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## MAINTENANCE INTERVALS

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# Operation and Maintenance Manual

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## **3512B Petroleum Engine**

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MHA1-Up (Engine)  
2AF1-Up (Engine)

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## Maintenance Interval Schedule

**SMCS Code:** 1000; 4450; 7500

Ensure that all safety information, warnings, and instructions are read and understood before any operation or any maintenance procedures are performed.

The user is responsible for the performance of all maintenance which includes the following items: performing all adjustments, using proper lubricants, fluids, and filters, and replacing old components with new components due to normal wear and aging .

Failure to adhere to proper maintenance intervals and procedures may result in diminished performance of the product and/or accelerated wear of components.

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

Choose the interval that occurs first in order to determine the correct maintenance interval: fuel consumption, service hours, and calendar time . Products that operate in severe operating conditions may require more frequent maintenance.

All of the following will affect the oil change interval: operating conditions, fuel type, oil type, and size of the oil sump . Scheduled oil sampling analyzes used oil in order to determine if the oil change interval is suitable for your specific engine.

In the absence of scheduled oil sampling, replace the engine oil and filters according to the following intervals:

If the engine has a shallow oil sump, change the oil after every 250 service hours.

If the engine has a standard oil sump, change the oil after every 500 service hours.

If the engine has a deep oil sump, change the oil after every 1000 service hours.

Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Oil and Filter - Change" in order to determine the oil change interval that is suitable for your specific engine.

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## Aftercooler Core - Inspect/Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1063-040; 1064-571

1. Remove the core. Refer to the Disassembly and Assembly Manual, "Aftercooler - Remove and Install" for the procedure.
2. Turn the aftercooler core on one side in order to remove debris. Remove the debris that is accessible.

### 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 with cleaner.

Caterpillar recommends the use of Hydrosolv liquid cleaner. Table 21 lists Hydrosolv liquid cleaners that are available from your Caterpillar dealer.

Table 21

Hydrosolv Liquid Cleaners <sup>(1)</sup>		
Part Number	Description	Size
1U-5490	Hydrosolv 4165	19 L (5 US gallon)
174-6854	Hydrosolv 100	19 L (5 US gallon)

<sup>(1)</sup> Use a two to five percent concentration of the cleaner at temperatures up to 93°C (200°F). Consult your Caterpillar dealer for more information.

4. Remove the drain plug.
  5. Steam clean the core in order to remove any residue. Flush the fins of the aftercooler core. Remove any other trapped debris from the inside and from the outside of the core.
- Note:** Do not use high pressure when the fins are cleaned. High pressure can damage the fins.
6. Wash the core with hot, soapy water.
  7. Flush the core thoroughly in order to remove residue and remaining debris. Flush the core with clean, fresh water until the water that is exiting the core is clear and free of debris.

### **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.**

8. Dry the core with compressed air. Direct the air in the reverse direction of the normal flow.
9. Prior to installation, inspect any O-rings or seals for damage. If necessary, replace the O-rings or seals.
10. Inspect the core for trapped debris and cleanliness. If it is necessary, remove the debris and repeat the cleaning procedure.
11. Inspect the core for damage and perform a pressure test in order to detect leaks. Many shops that service radiators are equipped to perform pressure tests.
12. Install the core. Refer to Disassembly and Assembly Manual, "Aftercooler - Remove and Install" for the procedure.

For more information on cleaning the core, consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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## Air Compressor - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 1803-040

### **WARNING**

**Do not disconnect the air line from the air compressor governor without purging the air brake and the auxiliary air systems. Failure to purge the air brake and the auxiliary air systems before removing the air compressor and/or the air lines could cause personal injury.**

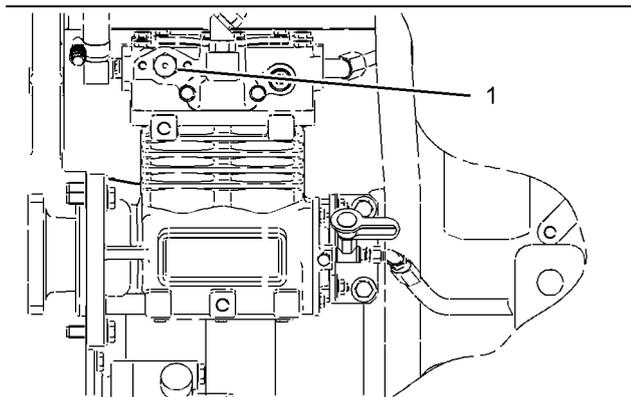


Illustration 35

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(1) Pressure relief valve

**WARNING**

If the air compressor pressure relief valve that is mounted in the air compressor cylinder head is bypassing compressed air, there is a malfunction in the air system, possibly ice blockage. Under these conditions, your engine may have insufficient air for normal brake operation.

Do not operate the engine until the reason for the air bypass is identified and corrected. Failure to heed this warning could lead to property damage, personal injury, or death to the operator or bystanders.

The function of the pressure relief valve is to bypass air when there is a malfunction in the air compressor system.

The pressure relief valve releases air at 1723 kPa (250 psi). Do not stand near the pressure relief valve. Compressed air may be released without warning. All personnel should also stay clear of the air compressor when the engine is operating and the air compressor is exposed.

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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## Air Shutoff - Test

**SMCS Code:** 1078-081

Air shutoff valves must be tested and inspected in order to ensure proper operation. Before testing, remove each limit switch and inspect each limit switch assembly for wear. The typical wear is erosion of the plunger. This is due to vibration of the plunger within the bore for the plunger. This usually causes the switch to jam or this causes the switch to become otherwise inoperable.

**Note:** The limit switches are normally open switches. The switches are in the closed state when the air shutoff valves are latched in the open, or Run position. If the air shutoff valve is in the Closed position or the Stop position, the switch is in the open state, which will cause an emergency stop. This will shut down the engine or this will prevent the engine from starting. The engine will crank but the engine will not start.

## Hydraulically Actuated Air Shutoff Valves

**Note:** After checking the fluids in the engine, ensure that both air shutoff valves are latched in the open position. Start the engine and operate the engine at 1500 RPM. This will allow the fluids to warm up before proceeding with the test for the air shutoff valves.

1. Manually trip one of the air shutoff valves. This should cause an emergency stop condition and the remaining air shutoff valve should close. If the engine experienced an emergency stop condition but the remaining valve did not close, purge the air from the line that goes to the hydraulic cylinder for the air shutoff valve. If the engine did not have an emergency stop condition the switches are not correctly wired into the emergency stop circuit.

**Note:** Both switches should be in a closed state and both switches should show continuity when the air shutoffs are latched in the open position. After the issue with the wiring has been resolved repeat step 1.

2. Close one air shutoff valve and attempt to start the engine. If the engine cranks but the engine will not start, the switches are functioning correctly. Caterpillar Electronic Technician (ET) will also show an active emergency stop condition. Proceed to step 3. If the engine starts with one of the air shutoffs closed, check the switch on the valve that is closed. The switch should not have continuity. If the switch has continuity, remove the switch and inspect the switch. If the switch does not show continuity, troubleshoot the switch wiring further. Repair the necessary components or replace the necessary components. Retest the system, as required.
3. With both air shutoff valves in the open position, activate the emergency stop. Both air shutoff valves should close. If both valves close, testing is complete. If only one air shutoff closes, purge air from the line at the cylinder that failed to close and repeat this step.

**Note:** Testing is only complete when the engine successfully passes all of the steps. Reset both air shutoff valves to the open position and clean up any spills that may have occurred.

**Note:** The limit switch assemblies are items that wear and the limit switch assemblies may need to be replaced during normal maintenance intervals.

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## Air Shutoff Damper - Remove/Check

**SMCS Code:** 1078-011; 1078-535

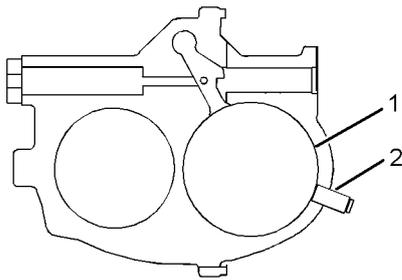


Illustration 36

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Typical air shutoff (back view)

(1) Air shutoff gate

(2) Damper assembly

The vibration damper on the air shutoff minimizes the vibration of the air shutoff gate when the engine is operating and the air shutoff gate is in the latched position. The components of the damper assembly must be removed in order to ensure correct performance of the damper.

