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246C, 256C, 262C and 272C Skid Steer Loaders

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# Aftercooler Core - Inspect/Clean

SMCS Code: 1064-571; 1064-571-Z3

S/N: RED1-Up

### Inspect

**Note:** Adjust the frequency of inspection according to the effects of the operating environment. Clean the aftercooler core when you clean the radiator core.

The aftercooler is located behind the cab and in front of the engine.

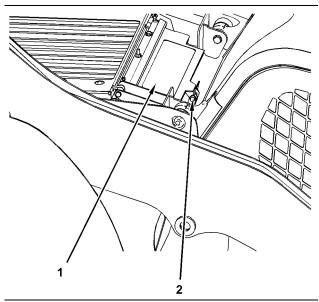


Illustration 109

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- 1. Stop the engine.
- Clean the grill before you access the aftercooler core.
- 3. Remove the pin (2) that holds the grill (1) and lift the grill.

**Note:** If parts of the aftercooler system may appear to be damaged or if parts of the aftercooler system are repaired, a leak test is highly recommended. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for the most current information about the aftercooler.

Inspect the fins and tubes of the aftercooler for damage. Some fins and tubes may be worn from abrasive material that has passed through the aftercooler cores. Bent fins may be opened with a "comb".

Inspect these items for good condition: welds, mounting brackets, air lines, connections, clamps, and seals. Make repairs, if necessary.

### Clean

For air-to-air aftercoolers, use the same methods that are used for cleaning radiators.

### **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.

#### **NOTICE**

When you are using compressed air or high pressure water to clean the radiator fins, ensure that the air or water is directed parallel to the fins. If the compressed air or high pressure water is not directed parallel to the radiator fins, the radiator fins could be bent or damaged.

Pressurized air is the preferred method for removing loose debris. Hold the nozzle approximately 6 mm (0.25 inch) away from the fins. Slowly move the air nozzle in a direction that is parallel with the tubes. The air nozzle should point in the opposite direction of the flow of the fan. This will remove debris that is between the tubes.

Pressurized water may also be used for cleaning. The maximum water pressure for cleaning purposes must be less than 275 kPa (40 psi). Use pressurized water in order to soften mud.

Use a degreaser and steam for removal of oil and grease. Wash the core with detergent and hot water. Thoroughly rinse the core with clean water.

After cleaning, start the engine and accelerate the engine to high idle rpm. This will help in the removal of debris and drying of the core. Stop the engine. Use a light bulb behind the core in order to inspect the core for cleanliness. Repeat the cleaning, if necessary.

**Note:** Adjust the frequency of cleaning according to the effects of the operating environment. If there is an extreme amount of debris, you may need to remove the air conditioning condenser or the cover plate from the fan housing for the aftercooler.

Close the grill and replace the retaining pin.

# Aftercooler Intake Screen - Clean

SMCS Code: 1063-070-Z3

S/N: RED1-Up

### **⚠** 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.

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

**Note:** Pressurized air is the preferred method for removing loose debris. Pressurized water may also be used for cleaning. Use pressurized water in order to soften mud. Clean the screen from both sides. The maximum water pressure for cleaning purposes must be less than 275 kPa (40 psi).

1. Turn off the engine.

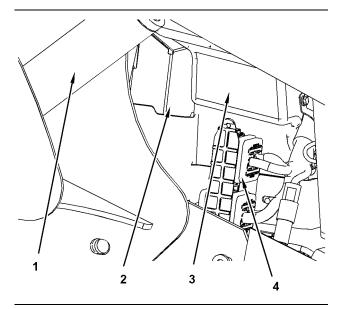


Illustration 110 g01281019

- (1) Cylinder for the lift arm
- (2) Air inlet screen
- (3) Hydraulic tank
- (4) Electrical connectors

 Access the screen from the right side of the machine. Hold the nozzle approximately 6 mm (0.25 inch) away from the screen. Ensure that the spray nozzle is past the electrical connections.

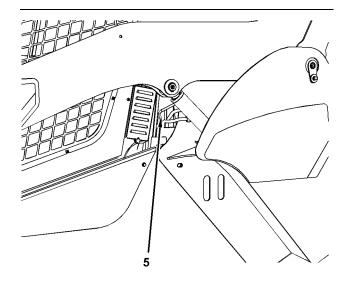


Illustration 111

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(5) Air inlet screen

- **3.** Access the screen from the left side of the machine. Hold the nozzle approximately 6 mm (0.25 inch) away from the screen.
- **4.** If water is used to clean the screen, ensure that the screen is dry before the engine is started. If necessary, use compressed air to dry the screen.

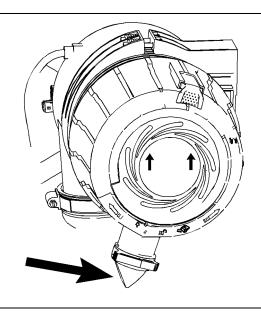
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# Air Cleaner Dust Valve - Clean/Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 1051-571-VL

Service the air filter elements when the alert indicator for air filter restriction lights. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Alert Indicators" for information about the indicator.

- 1. Open the engine access door.
- 2. The air filter housing is located on the right side of the engine compartment.



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Check the dust valve after every ten service hours or at the end of each day. Actuate the valve by squeezing the lips of the valve in order to remove any accumulated debris.

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## Air Conditioner Condenser -Clean (If Equipped)

SMCS Code: 1805-070

### **⚠** 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.

# 246C, 256C, 262C, 277C, 287C, 279C, and 289C

The air conditioner condenser is located behind the engine on the frame.

Open the engine access door.

Inspect the air conditioner condenser for the following conditions:

- Damaged fins
- Buildup of debris
- Plugged areas

Remove any debris. Clean the condenser with low pressure air or low pressure water. The maximum water pressure for cleaning purposes must be less than 275 kPa (40 psi).

### 272C, 297C, and 299C

The air conditioner condenser is attached to the side of the fan housing for the aftercooler.

- 1. Remove the 3 bolts that retain the condenser to the fan housing for the aftercooler.
- Lift the core and remove the core from the retaining lip.
- **3.** Clean the condenser core in the opposite direction of the air flow.
- 4. Reinstall the core in reverse order.

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### **Backup Alarm - Test**

**SMCS Code:** 7406-081

To prevent injury, make sure that no people are working on the machine or near the machine. To prevent injury, keep the machine under control at all times.

