaner to clean the core. A high concentration of caustic cleaner can attack the internal metals of the core and cause leakage. Only use the recommended concentration of cleaner.

3. Back flush the core internally with cleaner in order to loosen foreign substances. This will also help to remove oil.

**Note:** Hydrosolv Liquid Cleaners are recommended. Table 34 lists the Hydrosolv Liquid Cleaners that are available from your Caterpillar dealer.

Table 34

Hydrosolv Liquid Cleaners <sup>(1)</sup>		
Part Number	Description	Size
1U-8812	Hydrosolv 4165	4 L (1 US gal)
1U-5490		19 L (5 US gal)
8T-7570		208 L (55 US gal)
1U-8804	Hydrosolv 100	4 L (1 US gal)
1U-5492		19 L (5 US gal)
8T-5571		208 L (55 US gal)

<sup>(1)</sup> Use these cleaners at a concentration of two to five percent and at a temperature up to 93 °C (200 °F). For more information, see Application Guide, NEHS0526, "Service Technical Group". Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

4. Steam clean the core in order to remove any residue. Flush the fins of the oil cooler core and the aftercooler core. Remove any other trapped debris.
5. Wash the core with hot, soapy water. Rinse the core thoroughly with clean water.

## **WARNING**

**Personal injury can result from air pressure.**

**Personal injury can result without following proper procedure. When using pressure air, wear a protective face shield and protective clothing.**

**Maximum air pressure at the nozzle must be less than 205 kPa (30 psi) for cleaning purposes.**

6. Dry the core with compressed air. Direct the air in the reverse direction of the normal flow.
7. Inspect the components in order to ensure cleanliness. Pressure test the core. Many shops that service radiators are equipped to perform pressure tests. Repair the core, if necessary. Install the core.

### **Obtain Coolant Analysis**

The concentration of supplemental coolant additive (SCA) should be checked regularly with test kits. The concentration of SCA can also be checked with an S·O·S coolant analysis (Level I). A more detailed coolant analysis is recommended periodically.

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 which 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 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. An S·O·S coolant analysis (Level II) provides the following information:

- Complete S·O·S coolant analysis (Level I).
- Properties of the coolant are visually inspected.
- Metal corrosion and contaminants are identified.

- Identification of built up impurities that can cause problems BEFORE the problems make repairs necessary.

A report of the results of the S·O·S coolant analysis (Level II) is provided. Maintenance recommendations are based on the results.

For more information about S·O·S coolant analysis, consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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## **Overhaul (Top End)**

**SMCS Code:** 7595-020-TE

### **Cylinder Head Assembly**

Inspect the cylinder head assembly according to the instructions that are in Caterpillar reusability publications. Refer to Guidelines for Reusable Parts and Salvage Operations, SEBF8029, "Index of Publications on Reusability or Salvage of Used Parts".

Your Caterpillar dealer can provide these services and components. Your Caterpillar dealer can ensure that the components are operating within the appropriate specifications.

The use of out-of-spec parts will cause unscheduled downtime and/or costly repairs.

### **Fuel Injectors**

Replace the fuel injectors. Consult your Caterpillar dealer about exchanging the fuel injectors. Your Caterpillar dealer can provide these services and components.

The wear of fuel injectors is affected by the following considerations:

- Quality of the fuel
- Quality of the filtration of the fuel

The wear of the fuel injectors can result in elevated levels of exhaust emissions and/or poor engine performance. The misfire of a single cylinder is not typically attributed to normal wear. This condition can be repaired by replacing the defective fuel injector.

The following list of circumstances indicate that the fuel injectors should be inspected more frequently:

- Use of fuels that are not recommended in this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel Specifications"

- Extreme ambient temperatures that reduce the ability of the fuel to provide lubrication
- Frequent plugging of the fuel filters
- Insufficient maintenance of the fuel tank or the fuel storage tank that can allow excessive water, sediment, etc.
- Insufficient maintenance of the fuel filters

## Oil Suction Screen



### WARNING

Hot oil and components can cause personal injury.

Do not allow hot oil or components to contact skin.

Clean the oil suction screen after the oil has been drained.

**Note:** Approximately 1 L (1 qt) of oil will remain in the housing after the sump has been completely drained. This oil will pour out of the housing when the cover is removed. Prepare to catch the oil in a pan. Clean up any spilled oil with rags. DO NOT use absorbent particles to clean up the oil.

