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for Northern Lights® M944T and M38CR2 Diesel Generator Sets

Read this operator's manual thoroughly before starting to operate your equipment.
This manual contains information you will need to run and service your new unit.

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Introduction

The servicing of marine engines and generator sets presents unique problems. In many cases, boats cannot be moved to a repair facility. Marine engines cannot be compared to the servicing of automobiles, trucks, or even farm equipment. Failures often occur in remote areas far from competent assistance. Marine engines are taxed far more severely than auto or truck engines; therefore, maintenance schedules must be adhered to

more strictly. Failures begin with minor problems that are overlooked and become amplified when not corrected during routine maintenance.

As operator, it is your obligation to learn about your equipment and its proper maintenance. This is not a comprehensive technical service manual. Nor will it make the reader into an expert mechanic. Its aim is to aid you in maintaining your unit properly.

Unit Identification

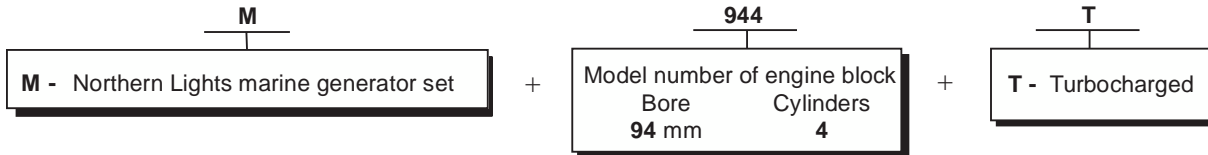
MODELS INCLUDED

This manual covers the operating instructions for:

M944T and M38CR2 marine and commercial generator sets, which use the 944 engine block, turbocharged.

Model Numbers

Model numbers give the unit's application, block model, aspiration, and RPM:



M944T = Northern Lights marine diesel generator set with a 944 engine and a LX-E 34E series generator end.

M38CR2 = Northern Lights commercial marine diesel generator set with a 944 engine and a Newage series generator end, 38 kW.

Serial Numbers

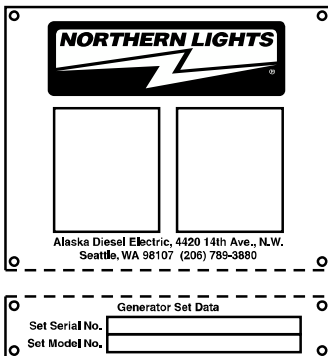


Figure 1: Generator set serial number plate.

Your set has three serial numbers: ① an engine number stamped on a plate attached to the valve cover, ② a generator end serial number, and ③ a generator set serial number.

NOTE: Always use the generator set serial number when ordering parts or in correspondence. The generator set serial number plate is found on the service side of the generator and resembles the drawing in Figure 1.

Warranty

A warranty registration certificate is supplied with your set. It entitles the original purchaser of our equipment to a warranty covering material or assembly faults. The extent of coverage is described in the Limited Warranty Statement. We recommend that you study the statement carefully.

NOTE: If the warranty is to apply, the servicing instructions outlined in this manual must be followed. If further information is needed, please contact an authorized dealer or the factory.

Safety Rules



CAUTION: *Accident reports show that careless use of engines causes a high percentage of accidents. You can avoid accidents by observing these safety rules. Study these rules carefully and enforce them on the job.*

- Never leave engine without proper security.
- Turn the coolant tank cap slowly to relieve pressure before removing. Add coolant only when the engine is stopped and cool.
- Mount a fire extinguisher near engine.
- Always disconnect the battery ground strap before making adjustments.
- Operate engines in properly ventilated areas.
- Keep trash and other objects away from engine.
- Escaping fluids under pressure can penetrate your skin. Use a piece of cardboard or wood, not your hands, to search for leaks.
- Avoid wearing loose clothing without a belt when working around engines.
- Do not oil or grease engine while it is running.
- Remove the negative (-) battery terminal cable before servicing electrical components or welding.
- Use caution in handling fuel. Never refuel a hot or running engine. Do not smoke while filling fuel tank or servicing fuel system.
- Keep your hands, feet, hair and clothing away from power-driven parts.
- Check for any loose electrical connections or faulty wiring.
- Engines should be operated only by knowledgeable, qualified personnel.
- Look completely around engine to make sure that everything is clear before starting.
- Do not operate an engine that isn't in proper working order. If an unsafe operating condition is noted, tag the set and control panel so others will also know about the problem.
- Provide first aid kits.



CAUTION: *This symbol is used throughout this book to alert you to possible danger areas. Please take special notice of these sections.*

M944T Generator Set Component Locations

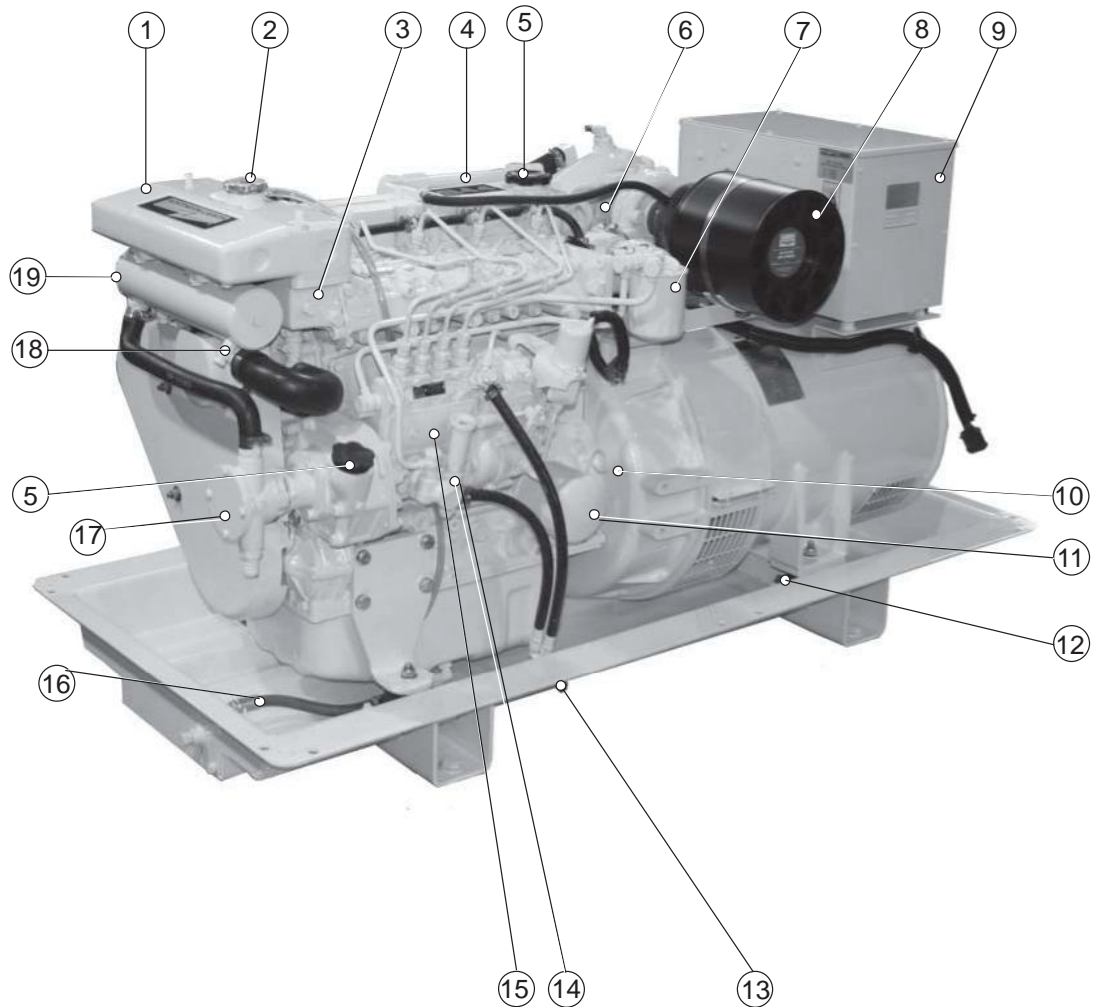


Figure 2: M944T Service Side

- | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1. Expansion Tank | 8. Air Cleaner | 15. Injection Pump |
| 2. Coolant Fill | 9. Junction Box | 16. Lube Oil Drain |
| 3. Thermostat Housing | 10. Lube Oil Dipstick | 17. Raw Water Pump |
| 4. Rocker Arm Cover | 11. Oil Filter | 18. Heat Exchanger Raw Water
Drain and Zinc |
| 5. Lube Oil Fill | 12. Vibration Mounts | 19. Heat Exchanger |
| 6. Intake Manifold | 13. Fuel Manifold | |
| 7. Fuel Filter | 14. Fuel Primer Pump | |

