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# M AINTENANCE I NSTRUCTION

## SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE PROGRAM MARINE PROPULSION (GM) AND GENERATING (MG) UNITS WITH BLOWER-TYPE ENGINES

### INTRODUCTION

This Maintenance Instruction provides average recommendations which should ensure satisfactory engine operation and economical maintenance cost where average load factors and average climatic conditions are encountered. It is intended to serve as a guide when establishing maintenance schedules that will meet the particular requirements of individual operations, and planned economic life of the engine and associated equipment.

These recommendations are based on the following conditions:

1. Fuel oil used will meet the specifications of Maintenance Instruction 1750.
2. Lubricating oil used will meet the specifications of Maintenance Instructions 1760 and 1764 and will be changed at the intervals specified in this M.I.
3. Engine coolant used will meet the specifications in Maintenance Instruction 1748.
4. Lubricating oil filters will be of quality equal to original equipment and will be changed at the intervals specified in this M.I.

5. Operating load limitations will be adhered to.
6. Torquing procedures contained in this M.I. will be followed for new engines and newly installed replacement assemblies.
7. Reduction gear maintenance to be performed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

This Maintenance Instruction is divided into three sections. The first section is maintenance performed before and after each start, the second is performed on a "calendar period" basis, and the third section is performed on a "running time" basis. Because operating requirements for this equipment can vary from standby, to periodic, to continuous usage, the maintenance procedures must be modified to suit individual requirements.

### REFERENCES

Abbreviations are used in this instruction to reference publications that contain information related to maintenance. The following examples are provided to aid in understanding the abbreviations used.

- EMM means Engine Maintenance Manual  
M.I. means Maintenance Instruction

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Areas of change are indicated by vertical bars.

**BEFORE EACH START****LUBE OIL SYSTEM**

Check for lube oil in pan and strainer box, if so equipped. Add oil if required. EMM, M.I. 1760

**NOTE**

If engine required prelube, recheck lube oil level in pan, as a quantity will transfer to external system (cooler, filter, strainer and piping). Add oil if required.

**COOLING SYSTEM**

Check coolant level and add coolant if required. EMM

**NOTE**

Do not continue to operate engine requiring periodic addition of coolant. Check for possible coolant leak and repair if required.

**FUEL SYSTEM**

Check fuel supply and open fuel supply valves.

Prime system. EMM

**AIR SYSTEM**

Drain condensate.

Check system pressure. EMM

Check oil supply in air line lubricator. EMM

**ENGINE**

Check overspeed trip lever OST to ensure it is in the running "latched" position. EMM

Open cylinder test valves and manually bar over engine one complete revolution, check for liquid ejected from valves, and close test valves. EMM. If fluid discharge is observed from any cylinder, find the cause and make the necessary repairs prior to starting the engine.

On units with engine mounted lube oil strainer box (E6 models), prelube engine if unit has been shut down for over 48 hours. EMM. Unless equipped with immersion heater system.

On units with in-line mounted lube oil strainers (E6A modified models with engine mounted raw water pump), prelube engine if unit has been shut down for over 2 hours. EMM

Ensure exhaust stack is open.

**GOVERNOR**

Check lube oil level. Add oil if necessary. EMM, M.I. 1764

**IMMEDIATELY AFTER EACH START****INSPECT FOR LEAKS**

Cooling system  
 Fuel system  
 Lube oil system  
 Exhaust system

**LUBE OIL SYSTEM**

Check lube oil level in pan with engine at idle. EMM

Check lube oil pressure at engine. EMM

**COOLING SYSTEM**

Check operation of external cooling system.

**FUEL SYSTEM**

Check for proper fuel pressure.

**ENGINE**

Check cylinder test valves for leakage. Tighten if required. EMM

Check handhole covers for leakage. Tighten if required. EMM

Check air box drains for proper operation and clean, if necessary. EMM. If drains are kept closed, drain every 4 hours.

Check for unusual noises or sound, or any fault indications (lights or alarm), as provided.

**PERFORM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON CALENDAR TIME BASIS****DAILY****INSPECT FOR LEAKS**

Cooling system  
 Fuel system  
 Lube oil system  
 Exhaust system  
 Air system

**LUBE OIL SYSTEM**

Check lube oil level in pan. EMM

**DAILY (CONT'D)**

**COOLING SYSTEM**

Check coolant level.

EMM

**NOTE**

Do not continue to operate engine requiring periodic addition of coolant. Check for possible coolant leak and repair, if required.

**FUEL SYSTEM**

Check fuel supply.

**AIR SYSTEM**

Drain condensate from lines and tanks.