- **1.** Get into the operator's seat. Fasten the seat belt and pull the armrests downward.
- 2. Start the engine.
- 3. Disengage the parking brake.
- **4.** Move the joystick control to the REVERSE position.

The backup alarm should sound immediately. The backup alarm should continue to sound until the joystick control is returned to the NEUTRAL position or to the FORWARD position.

**Battery or Battery Cable - Inspect/Replace** 

**SMCS Code:** 1401-040; 1401-510; 1401-561; 1402-040; 1402-510

- **1.** Turn the engine start switch to the OFF position. Turn all switches to the OFF position.
- The battery is located on the left side of the machine under the cab. Raise the cab. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cab Tilting" for information on raising the cab.
- **3.** Disconnect the negative battery cable at the battery.

**Note:** Do not allow the disconnected battery cable to contact the negative battery post.

- **4.** Disconnect the negative battery cable from the frame in order to inspect the cable.
- Disconnect the positive battery cable at the battery.
- **6.** Perform the necessary repairs. Replace the cables or the battery, as needed.
- **7.** Connect the positive battery cable at the battery.
- **8.** Connect the negative battery cable to the frame of the machine.
- **9.** Connect the negative battery cable at the battery.
- **10.** Lower the cab. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cab Tilting" for information on lowering the cab.

### **Recycle the Battery**

Always recycle a battery. Never discard a battery.

Always return used batteries to one of the following locations:

- A battery supplier
- · An authorized battery collection facility
- · Recycling facility

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# Belts - Inspect/Adjust/Replace

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

If a new belt is installed, check the belt adjustment after 30 minutes of operation. A belt is considered to be used after 30 minutes of operation.

#### **Belts**

- 1. Stop the engine in order to inspect the belt.
- Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".

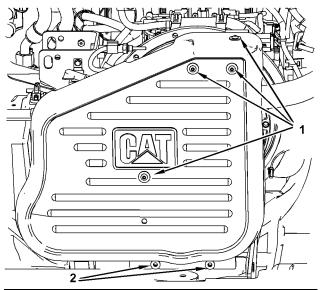
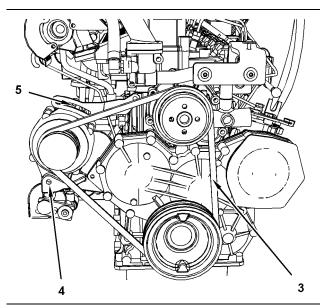


Illustration 113

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- Remove the four bolts (1) on the top of the guard. Loosen the two bolts (2) on the bottom of the guard.
- **4.** Slide the guard upward from bottom bolts. Remove the guard for the V-belt.



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5. Inspect the condition of the belt (3) and the adjustment of the belt. The belt should deflect 10 mm (0.39 inch) under a straight pull of 44 N (10 lb). This measurement should be taken between the alternator pulley and the crankshaft pulley.

**Note:** A 144-0235 Borroughs Belt Tension Gauge may be used to measure belt tension. This measurement should be taken between the alternator pulley and the crankshaft pulley. Refer to the following table for belt tension.

Table 31

Belt Tension	Belt Tension
Initial	Used
534 ± 22 N (120 ± 5 lb)	400 ± 44 N (90 ± 10 lb)

- **6.** Loosen the mounting bolt (4). Loosen the adjusting locknut (5).
- **7.** Move the alternator until the correct tension is reached.
- **8.** Tighten the adjusting locknut. Tighten the mounting bolt.
- Recheck the belt deflection. If the amount of deflection is incorrect, repeat step 5 to step 8.

### Air Conditioner (if equipped)

**Note:** If your machine is equipped with an air conditioner, use the same procedure and the same measurements for the belt tension.

 Inspect the condition of the belt and the adjustment of the belt. The belt should deflect 10 mm (0.39 inch) under a straight pull of 44 N (10 lb). This measurement should be taken between the air conditioner compressor pulley and the crankshaft pulley.

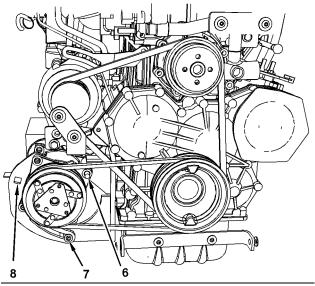


Illustration 115

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- 2. Loosen the mounting bolt (6) for the air conditioner compressor. Loosen the adjusting locknut (7) for the air conditioner compressor.
- **3.** Move the air conditioner compressor until the correct tension is reached.

**Note:** A hole (8) in the bracket has been provided in order to aid with the adjustment of the tension.

- Tighten the adjusting locknut. Tighten the mounting bolt.
- **5.** Recheck the belt deflection. If the amount of deflection is incorrect, repeat step 2 to step 4.

### **Finish**

**1.** Apply thread lock compound to the threads on bolts (1).

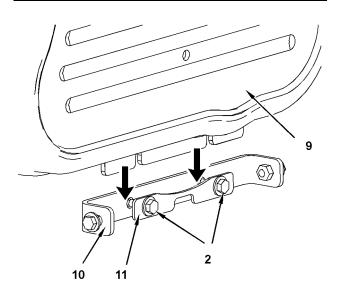


Illustration 116

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2. Install the guard for the V-belt (9). Ensure that the guard is inserted between the mounting bracket (10) and the spreader plate (11) before you tighten the bolts (2). Tighten the bolts (2) to 15 ± 3 N⋅m (11 ± 2 lb ft).

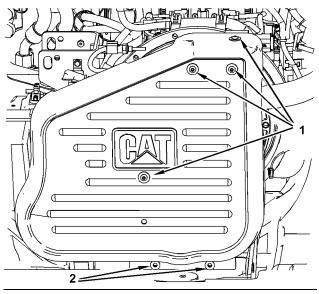


Illustration 117

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3. Tighten the bolts (1) to  $12 \pm 3 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$  (9 \pm 2 lb ft).

**Note:** Start all the bolts (1) in the holes before you start tightening the bolts. This helps align all the holes.

4. Close the engine access door.

# **Blade Frame - Adjust**

SMCS Code: 6060-025-BG

### **Height Adjustment**

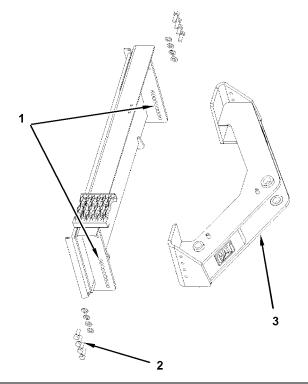


Illustration 118

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- (1) Height Adjustment for the Frame
- (2) Adjusting Bolts
- (3) Frame

The height of the frame may be adjusted in order to compensate for the wear on the cutting edge. The front portion of the frame needs to be lowered as the cutting edge wears. Remove the bolts (2) and lower the frame (3). Install the bolts. This will keep the blade level with the ground and this will prevent the blade from digging into the ground.