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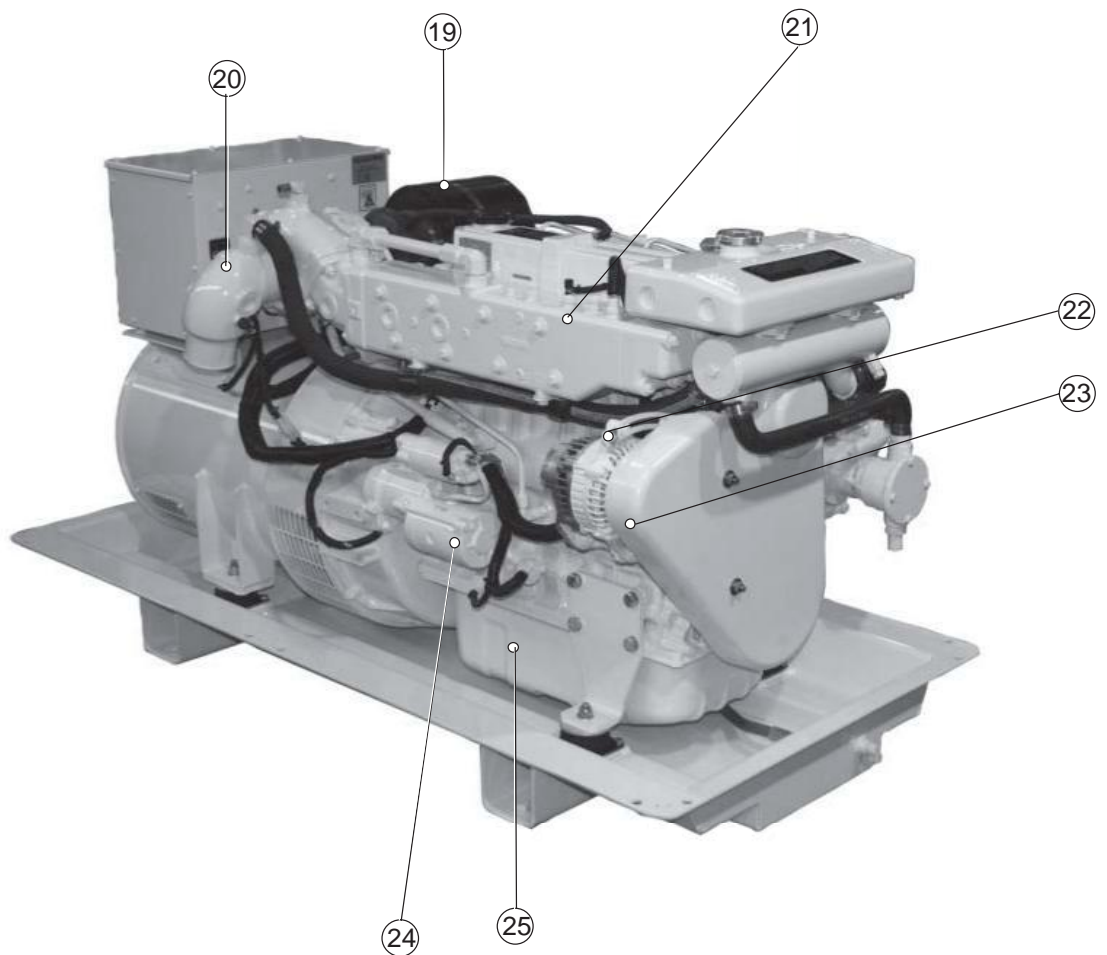


Figure 3: M944T Non-Service Side

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|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 19. Turbocharger | 24. Starter |
| 20. Wet Exhaust Elbow | 25. Oil Pan |
| 21. Exhaust Manifold | |
| 22. Alternator | |
| 23. Belt Guard | |

M38CR2 Generator Set Component Locations

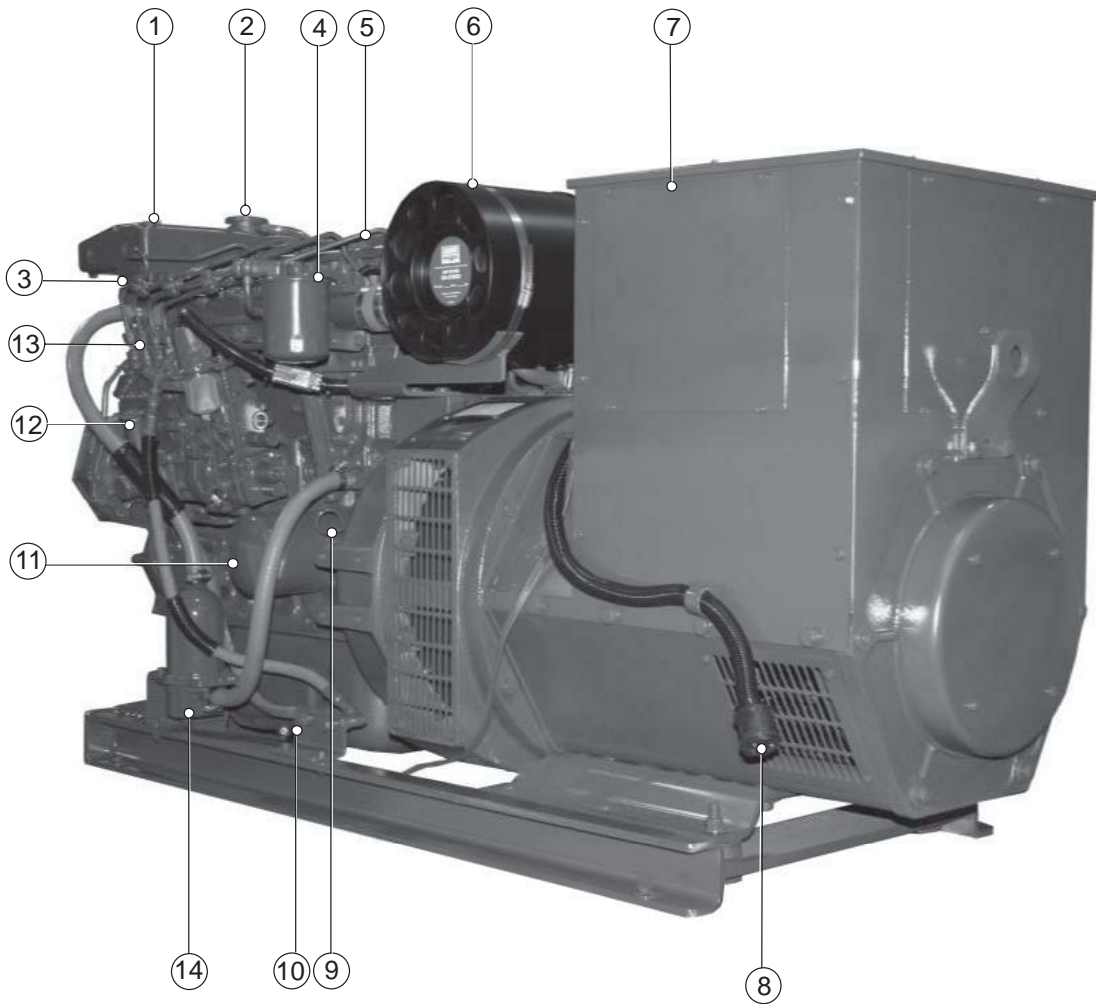


Figure 4: M38CR2 Service Side (Representative only - early production)

- | | |
|------------------------------|---|
| 1. Expansion Tank | 8. Harness Plug |
| 2. Coolant Fill | 9. Lube Oil Dipstick |
| 3. Thermostat Housing | 10. Fuel Manifold (optional) |
| 4. Fuel Filter | 11. Oil Filter |
| 5. Intake Manifold | 12. Fuel Primer Pump |
| 6. Air Cleaner | 13. Injection Pump |
| 7. Junction Box | 14. A.C. Coolant Heater (optional) |

M38CR2 Generator Set Component Locations

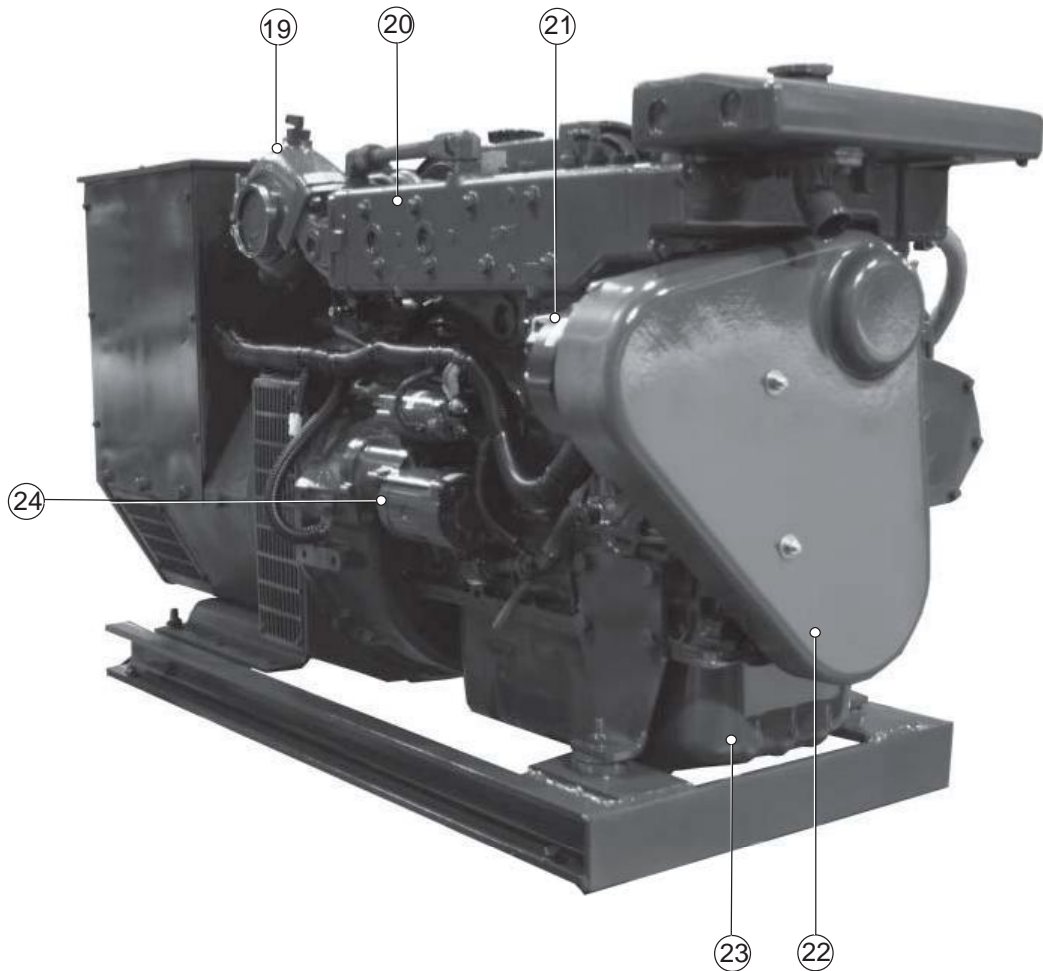


Figure 5: M38CR2 Non-Service Side (Representative only - early production)