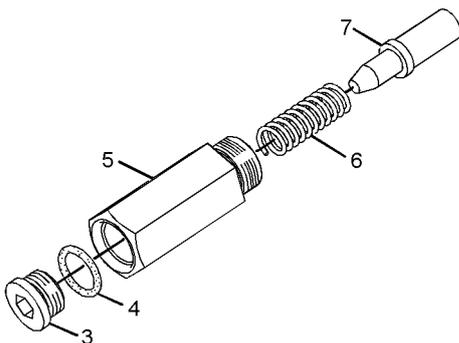


Illustration 37

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Damper assembly

(3) Plug

(4) Seal ring

(5) Housing

(6) Spring

(7) Plunger

1. The body of the damper should not be loosened or removed from the air shutoff when the plunger is removed. In order to remove the plunger without loosening or removing the damper, unscrew the plug with the following tools: a 6.35 mm (0.25 inch) Allen wrench and an open end wrench .
2. Check the seal ring for damage or wear. If necessary, replace the seal ring.
3. Inspect the internal parts of the vibration damper for wear or damage. Clean the components with 138-8440 component cleaner.

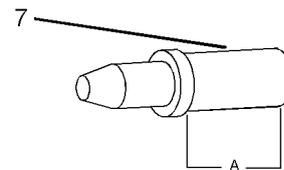


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Damper plunger

4. Remove the plunger from the spring. Visually inspect the exposed end of the plunger for dirt, fouling, damage, and wear. If distance "A" is less than 18.3 mm (0.72 inch) or if a visual inspection reveals dirt, fouling, damage, or wear on the active end of the plunger, replace the plunger. Insert the tapered end of a clean, undamaged plunger into the spring. Install the open end of the spring into the plug. Apply 9S-3263 thread lock or apply 9S-4030 thread lock onto the threads of the plug. Screw the assembly into the threads of the damper body. The thread lock should cure for a minimum of 1 hour before the air shutoff is used.

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## Air Starting Motor Lubricator Bowl - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1451-070

If the engine is equipped with an air starting motor, use the following procedure:

### WARNING

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

**Failure to relieve pressure can cause personal injury.**

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

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

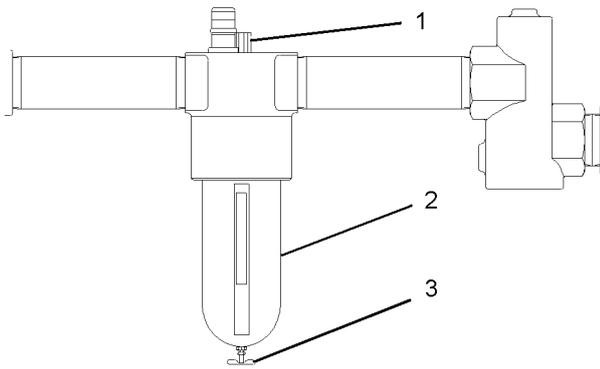


Illustration 39

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- (1) Filler plug
- (2) Bowl
- (3) Drain valve

2. Slowly loosen filler plug (1) in order to release the pressure from the lubricator.

#### NOTICE

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

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

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

3. Place a suitable container under bowl (2) and open drain valve (3) in order to drain the oil from the bowl.
4. Remove bowl (2). Clean the bowl with warm water.
5. Dry the bowl. Inspect the bowl for cracks. If the bowl is cracked, replace the damaged bowl with a new bowl. Inspect the gasket. If the gasket is damaged, replace the gasket.
6. Install the bowl.
7. Make sure that drain valve (3) is closed.
8. For instructions on filling the lubricator, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Air Starting Motor Lubricator Oil Level - Check" topic.

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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.

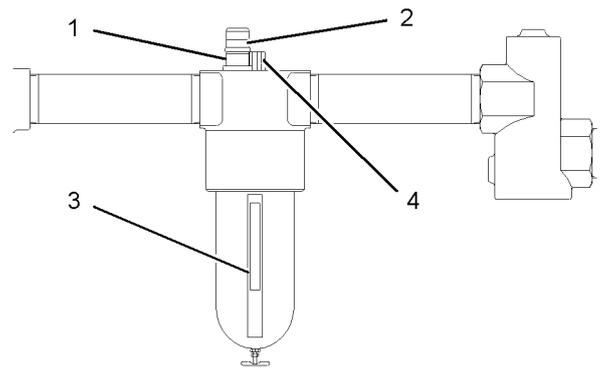


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1. Observe the oil level in sight gauge (3). If the oil level is less than 1/2, add oil to the lubricator bowl.

#### **WARNING**

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

**Failure to relieve pressure can cause personal injury.**

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

2. Ensure that the air supply to the lubricator is OFF. Slowly loosen filler plug (4) in order to release pressure from the lubricator bowl.
3. Remove filler plug (4). Pour oil into the lubricator bowl. Use nondetergent SAE 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 filler 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.

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**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.

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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 from one to three drops of oil per second. 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:

- Proper connections
- Clean ports for cooling airflow
- 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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## 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.**

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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.

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## Battery Charger - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1401-535

### Checking Before Start-Up

Check the battery charger for proper operation. If the batteries are properly charged, the needle of the ammeter will register near “0” (zero).

The battery charger must not produce excessive current during start-up. Alternatively, the charger must be automatically disconnected for start-up. If the engine has an alternator, the charger must be automatically disconnected during start-up and during engine operation.

## Charging the Battery

### WARNING

Never disconnect any charging unit circuit or battery circuit cable from the battery when the charging unit is operated. A spark can cause an explosion from the flammable vapor mixture of hydrogen and oxygen that is released from the electrolyte through the battery outlets. Injury to personnel can be the result.

Perform the following procedure to charge the battery:

1. Ensure that the charger is turned OFF.
2. Adjust the voltage of the charger in order to match the voltage of the battery.
3. Connect the POSITIVE "+" lead of the charger to the POSITIVE "+" battery terminal. Connect the NEGATIVE "-" lead of the charger to the NEGATIVE "-" battery terminal.
4. Turn ON the battery charger.

### Overcharging of Batteries

Overcharging reduces the service life of batteries. Use a battery charger that will not overcharge the battery. DO NOT charge the battery if the meter of the battery charger is in the RED zone.

Overcharging is indicated by the following symptoms:

- The battery is very warm to the touch.
- A strong odor of acid is present.
- The battery emits smoke or a dense vapor (gas).

Perform one of the following procedures if the battery shows symptoms of overcharging:

- Reduce the rate of charging by a significant amount. Complete the charging at the reduced rate.
- Turn OFF the charger.

Table 22 describes the effects of overcharging on different types of batteries.

Table 22

Effects of Overcharging Batteries	
Type of Battery	Effect
Caterpillar General Service Batteries Caterpillar Premium High Output Batteries	All of the battery cells have a low level of electrolyte.
	When the plates of the battery are inspected through the filler holes, the plates may appear to be warped. This is caused by an excessive temperature.
Caterpillar Maintenance Free Batteries	The battery may not pass a load test.
	The battery may not accept a charging current.
	The battery may not pass a load test.

## Checking After Stopping

Ensure that the battery charger is connected properly. Observe the meter of the charger. Record the amperage.

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## 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.

### WARNING

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

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

If the addition of water is necessary, use distilled water. If distilled water is not available use clean water that is low in minerals. Do not use artificially softened water.

2. Check the condition of the electrolyte with the 245-5829 Coolant Battery Tester Refractometer.
3. Keep the batteries clean.

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

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

Thoroughly rinse the battery case with clean water.

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

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## Battery or Battery Cable - Disconnect

**SMCS Code:** 1401; 1402-029

### WARNING

The connection of battery cables to a battery and the disconnection of battery cables from a battery may cause an explosion which may result in injury or death. The connection and the disconnection of other electrical equipment may also cause an explosion which may result in injury or death. The procedures for the connection and the disconnection of battery cables and other electrical equipment should only be performed in a nonexplosive atmosphere.

### WARNING

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

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

1. Turn the start switch to the OFF position. Turn the ignition switch (if equipped) to the OFF position and remove the key and all electrical loads.

2. Disconnect the negative battery terminal at the battery that goes to the start switch. Ensure that the cable cannot contact the terminal. When four 12 volt batteries are involved, the negative side of two batteries must be disconnected.
3. Tape the leads in order to help prevent accidental starting.
4. Proceed with necessary system repairs. Reverse the steps in order to reconnect all of the cables.

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## Belts - Inspect/Adjust/Replace

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

### Inspection

Inspect the alternator belt and the fan drive belts for wear and for cracking. Replace the belts if the belts are not in good condition.