**Note:** In order to properly adjust the blade, the work tool coupler needs to be vertical. The position of the pivot point of the blade is perpendicular to the ground. Follow this procedure in order to ensure that the cutting edge will remain flat on the ground during operation.

#### **Trunnion Joint**

**Note:** The trunnion is a dry joint. Adding grease to the trunnion simply attracts abrasive particles. The tightness of the joint should be monitored. Shims should be removed when the joint becomes too loose. This may be indicated by excessive movement in the blade.

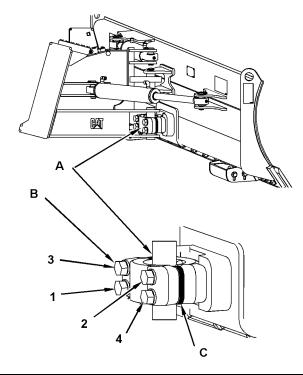


Illustration 119

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- (A) Trunnion Joint
- (B) Bolts
- (C) Shims
- · Remove the four retaining bolts (B) and the cap.
- Remove the necessary shims.
- Replace the cap and bolts.
- The tightening sequence is shown in illustration 119.
- Torque the bolts to 530 ± 70 N·m (391 ± 52 lb ft).

**Note:** Some noise is typical and the noise does not indicate a problem.

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# **Bucket Cutting Edges - Inspect/Replace**

**SMCS Code:** 6801-040; 6801-510

### **WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result from bucket falling.

Block the bucket before changing bucket cutting edges.

- 1. Lower the lift arms fully. Tilt back the bucket so that the bucket cutting edge is accessible.
- 2. Place blocks under the raised edge of the bucket.
- Remove the bolts. Remove the cutting edge and the end bits.
- 4. Clean the contact surfaces.
- **5.** Use the opposite side of the cutting edge, if this side is not worn.
- **6.** Install a new cutting edge, if both edges are worn.
- 7. Install the bolts.
- 8. Remove the blocks that are under the bucket.
- **9.** After a few hours of operation, check the bolts for proper torque.

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### **Bucket Tips - Inspect/Replace**

**SMCS Code:** 6805-040; 6805-510

### **WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result from bucket falling.

Block the bucket before changing bucket cutting edges.

- 1. Lower the lift arms fully. Tilt back the bucket so that the bucket tips are accessible.
- 2. Place blocks under the raised edge of the bucket.
- **3.** Remove the mounting bolts. Remove the bucket tips.

- 4. Clean the mounting surface.
- 5. Replace the bucket tips.
- 6. Install the bolts.
- 7. Remove the blocks that are under the bucket.
- After a few hours of operation, check the bolts for proper torque.

# Cab Air Filter - Clean/Replace (If Equipped)

SMCS Code: 7342-070; 7342-510

### Fresh Air Filter

**Note:** The cover for the cab air filter is located on the left hand side of the machine behind the cab.

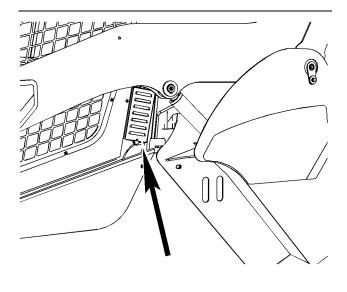


Illustration 120 g01287414

- Turn the thumb screw until the thumb screw is free from the duct. Lift up on the cover and remove the cover.
- 2. Remove the air filter element from the duct and clean the filter element with low pressure air (maximum 207 kPa (30 psi)). Direct the air flow up the pleats and down the pleats from the side of the filter opposite of the air flow. Replace the element if the element is damaged or if the element seal is damaged. Replace the element if the air conditioner performance is low.

Note: Do not use water for cleaning the filter.

Install the element. Replace the cover and tighten the thumb screw.

#### **Recirculation Filter**

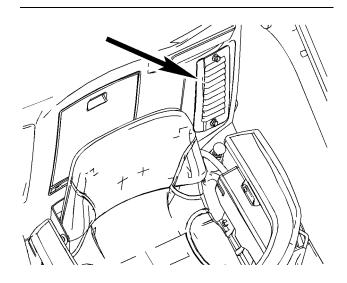


Illustration 121 g01209486

- **1.** Turn the thumb screws until the thumb screws are free from the duct. Remove the cover.
- 2. Remove the air filter element from the duct and clean the filter element with low pressure air (maximum 207 kPa (30 psi)). Direct the air flow up the pleats and down the pleats from the side of the filter opposite of the air flow. Replace the element if the element is damaged or if the element seal is damaged. Replace the element if the air conditioner performance is low.

Note: Do not use water for cleaning the filter.

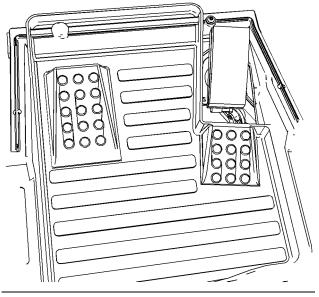
**3.** Install the element. Replace the cover and tighten the thumb screws.

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### **Cab Interior - Clean**

**SMCS Code:** 7301-070

The floor mat is removable. The floor mat has sides in order to help retain the material.



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Floor mat in the cab

The floor mat does not protect the foot pedal and the pedal linkage. Debris may accumulate around the foot pedal. The foot pedal must be kept clear of excessive dirt and debris in order to ensure proper activation of the pedal. Debris must be cleaned from the area around the pedal. This can be done after you remove the floor mat.

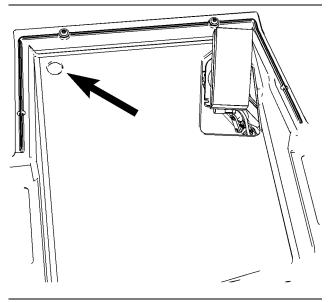


Illustration 123

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The drain on the left side of the machine

You can wash the floor of the cab with water. There is a drain in the front, left corner of the floor of the cab.

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# Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change

SMCS Code: 1395-044-NL

### **WARNING**

Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.