**GOVERNOR**

Check oil level and add oil if required.

EMM

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – PAPER OR FIBERGLASS TYPE**

Monitor filter pressure indicator. If tripped, take manometer readings and replace elements if necessary.

EMM

**EVERY MONTH**

**LUBE OIL SYSTEM**

Take sample for analysis.

The services of a competent laboratory should be used to monitor the suitability of the oil for continued use according to M.I. 1760.

**LUBE OIL CIRCULATING PUMP AND MOTOR (Where Used)**

Check for proper operation.

EMM

**IMMERSION HEATER (Where Used)**

Check for proper operation.

EMM

**EVERY TWO MONTHS**

**IN-LINE LUBE OIL STRAINER (Where Used)**

Clean strainer screen.

**EVERY YEAR****LUBE OIL CIRCULATING PUMP  
AND MOTOR (Where Used)**

Inspect and clean with dry air.

Replace brushes.

If equipped with DC motor.

Remove and clean check valve.

**ELECTRICAL CONTROL CABINET AND  
ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT (Where Used)**

Check operation of protective devices.

Protective switches, relays, and alarm indicators.

Visually inspect and clean:

Voltage regulator.

M.I. 4523 or appropriate manufacturer's voltage regulator manual.

All relays, contactors, and circuit breakers.

EMM

Remove circuit breakers from compartments.

Clean insulators.

Lubricate linkage bearings.

Check operation.

**COOLING SYSTEM**

Check operation and setting of engine water temperature control(s).

Check torque on flexible pipe coupling bolts.

Take cooling water sample for lab analysis and corrosion test.

M.I. 1748. Unless 2000 hour sampling has occurred first.

**LUBE OIL FILTERS**

Change filter elements.

EMM. Unless the 1400 hour filter change has occurred first.

Clean lube oil strainers.

EMM. Fill strainer box with oil before starting engine. (E6 models.)

**EVERY TWO YEARS**

**FUEL FILTERS**

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| Change engine mounted filter elements.     | EMM. Unless 2000 hour filter change has occurred first. |
| Clean or replace suction strainer element. | EMM. Unless 2000 hour maintenance has occurred first.   |

**ENGINE PROTECTOR**

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| Replace or recondition and requalify. | M.I. 259 or M.I. 260. Qualify on test stand after renewing spring, "O" rings, and diaphragms. |
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**LUBE OIL CIRCULATING PUMP AND MOTOR (Where Used)**

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| Replace. | Replacement can be EMD Unit Exchange. |
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**EVERY THREE YEARS**

**COOLING SYSTEM THERMOSTATIC VALVE**

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| Replace "O" rings and thermostatic elements. | EMM, M.I. 581 |
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**EVERY FOUR YEARS**

**COOLING SYSTEM PRESSURE CAP (Where Used)**

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| Replace. | Unless 16,000 hour replacement has occurred first. |
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**EVERY FIVE YEARS**

**FREQUENCY GENERATOR COUPLING SPIDER (Where Used)**

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| Replace. | Unless 16,000 hour replacement has occurred first. |
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**EVERY SIX YEARS**

**ENGINE**

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| Replace top deck cover seals and check latches.                                | EMM. Unless 8000 hour replacement has occurred first.                     |
| Replace cylinder head grommets, inlet and outlet seals, and lower liner seals. | EMM. Unless 16,000 hour cylinder assembly replacement has occurred first. |

**MAIN GENERATOR (MG Models)**

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| Remove bearing cover and inspect for grease contamination, excessive wear, and overheating. Apply new grease. | Unless 48,000 hour lubrication has occurred first. M.I. 3328 for EMD generator. If generator is other than EMD, refer to manufacturer's manual. |
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**PERFORM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON RUNNING TIME BASIS****AFTER THE FIRST 350 HOURS OF OPERATION****ENGINE NUT AND BOLT  
TIGHTNESS CHECK**

Torque to values specified in EMM.

Cylinder head crab nuts.

Exhaust manifold flange bolts.

Cylinder liner water inlet line nuts and bolts.

Head frame to crankcase bolts.

Engine mounting bolts.

Miscellaneous nuts and bolts, and all piping connections.

**ENGINE**

Inspect air box. EMM

Inspect crankcase. EMM

Inspect crankshaft and connecting rods. EMM

Inspect pistons and piston rings. EMM

Inspect cylinder liners. EMM

Inspect cylinder head mechanism with engine idling and at operating temperature. EMM

Inspect engine fuel lines and connections for leaks. EMM

Inspect engine water system for leaks. EMM

**EVERY 350 HOURS****FUEL FILTER**

Check fuel pressure gauge with engine at rated RPM.