19. Turbocharger
20. Exhaust Manifold
21. Alternator
22. Belt Guard

23. Oil Pan
24. Starter

Control Panels

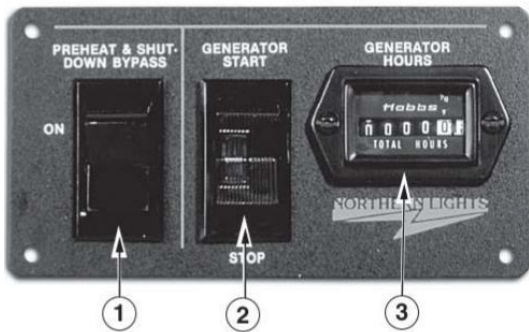


Figure 6-A: Series 1-B Generator Control Panel



Figure 6-B: Series 3 Generator Control Panel

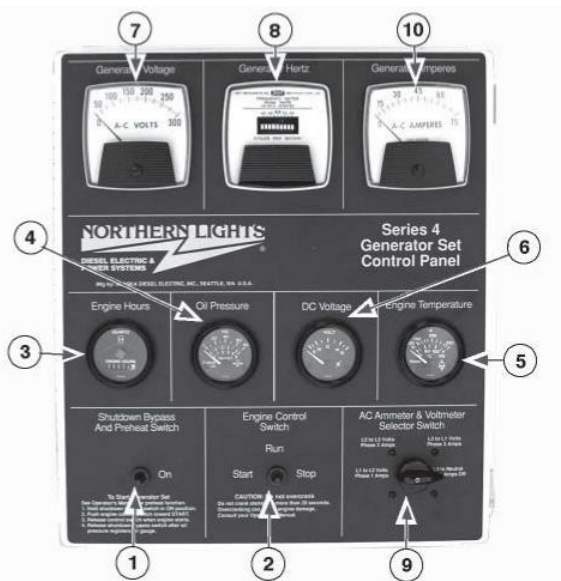


Figure 6-C: Series 4 Generator Control Panel

1. PREHEAT/ SHUTDOWN BYPASS

This switch serves two functions:

1. Preheats air before beginning the starting process. Press switch for 10-20 seconds before attempting startup.
2. Bypasses the safety shutdown feature during the starting process. Keep switch engaged while starting engine, and for 2 to 3 seconds afterwards, allowing oil pressure to build beyond shutdown setpoint.

2. ENGINE CONTROL SWITCH

To start the engine, hold this switch in the START position until the engine is running. After the engine starts, release the switch and it will return to RUN position. To stop the engine, hold the switch in the STOP position.

NOTE: The rocker switch is used on Series 1 panels only, and has a light that glows when the set is running.

3. HOUR METER

Keeps track of engine running time.

4. OIL PRESSURE GAUGE

Shows the oil pressure in the engine lubricating system.

5. WATER TEMPERATURE GAUGE

Registers the temperature of the cooling water.

6. D.C. VOLTMETER

When the engine is stopped, the voltmeter indicates the condition of the battery. When the engine is running, the voltmeter indicates the voltage output of the alternator.

For Series 4 Control Panels only:

7. A.C. VOLTMETER

Shows the generator output voltage.

8. FREQUENCY METER (Hertz)

The frequency meter indicates alternating current frequency: 60 Hz (1800 rpm) or 50 Hz (1500 rpm).

9. AMMETER/VOLTMETER SELECTOR

Used to check the voltage and current of each phase. Return to "Amps Off" position when not monitoring.

10. A.C. AMMETER

Shows the generator load on each phase. The phase is selected with the Ammeter Selector switch (#9).

Operating Procedures

BREAK-IN PERIOD

1. The first 100 hours on a new or reconditioned engine are critical to its life and performance.
2. Constantly check the engine temperature and oil pressure gauges.
3. Oil consumption is greater during break-in as piston rings take time to seat.
4. Break-In Oil Changes: Change engine oil and filter at 50 hours. Change oil and filter again at 100 hours (consult Lubricants section for oil recommendation).

Operating Instructions:

Maintain at least a 75% load on your generator set for the first 100 hours. If this is not possible, maintain no less than a 50% load to ensure proper seating of the piston rings. Vary the load to help seat the rings.

BEFORE STARTING

1. Check the water level by removing the pressure cap from the expansion tank. In order to give the cooling water an opportunity to expand, the level should be about 1 in. (2.5 cm) below the filler cap sealing surface when the engine is cold.



CAUTION: Use protective clothing and open the filler cap carefully when the engine is warm to prevent burns.

2. Check the oil level in the crankcase with the dipstick. The oil level must be between high and low marks on the stick. Never allow the level to go below this area. Always add the same viscosity of oil as is already in the crankcase.
3. Check the fuel tank level and open any fuel valves on the tank and at the secondary fuel filter.
4. Close the sea-cock, check and clean the sea strainer, and reopen the sea-cock.
5. Place the battery switch in the ON position.

NOTE: The battery switch must always be kept ON while the engine is running. If the switch is turned OFF while the engine is running, the battery charging alternator could be damaged.

Operating Procedures

STARTING

1. Hold the Shutdown Bypass switch in the ON position.
2. While holding the Shutdown Bypass switch in the ON position, push the Engine Control switch to the START position.
3. As soon as the engine starts, release both switches. Do not crank the starter for more than 10 seconds consecutively. If the engine fails to start with the first attempt, be sure that it has stopped completely before re-engaging the starter.

NOTE: Excessive cranking of the starter on marine sets equipped with a water lift muffler can cause engine damage. If the engine does not start after 3 consecutive 10-second cranks, remove the impeller from the seawater pump. This will prevent the muffler from filling with water and backfilling the exhaust line and engine. Once the engine starts, shut it off immediately and reinstall the impeller. Restart and check the exhaust overboard outlet for gushes of water.

OPERATING

1. Units with Series 3 and Series 4 Control Panels: check gauges often. Oil pressure must be above 15 PSI. The D.C. voltmeter should read between 11 and 15 volts at 80° F (25° C) ambient temperature. The water temperature gauge must be below 200° F (94° C). Check the A.C. voltage and frequency meters (Series 4 panel). If the gauges deviate from normal levels, shut down the generator set and investigate.
2. Add electrical load.

STOPPING

1. Remove electrical load from the generator set.
2. Run the engine for a two to three minute cool-down period.
3. Move the Engine Control switch to the STOP position.

Operating Procedures

SHUTDOWNS AND ALARMS

1. Your unit is fitted with a system to protect it from high water temperature or low oil pressure.
 - a. Generator sets have shutdown systems to stop the engine. They have no warning horns.
 - b. Other alarms and shutdowns are available as optional equipment.

NOTE: If your unit is equipped with optional shutdowns and alarms, do not rely on your warning or shutdown system to the exclusion of careful gauge monitoring. Watching your gauges can prevent damage to the unit and dangerous power losses.

2. Do the following when your warning or shutdown system is activated:
 - a. Check the temperature gauge. If above 205° F (96° C), shut off the engine immediately.
 - b. Use the Trouble Shooting Guide on page 25 to isolate the cause of the overheat.



CAUTION: Do not remove the water fill cap of an overheated engine. Escaping high temperature steam can cause severe burns. Allow the engine to cool and then remove the cap slowly using protective clothing.

- c. Make repairs and restart after the temperature gauge registers below 200° F (94° C).
 - d. Watch the temperature gauge regularly and turn off the unit if the temperature rises above 205° F (96° C). Repeat troubleshooting.
3. If shutdown is activated and the temperature gauge shows temperature within normal temperature range:
 - a. Check the engine crankcase oil level.
 - b. If the oil level is low, fill with recommended lubricating oil and restart. Watch the oil pressure gauge carefully and shut off the engine if it does not show a normal reading (20-60 PSI) after a few seconds of operation.
 - c. If the oil level is normal, DO NOT restart the engine. Call your dealer for assistance.

SPARE PARTS

1. ADE recommends that you keep the following spare parts on hand for field service. The parts are available from your local Northern Lights dealer. Some marine models may already have “On-Board Kits,” a handy box that contains the most common parts you will need.
 - a. Primary and secondary fuel filter elements
 - b. Oil filters
 - c. Air filter elements
 - d. Alternator belt
 - e. Thermostat and gaskets
 - f. Seawater pump impeller and gaskets
 - g. Glow plugs
 - h. Injector and washer
2. If your set is operating a long distance from a servicing dealer, add the following:
 - a. Complete set of injectors
 - b. Copper washers for injector change
 - c. Complete set of glow plugs
 - d. Fuel lift pump

Servicing Schedule Chart

The Servicing Schedule Chart below shows the service schedule required for proper maintenance of your generator set. More detailed coverage of each Service Point (SP) is listed on the page noted in the 'page' column.