#### NOTICE

Mixing ELC with other products will reduce the effectiveness of the coolant.

This could result in damage to cooling system components.

If Caterpillar products are not available and commercial products must be used, make sure they have passed the Caterpillar EC-1 specification for pre-mixed or concentrate coolants and Caterpillar Extender.

**Note:** The machine was shipped from the factory with Extended Life Coolant (ELC) in the cooling system.

For information about the addition of Extender to your cooling system, see the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cooling System Coolant (ELC) Extender - Add" or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

Drain the coolant whenever the coolant is dirty or whenever the coolant is foaming.

The radiator cap is located under the radiator guard on the top of the engine compartment.

Allow the machine to cool before you change the coolant.

- Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".
- **2.** Raise the radiator guard. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Radiator Tilting".

**Note:** The radiator cap is located on the right side of the radiator.

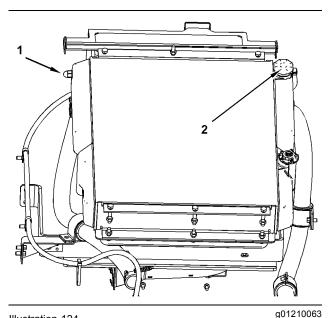


Illustration 124

- (1) Sight gauge
- (2) Radiator cap
- **3.** Slowly loosen the radiator cap (2) in order to relieve system pressure. Remove the radiator cap.

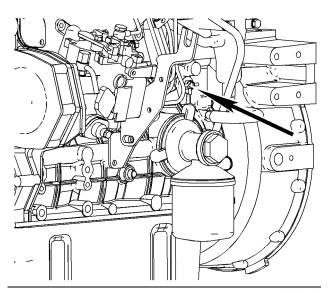


Illustration 125

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Coolant drain

 Locate the drain hose for the coolant system. The drain hose is attached to the drain valve that is shown in illustration 125.

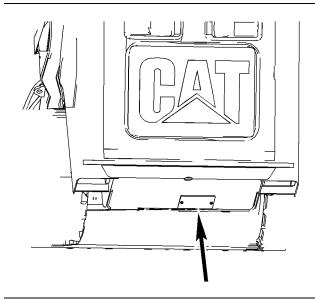


Illustration 126

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- **5.** Remove the access panel under the rear of the machine. Pull the drain hose through the access hole.
- Open the drain and allow the coolant to drain into a suitable container.
- 7. Close the drain.
- **8.** Push the hose back into the engine compartment. Replace the access panel.
- Replace the thermostat. See Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cooling System Water Temperature Regulator - Replace" for the process for replacing the thermostat.
- 10. Add the coolant solution directly to the radiator. Do not use the coolant overflow reservoir as a filler for the coolant. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Capacities - (Refill)". Refer to Special Publication, SEBU6250, "Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations".

Note: Premix the coolant solution before filling the cooling system. The coolant solution should contain 50 percent coolant and 50 percent distilled water.

Note: Add the coolant solution at a maximum rate of five liters per minute. This will reduce the chance of trapping air inside the engine block. A large amount of trapped air can cause localized heating to occur upon start-up. Localized heating may result in engine damage, which may lead to failure of the engine.

11. Start the engine. Run the engine without the radiator cap until the thermostat opens and the coolant level stabilizes. If necessary, add coolant.

**Note:** The sight gauge for the coolant level is located on the left side of the radiator.

- 12. Check the coolant level in the sight gauge on the radiator. Maintain the coolant level to the top of the sight gauge with the radiator in the LOWERED position.
- **13.** Stop the engine. Inspect the radiator cap and the gasket. Replace the cap if the cap or the gasket is damaged. Install the radiator cap.
- 14. Pull the radiator guard downward.
- **15.** Close the engine access door.

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# Cooling System Coolant Extender (ELC) - Add

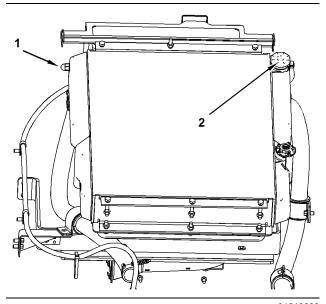
SMCS Code: 1352-544-NL

### **WARNING**

Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.

When a Caterpillar Extended Life Coolant is used, an extender must be added to the cooling system periodically.

- Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".
- **2.** Tilt the radiator guard upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Radiator Tilting".



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- Illustration 127
- (1) Sight gauge(2) Radiator cap

**Note:** The radiator cap is located on the right side of the radiator.

**3.** Slowly loosen the radiator cap in order to relieve system pressure. Remove the radiator cap.

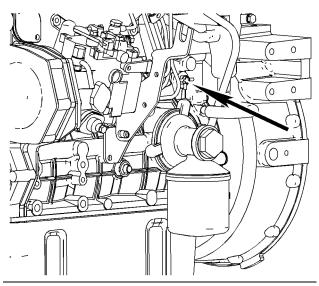


Illustration 128 Coolant drain

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- **4.** If necessary, drain enough coolant from the radiator in order to allow the addition of the coolant additive.
- 5. Add 0.17 L (0.18 gt) of cooling system additive.

Inspect the radiator cap and the gasket. If the cap or the gasket is damaged, replace the cap. Install the radiator cap.

**Note:** The sight gauge for the coolant is located on the left side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine.

- 7. Check the coolant level in the sight gauge on the radiator. Maintain the coolant level to the top of the sight gauge with the radiator in the LOWERED position.
- Add the extender directly to the radiator. Do not use the coolant overflow reservoir as a filler for the extender.
- 9. Tilt the radiator guard downward.
- 10. Close the engine access door.

For additional information on the addition of extender, see Special Publication, SEBU6250, "Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations".

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# Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 1) - Obtain

SMCS Code: 1350-008; 1395-008; 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.

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

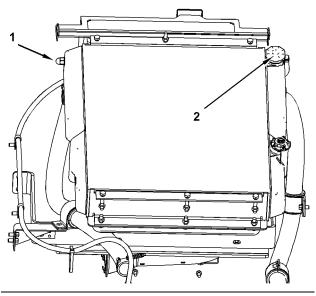


Illustration 129

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Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers" for the location of the service points.

### **WARNING**

Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.

Obtain the sample of the coolant from the radiator. When the system is cool, slowly remove the radiator cap (2).

**Note:** Do not take the sample from the Coolant Overflow Reservoir.

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, you must 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:

- Keep the unused sampling bottles stored in plastic bags.
- Keep the lids on empty sampling bottles until you are ready to collect the sample.