1. Remove the screen assembly according to the instructions in the Service Manual, "Disassembly and Assembly" module. Discard the used O-ring seals.
2. Wash the screen assembly in clean nonflammable solvent. Allow the screen assembly to dry before installation.
3. Inspect the screen assembly for good condition. Obtain a new screen assembly, if necessary. Install the screen assembly. Install new O-ring seals.

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## Overhaul Considerations

SMCS Code: 7595-043

### Overhaul Information

An overhaul is replacing the major worn components of the engine. An overhaul interval is a maintenance interval that is planned. The engine is rebuilt with certain rebuilt parts or new parts that replace the worn parts.

An overhaul also includes the following maintenance:

- Inspection of all the parts that are visible during the disassembly
- Replacement of the seals and gaskets that are removed
- Cleaning of the internal passages of the engine and the engine block

Most owners will save money by overhauling the engine at the intervals that are recommended in this Operation and Maintenance Manual. Consider the graph in Illustration 49.

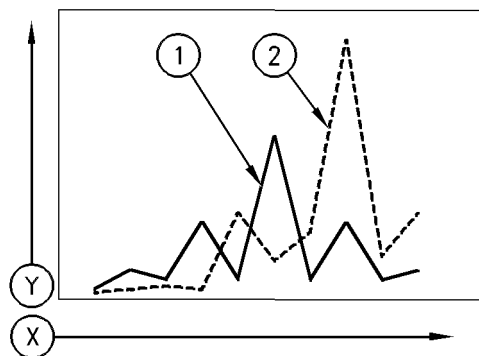


Illustration 49

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Costs of overhauls over time

(Y) Cost

(X) Time

(1) Cost of maintenance and repair that is planned

(2) Cost of maintenance and repair that is not planned

In Illustration 49, line (1) represents the maintenance and repair costs for an owner that followed the recommendations for inspection, maintenance, and repair. The peaks represent overhauls.

Line (2) represents the maintenance and repair costs for an owner that chose to operate beyond the recommended intervals. The initial cost of the "repair-after-failure" philosophy is lower. Also, the first overhaul was delayed. However, the peaks are significantly higher than the peaks for the customer that used the "repair-before-failure" philosophy.

The higher peaks result from two key factors:

- Delaying an overhaul until a breakdown increases the chance of a catastrophic failure. This type of failure requires more parts, labor, and cleanup.
- Excessive wear means that fewer components will be reusable. More labor may be required for salvage or repair of the components.

When all of the costs are considered, "REPAIR-BEFORE-FAILURE" is the least expensive alternative for most components and engines.

It is not practical to wait until the engine exhibits symptoms of excessive wear or failure. It is not less costly to wait. 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 guidelines for reusable parts.
- The service life of the engine can be extended without the risk of a major catastrophe due to engine failure.
- Achieve the best cost/value relationship per hour of extended service life.

## Overhaul Intervals

Some factors that are important for determining the overhaul intervals include the following considerations:

- Performance of preventive maintenance
- Use of recommended lubricants
- Use of recommended coolants
- Use of recommended fuels
- Proper installation
- Operating conditions
- Operation within acceptable limits
- Engine load
- Engine speed

Generally, engines that are operated at a reduced load and/or speed achieve more service life before an overhaul. However, this is for engines that are properly operated and maintained.

Other factors must also be considered for determining a major overhaul:

- The total amount of fuel consumption
- The service hours of the engine
- An increase of oil consumption
- An increase of crankcase blowby

- The wear metal analysis of the lube oil
- An increase in the levels of noise and vibration

An increase of wear metals in the lube oil indicates that the bearings and the surfaces that wear may need to be serviced. An increase in the levels of noise and vibration indicates that rotating parts require service.

**Note:** It is possible for oil analysis to indicate a decrease of wear metals in the lube oil. The cylinder liners may be worn so that polishing of the bore occurs. Also, the increased use of lube oil will dilute the wear metals.

Monitor the engine as the engine accumulates service hours. Consult your Caterpillar dealer about scheduling a major overhaul.

**Note:** The driven equipment may also require service when the engine is overhauled. Refer to the literature that is provided by the OEM of the driven equipment.