Check the belt tension according to the information in the Service Manual, "Specifications".

Slippage of loose belts can reduce the efficiency of the driven components. Vibration of loose belts can cause unnecessary wear on the following components:

- Belts
- Pulleys
- Bearings

If the belts are too tight, unnecessary stress is placed on the components. This reduces the service life of the components.

## Adjusting the Alternator Belt

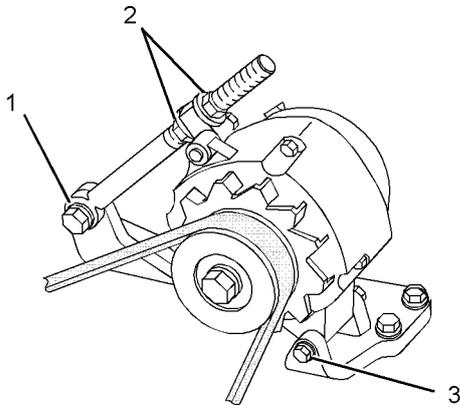


Illustration 41

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Typical alternator

- (1) Mounting bolt
- (2) Adjusting nuts
- (3) Mounting bolt

1. Remove the drive belt guard.
2. Loosen mounting bolt (1), adjusting nuts (2) and mounting bolt (3).
3. Turn adjusting nuts (2) in order to increase or decrease the drive belt tension.
4. Tighten adjusting nuts (2). Tighten mounting bolt (3). Tighten mounting bolt (1). For the proper torque, see the Service Manual, "Specifications" module.
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.

## Adjusting the Fan Drive Belt

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 to the proper torque.
5. Tighten the mounting bolt to the proper torque.

For the proper torque specifications, refer to the Service Manual, "Specifications" module.

## 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.

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## 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.

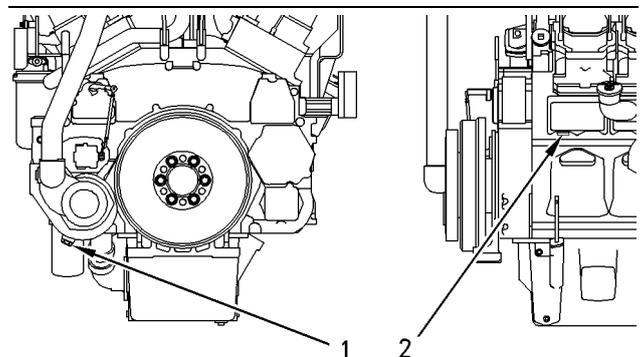


Illustration 42

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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.

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#### 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.

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

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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 42.

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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.

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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 42.
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 42. Allow the water to drain.

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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.

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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

### NOTICE

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

**Note:** For information about the proper coolant to use, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" (Maintenance Section). For the capacity of the cooling system, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" (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 (0.5 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.

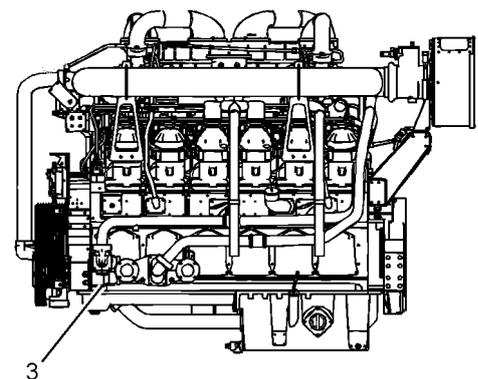
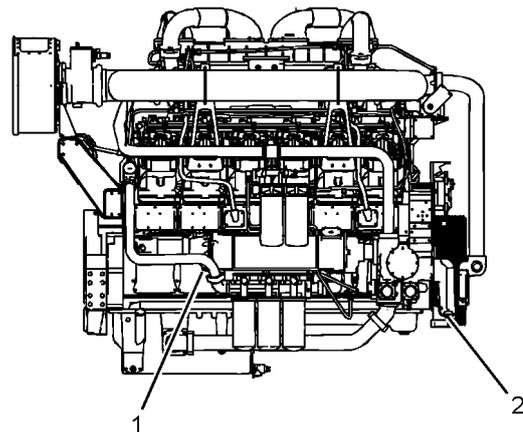


Illustration 43

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Locations of the cooling system drain plugs

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

3. Open the cooling system drain valves (if equipped). If the cooling system is not equipped with drain valves, remove drain plugs (1), (2), (3). 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 Dealer Service Tools 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

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).
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). 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

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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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1. Fill the cooling system with Extended Life Coolant (ELC). See the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" 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 (0.5 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 cap and install a new 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 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 Extender (ELC) - Add

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

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

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### NOTICE

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

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

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

**! WARNING**

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

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

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

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

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

**NOTICE**

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

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

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

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

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## Cooling System Coolant 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.

## Engines That Are Equipped With a Sight Gauge

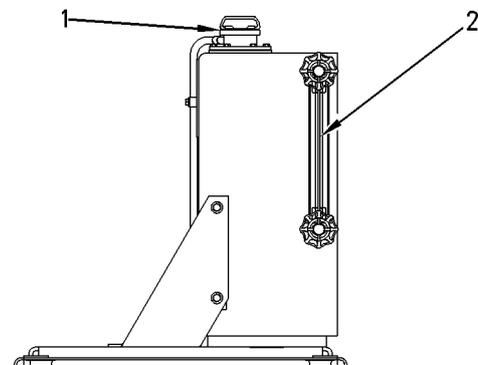


Illustration 44

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- (1) Filler cap
- (2) Sight gauge

If the engine is equipped with a sight gauge, observe the position of the coolant in the sight gauge. At normal operating temperature, the proper coolant level is in the upper half of the sight gauge. If the coolant level is low, add the proper coolant mixture.

## Engines That Are Not Equipped With a Sight Gauge

**! 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.**

Check the coolant level when the engine is stopped and cool. Check the coolant level only after the engine has been stopped and the cooling system filler cap is cool enough to touch with your bare hand.

Remove the cooling system filler cap slowly in order to relieve any pressure. Maintain the coolant within 13 mm (0.5 inch) below the bottom of the filler pipe.

## Add Coolant

**Note:** For the proper coolant mixture to use, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" (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.

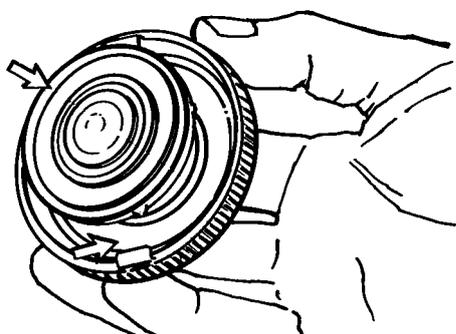


Illustration 45  
Gaskets

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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 Coolant Sample (Level 1) - Obtain

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

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

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

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

Table 23

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

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

### NOTICE

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

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

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

Use the following guidelines for proper sampling of the coolant:

- Complete the information on the label for the sampling bottle before you begin to take the samples.

- Keep the unused sampling bottles stored in plastic bags.
- Obtain coolant samples directly from the coolant sample port. You should not obtain the samples from any other location.
- Keep the lids on empty sampling bottles until you are ready to collect the sample.
- Place the sample in the mailing tube immediately after obtaining the sample in order to avoid contamination.
- Never collect samples from expansion bottles.
- Never collect samples from the drain for a system.

Submit the sample for Level 1 analysis.

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

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## Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 2) - Obtain

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

### NOTICE

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

### NOTICE

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

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

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

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

Submit the sample for Level 2 analysis.

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

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

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



### 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.**

### 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.

### NOTICE

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

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, "Caterpillar Dealer Service Tool Catalog" and to Special Publication, GECJ0003, "Cat Shop Supplies and Tools" for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Caterpillar products.

Dispose of all fluids according to applicable regulations and mandates.

**Note:** Caterpillar recommends an S·O·S coolant analysis (Level 1).

## Cooling Systems that Use Conventional Coolant

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

### Test the Concentration of the 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.

### 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.
2. If necessary, drain some coolant in order to allow space for the addition of the SCA.
3. Add the proper amount of SCA. For the proper amount of SCA, refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" topic. The proper concentration of SCA depends on the type of coolant that is used. For the proper concentration of SCA, refer to Special Publication, SEBU6251, "Caterpillar Commercial Diesel Engine Fluids Recommendations".
4. Clean the cooling system filler cap. Install the cooling system filler cap.