- Complete the information on the label for the sampling bottle before you begin to take the samples.
- Use a designated pump to collect the sample in order to avoid contamination.
- Obtain coolant samples directly from the coolant tank. You should not obtain the samples from any other location.
- Place the sample in the mailing tube immediately after obtaining the sample in order to avoid contamination.
- · Never collect samples from the drain for a system.

Submit the sample for Level 1 analysis.

For additional information about coolant analysis, see Special Publication, SEBU6250, "Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations" or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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# Cooling System Coolant Sample (Level 2) - Obtain

SMCS Code: 1350-008: 1395-008: 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.

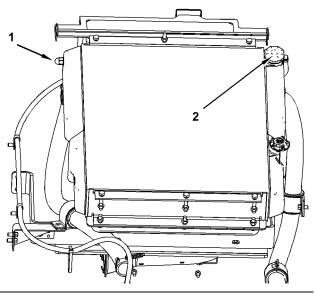


Illustration 130

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Refer to the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers" for the location of the service points.

### **A WARNING**

Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.

Obtain the sample of the coolant from the radiator. When the system is cool, slowly remove the radiator cap (2).

**Note:** Do not take the sample from the Coolant Overflow Reservoir.

Obtain the sample of the coolant as close as possible to the recommended sampling interval. Supplies for collecting samples can be obtained from your Caterpillar dealer.

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, SEBU6250, "Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations" or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

### **Cooling System Level - Check**

**SMCS Code:** 1350-040-HX; 1350-535-FLV; 1382-070; 1382-510

### **WARNING**

Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.

- Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".
- 2. Tilt the radiator guard upward.

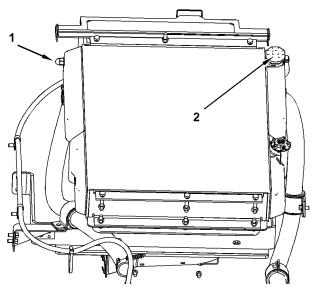


Illustration 131

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- (1) Sight gauge
- (2) Radiator cap
- 3. Check the coolant level in the sight gauge (1) on the radiator. Maintain the coolant level to the top of the sight gauge with the radiator in the LOWERED position. If you need to add coolant, add the coolant directly to the radiator. Remove the radiator cap (2) slowly in order to relieve system pressure.

**Note:** The radiator cap is located on the right side of the radiator. Inspect the cooling system hoses for any leaks, cracks, or signs of deterioration. Replace any damaged hoses.

**4.** Inspect the radiator cap and the gasket. Replace the cap if the cap or the gasket is damaged. Install the radiator cap.

**5.** Tilt the radiator guard downward.

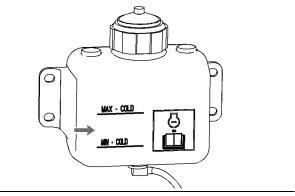


Illustration 132

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- 6. The coolant overflow reservoir is located on the rear door. Maintain the coolant level in the coolant overflow reservoir between the "MIN" and "MAX" lines.
- **7.** Close the engine access door.

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# Cooling System Water Temperature Regulator -Replace

SMCS Code: 1355-510; 1393-010

Replace the thermostat on a regular basis in order to reduce the chance of unscheduled downtime and of problems with the cooling system. Failure to replace the engine's thermostat on a regularly scheduled basis could cause severe engine damage.

The thermostat should be replaced after the cooling system has been cleaned. Replace the thermostat while the cooling system is completely drained or while the cooling system coolant is drained to a level that is below the thermostat housing.

Caterpillar engines incorporate a shunt design cooling system. It is mandatory to always operate the engine with a thermostat.

- Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers"
- Drain the coolant from the machine. See Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change" for the procedure to drain the cooling system.

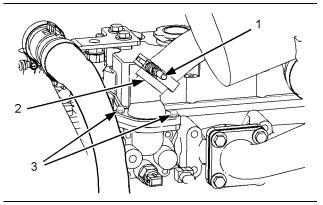


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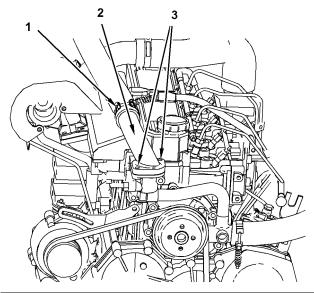


Illustration 134

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- 3. Loosen the hose clamp (1) and remove the hose from the thermostat housing assembly (2).
- 4. Remove the two bolts (3) from the thermostat housing assembly. Remove the thermostat housing assembly.
- 5. Remove the seal and the thermostat from the thermostat housing assembly.
- 6. Install a new thermostat and a new seal. Install the thermostat housing assembly on the engine cylinder head.
- 7. Install the hose. Tighten the hose clamp.

- 8. Refill the cooling system. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Capacities - (Refill)". Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change" for information about refilling the cooling system. Refer to Special Publication, SEBU6250, "Caterpillar Machine Fluid Recommendations" for coolant information.
- 9. Close the engine access door.

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### **Drive Chain Case Oil - Change**

SMCS Code: 3261-543-OC; 3261-544-OC

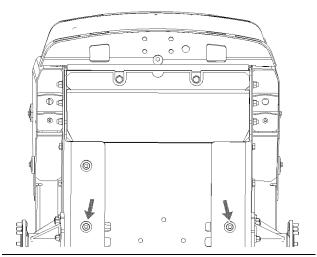


Illustration 135

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The plugs for the drive chain cases as the plugs are viewed from the underside of the machine.

- 1. Remove the drain plug for the left drive chain case and the right drive chain case. Allow the oil to drain into a suitable container.
- 2. Apply 169-5464 Quick Cure Primer and 5P-3413 Pipe Sealant to the threads on the drain plugs. Install the drain plugs.

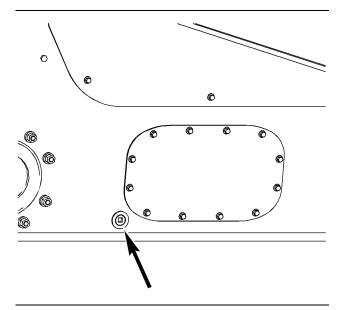


Illustration 136 g01210036

- 3. Remove the filler plug for the right side drive chain case. Fill the drive chain case with oil to the bottom of the threads on the fill port. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Lubricant Viscosities" and Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities".
- **4.** Apply 169-5464 Quick Cure Primer and 5P-3413 Pipe Sealant to the threads on the filler plug. Install the filler plug.
- Repeat the process for the left side drive chain case.