## Using Fuel Consumption For Calculating the Overhaul Intervals

The total fuel consumption is the most important factor for estimating the overhaul interval. Fuel consumption compensates for the application and for the engine load.

If the total fuel consumption has not been recorded, use the equation in Table 35 in order to estimate the hours until the overhaul. The equation may also be used to estimate overhaul intervals for new engines.

Table 35

Equation For Calculating Overhaul Intervals
$H = F/R$
"H" is the number of estimated hours until the overhaul interval.
"F" is the estimated total amount of fuel consumption of the engine.
"R" is the rate of fuel consumption in liters per hour or gallons per hour.

Use the actual records of fuel consumption, when possible. If the actual records are not available, use the following procedure in order to estimate the fuel consumption.

1. Estimate the average percent of the load for the operation of the engine.

2. Refer to the engine's Caterpillar, "Engine Specifications" ("spec" sheet). This will determine the fuel consumption for the percent of the load that was estimated in Step 1. Use this figure for the equation in Table 35.

### 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 Inspection

Refer to the Service Manual for the disassembly and assembly procedures that are necessary in order to perform the required maintenance on the items that are listed. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

To determine the reusability publications that are needed to inspect the engine, refer to Guidelines for Reusable Parts and Salvage Operations, SEBF8029, "Index of Publications on Reusability or Salvage of Used Parts".

The Guidelines For Reusable Parts and Salvage Operations is part of an established Caterpillar parts reusability program. These guidelines were developed in order to assist Caterpillar dealers and customers reduce costs by avoiding unnecessary expenditures for new parts. If the engine parts comply with the established inspection specifications, the parts can be reused.

The use of out-of-spec parts could result in unscheduled downtime and/or costly repairs. The use of out-of-spec parts can also contribute to increased fuel consumption and reduction of engine efficiency. New parts are not necessary if the old parts can be reused, repaired, or salvaged. Otherwise, the old parts can be replaced or exchanged.

Your Caterpillar dealer can provide the parts that are needed to rebuild the engine at the least possible cost.

### Overhaul Programs

An economical way to obtain most of the parts that are needed for overhauls is to use Caterpillar remanufactured parts. Caterpillar remanufactured parts are available at a fraction of the cost of new parts. These parts have been rebuilt by Caterpillar and certified for use. The following components are examples of the remanufactured parts:

- Cylinder heads
- Oil Pumps
- Turbochargers
- Water pumps

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for details and for a list of the remanufactured parts that are available.

Your Caterpillar dealer may be offering a variety of overhaul options.

A Flat Rate Overhaul guarantees the maximum price that you will pay for an overhaul. Flat rate prices on preventive maintenance programs or major repair options are available from many servicing dealers for all Caterpillar Engines. Consult your Caterpillar dealer in order to schedule a before failure overhaul.

### Overhaul Recommendation

Caterpillar recommends a scheduled overhaul in order to minimize downtime. A scheduled overhaul will provide the lowest cost and the greatest value. Schedule an overhaul with your Caterpillar dealer.

Overhaul programs vary between dealers. To obtain specific information about the types of overhaul programs and services, consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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## Starting Motor - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 1451-040; 1453-040

If the starting motor fails, the engine may not start in an emergency situation. A scheduled inspection of the starting motor is recommended.

The starting motor pinion and the flywheel ring gear must be in good condition in order for the engine to start properly. The engine will not start if the starting motor pinion does not engage the flywheel ring gear. The teeth of the starting motor pinion and the flywheel ring gear can be damaged because of irregular engagement.

Inspect the starting motor for proper operation. Listen for grinding when the engine is started. Inspect the teeth of the starting motor pinion and the flywheel ring gear. Look for patterns of wear on the teeth. Look for teeth that are broken or chipped. If damaged teeth are found, the starting motor pinion and the flywheel ring gear must be replaced.

## Electric Starting Motor

**Note:** Problems with the electric starting motor can be caused by the following conditions: malfunction of the solenoid and malfunction of the electric starting system.

Inspect the electrical system for the following conditions:

- Loose connections
- Corrosion
- Wires that are worn or frayed
- Cleanliness

Make repairs, if necessary.