On units where gauge is connected to filter input side, change filter elements if pressure is greater than 345 kPa (50 psi).

On units where gauge is connected on filter output side, change filter elements if pressure is less than 83 kPa (12 psi).

**EVERY 350 HOURS (CONT'D)****LUBE OIL FILTER**

Check lube oil filter pressure gauges with engine at rated RPM.

On units with rack mounted oil filter, change filter elements if input pressure is greater than 172 kPa (25 psi).

On units where filter is not rack mounted, and has external 138 kPa (20 psi) bypass valve, change filter elements if pressure differential between input and output exceeds 103 kPa (15 psi).

On units where filter is not rack mounted and has external 207 kPa (30 psi) bypass valve, change filter elements if pressure differential between input and output exceeds 138 kPa (20 psi).

**RAW WATER PUMP – BELT DRIVEN**

Inspect drive belt for signs of slipping or chafing.

EMM

**EVERY 700 HOURS****ENGINE PROTECTOR**

Check operation.

EMM, M.I. 259, or M.I. 260

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – REMOTE MOUNT OIL BATH (Where Used)**

Check oil level.

M.I. 442

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – PANEL TYPE OIL BATH (Where Used)**

Check oil level.

EMM, M.I. 440

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – TUB TYPE OIL BATH (Where Used)**

Check oil level.

EMM

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – PAPER OR FIBERGLASS TYPE (Where Used)**

Check indicator. If tripped take manometer readings, and replace elements if necessary.

EMM

**HEAT EXCHANGER**

Inspect corrosion zinc electrodes.

EMM

**RAW WATER PUMP – BELT DRIVEN**

Lubricate shaft bearing.

EMM

Check drive belt tension.

EMM

**EVERY 1400 HOURS****LUBE OIL FILTERS**

Change filter elements.

Clean lube oil strainers

Fill strainer housing with oil before starting engine.  
(E6 models.)

**PROTECTIVE DEVICES**

Check operation.

EMM

**EVERY 2000 HOURS****FUEL FILTERS**

Clean or replace suction strainer element.

EMM

Change engine mounted filter elements.

EMM. Use only elements equal to original equipment.

**COOLING SYSTEM**

Take cooling water sample for lab analysis and corrosion test.

M.I. 1748. Unless the yearly sampling has occurred first.

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – PAPER TYPE  
(Where Used)**

Take manometer readings. Replace elements if necessary.

EMM

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – FIBERGLASS TYPE  
(Where Used)**

Replace element.

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – REMOTE MOUNT  
OIL BATH (Where Used)**

Change oil. Drain and fill only.

M.I. 442

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – PANEL TYPE OIL  
BATH (Where Used)**

Change oil. Drain and fill only.

EMM, M.I. 440

**ENGINE**

Inspect air box.

EMM

Inspect crankcase.

EMM

Inspect crankshaft and connecting rods.

EMM

Inspect pistons and piston rings.

EMM

**EVERY 2000 HOURS (CONT'D)****ENGINE (CONT'D)**

Inspect cylinder liners.	EMM
Inspect cylinder head mechanism with engine idling and at operating temperature.	EMM
Inspect engine fuel lines and connections for leaks.	EMM
Inspect engine water system for leaks.	EMM

**EVERY 4000 HOURS****ENGINE AIR FILTER – TUB TYPE OIL BATH  
(Where Used)**

Change oil. Drain and fill only.	EMM
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**LUBE OIL SYSTEM**

Change engine oil.	EMM. Evaluation of engine and oil condition should dictate the frequency of this item. Type of service, type of oil, quality of filter elements, and condition of engine will influence the frequency of oil change.
Clean oil pan.	EMM
Clean filter housing.	EMM
Clean oil suction screens.	EMM
Clean scavenging oil screens.	Fill strainer box with oil before starting engine. (E6 models.)

**ENGINE**

Check exhaust manifold base flange bolts for proper tightness.	EMM
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**GOVERNOR**

Change oil.	EMM, M.I. 1764
Lubricate linkage moving parts.	EMM
Lubricate governor synchronizing motor, motor bearings. (Where used.)	EMM

**EVERY 8000 HOURS****ENGINE NUT AND BOLT  
RETORQUING**

Torque to values specified in EMM.

Cylinder head crab nuts.

Main lube oil and piston cooling oil pump shaft  
nut.

Head frame to crankcase bolts.

Engine mounting bolts.