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### **Drive Chain Case Oil - Check**

SMCS Code: 3261-535

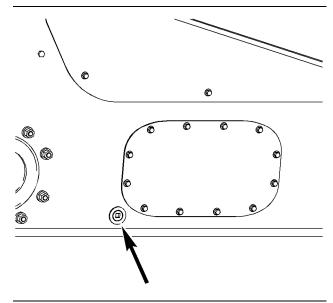


Illustration 137

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- Remove the filler plug for the right side drive chain case. The oil level should be at the bottom of the threads on the fill port. If necessary, refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Drive Chain Case Oil - Change" for the proper procedure to add oil.
- 2. Apply 169-5464 Quick Cure Primer and 5P-3413 Pipe Sealant to the threads on the filler plug. Install the filler plug.
- **3.** Repeat the process for the left side drive chain case.

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# Drive Chain Tension - Check/Adjust

**SMCS Code:** 3261-025; 3261-535

Note: Steel tracks that go over the tires should only be used with pneumatic tires. When you use steel tracks that go over tires or any drive train device except tires, the interval for checking the drive chains should be reduced to every 100 Service Hours. The use of rubber tracks that go over the tires is not recommended.

**Note:** There are four drive chains on the skid steer loader that must be checked and adjusted.

- Park the machine on level ground and stable ground.
- Use appropriate floor jacks in order to lift the machine off the ground.

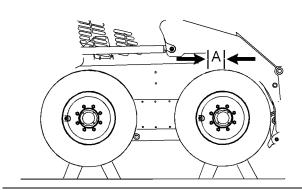


Illustration 138

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Rotate the front wheel forward and backward. Measure the total free play (A). Repeat the process for the rear wheel.

**Note:** If the total free play (A) does not exceed 15 mm (0.6 inch) the chain tension does not need further inspection. If the total free play exceeds 15 mm (0.6 inch), you should continue with the inspection.

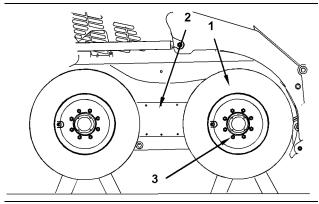


Illustration 139

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- **4.** Remove the wheel nuts (3). Use an appropriate nylon lifting strap and a hoist in order to remove the tire and rim (1). The weight of the standard tire and rim is 51 kg (113 lb).
- **5.** Remove bolts and the cover (2) for the drive chain case.

**Note:** Remove the sealant from the cover and from the machine.

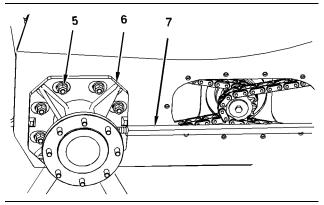


Illustration 140

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**6.** Loosen the eight bolts (5) for the axle housing. Place the chain tension adjuster (7) between the axle housings (6).

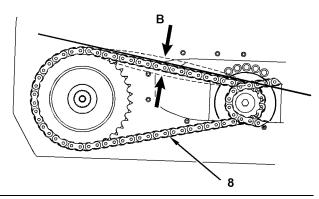


Illustration 141

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7. Rotate the axle in order to ensure that the chain (8) is taut below the sprockets. Place a straight edge across the top of the sprockets. Measure the total amount of movement in the chain (B). Set the chain tension so that there is a total of 15 mm (0.6 inch) movement in the chain. This is equal to 7.5 mm (0.3 inch) of movement above the straight edge and 7.5 mm (0.3 inch) of movement below the straight edge.

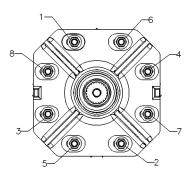


Illustration 142 g00554036

- Torque the nuts for the axle housing in the order that is shown above to 160 ± 15 N·m (118 ± 11 lb ft) and turn an additional 60° ±5° in the same order.
- 9. Remove the chain tension adjuster.
- Install the bolts and the cover for the drive chain case.

**Note:** Use 8T-9022 Silicone Gasket in order to seal the cover to the machine.

- 11. Use an appropriate nylon lifting strap and a hoist in order to position the tire and rim to the axle. The weight of the tire and rim is 51 kg (113 lb). Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Wheel Nuts - Tighten" for the procedure to tighten the wheel nuts.
- **12.** Repeat the procedure on the opposite side of the machine if it is necessary.
- **13.** Lower the machine to the ground.

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# **Engine Air Filter Primary Element - Clean/Replace**

SMCS Code: 1054-070-PY; 1054-510-PY

#### NOTICE

Never service the air cleaner when the engine is running, to avoid engine damage.

#### **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. Service the air filter elements when the alert indicator for air filter restriction lights. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Alert Indicators" for information about the indicator.

#### Clean

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

- **1.** Open the engine access door.
- **2.** The air filter housing is located on the right side of the engine compartment.

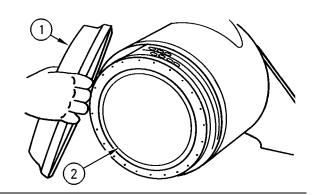


Illustration 143

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- **3.** Unlatch the air cleaner housing cover (1). Rotate the cover counterclockwise and remove the cover.
- **4.** Remove the primary filter element (2).
- 5. If it is appropriate, clean the primary filter element. Use air pressure to clean the primary filter elements. Pressurized air will not remove deposits of carbon and oil. Use filtered, dry air with a maximum pressure of 207 kPa (30 psi).

**Note:** When the primary filter elements are cleaned, always begin with the inside in order to force dirt particles toward the 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 filter element.

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

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

- Clean the inside of the air cleaner housing with a damp cloth. Do not use compressed air to clean the housing.
- **8.** Install the primary filter element into the filter housing.
- 9. Install the cover for the filter housing.

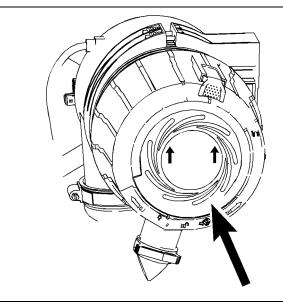


Illustration 144

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10. Rotate the cover clockwise and latch the cover.

**Note:** Make sure that the cover is properly positioned. The arrows on the air filter cover should point upward when the cover is in the locked position.