## Cooling Systems that Use Water and SCA

### Test the Concentration of the SCA

Test the concentration of the SCA with a 298 - 5311 Coolant Nitrite Test Kit for SCA or perform an S·O·S Coolant Analysis. The test kit includes the following items: a tool for the testing, 30 ampoules for testing nitrite, instructions, and a case. 294 - 7420 Test Kit contains the refill ampoules for the 298 - 5311 Coolant Nitrite Test Kit. Use the instructions that are included with the test kit in order to properly conduct the testing.

Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Maintenance Interval Schedule" for the times at which the procedures should be conducted. Test the concentration of the SCA more frequently if more frequent testing is indicated by the results of the S·O·S Coolant Analysis.

#### NOTICE

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

### 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.
2. If necessary, drain some coolant in order to allow space for the addition of the SCA.
3. Add the proper amount of SCA. For the proper amount of SCA, refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" topic. For the proper concentration of SCA, refer to Special Publication, SEBU6251, "Caterpillar Commercial Diesel Engine Fluids Recommendations".
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. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Maintenance Interval Schedule" for the proper maintenance interval.

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

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

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

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### 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.

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

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

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## 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 torsional vibrations.

A damper that is hot may be the result of excessive torsional vibration, worn bearings, or damage to the damper. Use an infrared thermometer to monitor the temperature of the damper during operation. Follow the instructions that are included with the infrared thermometer. 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, and smooth.

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.
- The crankshaft bearings are showing excessive wear.
- There is a large amount of gear train wear that is not caused by a lack of oil.

## Dampers With Sampling Ports

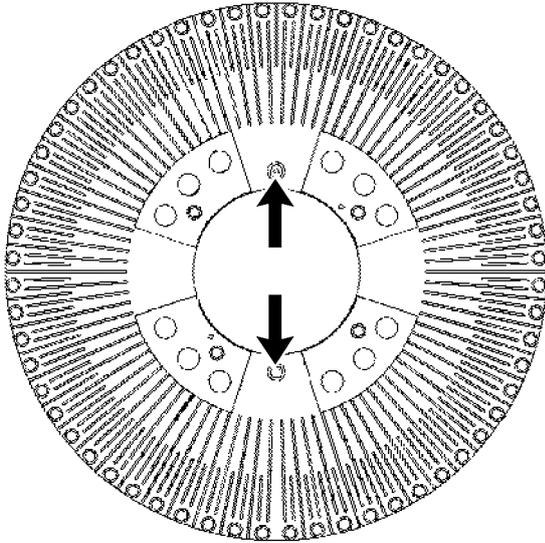


Illustration 46

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Some dampers have ports for fluid samples. If the damper has no external damage, collect a sample of the damper fluid. The fluid should be analyzed in order to check for a loss of viscosity. Use the results of the analysis to determine if the damper should be rebuilt or replaced. Kits for fluid samples are available from the address that follows. Return the kits to the same address for analysis.

Hasse & Wrede GmbH  
Georg-Knorr-Straße 4  
12681 Berlin  
Germany  
Phone: +49 30 9392-3135  
Fax: +49 30 9392-7-3135  
Alternate phone: +49 30 9392-3156  
Alternate fax: +49 30 9392-7-3156

The typical limit for the degradation of the damper fluid viscosity that is used by Hasse & Wrede GmbH is 20 percent for the majority of applications. The reports from Hasse & Wrede should indicate that the fluid samples meet this viscosity limit.

## Dampers Without Sampling Ports

Some dampers do not have a port for a fluid sample. These dampers must be rebuilt or the dampers must be replaced when one of the following criteria has been met:

- The damper has been operated for 20000 hours.
- The engine is undergoing a major overhaul.

## Removal and Installation

Refer to the Disassembly and Assembly Manual, "Vibration Damper - Remove and Install" article 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

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## Engine - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1000-070

### **WARNING**

**Personal injury or death can result from high voltage.**

**Moisture can create paths of electrical conductivity.**

**Make sure that the electrical system is OFF. Lock out the starting controls and tag the controls "DO NOT OPERATE".**

### NOTICE

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

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

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

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

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## Engine Air Cleaner Differential Pressure - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1051; 7452-040

Observe the air cleaner differential pressure frequently during engine operation.

The air cleaner differential pressure is measured from the turbocharger air inlet. As the air filter element becomes plugged, the difference in pressure between the two sides of the air cleaner element will increase.

The nominal air filter differential pressure during normal engine operation is approximately 3 kPa (12 inches of H<sub>2</sub>O).

To avoid the derating of engine operation, replace the air filter element before reaching the maximum differential pressure of 6.2 kPa (25 inches of H<sub>2</sub>O).

For instructions on replacement of the air filter elements, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Air Cleaner Element - Replace" topic.

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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.

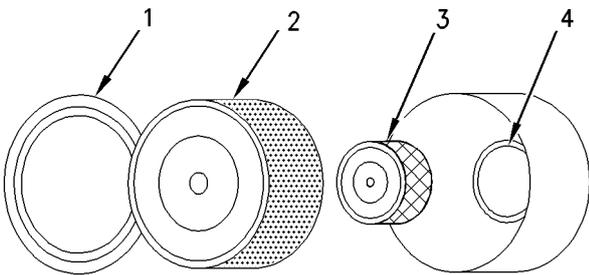


Illustration 47

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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 Cleaner 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 air cleaner service indicator.

## Cleaning the Primary Air Cleaner Elements

### NOTICE

Caterpillar recommends certified air filter cleaning services that are available at Caterpillar dealers. The Caterpillar cleaning process uses proven procedures to assure consistent quality and sufficient filter life.

Observe the following guidelines if you attempt to clean the filter element:

Do not tap or strike the filter element in order to remove dust.

Do not wash the filter element.

Use low pressure compressed air in order to remove the dust from the filter element. Air pressure must not exceed 207 kPa (30 psi). Direct the air flow up the pleats and down the pleats from the inside of the filter element. Take extreme care in order to avoid damage to the pleats.

Do not use air filters with damaged pleats, gaskets, or seals. Dirt entering the engine will cause damage to engine components.

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.

### 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.

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

- Pressurized air
- Vacuum cleaning

### 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).

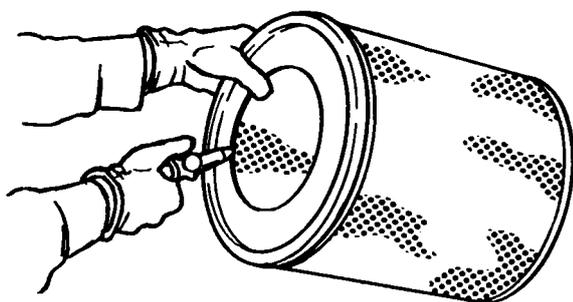


Illustration 48

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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”.

### Inspecting the Primary Air Cleaner Elements

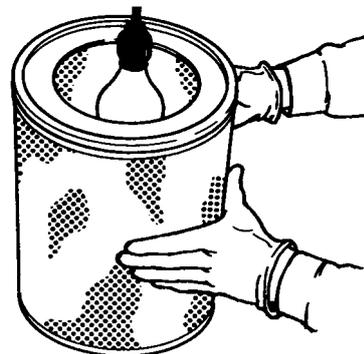


Illustration 49

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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 a 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.

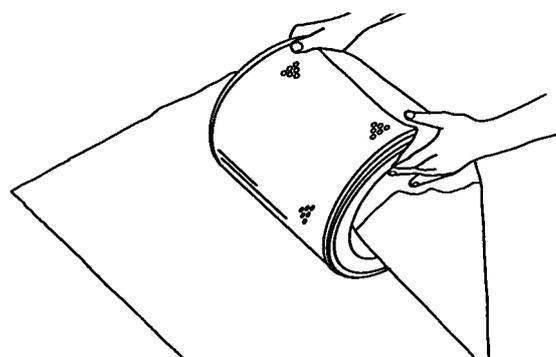


Illustration 50

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Do not use paint, a waterproof cover, or plastic as a protective covering for storage. An airflow restriction may result. To protect against dirt and damage, wrap the primary air cleaner elements in Volatile 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 of cleaning
- Number of cleanings

Store the box in a dry location.

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## Engine Air Cleaner Element (Single 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.