DAILY:

- SP1 Check oil level in engine
- SP8 Check primary fuel filter
- SP16 Check cooling water level
Check sea strainer

AFTER FIRST 50 HOURS:

- SP2/3 Change engine oil and filter
- SP5 Check V-belt tension
- SP21 Check electrolyte level in batteries

EVERY 50 HOURS:

- SP5 Check V-belt tension
- SP21 Check electrolyte level in batteries

AFTER FIRST 100 HOURS:

- SP2/3 Change engine oil and filter

EVERY 250 HOURS:

- SP2/3 Change engine oil and filter

EVERY 250 HOURS cont.:

- SP4 Check air cleaner
- SP14 Check turbocharger
- SP20 Check zinc electrodes

EVERY 500 HOURS:

- SP6 Check valve clearances
- SP9 Change primary fuel filter element
- SP10 Change secondary fuel filter
- SP12 Check injectors
- SP17 Check cooling system
- SP19 Change impeller
- SP22 Check state of charge of batteries

EVERY 1000 HOURS or as needed:

- SP4 Change air cleaner
- SP13 Check fuel injection pump
- SP18 Check and clean heat exchanger
- SP24 Inspect starter and alternator

SERVICE POINT	PAGE	OPERATION	DAILY	50 Hours	100 Hours	250 Hours	500 Hours	2000 Hours
ENGINE:								
SP1	12	Check oil level	•					
SP2	12	Change engine oil ^{1, 5}		•	•	•		
SP3	13	Change lube oil filters ^{1, 5}		•	•	•		
SP4	13	Check air cleaner ^{1, 3, 4}				•		•
SP5	13	Check V-belt tension ^{1, 5}					•	
SP7	14	Check valve clearances ⁸					•	
FUEL SYSTEM:								
SP8	15	Check primary filter ²	•					
SP9	15	Change primary filter element ^{2, 3}					•	
SP10	15	Change secondary fuel filter ^{1, 3}					•	
SP11	16	Bleed the fuel system ³						
SP12	17	Check injectors ^{1, 6}					•	
SP13	18	Check fuel injection pump ³						•
TURBOCHARGER:								
SP14	19	Check air, oil, & cooling water lines for leakage ¹				•		
COOLING SYSTEM:								
SP16	20	Check cooling water level	•					
SP17	20	Check and flush cooling system ⁷						•
SP18	21	Check and clean heat exchanger						•
SP19	21	Change impeller in raw water pump ^{1, 3}					•	
SP20	21	Check zinc electrodes ³				•		
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:								
SP21	23	Check electrolyte level in batteries ^{1, 3}		•				
SP22	23	Check condition of batteries with hydrometer ¹					•	
SP24	24	Inspect alternator and starter ³						•
OUT OF SERVICE:								
SP23	23	Winterizing or out-of-service ³						

1) Perform maintenance once a year even if hour level has not been reached.
 2) Consult manufacturer's maintenance schedule, note on chart.
 3) Or Whenever necessary.
 4) Change at 1000 hours.

5) After first 50 hours.
 6) Fuel inj. valve opening pressure: 11.77 MPa (120 kgf/cm²) 1710 PSI.
 7) Or every 2 years.
 8) Valve clearance = .25 mm (0.0098").

Service Record

Service Point	OPERATION	HOURS/ DATE									
50 HOURS											
SP5	Check V-belt tension										
SP21	Check electrolyte in batteries										
250 HOURS											
SP2	Change engine oil										
SP3	Change lubricating oil filters										
SP4	Check air cleaner										
SP14	Check turbocharger										
SP20	Check zinc electrodes										
EVERY 500 HOURS											
SP7	Check valve clearances										
SP8	Change primary filter element										
SP10	Change secondary fuel filter										
SP12	Check injectors										
SP19	Change impeller in seawater pump										
SP22	Check condition of batteries with hydrometer										
1000 HOURS or as required											
SP13	Check fuel injection pump										
SP18	Check and clean heat exchanger										

Service Notes:

Servicing

LUBRICATION - GENERAL

1. Use only clean, high quality lubricants stored in clean containers in a protected area.
2. These lubricants are acceptable:
 - a. API Service CD, CE, and CF-4 single viscosity oils.
 - b. API Service CD, CE, and CF-4 multi-viscosity oils.
3. Use the proper weight oil for your average operation temperature.

Air Temperature	Single Viscosity	Multi-Viscosity
Above 32° F (0° C)	SAE 30W	SAE 15-40W
-10° to 32° F (-23° to 0° C)	SAE 10W	SAE 10-30W

Figure 7: Lube Oils

4. Never put additives or flushing oil in crankcase.

SP1. CHECKING OIL LEVEL

1. While the engine is stopped, check the oil level in the crankcase with the dipstick daily. The oil level must be between the high and low marks on the stick. Fill with the recommended oil, and fill only to the high mark on the dipstick. Follow the lubrication recommendations in Figure 7.

SP2. OIL CHANGES

1. The set is delivered with special break-in oil. Change the engine oil and oil filter after 50 hours of operation. Use Service CC30 weight oil during the first 100 hours.
2. Change the oil and filter again at 100 hours using the oil recommended in the above paragraph. After this, change oil and filter every 250 hours.
3. During intermittent cold weather operation, change oil every 100 hours or six weeks, whichever comes first.
4. Change oil at any seasonal change in temperature when a new viscosity of oil is required.
5. Change oil when engine is warm but not hot.
6. Dispose of waste oil in an approved manner.
7. Never use a flushing oil.
8. Loosen clamp on oil change tube. Remove cap. Drain oil. Replace cap and tube.
9. Refill engine with recommended oil.
10. Engine capacity with new oil filter is:
.....2.64 gallons (10 liters)

SP3. CHANGING LUBE OIL FILTER

1. Change the lube oil filter every 250 hours.
2. Use a filter wrench to remove old filter. Dispose of filter in approved manner.
3. Make sure the gasket from the old filter is removed and discarded. Clean mount face.
4. Spread a thin film of engine oil on the rubber gasket on the new filter and screw it on nipple until gasket meets the sealing surface.
5. Using hands only – no wrench – tighten filter one-half turn farther. Overtightening can do damage to filter housing.
6. Fill engine with recommended oil. Start engine and check for leakage. Stop engine, wait 3 minutes, and check oil level. Add additional oil if necessary.
7. Oil filter part number is:
.....#24-01201

SP4. AIR CLEANER

1. Visually inspect air cleaner every 250 hours.
2. Take off the hose clamp on the bracket and the hump hose to detach the air cleaner.
3. Make sure the hump hose is clean inside and also that the new filter element is absolutely clean and installed properly.

Note: **Make absolutely sure no impurities enter the engine while changing the element, and do not run the engine with the air cleaner removed.**

Do not clean the filter with diesel fuel, solvent, or gasoline. Serious engine damage can result.

SP5. V-BELTS

1. Check the tension and wear on the V-belt after every 50 hours.
2. Use your thumb to press on the belt at the midpoint between the crankshaft and alternator pulleys. The tension is correct if the belt can be depressed about .39 to .47 in. (10 - 12 mm) with 22 lbs. (10 kg) force.

Servicing

SP7. VALVE CLEARANCES

1. Readjust valve clearance after first 50 hours of operation. Check valves every 500 hours thereafter.
2. Check the valves when the engine is cold.
3. Rotate the crankshaft in a clockwise direction in the front 180° to bring each piston to the top dead center on the compression stroke. Top dead center (TDC) is when notch on the pulley aligns with the pointer and the two valves on cylinder No. 1 “rock”. Rocking is when the rocker arms (for the two valves on a given cylinder) are moving in opposite directions, one up closing the valve and one down opening the other valve. The moment when the two rocker arms are exactly aligned with each other is when they “rock”.

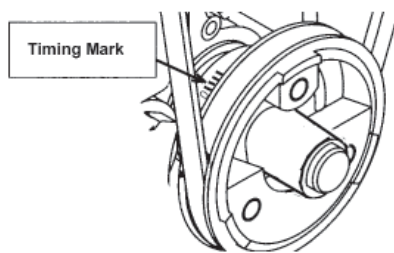


Figure 8: Timing Mark

4. Measure the valve clearance for each of the valves, with a feeler gauge, in the firing order (1-3-4-2). Standard valve clearances for a cold engine are:
 Intake (IN).....0.0098 in. (0.25 mm)
 Exhaust (EX).....0.0098 in. (0.25 mm)
5. To adjust valve clearance, loosen the lock nut on the adjustment screw. Insert a feeler gauge between the rocker arm and the valve stem cap. Adjust, while measuring the clearance, until the feeler gauge slides with a slight drag. Tighten the lock nut and recheck the clearance (Figure 9).

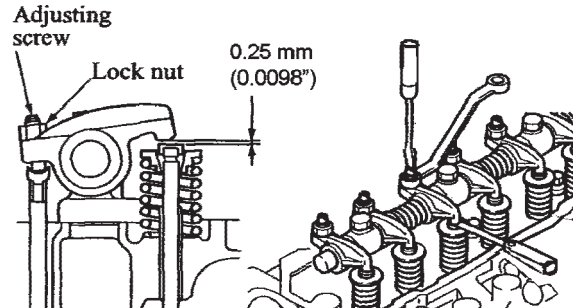
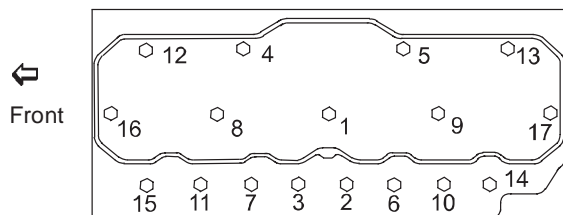


Figure 9: Valve Adjustment

6. Adjust the remaining valves.
7. Replace the rocker arm cover.



Tightening Cylinder Head Bolts Order

17 bolts total, Tightening Torque:
 113 to 123 N•m (11.5 to 12.5 kgf•m)
 [83.2 to 90.4 lbf•ft]

FUELS - GENERAL

1. Use only clean, high quality fuels of the following specifications, as defined by ASTM designation D975 for diesel fuels:
 - a. Use grade No. 2 diesel at ambient temperatures above freezing 32° F (0° C).
 - b. Use grade No. 1 at ambient temperatures below freezing.
 - c. International fuel specifications:
 - JIS K2204
 - ISO-8217-DMA
 - BS 2869 Part 1 Class A1
 - BS 2869 Part 2 Class A2
2. Use fuel having less than 0.2% sulphur of weight (less than 0.05% recommended).
3. The cetane number should be 45 or higher.
4. Particulate contaminate should be 5.0 mg/l (0.00018 oz/U.S. gal) or lower.
5. DO NOT use these unsuitable grades of fuel:
 - a. Domestic heating oils, all types.
 - b. Class B engine.
 - c. Class D domestic fuels.
 - d. Class E, F, G or H industrial or marine fuels.
 - e. ASTM-D975-60T No. 4-D and higher number fuels.
6. Storing fuel:
 - a. Keep dirt, scale, water, and other foreign matter out of fuel.
 - b. Avoid storing fuel for long periods of time.
 - c. Fill the fuel tank at the end of each day's operation. This will reduce condensation.