## Air Starting Motor

### **WARNING**

**Personal injury or death can result from improperly checking for a leak.**

**Always use a board or cardboard when checking for a leak. Escaping air or fluid under pressure, even a pin-hole size leak, can penetrate body tissue causing serious injury, and possible death.**

**If fluid is injected into your skin, it must be treated immediately by a doctor familiar with this type of injury.**

Inspect all of the components in the air circuit for the starting motor. Inspect all of the air lines and connections for leaks.

If the teeth of the starting motor pinion and/or the flywheel ring gear are damaged, the air circuit for the starting motor must be examined in order to determine the cause of the problem.

## Removal and Installation of the Starting Motor

Refer to the Service Manual, "Disassembly and Assembly" module for information on removing the starting motor and installing the starting motor.

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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## Turbocharger - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 1052-040

Periodic inspection and cleaning is recommended for the turbocharger compressor housing (inlet side). Any fumes from the crankcase are filtered through the air inlet system. Therefore, by-products from oil and from combustion can collect in the turbocharger compressor housing. Over time, this buildup can contribute to loss of engine power, increased black smoke and overall loss of engine efficiency.

If the turbocharger fails during engine operation, damage to the turbocharger compressor wheel and/or to the engine may occur. Damage to the turbocharger compressor wheel can cause additional damage to the pistons, the valves, and the cylinder head.

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#### NOTICE

Turbocharger bearing failures can cause large quantities of oil to enter the air inlet and exhaust systems. Loss of engine lubricant can result in serious engine damage.

Minor leakage of a turbocharger housing under extended low idle operation should not cause problems as long as a turbocharger bearing failure has not occurred.

When a turbocharger bearing failure is accompanied by a significant engine performance loss (exhaust smoke or engine rpm up at no load), do not continue engine operation until the turbocharger is repaired or replaced.

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An inspection of the turbocharger can minimize unscheduled downtime. An inspection of the turbocharger can also reduce the chance for potential damage to other engine parts.

**Note:** Turbocharger components require precision clearances. The turbocharger cartridge must be balanced due to high rpm. Severe Service Applications can accelerate component wear. Severe Service Applications require more frequent inspections of the cartridge.

## Removal and Installation

For options regarding the removal, installation, repair and replacement, consult your Caterpillar dealer. Refer to the Service Manual for this engine for the procedure and specifications.

## Cleaning and Inspecting

1. Remove the exhaust outlet piping and remove the air inlet piping from the turbocharger. Visually inspect the piping for the presence of oil.
2. Turn the compressor wheel and the turbine wheel by hand. The assembly should turn freely. Inspect the compressor wheel and the turbine wheel for contact with the turbocharger housing. There should not be any visible signs of contact between the turbine wheel or compressor wheel and the turbocharger housing. If there is any indication of contact between the rotating turbine wheel or the compressor wheel and the turbocharger housing, the turbocharger must be reconditioned.
3. Check the compressor wheel for cleanliness. If only the blade side of the wheel is dirty, dirt and/or moisture is passing through the air filtering system. If oil is found only on the back side of the wheel, there is a possibility of a failed turbocharger oil seal.

The presence of oil may be the result of extended engine operation at low idle. The presence of oil may also be the result of a restriction of the line for the inlet air (plugged air filters), which causes the turbocharger to slobber.

4. Use a dial indicator to check the end clearance on the shaft. If the measured end play is greater than the Service Manual specifications, the turbocharger should be repaired or replaced. An end play measurement that is less than the minimum Service Manual specifications could indicate carbon buildup on the turbine wheel. The turbocharger should be disassembled for cleaning and for inspection if the measured end play is less than the minimum Service Manual specifications.
5. Inspect the bore of the turbine housing for corrosion.
6. Clean the turbocharger housing with standard shop solvents and a soft bristle brush.
7. Fasten the air inlet piping and the exhaust outlet piping to the turbocharger housing.

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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.

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#### 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.

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#### 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.

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- 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

A failed water pump might cause severe engine overheating problems that could result in cracks in the cylinder head, a piston seizure or other potential damage to the engine.

Visually inspect the water pump for leaks. If leaking of the water pump seals is observed, replace all of the water pump seals. Refer to the Service Manual for the disassembly and assembly procedure.

Inspect the water pump for wear, cracks, pin holes and proper operation. Refer to the Service Manual or consult your Caterpillar dealer if repair is needed or replacement is needed.