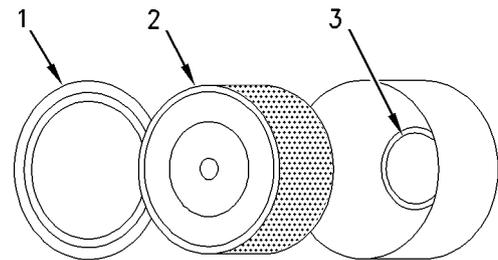


Illustration 51

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- (1) Cover
- (2) Air cleaner element
- (3) Turbocharger air inlet

1. Remove the air cleaner cover. Remove the air cleaner element.

**Note:** Refer to "Cleaning the Air Cleaner Elements".

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. Reset the air cleaner service indicator.

## Cleaning the Air Cleaner Elements

### NOTICE

Caterpillar recommends certified air filter cleaning services that are available at Caterpillar dealers. The Caterpillar cleaning process uses proven procedures to assure consistent quality and sufficient filter life.

Observe the following guidelines if you attempt to clean the filter element:

Do not tap or strike the filter element in order to remove dust.

Do not wash the filter element.

Use low pressure compressed air in order to remove the dust from the filter element. Air pressure must not exceed 207 kPa (30 psi). Direct the air flow up the pleats and down the pleats from the inside of the filter element. Take extreme care in order to avoid damage to the pleats.

Do not use air filters with damaged pleats, gaskets, or seals. Dirt entering the engine will cause damage to engine components.

The air cleaner element can be used up to six times if the element is properly cleaned and inspected. When the air cleaner element is cleaned, check for rips or tears in the filter material. The 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 air cleaner elements while dirty elements are being cleaned.

### 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.

Visually inspect the 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.

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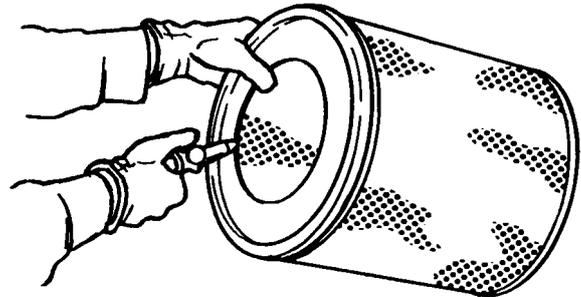


Illustration 52

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**Note:** When the 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 air cleaner element. Dirt could be forced further into the pleats.

**Note:** Refer to "Inspecting the Air Cleaner Elements".

## Vacuum Cleaning

Vacuum cleaning is a good method for cleaning 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 Air Cleaner Elements".

## Inspecting the Air Cleaner Elements

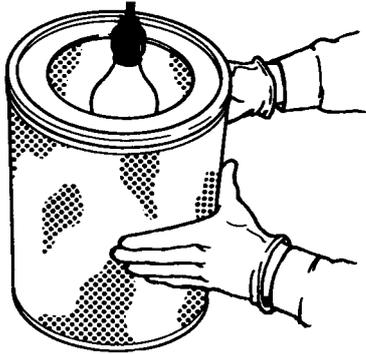


Illustration 53

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

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

## Storing Air Cleaner Elements

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

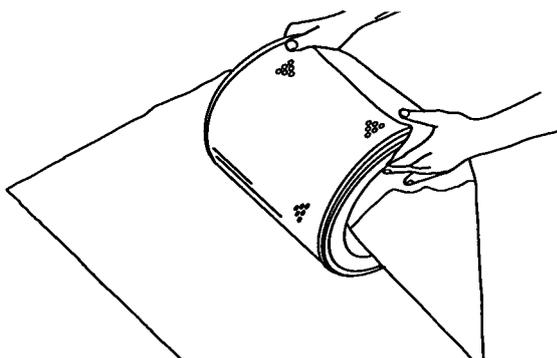


Illustration 54

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

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

- Date of cleaning
- Number of cleanings

Store the box in a dry location.

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## Engine Air Filter Service Indicator - Inspect

SMCS Code: 7452-040

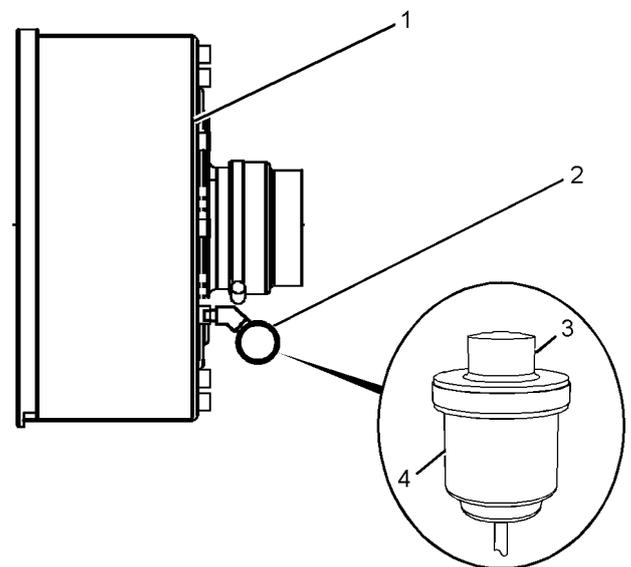


Illustration 55

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Top view of a typical air filter on a 3500B Engine

An air filter is located on each side of a 3500B Engine.

- (1) Air filter
- (2) Service indicator for the air filter
- (3) "RESET" button for the air filter service indicator
- (4) Yellow piston

The air filter service indicator will detect an inlet air restriction. Examine the air filter service indicator. If the yellow piston in the indicator enters the red zone, service the designated air cleaner.

**Note:** The yellow piston in the indicator will remain at the maximum position that was reached during the previous operation. Depress the reset button in order to reset the position of the yellow piston.

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## Engine Air Precleaner - Clean

SMCS Code: 1055-070

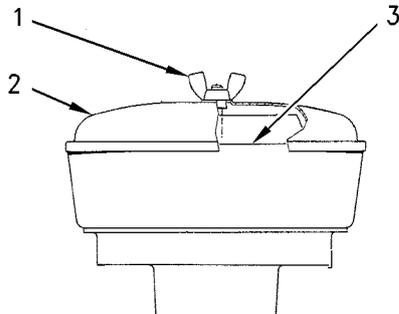


Illustration 56

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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.

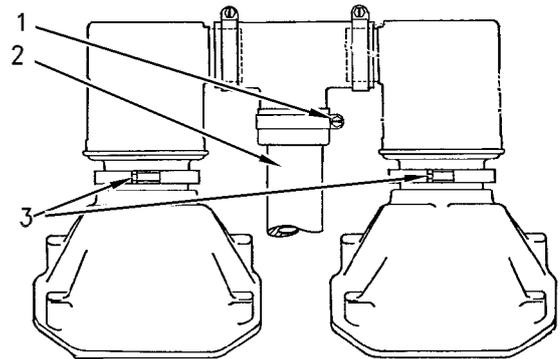


Illustration 57

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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.

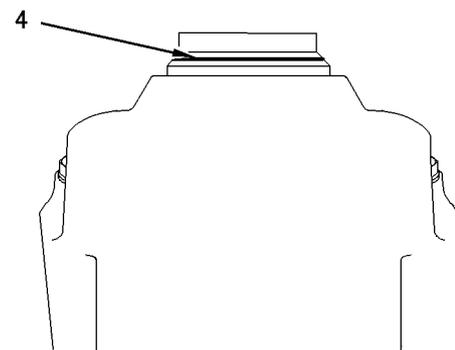


Illustration 58

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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.

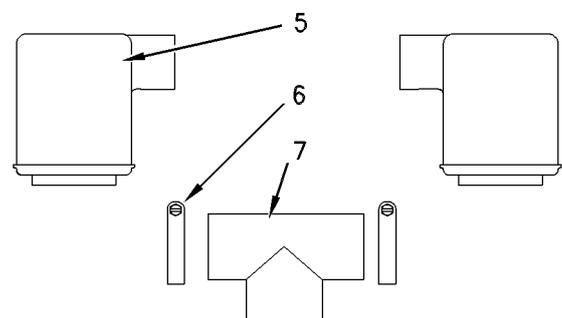


Illustration 59

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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 Specifications, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications".

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 Filter Differential Pressure - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1308-535

Observe the oil filter differential pressure frequently during engine operation.

**Oil Filter Differential Pressure (Restriction)** – This indicates the difference in pressure between the inlet side and the outlet side of the engine oil filters. As the oil filter elements become plugged, oil filter differential pressure will increase.

The nominal oil filter differential pressure during normal engine operation is approximately 60 kPa (9 psi).