SP8-10. FUEL FILTER

1. Your generator set should have a primary fuel filter installed. We recommend the Northern Lights brand of fuel filters.
 - a. Check the primary fuel filter daily as recommended by the filter manufacturer.
 - b. Change the engine mounted filter as often as necessary or every 250 hours.
 - c. Remove the fuel filter with a filter wrench.
 - d. Apply a coating of fuel to the o-ring of the new fuel filter.
 - e. Tighten the new filter by hand, do not use a filter wrench for tightening.
 - f. The filter should be dry.
 - g. Do not add fuel to the fuel filter before installation, as this could cause unfiltered fuel to enter the fuel pump.
 - h. Bleed the air out of the filter.

The fuel filter part number is:
.....24-51201

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SP11. BLEEDING THE FUEL SYSTEM



CAUTION: Escaping diesel fuel under pressure can penetrate skin causing serious personal injury. Before disconnecting lines be sure to relieve all pressure. Before applying pressure, be sure all connections are tight and lines, pipes and hoses aren't damaged. Fuel escaping from a very small hole can be almost invisible. Use a piece of cardboard or wood, rather than hands, to search for suspected leaks. If injured by escaping fuel, see a doctor at once. Serious infection or reaction can develop if proper medical treatment is not administered immediately.

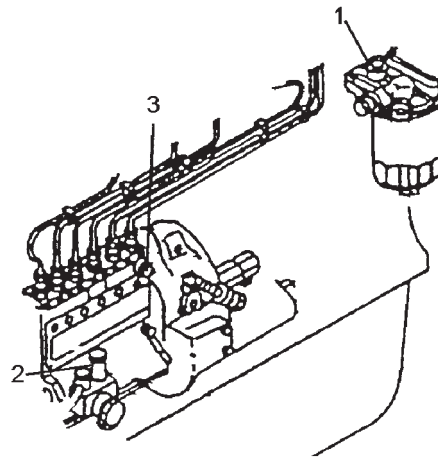


Figure 10 Fuel Feed Pump

1. Fuel system air bleeding may be needed when:
 - a. After fuel has been added to a newly installed engine.
 - b. A new fuel filter is installed.
 - c. The engine has run out of fuel.
 - d. The fuel lines, injection pump, or any other fuel system component has been removed and installed.
 2. After changing the fuel filter, air only needs to be bled from the fuel filter. To do this:
 - a. Loosen the air vent plug (#1 on Figure 10) on the fuel filter by about 1-1/2 turns. (Be sure to cover the vent with a cloth to prevent fuel from splashing.)
 - b. Turn the priming pump cap on the fuel feed pump counterclockwise to unlatch it. Move the priming pump plunger (#2 on Figure 10) up and down. To close the pump turn the cap clockwise while depressing it.
 - c. Close the air vent plug when no more air bubbles can be seen in the fuel flowing from the air vent plug hole.
 3. To bleed air at the fuel injection pump:
 - a. Turn the air vent plug (#3 on Figure 10) about 1-1/2 turns to loosen it. (Cover the vent with a cloth to prevent fuel from splashing.)
 - b. Pump the feed pump cap up and down.
 - c. When there are no air bubbles to be seen in the fuel flowing from the air vent plug hole, push down the priming pump cap and turn it clockwise to lock it in place.
- NOTE:**
Do not close the air vent plug before locking the priming pump cap in place, because the internal pressure in the pump will prevent the priming pump cap from returning to the original position.
4. If the engine does not start after this bleeding process, loosen a fuel line at the injector while cranking the engine with the starter motor until pure fuel escapes. Then tighten the connections. Do each line one-at-a-time. After the engine has started, use a piece of cardboard to look for fuel leaks.

SP12. INJECTOR SERVICE

1. Injectors should be checked every 500 hours. This check should be made by a Northern Lights dealer or local injection repair station.



CAUTION: *Escaping diesel fuel under pressure can have sufficient force to penetrate the skin causing serious personal injury. If injured by escaping fuel, see a doctor at once.*

2. Injector removal:
 - a. Clean loose dirt from around the injectors and the fuel lines.
 - b. Relieve high pressure in the fuel lines by loosening the delivery line flare nuts at each injector.
 - c. Remove delivery lines by disconnecting them from the injectors and injection pump. Remove all lines as an assembly; do not remove the spacers. Cover the ends of the lines, the injector inlets, and the injection pump outlets to keep dirt out.
 - d. Remove the return line retaining bolts, washers, and return line.
 - e. Loosen the injector retaining nuts at the same time a little at a time. Remove the injector.
 - f. Remove the injector seat. Cover the holes to prevent debris from entering the cylinders.

Note: Do not use pry bars to remove injectors from the cylinder head.

3. Injector repair and cleaning:
 - a. Take injectors to your Northern Lights dealer or local injection repair station for testing and service.
4. Injector installation:
 - a. Install new injector seal washer seat and injector. Evenly tighten the injector retaining nuts to 18.1 to 25.3 ft/lbs (24.5 to 34.3 N•m), or 2.5 to 3.5 kgf•m. Do not overtighten.
 - b. Reinstall the return line using new sealing washers. Tighten bolts to 13.0 to 15.9 ft/lbs (17.7 to 21.6 N•m), or 1.8 to 2.2 kgf•m.

NOTE: Overtightening can damage injectors.

- c. Reinstall injection lines. Tighten flare nuts at injection pump to 19.5 to 23.9 ft/lbs (26.5 to 32.4 N•m), or 2.7 to 3.3 kgf•m. Leave the lines loose at injectors for bleeding.
- d. Bleed the injection lines. Crank the engine to fill the lines. Tighten flare nuts at injectors to 14.5 to 17.4 ft/lbs (21.0 to 23.0 N•m), 2.0 to 2.4 kgf•m.
- e. Start the engine and check for leaks using a piece of paper or cardboard. Do not use your hand to check for leaks.

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SP13. INJECTION PUMP

1. Since operating conditions may vary considerably, it is difficult to give a definite interval for checking the injection pump. But as a rule, pump settings, maximum speed, and exhaust smoke should be checked after every 2000 hours of operation. Service of the fuel injection pump should only be done if checks indicate pump malfunction.
2. Black smoke can be an indication of pump malfunction. Before servicing the pump, check other possible causes:
 - a. Check cleanliness of the air filter.
 - b. Check valve clearances.
 - c. Clean and check injectors.
3. Any repair which involves disassembly of the injection pump must be carried out by specially trained mechanics with the proper tools and test equipment.

NOTE: All warranties on the engine become null and void if the injection pump seals are broken by unauthorized persons.

4. Injection Pump Removal:



CAUTION: Escaping diesel fuel under pressure can have sufficient force to penetrate the skin, causing serious personal injury. If injured by escaping diesel fuel, see a doctor at once.

- a. Clean the injection pump, hoses, and area around the pump with a cleaning solvent or steam cleaner.

NOTE: Never steam clean or pour cold water on an injection pump while the engine is running or the pump is warm.

- b. Remove the injection lines from the pump and injectors. Remove all lines as an assembly. Do not remove the spacers. Cover the ends of the lines, the injector inlets, and the injection pump outlets to keep dirt out of the injectors, lines, and pump.

- c. Remove the injection pump drive gear cover plate and the sea water pump.
- d. Align timing marks on timing gears.
- e. Remove the pump support bracket on rear of pump.
- f. Remove the 4 mounting nuts.
- g. Take the pump to your Northern Lights dealer or an injection repair station for testing and service.

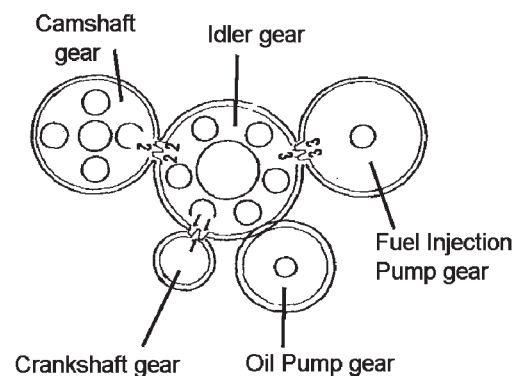


Figure 11: Timing Marks

5. Injection Pump Installation:

- a. Install the fuel injection pump after having aligned its gear alignment mark with that of the idler gear alignment mark as shown in Figure 11 above. When the alignment marks of the timing gears align as in the diagram to the right, the No. 1 piston is top dead center in the compression stroke.
- b. Install the injection pump to the side of the engine first then put in the end bolts, and then the tube with its bolts, and then the side bracket.
- c. Torque mounting bolts to 13.0 - 18.1 ft/lbs (17.7 to 24.5 N•m), 1.8 to 2.5 kgf•m.

SP14. TURBOCHARGER

1. Check for air leaks every 250 hours. Air leakage will lower engine output and may cause black exhaust smoke and soot.
2. Listen along air line while the engine is running. A whistling or hissing sound indicates leakage.
3. Leakage on the pressure side, between turbo and engine, can be found by applying soapy water to the air line.
4. Tighten the hose clamps and replace hoses or gaskets as required.
5. Check to see that the lubrication and cooling lines are tight and without leaks.

COOLING SYSTEM - GENERAL

NOTE: Be sure to close the sea-cock before working on the engine cooling system.



CAUTION: *The cooling water in the engine reaches extremely high temperatures. You must use extreme caution when working on hot engines to avoid burns. Allow the engine to cool before working on the cooling system. Open the filler cap carefully, using protective clothing when the engine is warm.*

SP16. CHECK THE COOLANT LEVEL

1. Check the coolant level each day before starting the engine.
 - a. Check the water level by removing the pressure cap from the expansion tank. In order to give the cooling water an opportunity to expand, the level should be about 1 in. (2.5 cm) below the filler cap sealing surface when the engine is cold.
 - b. Soft water with about a pH about 6.5 to 8.5 combined with an antifreeze in a 30% to 50% (maximum) solution should be used.
 - c. The antifreeze should not contain amine, silicate, or borate.