Miscellaneous nuts and bolts, and all piping  
connections.**ENGINE**

Replace top deck cover seals and check latches. EMM

Qualify injectors. EMM

Check injector timing and injector rack length. EMM

Check engine speed. EMM

Check overspeed trip. EMM

Remove and clean oil separator element. EMM

Inspect crankshaft damping device. EMM

**EXHAUST SYSTEM**Inspect manifold sections for possible cracked  
leg baffles or expansion joints and replace, if  
necessary. Tighten bands connecting manifold  
sections. EMM**MAIN GENERATOR (MG Models)**

Visually inspect and clean. M.I. 3328

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – REMOTE MOUNT OIL  
BATH (Where Used)**

Change oil. Clean sump and filter media. M.I. 442

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – PANEL TYPE OIL  
BATH (Where Used)**

Change oil. Clean sump and filter media. M.I. 440

**EVERY 8000 HOURS (CONT'D)**

**ENGINE AIR FILTER – TUB TYPE OIL BATH  
(Where Used)**

Change oil. Clean sump and filter media. EMM

**COOLING SYSTEM  
(Pressurized System Only)**

Inspect and perform pressure test.

Replace pressure cap if defective.

**LUBE OIL COOLER (Tube Bundle Type)**

Replace floating header seal.

**MAIN LUBE OIL PUMP BYPASS  
VALVE (Where Used)**

Remove, clean, inspect, and test. EMM

**LUBE OIL FILTER**

Remove internal oil filter bypass valve; clean, inspect, and test (where used). M.I. 926

**LUBE OIL FILTER AND OIL COOLER  
BYPASS VALVES (Where Used)**

Remove, clean, inspect, and test. EMM

**STARTING MOTORS**

Disassemble, clean, inspect and lubricate.

Renew parts if necessary. EMM

**EVERY 16,000 HOURS**

**FUEL PUMP**

Replace coupling spider.

**COOLING SYSTEM**

Replace pressure cap (where used).

Inspect filler neck for damage. Replace if damaged (where used).

**EVERY 16,000 HOURS (CONT'D)****ENGINE**

Replace cylinder assemblies.	EMM
Replace injectors.	EMM. Replacement should be EMD Unit Exchange or equivalent.
Inspect and qualify connecting rod bearings.	EMM
Inspect and qualify piston cooling tubes.	EMM
Check rocker arms, rocker arm bushings, and cam followers.	EMM
Check lash adjusters.	EMM
Check exhaust valve timing.	EMM
Inspect lower liner inserts, and replace if required.	EMM

**EVERY 24,000 HOURS****ENGINE**

Install new thrust collars.	EMM
Install new lower main bearings.	EMM
Replace water pump seals and all worn parts.	EMM

**COOLING SYSTEM**

Replace flexible coupling seals.

**LUBE OIL COOLER**

Inspect, clean, and test. M.I. 927

**HEAT EXCHANGER**

Inspect, clean, and test. EMM

**RAW WATER PUMP**

Replace ball bearings and bearing seals.	EMM
Replace pump seal and gaskets.	EMM
Replace drive belt (where used).	EMM

**EVERY 32,000 HOURS**

**ENGINE BLOWERS**

Replace.

Replacement should be EMD Unit Exchange or equivalent.

**BLOWER-TO-FILTER AIR  
DUCTS (Where Used)**

Replace.

**GOVERNOR**

Replace.

Replacement should be EMD Unit Exchange or equivalent.

**GOVERNOR BOOSTER SERVO  
(Where Used)**

Disassemble, clean, inspect, and replace O-ring seals.

EMM

**FUEL PUMP**

Replace or recondition.

M.I. 4110. Replacement can be EMD Unit Exchange.

**EVERY 48,000 HOURS**

**ENGINE**

Replace or recondition oil pumps.

EMM. Replacement can be EMD Unit Exchange.

Remove oil pressure relief valve; clean, inspect, and test.

EMM

Replace lower liner inserts.

EMM

Inspect injector control linkage. Replace links, seals, and bearings if required.

**PEDESTAL BEARING ASSEMBLY  
(Belt driven raw water pump)**

Replace bearing.

**MAIN GENERATOR (MG UNITS)**

Remove bearing cover and inspect for grease contamination, excessive wear, and overheating. Apply new grease.

M.I. 3328 for EMD generator. If generator is other than EMD, refer to manufacturer's manual.

**EVERY 72,000 HOURS**

**ENGINE**

Replace crankshaft damping device. EMM. Recondition and requalify.

**EVERY 96,000 HOURS**

**ENGINE**

Unit Exchange.

**MAIN GENERATOR (MG Units)**

Unit Exchange.