11. Close the engine access door.

12. Start the engine. The alert indicator for air filter restriction should turn off. If the alert indicator continues to light, replace the secondary air filter. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Air Filter Secondary Element - Replace".

### Replace

The primary filter element should be replaced at least one time per year. You can clean the primary filter up to three times.

- 1. Open the engine access door.
- 2. The air filter housing is located on the right side of the engine compartment.

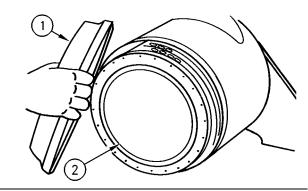
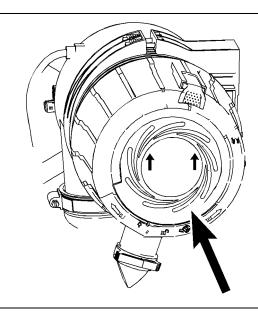


Illustration 145

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- Unlatch the air cleaner housing cover (1). Rotate the cover counterclockwise and remove the cover.
- **4.** Remove the primary filter element (2).
- Clean the inside of the air cleaner housing with a damp cloth. Do not use compressed air to clean the housing.
- **6.** Install a new primary filter element into the filter housing.
- 7. Install the cover for the filter housing.



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8. Rotate the cover clockwise and latch the cover.

**Note:** Make sure that the cover is properly positioned. The arrows on the air filter cover should point upward when the cover is in the locked position.

- 9. Close the engine access door.
- 10. Start the engine. The alert indicator for air filter restriction should turn off. If the alert indicator continues to light, replace the secondary air filter. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Air Filter Secondary Element - Replace".

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# **Engine Air Filter Secondary Element - Replace**

**SMCS Code:** 1054-510-SE

#### NOTICE

Always replace the secondary filter element. Never attempt to reuse the secondary filter element by cleaning the element.

When the primary filter element is cleaned for the third time, the secondary filter element should be replaced.

The secondary filter element should also be replaced if the restricted Air Filter indicator comes on after the installation of a clean primary filter element or if the exhaust smoke is still black.

1. Open the engine access door.

2. The air filter housing is located on the right side of the engine compartment.

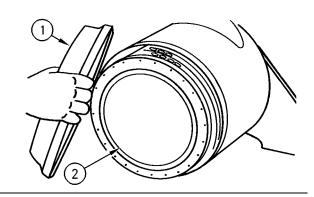


Illustration 147

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- Unlatch the air cleaner housing cover (1). Rotate the cover counterclockwise and remove the cover.
- 4. Remove the primary filter element (2).

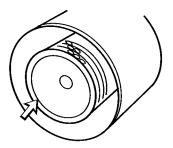


Illustration 148

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- **5.** Clean the inside of the air cleaner housing with a damp cloth. Do not use compressed air to clean the housing.
- 6. Remove the secondary filter element.
- **7.** Cover the air inlet opening.
- **8.** Clean the inside of the air cleaner housing with a damp cloth, if necessary. Do not use compressed air to clean the housing.
- 9. Uncover the air inlet opening.
- 10. Install a new secondary element.
- 11. Install the primary element.
- **12.** Install the cover for the filter housing.

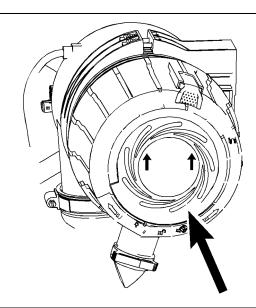


Illustration 149 g01276795

13. Rotate the cover clockwise and latch the cover.

**Note:** Make sure that the cover is properly positioned. The arrows on the air filter cover should point upward when the cover is in the locked position.

14. Close the engine access door.

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# **Engine Compartment - Inspect/Clean**

SMCS Code: 1000-040-CPA; 1000-070-CPA

Inspect the engine compartment for dirt buildup or debris. Remove any dirt or debris from the engine compartment.

 Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".

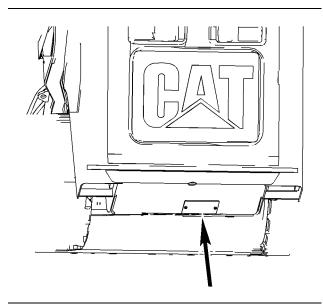


Illustration 150 g01264593

2. Remove any debris or dirt from the engine compartment. If necessary, remove the access panel in order to clean out the engine compartment.

**Note:** Use care when you clean the engine compartment. Damage to the machine may occur.

3. Close the engine access door.

### **Air Conditioning Condenser**

The air conditioning condenser is located at the back of the engine compartment. Cleaning the air conditioning condenser will maintain optimum performance of the air conditioning system.

Use low pressure water in order to clean the condenser.

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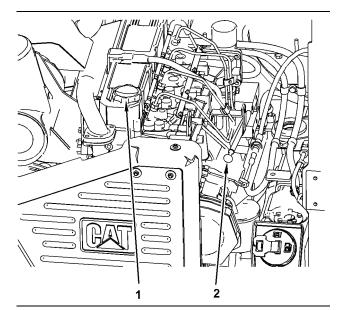
### **Engine Oil Level - Check**

SMCS Code: 1348-535-FLV

#### **NOTICE**

Do not overfill the crankcase. Engine damage can result.

1. Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain back into the oil pan.



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- (1) Oil Filler Cap
- (2) Dipstick
- Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".

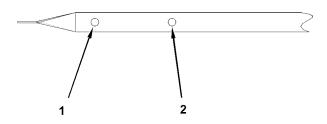


Illustration 152

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- (1) Oil level add mark
- (2) Full mark
- 3. Maintain the oil level between the "ADD" (1) mark and the "FULL" (2) mark on the dipstick.
- **4.** If oil is necessary, tilt the radiator upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Radiator Tilting".
- 5. Remove the oil filler cap (1) and add oil.
- **6.** Clean the oil filler cap and install the oil filler cap.
- 7. Tilt the radiator downward.
- 8. Close the engine access door.

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### **Engine Oil and Filter - Change**

SMCS Code: 1308-510; 1348-044

#### 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.

The normal oil change interval for the machine is Every 500 Service Hours or every year when the following conditions are met:

- Use an engine oil in the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Lubricant Viscosities".
- · Caterpillar filters are used.
- The altitude does not exceed 2300 m (7545 ft).
- Sulfur content in the fuel is between 0.05% and 0.50%.