Replace the oil filter elements when the oil filter differential pressure reaches 103 kPa (15 psi).

For instructions on replacement of the oil filter elements, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Oil and Filter - Change" topic.

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## Engine Oil Level - Check

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

The most accurate check of the engine oil level is obtained when the engine is stopped.

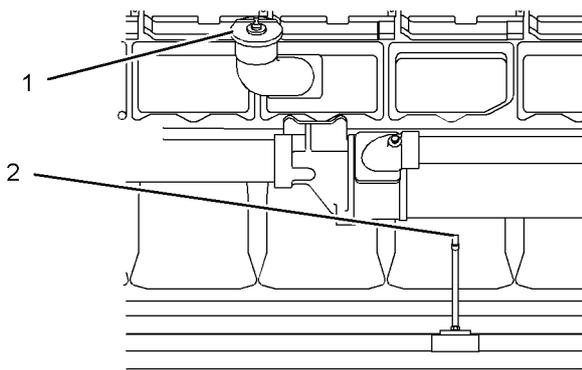


Illustration 60 g01208341

- (1) Filler cap
- (2) Engine oil level gauge (dipstick)

1. Remove filler cap (1) in order to ensure that the crankcase pressure is equal to the atmospheric pressure.

Excess pressure or a slight vacuum will affect engine oil level that is measured.

2. Ensure that engine oil level gauge (2) is seated.

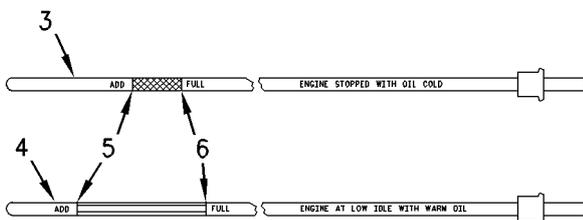


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- (3) "ENGINE STOPPED WITH OIL COLD" side
- (4) "ENGINE AT LOW IDLE WITH WARM OIL" side
- (5) "ADD" mark
- (6) "FULL" mark

- a. If the engine is stopped, remove the engine oil level gauge. Observe the engine 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 engine oil level gauge and observe the engine oil level on "ENGINE AT LOW IDLE WITH WARM OIL" side (4).

The engine 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 cause 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, oil blowing out of the crankcase breathers, and excessive oil consumption.

Excessive oil consumption will cause 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.

3. If necessary, add engine oil. For the correct engine oil to use, refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations" topic (Maintenance Section). Do not fill the crankcase above the "FULL" mark on the engine oil level gauge. Clean the filler cap (1). Install the filler cap.
4. Record the amount of engine oil that is added. For the next engine oil sample and analysis, include the total amount of engine oil that has been added since the previous oil change. This will help to provide the most accurate 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. S-O-S oil analysis provides infrared analysis, which is required for determining nitration and oxidation levels.

### Obtain the Sample and the Analysis



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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#### NOTICE

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

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

For instructions, see Special Publication, PEgj0047, "How To Take A Good S·O·S Oil Sample". Consult your Cat dealer for complete information and assistance in establishing an S·O·S program for your engine.

## 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.**

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**Note:** Decrease the interval between oil changes by 20 percent and/or increase the API service classification of the oil for engines that operate at high load factors of 80 percent or more for extended periods of time. Refer to Special Publication, SEBU6251, "Caterpillar Commercial Diesel Engine Fluids Recommendations", "S·O·S Services Oil Analysis" in order to fully understand optimizing oil change intervals.

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. Consult your Caterpillar dealer about establishing an oil analysis program for your 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.

**NOTICE**

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

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

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

2. Drain the oil according to the equipment on the engine.

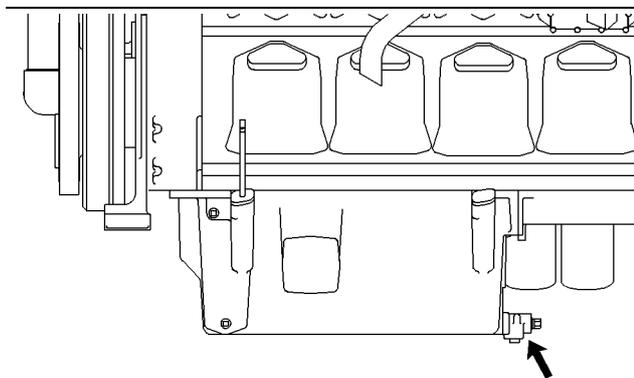


Illustration 62  
Oil drain

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- a. Open the oil drain. 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

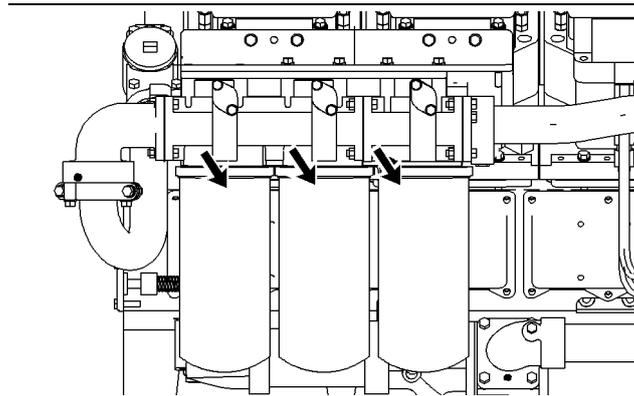


Illustration 63

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Oil filters

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



Illustration 64

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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.

- 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

- Cut the used oil filter element open with a 175-7546 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.
- 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

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### NOTICE

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

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### 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.

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### NOTICE

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

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Excessive oil consumption will cause 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.

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- 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 and Recommendations".

- Clean the oil filler cap. Install the oil filler cap.
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### 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.

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- 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.

- 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 Protection Devices - Calibrate

**SMCS Code:** 7400-524

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 lash and adjusting the valve bridge, see System Systems Operation/Testing and Adjusting, "Valve Lash and Valve Bridge Adjustment". Consult your Caterpillar dealer for assistance.

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

### WARNING

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

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

## 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 Systems Operation/Testing and Adjusting Manual, "Valve Lash and Valve Bridge Adjustment" article or consult your Caterpillar dealer for the complete valve lash adjustment procedure.

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

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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.

For the valve lash setting, see the engine's Specifications manual. For the procedure to set the valve lash, see the engine's Systems Operation/Testing and Adjusting manual.

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## Fuel Injector - Inspect/Adjust

**SMCS Code:** 1290-025

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

### WARNING

The Electronic Control module produces high voltage. To prevent personal injury make sure the Electronic Control Module is not powered and the unit injector solenoids are disconnected.

### 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.

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.

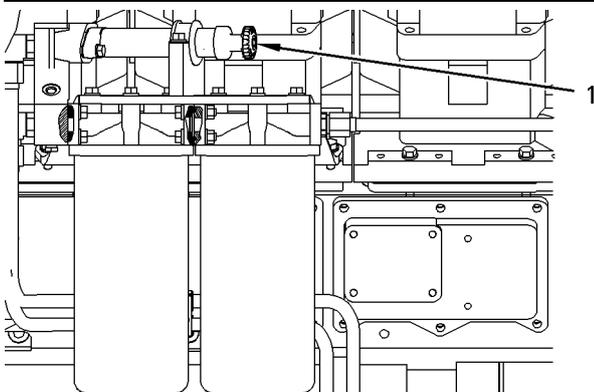


Illustration 65

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(1) Fuel priming pump plunger

2. Turn fuel priming pump plunger (1) 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 Fuel Filter Differential Pressure - Check

**SMCS Code:** 1261-535

Observe the fuel filter differential pressure frequently during engine operation.

**Fuel Filter Differential Pressure (Restriction) –** This indicates the difference in fuel pressure between the inlet side and the outlet side of the fuel filter. As the fuel filter element becomes plugged, the difference in pressure between the two sides of the fuel filter increases.

The nominal fuel filter differential pressure during normal engine operation is approximately 60 kPa (9 psi).

Replace the secondary fuel filter elements when the fuel filter differential pressure reaches 103 kPa (15 psi).

For instructions on replacement of the secondary fuel filter elements, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System Secondary Filter - Replace" topic.

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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.