SP17. COOLING SYSTEM FLUSHING

1. Flush the cooling system every 2000 hours or every 12 months, whichever comes first.
2. Remove fill cap and open drains on engine block. The engine block drain is on the service side of the engine above the dipstick, next to the flywheel housing.
3. Pour clean water into the engine until water coming from engine is clear of discoloration. Close drains and refill the engine with recommended coolant mixture.
4. Use 50% water / 50% (maximum) ethylene glycol antifreeze mix. Antifreeze mixture is recommended as a good year-round coolant.
5. Coolant capacity is approximately 3 gal. (11.4 liters).
6. Check hoses and connections and repair any leakage.
7. Start the engine and check for leaks. Run the engine for five minutes, then shut it down. Let engine cool, and then check the coolant level in the engine. Add coolant as needed.

NOTE: Be sure to open the sea-cock after working on the engine cooling system and starting the engine.

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SP18. HEAT EXCHANGER

1. Clean the heat exchanger core once a year or after 2000 hours of operation.
2. Drain the expansion tank and heat exchanger.
3. Remove the heat exchanger end covers.
4. Clean the inside of the exchanger core tubes using a metal rod. Flush, inspect, and clean again if necessary.
5. Reassemble the heat exchanger. Fill the cooling system. Start the engine and check for leaks.

SP19. RAW WATER PUMP

1. Change the raw water pump impeller every 500 hours, or as needed.
2. Remove the pump cover. Pry out the impeller using needle-nose pliers or two screwdrivers. Be sure to remove all pieces of the failed impeller.

NOTE: Place some kind of protection under the screwdrivers in order to not damage the pump housing.

3. Clean the inside of the housing.
4. Press in the new impeller and place the sealing plug in the outer end of the impeller center if this has not already been done.

NOTE: Make sure that there is always an extra impeller and cover gasket in reserve on board.

SP20. ZINC ELECTRODES

1. A zinc electrode is installed in the heat exchanger cooling system to protect the engine from electrolysis. Check it faithfully every 250 hours. If you are in warm saltwater, or where electrolysis is a known problem, check it more often.
2. Remove the zinc holder from the bottom of the exchanger. This will drain raw water from the exchanger.
3. Scrape or steel brush the zinc electrode clean. If more than 50% of the electrode is corroded away, replace it with a new zinc. The electrode screws out of the holder.
4. Reinstall the zinc holders. Be sure the threads are clean for good metal-to-metal contact. Do not use thread sealant.
5. Refill the cooling system. Start the engine and check for leaks.

GENERATOR END

The maintenance and operation recommendations for the generator end are in a separate Owner's Manual. If you do not have one of these manuals, contact your local dealer.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM - GENERAL

1. Never switch the battery switch off or break the circuit between the alternator and the batteries while the engine is running. Alternator damage can result.
2. Do not reverse the polarity of the battery cables when installing the battery.

BOOSTER BATTERIES



CAUTION: *Battery gas can explode. Keep all flames and sparks away from batteries.*

1. Before changing or using booster batteries, check the battery electrolyte level. Add distilled water if necessary.
2. Booster and main batteries must have the same voltage rating.
3. First, connect the positive (+) terminal of the booster battery to the positive (+) terminal of the main battery. Then, connect the negative (-) terminal of the booster battery to ground on the engine block (Figure 10).
4. Remove the booster battery after starting the engine.
5. Sealed Batteries:
See the manufacturer's charging and booster instructions.

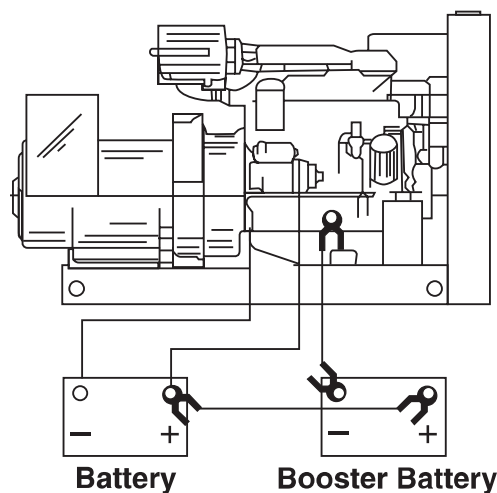


Figure 12: Booster Battery Connections

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SP21-22. BATTERY CARE

1. Check the electrolyte level every 50 hours, or once a month. Add distilled water to the manufacturer's recommended level.
2. Batteries, cables, and cable terminals should be checked and cleaned every 100 hours. Clean corrosion with a water and baking soda solution. Flush with clean water. Tighten terminals and grease them to inhibit future corrosion.
3. Check the battery condition with a hydrometer every 500 hours.
6. Cover the terminals and openings of the starter and alternator with adhesive fabric tape. Cover the starter and alternator with polyethylene sheets and put desiccant inside covering.
7. Disconnect and clean the battery. Remove the battery to a cool dry storage place, if possible.
8. Clean the outside of the unit. Paint any scratched or chipped surfaces. Put corrosion preventative on all exposed metal surfaces.
9. Cover the engine.

SP23. WINTERIZING / OUT-OF-SERVICE

NOTE: Remember to close the sea-cock before opening drain cocks.

For engines not going to be used for more than 3 months:

1. Change the crankcase oil and filter. Fill with rust preventative oil, and make a mixture of rust preventative oil and fuel 1:1 and fill the fuel tank with the mixture. Start the engine and operate it with no load for 5 to 10 minutes. Stop the engine, spray rust preventative agent into intake pipe. Drain the rust preventative oil and fuel.
2. Drain fresh water and seawater cooling systems completely. Flush fresh water systems and refill with the proper antifreeze mixture.
3. Drain the water supply lines and wet exhaust line. Cover the intake and exhaust ports with adhesive fabric tape.
4. Loosen the seawater pump cover and drain the pump.
5. Loosen the alternator belt.

Troubleshooting

DC ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	RECOMMENDATION(S)
Battery Will Not Charge	Loose or corroded connections	• Clean and tighten battery connections.
	Sulfated or worn out batteries	• Check specific gravity of each battery. • Check electrolyte level of each battery.
	Loose or defective alternator belt	• Adjust belt tension. • Replace belt.
Starter Inoperative	Check DC circuit breaker	• If the breaker is tripped, reset it.
	Loose or corroded connections	• Clean and tighten loose battery and harness plug connection.
	Low battery condition	• Check specific gravity of each battery. • Check electrolyte level of each battery.
	Defective electrical system ground wire:	• Repair or replace.
Starter Cranks Slowly	Low battery condition	• Battery is too small. • Battery cables are too small.
	Check specific gravity of each battery	• Replace battery if necessary.
	Check electrolyte level of each battery	• If low, fill cells with distilled water.
	Crankcase oil too heavy	• Fill with oil of appropriate viscosity.
	Loose or corroded connections	• Clean and tighten loose connections.
Entire Electrical System Does Not Function	Check DC circuit breaker	• If breaker is tripped, reset it.
	Faulty connection	• Clean and tighten battery and harness plug connections.
	Sulfated or worn out batteries	• Check specific gravity and electrolyte level of each battery.

If you cannot correct problems with these procedures, see your **Northern Lights** dealer.

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ENGINE

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	RECOMMENDATION(S)
Engine Hard to Start or Will Not Start	Improper starting procedure	• See starting section of this manual. Take special note of Bypass Switch operation.
	No fuel	• Check level of fuel in fuel tank.
	Low battery condition	• Check electrolyte level and condition.
	Excessive resistance in starting circuit	• Clean and tighten all battery connections.
	Crankcase oil too heavy	• Use oil of proper viscosity.
	Improper type of fuel	• Consult fuel supplier and use proper type of fuel for operating condition.
	Water, dirt or air in fuel system	• Drain, flush, fill and bleed system.
	Clogged primary fuel filter element	• Clean or replace filter element.
Engine Runs Irregularly or Stalls Frequently	Clogged secondary fuel filter element	• Replace filter element.
	Dirty or faulty injection nozzles	• Have your dealer check injection nozzles.
	Below normal engine temperature	• Remove and check thermostat.
	Clogged primary fuel filter element	• Clean or replace filter element.
	Clogged secondary fuel filter element	• Replace secondary filter element.
	Water or dirt in the fuel system	• Drain, flush, fill and bleed system.
	Dirty or faulty injection nozzles	• Have your dealer check injection nozzles.
	Air in fuel system	• Inspect clamps and hoses on suction side of fuel pump for air leak.
Lack of Engine Power	Improper type of fuel	• Consult fuel supplier and use proper type of fuel for operating condition.
	Engine overloaded	• Reduce the load.
	Intake air restriction	• Service air cleaner.
	Clogged primary fuel filter element	• Clean or replace filter element.
	Clogged secondary fuel filter element	• Replace filter element.
	Improper type of fuel	• Consult fuel supplier and use proper type of fuel for operating conditions.
	Overheated engine	• See "Engine Overheats" in next category.
	Below normal engine temperature	• Remove and check thermostat.
	Improper valve clearance	• Reset valves. Best done by dealer.
Dirty or faulty injection nozzles	• Replace injectors. Best done by dealer.	

Troubleshooting

ENGINE

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	RECOMMENDATION(S)
Lack of Engine Power <i>(continued)</i>	Low compression pressure (worn piston rings, etc...)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult dealer.
Engine Overheats	Engine overloaded Low coolant level Keel cooling tubes (marine sets) have been painted Cooling system needs flushing Defective thermostat Defective temperature gauge Water pump impeller worn or broken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce the electrical load. • Fill tank or radiator to proper level. • Check hoses for loose connections and leaks. • Remove paint from tubes. • Flush cooling system. • Remove and check thermostat. • Check water temperature with thermometer and replace gauge if necessary. • Check the impeller and replace if necessary.
Engine Knocks	Insufficient oil Injection pump out of time Below normal engine temperature Faulty fuel injector Engine overheating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call your dealer. • Call your dealer. • Check your thermostats. • Check water temperature to see if temperature gauge is working properly. • Call your dealer. • See "Engine Overheating" section.
High Fuel Consumption	Improper type of fuel Clogged or dirty air cleaner Engine overloaded Improper valve clearance Injection nozzles dirty Injection pump out of time Engine not at proper temperature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use correct fuel for temperature. • Service air cleaner. • Reduce the electrical load. • See your dealer. • See your dealer. • See your dealer. • Check your thermostats. • Check water temperature with thermometer and replace gauge if necessary.
Below Normal Engine Temperature	Thermostats not working properly Temperature gauge not working properly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check thermostats. • Check water temperature with thermometer.
Low Oil Pressure	Low oil level Improper type of oil Partially plugged oil filter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fill crankcase to proper level. • Drain and fill crankcase with correct oil. • Replace filter.