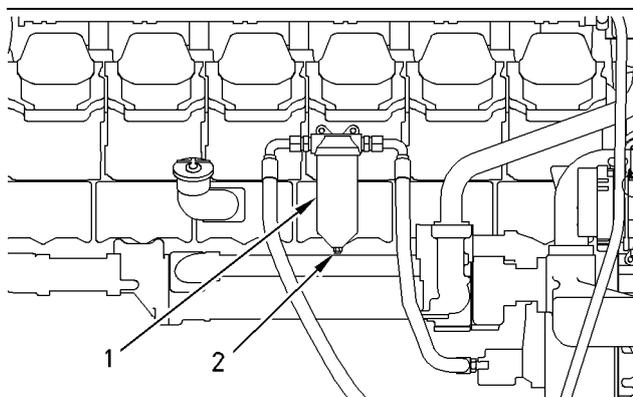


Illustration 66

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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 O-ring seals. Obtain new seal rings if the old seal rings are damaged or deteriorated. Ensure that the sealing surfaces for the seals are clean. Install the seals.

### 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.
10. Prime the fuel system. See this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System - Prime" topic.

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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 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.

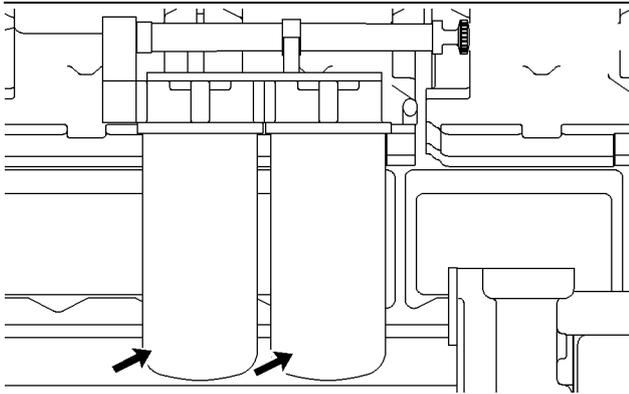


Illustration 67

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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.

### 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.

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 for an additional 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.

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## Fuel Tank Water and Sediment - Drain

SMCS Code: 1273-543-M&amp;S

### NOTICE

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

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

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

## Fuel Tank

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

## Drain the Water and the Sediment

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Fuel Storage Tanks

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

- Weekly
- Oil change
- Refill of the tank

This will help prevent water or sediment from being pumped from the storage tank into the engine fuel tank. A four micron(c) absolute filter for the breather vent on the fuel tank is also recommended. Refer to Special Publication, SENR9620, "Improving Fuel System Durability".

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.

## Hoses and Clamps - Inspect/Replace

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

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

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

## Inspect the Hoses and the Clamps

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

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

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

- Cracking
- Looseness
- Damage

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

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

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

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

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

## Replace the Hoses and the Clamps

### NOTICE

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

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

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

## Cooling System

### WARNING

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

### WARNING

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

**Failure to relieve pressure can cause personal injury.**

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

1. Stop the engine.
2. Allow the engine to cool.
3. Before servicing a coolant hose, slowly loosen the filler cap for the cooling system in order to relieve any pressure.
4. Remove the filler cap for the cooling system.
5. Drain the coolant from the cooling system to a level that is below the hose that is being replaced. Drain the coolant into a suitable clean container. The coolant can be reused.
6. Remove the hose clamps.
7. Disconnect the old hose.
8. Replace the old hose with a new hose.
9. Install hose clamps which have been inspected or install new hose clamps. Refer to Specifications, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications", "Hose Clamps" for information about selecting and installing the proper hose clamps.
10. Refill the cooling system.
11. Clean the filler cap for the cooling system. Inspect the gaskets on the filler cap. Replace the filler cap if the gaskets are damaged. Install the filler cap.
12. Start the engine. Inspect the cooling system for leaks.

## Fuel System

### WARNING

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

**Failure to relieve pressure can cause personal injury.**

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

 **WARNING**

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

**NOTICE**

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

**NOTICE**

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

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

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

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

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

## Lubrication System

 **WARNING**

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

1. Drain the oil from the lubrication system to a level that is below the hose that is being replaced.
2. Remove the hose clamps.
3. Disconnect the old hose.
4. Replace the old hose with a new hose.
5. Install hose clamps which have been inspected or install new hose clamps. Refer to Specifications, SENR3130, "Torque Specifications", "Hose Clamps" for information about selecting and installing the proper hose clamps.
6. Refill the lubrication system. Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Oil Level - Check" in order to ensure that the lubrication system is filled with the proper amount of engine oil.
7. Start the engine. Inspect the lubrication system for leaks.

## Air System

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

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## Instrument Panel - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 7451-040

### 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 24 is offered for use as a log for engine performance. Make several copies of Table 24 for continued use. Retain the recorded information for reference.

Table 24

<b>Engine Performance</b>						
<b>Engine Serial Number</b>	<b>Authorization</b>					
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

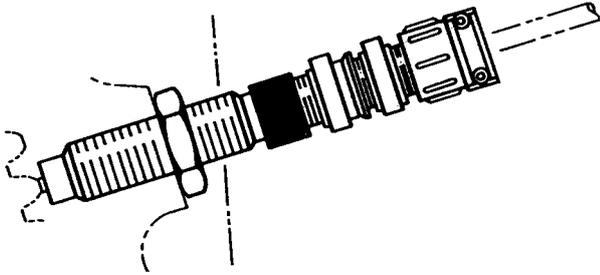


Illustration 68

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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 until the magnet comes in contact with the flywheel ring gear tooth.
4. Loosen the magnetic pickup by 180 degrees. Tighten the locknut to a torque of  $25 \pm 5$  N·m ( $18 \pm 4$  lb ft).

Refer to the Service Manual for more information on the magnetic pickup.

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## Maintenance Recommendations

SMCS Code: 1000

### 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

Experience has shown that maintenance intervals are most accurately based on fuel consumption. Fuel consumption corresponds more accurately to the engine load. Table 25 lists average ranges of fuel consumption and service hours for a load factor of approximately 60 percent.

Table 25

Service Hours and Fuel Consumption for 3512 Engines	
Interval	Fuel Consumption
250 service hours	43,750 L (11,560 US gal)
500 service hours	87,500 L (23,115 US gal)
1000 service hours	175,000 L (46,230 US gal)
2000 service hours	350,000 L (92,460 US gal)
3000 service hours	525,000 L (138,690 US gal)
Top end overhaul	4000 service hours
	787,500 L (208,030 US gal)
6000 service hours	1,050,000 L (277,380 US gal)
Major overhaul	8000 service hours
	1,575,000 L (416,070 US gal)

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 fuel consumption data in the Technical Marketing Information (TMI) for your engine. This will determine the fuel consumption for the percent of the load that was estimated in Step 1. Use this figure as variable "F" for the equation in Table 26. For more information about the Technical Marketing Information (TMI) for your engine, consult your Caterpillar dealer.

Table 26

Equation For Calculating Overhaul Intervals
<b>F/R = H</b>
"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.
"H" is the number of estimated hours until the overhaul interval.

## 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.

## 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:** See this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cold Weather Operation" topic (Operation Section), or see 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.

## Improper Operating Procedures

- Extended operation at low idle
- Minimum cool down periods after high load factor operation
- Operating the engine beyond the guidelines for the engine rating
- Operating the engine at loads that are greater than the rated load
- Operating the engine at speeds that are greater than the rated speed

- 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

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## Overhaul (Major)

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

Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Maintenance Recommendations" in order to determine the maintenance interval for a major overhaul.

The need for a major overhaul is determined by several factors.

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

A major overhaul includes all of the work that is done for the top end overhaul. A major overhaul includes additional parts and labor. Additional parts and labor are required in order to completely rebuild the engine.

For the major overhaul, all of the bearings, seals, gaskets, and components that wear are disassembled. The parts are cleaned and inspected. If necessary, the parts are replaced. The crankshaft is measured for wear. The crankshaft may require regrinding. Alternatively, the crankshaft may be replaced with a Caterpillar replacement part.

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

## Replacement of Components

Replace the following components during the major overhaul:

- Camshaft bearings
- Connecting rod bearings
- Crankshaft seals
- Crankshaft thrust washers
- Electronic unit injectors
- Gear train bushings
- Gear train bearings
- Main bearings
- Piston rings

## Inspection, Reconditioning or Exchanging 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".

Recondition the worn components or exchange the components, if necessary. Your Caterpillar dealer can provide these services and components.

- Camshaft followers
- Camshaft thrust washers
- Connecting rods
- Crankshaft vibration damper
- Cylinder head assembly

- Cylinder liners
- Engine mounts
- Scavenge oil pump
- Engine wiring harness
- Exhaust manifold seals
- Exhaust manifold bellows
- Fuel pressure regulating valve
- Fuel priming pump
- Fuel transfer pump
- Inlet manifold gaskets
- Inlet manifold seals
- Oil cooler core
- Oil pump
- Pistons
- Piston pins
- Prelube pump
- Pushrods
- Rocker arms
- Spacer plate
- Software update
- Turbocharger

## 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".

- Aftercooler core
- Camshaft
- Crankshaft
- Driven equipment (alignment)
- Engine cylinder block

- Engine control module
- Exhaust bellow shields
- Flywheel
- Front gear train (gears)
- Oil suction screen
- Rear gear train

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

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 or see the literature that is provided by the OEM of the driven equipment.

## Cleaning of Components

Clean the oil cooler core and the aftercooler core. Then, pressure test both of these cores. For instructions on cleaning the cores, see this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Aftercooler Core - Inspect/Clean" topic.

Clean the oil suction screen. Also, remove side covers in order to clean the oil sump. For instructions on removal and installation of components, see the Service Manual, "Disassembly and Assembly" module.

## Obtain a Coolant Analysis

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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## Overhaul (Top End)

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

Refer to this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Maintenance Recommendations" in order to determine the maintenance interval for a top end overhaul.

A top end overhaul involves the removal, the inspection, and the rework of the cylinder head components. Some additional components are replaced and serviced.

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

**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.

### First Top End Overhaul

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

#### 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.

### Unit Injectors

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

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

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

The wear of the unit 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 faulty unit injector.

The following lists of circumstances indicate that the unit injectors should be inspected more frequently:

- Use of fuels that are not recommended in this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations"
- 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, and other foreign matter.
- Insufficient maintenance of the fuel filters

### Oil Suction Screen

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

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

1. Remove the cover.
2. Remove the screen assembly according to the instructions in the Service Manual, "Disassembly and Assembly" module. Discard the used O-ring seals.

3. Inspect the screen assembly. Obtain a new screen assembly, if necessary.
4. Wash the screen assembly in clean nonflammable solvent. Allow the screen assembly to dry before installation.
5. Install the screen assembly and install new O-ring seals according to the instructions in the Service Manual, "Disassembly and Assembly" module.
6. Install the cover.
7. Remove side covers in order to gain access to the sump. Clean the bottom of the sump with absorbent towels or pillows. When the bottom of the sump is clean, install the side covers.

### Replacement of Components

Replace the following components during the top end overhaul:

- Electronic unit injectors

### Inspection, Reconditioning, or Exchanging 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".

Recondition the worn components or exchange the components, if necessary. Your Caterpillar dealer can provide these services and components.

- Camshaft followers
- Cylinder head assembly
- Scavenge oil pump
- Engine wiring harness
- Exhaust manifold seals
- Exhaust manifold bellows
- Fuel pressure regulating valve
- Fuel priming pump
- Fuel transfer pump
- Inlet manifold gaskets
- Inlet manifold seals

- Oil pump
- Prelube pump
- Pushrods
- Rocker arms
- Spacer plate
- Software update
- Turbocharger

### 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".

- Aftercooler core
- Camshaft
- Driven equipment (alignment)
- Engine control module
- Exhaust bellow shields
- Oil suction screen

### Top End Overhaul (Second)

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

#### 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.

## Unit Injectors

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

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

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

The wear of the unit 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 faulty unit injector.

The following lists of circumstances indicate that the unit injectors should be inspected more frequently:

- Use of fuels that are not recommended in this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities and Recommendations"
- 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, and other foreign matter.
- Insufficient maintenance of the fuel filters

## Oil Suction Screen

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 drained. This oil will pour out of the housing when cover (1) is removed. Prepare to catch the oil in a pan. Clean up any spilled oil with absorbent towels or pillows. 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. Remove side covers in order to gain access to the sump. Clean the bottom of the sump with absorbent towels or pillows. When the bottom of the sump is clean, install the side covers.
4. Inspect the screen assembly for good condition. Obtain a new screen assembly, if necessary. Install the screen assembly. Install new O-ring seals.

## Replacement of Components

Replace the following components during the top end overhaul:

- Electronic unit injectors

## Inspection, Reconditioning, or Exchanging 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".

Recondition the worn components or exchange the components, if necessary. Your Caterpillar dealer can provide these services and components.

- Camshaft followers
- Connecting rods
- Connecting rod bearings
- Cylinder head assembly
- Cylinder liners
- Scavenge oil pump
- Engine wiring harness
- Exhaust manifold seals
- Exhaust manifold bellows
- Fuel pressure regulating valve
- Fuel priming pump
- Fuel transfer pump
- Inlet manifold gaskets
- Inlet manifold seals
- Oil pump

- Pistons
- Piston pins
- Prelube pump
- Pushrods
- Rocker arms
- Spacer plate
- Software update
- Turbocharger
- Fuel consumption
- Fuel quality
- Altitude
- Maintenance intervals
- Selection of oil
- Selection of coolant
- Environmental qualities
- Installation

## 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".

- Aftercooler core
- Camshaft
- Crankshaft
- Driven equipment (alignment)
- Engine control module
- Exhaust bellow shields
- Oil suction screen

**Note:** Inspect only two of the components from each cylinder bank. Inspecting only two components will provide an adequate example of the condition of the other components.

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## Overhaul Considerations

**SMCS Code:** 7595-043

### 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

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:** See this Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cold Weather Operation" topic (Operation Section), or see 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.

## Improper Operating Procedures

- Extended operation at low idle
- Minimum cool down periods after high load factor operation
- Operating the engine beyond the guidelines for the engine rating
- Operating the engine at loads that are greater than the rated load
- Operating the engine at speeds that are greater than the rated speed
- 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

## 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
- Inspecting the alignment of the driven equipment

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 69.

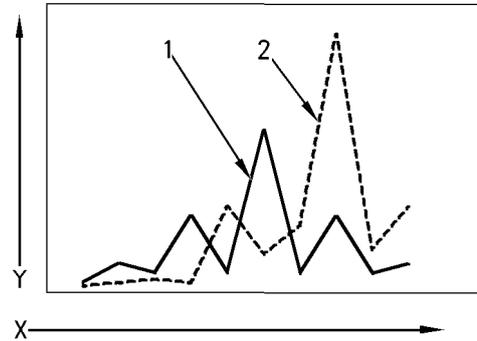


Illustration 69

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(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 69, 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 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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## Radiator - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1353-070

**Note:** Adjust the frequency of cleaning according to the effects of the operating environment.

A dirty radiator will not be able to transfer heat efficiently. This can lead to overheating of the engine. Clean the radiator according to the instructions that are provided by the OEM of the radiator.

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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).

Fouling of the compressor 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 could allow parts from the compressor wheel to enter an engine cylinder. This can cause additional damage to the pistons, the valves, and the cylinder head.

### 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.

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 clearances that are precise. The turbocharger cartridge must be balanced due to high rpm. Severe service applications can accelerate the wear of the components. Severe service applications may require more frequent inspections of the turbocharger.

## Removal and Installation

For options regarding the removal, installation, repair and replacement, consult your Caterpillar dealer. Refer to the Service Manual for this engine or consult your Caterpillar dealer 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 turbocharger wheel and the turbocharger housing, the turbocharger should be reconditioned or replaced.
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. Inspect the bore of the turbine housing for corrosion.
5. Clean the turbocharger housing with standard shop solvents and a soft bristle brush.
6. 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, coolant leaks, exhaust 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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**Note:** Use care when you use steam cleaning. Use care when you use high pressure water. Direct spray to rotating electrics or electronic components can cause nonfixable damage.

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#### NOTICE

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

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- Ensure that the coolant lines are properly clamped. Ensure that the fittings are 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 following locations: front crankshaft seal, rear crankshaft seal, oil pan, oil filters, valve cover, turbocharger, external oil lines, and connections.

- Inspect the fuel system for leaks. Look for loose fuel line clamps or connections.
- Inspect the piping for the air inlet system and the elbows for cracks and for loose clamps or connections.
- Ensure that the exhaust system is properly clamped. Ensure that the connections are tight. Check for leaks. Check the condition of all connections and components of the exhaust system.
- 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. Replace any gauges that can not be calibrated.

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 two articles in the Disassembly and Assembly Manual, "Water Pump - Disassemble and Water Pump - Assemble" for the disassembly and assembly procedure. If it is necessary to remove the water pump, refer to two articles in the Disassembly and Assembly Manual, "Water Pump - Remove and Water Pump - Install".

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

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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.