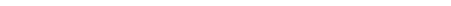
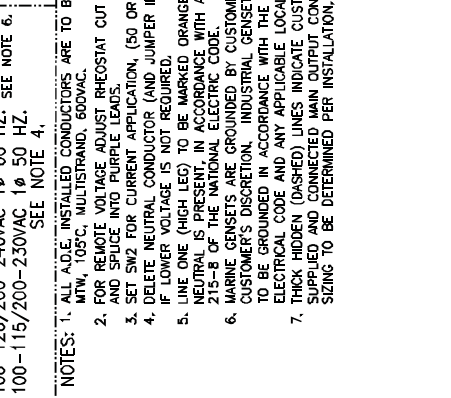
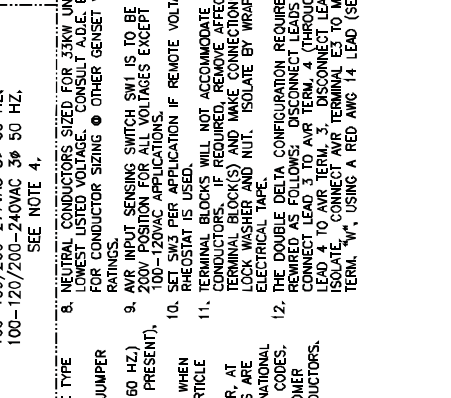
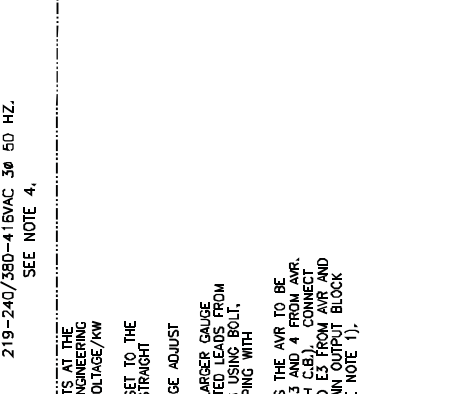
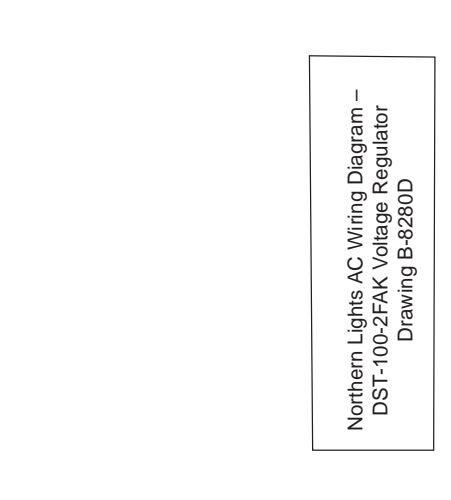
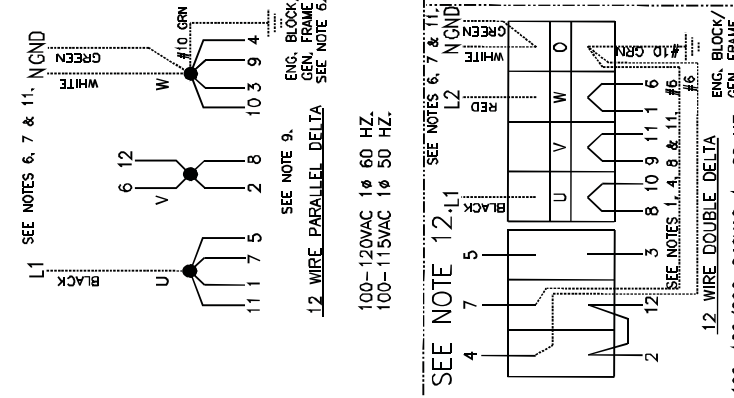
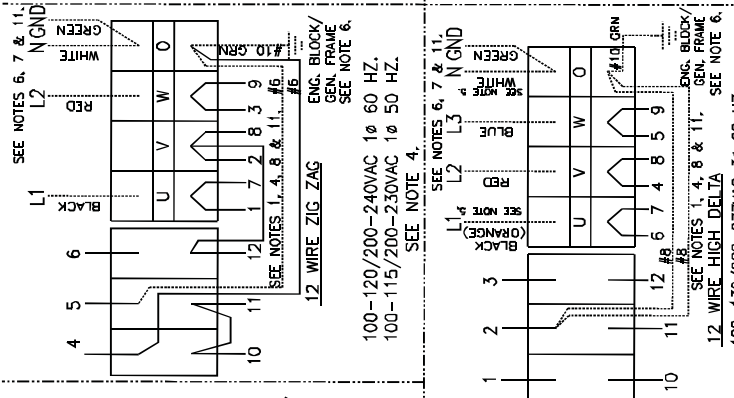
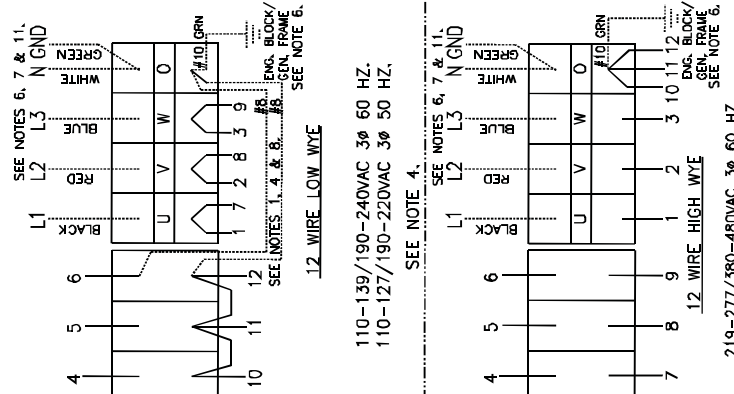
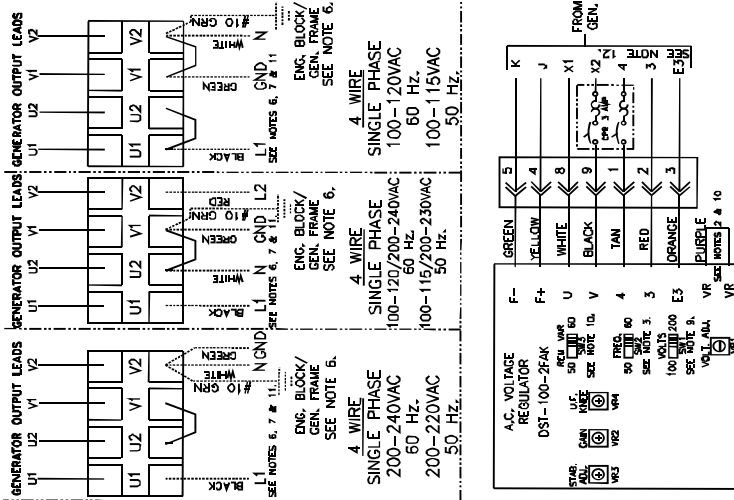
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Troubleshooting

ENGINE

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	RECOMMENDATION(S)
High Oil Consumption	Break-in period	• Oil consumption decreases after break in.
	Crankcase oil too light	• Use proper viscosity oil.
	Oil leaks	• Check for leaks in lines around gaskets and drain plug.
	Crankcase over full	• Remove excess oil.
Engine Emits Black or Gray Exhaust Smoke	Clogged or dirty air cleaner	• Service air cleaner.
	Defective muffler (back pressure too high)	• Have dealer check back pressure.
	Improper fuel	• Use correct fuel for temperature.
	Fuel pump faulty	• See your dealer.
	Injection nozzles dirty	• See your dealer.
	Engine overloaded	• Reduce the electrical load.
	Injection nozzles dirty	• See your dealer.
	Injection pump faulty	• Consult your dealer.
	Engine out of time	• See your dealer.
Incorrect valve clearance	• Consult your dealer.	
Engine Emits White Smoke	Improper fuel	• Use correct fuel for temperature.
	Cold engine	• Warm up engine to normal operating temperature.
	Defective thermostat	• Remove and check thermostat.
	Engine out of time	• See your dealer.
	Low Compression Pressure	• See your dealer.
	Low engine oil viscosity	• Use proper viscosity of oil to ambient temperature.
	Excessive amount of engine oil	• Maintain correct oil level.
	Fuel injection nozzles faulty (uneven injection)	• See your dealer.

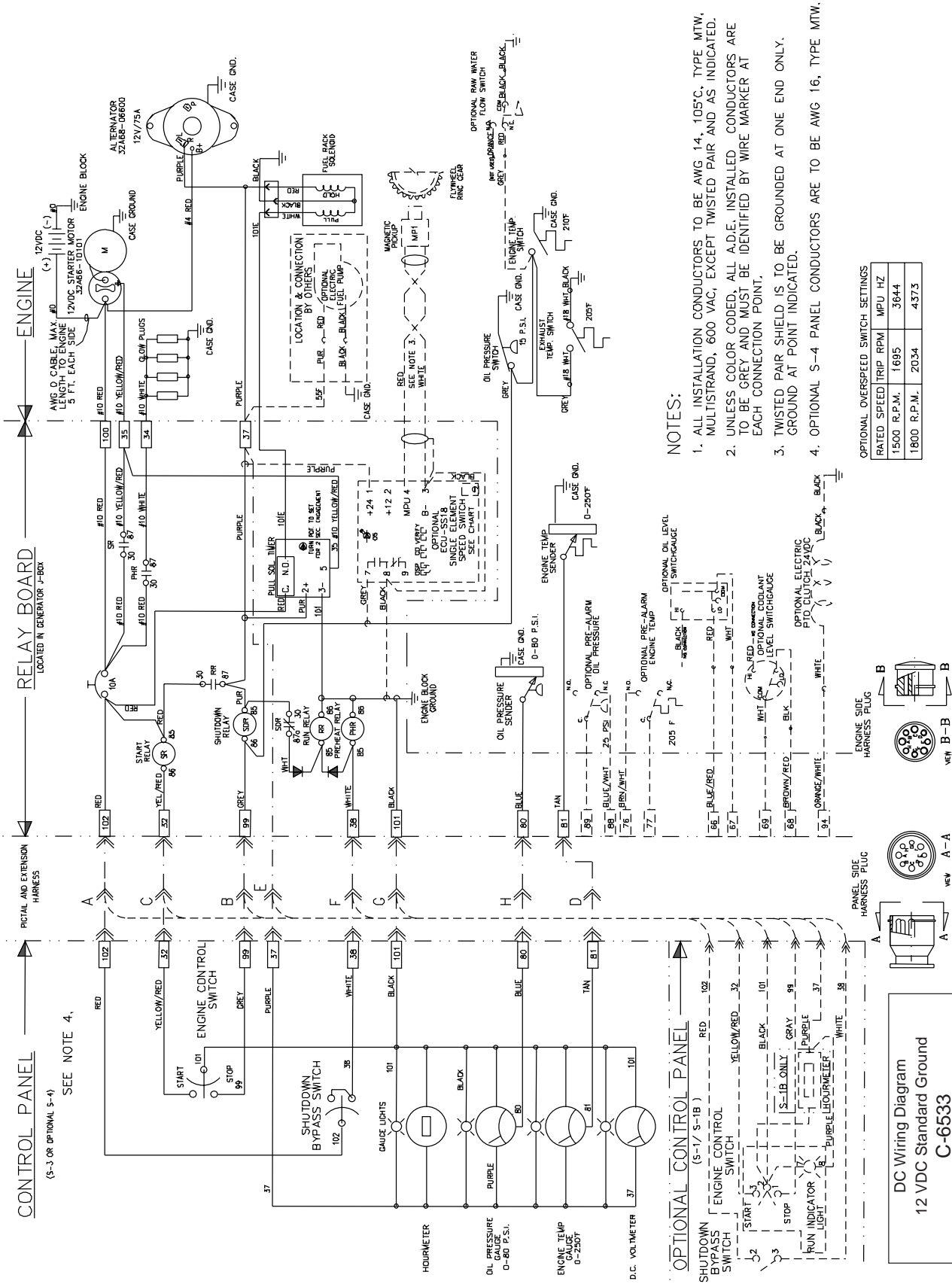
AC Wiring Diagram



Northern Lights AC Wiring Diagram -
DST-100-2FAK Voltage Regulator
Drawing B-8280D

- NOTES:
- ALL A.D.E. INSTALLED CONDUCTORS ARE TO BE TYPE MTW, 105°C, MULTISTRAND, 600VAC.
 - FOR REMOTE VOLTAGE ADJUST RHEOSTAT CUT JUMPER AND SPICE INTO PURPLE LEADS.
 - SET SW2 FOR CURRENT APPLICATION, (50 OR 60 HZ).
 - DELETE NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR (AND JUMPER IF PRESENT), IF LOWER VOLTAGE IS NOT REQUIRED.
 - LINE ONE (HIGH LEG) TO BE MARKED ORANGE WHEN NEUTRAL IS PRESENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 215-8 OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE.
 - MARINE GENSETS ARE GROUNDED BY CUSTOMER AT CUSTOMER'S DISCRETION. INDUSTRIAL GENSETS ARE TO BE GROUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE AND ANY APPLICABLE LOCAL CODES.
 - THICK HIDDEN (DASHED) LINES INDICATE CUSTOMER SUPPLIED AND CONNECTED MAIN OUTPUT CONDUCTORS. SIZING TO BE DETERMINED PER INSTALLATION.
 - NEUTRAL CONDUCTORS SIZED FOR 33KW UNITS AT THE LOWEST LISTED VOLTAGE. CONSULT A.D.E. ENGINEERING FOR CONDUCTOR SIZING @ OTHER GENSET VOLTAGE/KW RATINGS.
 - AVR INPUT SENSING SWITCH SW1 IS TO BE SET TO THE 200V POSITION FOR ALL VOLTAGES EXCEPT STRAIGHT 100-120VAC APPLICATIONS.
 - SET SW3 PER APPLICATION IF REMOTE VOLTAGE ADJUST RHEOSTAT IS USED.
 - TERMINAL BLOCKS WILL NOT ACCOMMODATE LARGER GAUGE CONDUCTORS. IF REQUIRED, REMOVE AFFECTED LEADS FROM TERMINAL BLOCK(S) AND MAKE CONNECTIONS USING A BOLT, LOCK WASHER AND NUT. ISOLATE BY WRAPPING WITH ELECTRICAL TAPE.
 - THE DOUBLE BLOCK CONFIGURATION REQUIRES THE AVR TO BE REMOVED AS FOLLOWS: DISCONNECT LEADS 3 AND 4 FROM AVR. CONNECT LEAD 3 TO AVR TERM. 4 (THROUGH C.B.) CONNECT LEAD 4 TO AVR TERM. 3. DISCONNECT LEAD E3 FROM AVR AND ISOLATE. CONNECT AVR TERMINAL E3 TO MAIN OUTPUT BLOCK TERM. "W", USING A RED AWG 14 LEAD (SEE NOTE 1).

DC Wiring Diagram

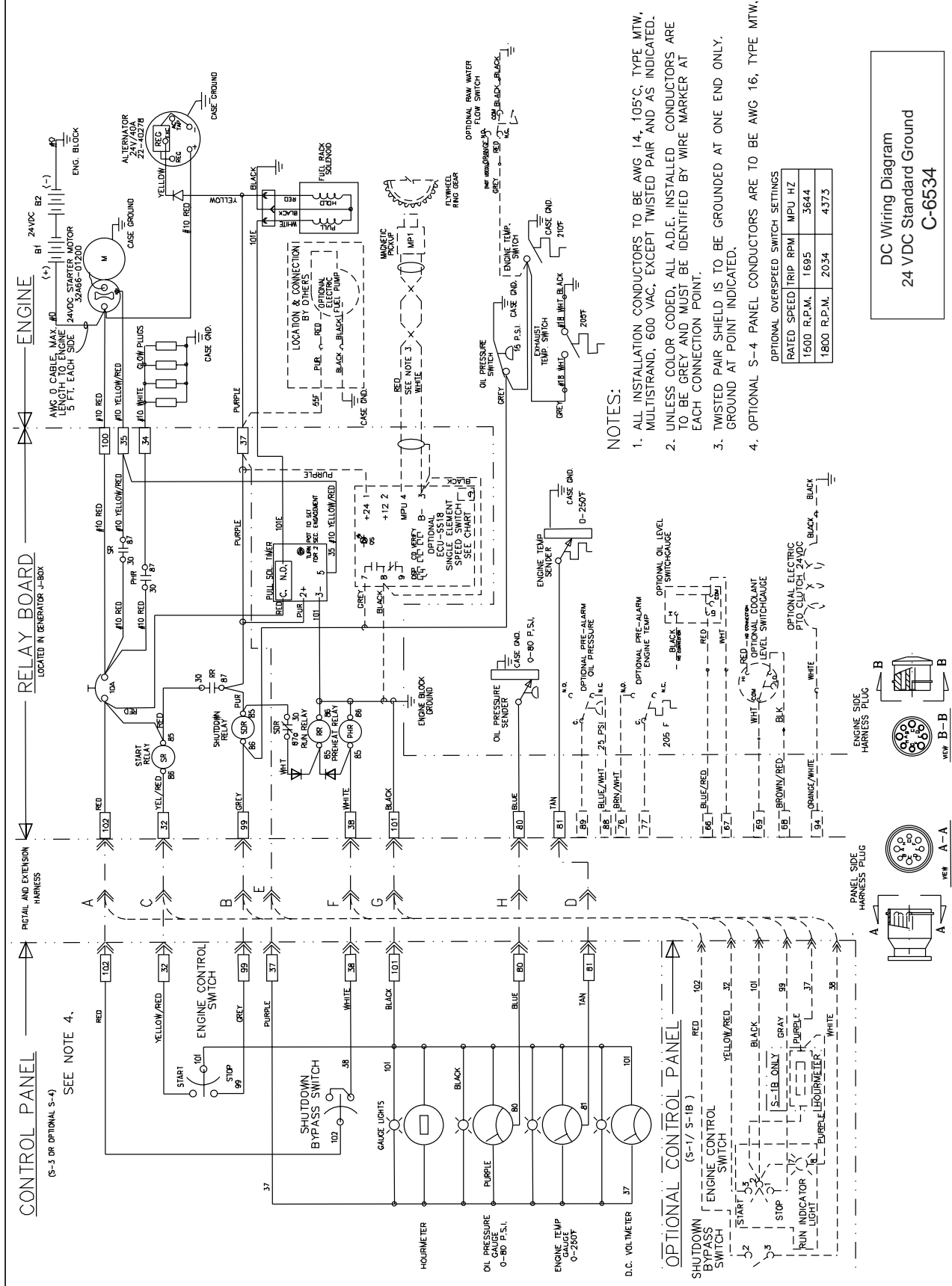


OPTIONAL OVERSPEED SWITCH SETTINGS

RATED SPEED TRIP RPM	MPU HZ
1500 R.P.M.	3644
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DC Wiring Diagram



DC Wiring Diagram
24 VDC Standard Ground
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