An oil change interval of Every 250 Service Hours or every six months is required when the following conditions occur:

- Use an engine oil in the Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Lubricant Viscosities".
- The altitude exceeds 2300 m (7545 ft).
- Sulfur content in the fuel is between 0.50% and 1.00%.

An oil change interval of Every 125 Service Hours is required when the following condition occurs:

• Sulfur content in the fuel is above 1.00%.

Refer to the results of the S·O·S oil analysis in order to determine if the oil change interval should be decreased. Consult your Caterpillar Dealer for detailed information regarding the optimum oil change interval.

- 1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".
- 2. Tilt the radiator upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Radiator Tilting".

**Note:** The crankcase drain is located on the right side of the oil pan.

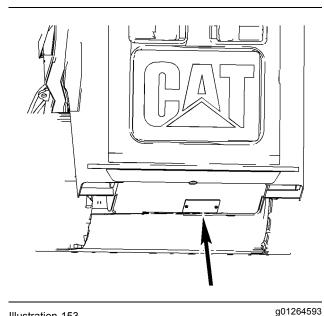
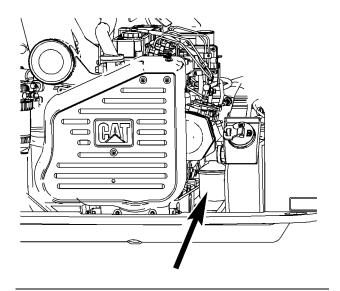


Illustration 153

3. Remove the access panel that is located below the drain plug. Remove the drain plug and allow the oil to drain into a suitable container. Install the drain plug and install the access panel.



- 4. Remove the filter element with a 187-2718 Filter Wrench. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Oil Filter - Inspect" in order to inspect the used filter for debris.
- **5.** Apply a thin film of clean engine oil to the sealing surface of the new filter element.
- 6. Install a new engine oil filter hand tight until the seal of the engine oil filter contacts the base. Note the position of the index marks on the filter in relation to a fixed point on the filter base.

**Note:** There are rotation index marks on the engine oil filter that are spaced 90 degrees or 1/4 of a turn away from each other. When you tighten the engine oil filter, use the rotation index marks as a guide.

7. Tighten the filter according to the instructions that are printed on the filter. Use the index marks as a guide. For non-Caterpillar filters, use the instructions that are provided with the filter.

Note: You may need to use a Caterpillar strap wrench, or another suitable tool, in order to turn the filter to the amount that is required for final installation. Make sure that the installation tool does not damage the filter.

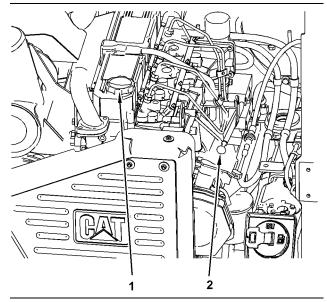


Illustration 155

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- (1) Oil Filler Cap
- (2) Dipstick

8. Remove the oil filler cap (1). Fill the crankcase with new oil. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Lubricant Viscosities" and Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Refill Capacities" for information about the oil. Clean the oil filler plug and install the oil filler plug.

g01209695 Illustration 154

Start the engine and allow the oil to warm. Check for leaks.

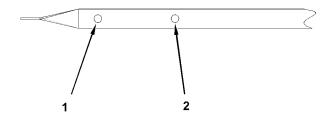


Illustration 156

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- (1) Oil level add mark
- (2) Full mark
- 10. Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain back into the oil pan. Fill the crankcase to the "FULL" mark (2) on the dipstick. Do not exceed the "FULL" mark on the dipstick. Add oil or drain oil if it is necessary.
- 11. Tilt the radiator downward.
- 12. Close the engine access door.

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### **Engine Valve Lash - Check**

**SMCS Code:** 1105-025

Refer to the Service Manual for the complete adjustment procedure for the engine valve lash.

A qualified mechanic should adjust the engine valve lash and the fuel injector timing because special tools and training are required.

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# **Equipment Lowering Control Valve - Check**

SMCS Code: 5147-MA

### **WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result from a work tool falling.

Keep personnel away from the front of the machine when lowering the work tool. Before lowering any equipment, clear the area around the equipment of all personnel.

- 1. Lower arms to the fully lowered position. Turn the keyswitch to the OFF position.
- **2.** Slide the seat forward. Slide the left hand armrest forward.

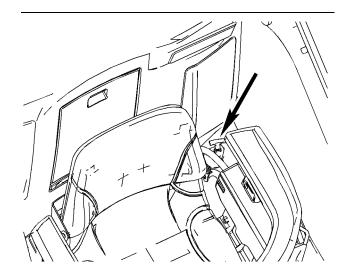


Illustration 157

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- **3.** Pull up on the red handle in order to fully actuate the valve.
- **4.** Push the red handle to the original position. Ensure that the handle is fully seated.

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## **Fuel Injection Timing - Check**

SMCS Code: 1251-531

**Note:** The correct fuel timing specification is found on the Engine Information Plate. Fuel timing specifications may vary for different engine applications and/or for different power ratings.

A qualified mechanic should adjust the fuel injection timing because special tools and training are required.

Refer to the Service Manual for the complete adjustment procedure for the fuel injection timing. Refer to your Caterpillar dealer for the complete adjustment procedure for the fuel injection timing.

# Fuel System Primary Filter (Water Separator) - Drain

**SMCS Code:** 1263-543

#### NOTICE

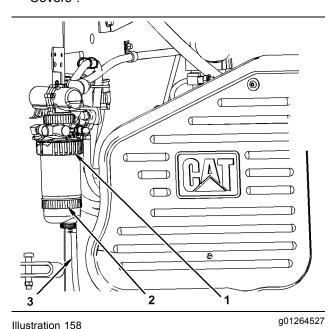
Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

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.

The fuel system water separator is located in the left side of the engine compartment.

 Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".



The Fuel Filter/Water Separator is located on the left side of the engine compartment.

Insert the drain hose (3) into a suitable container. Loosen the drain valve on the bottom of the water separator.

- Tighten the drain valve by hand. Do not tighten the drain valve with a tool. Damage to the valve or to the seals may occur.
- 4. Close the engine access door.
- Dispose of the water and sediment according to local regulations.

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# Fuel System Primary Filter (Water Separator) Element - Replace

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

#### NOTICE

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Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

**Note:** This unit has a dual purpose. The element serves as a water separator and a fuel filter.

 Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".

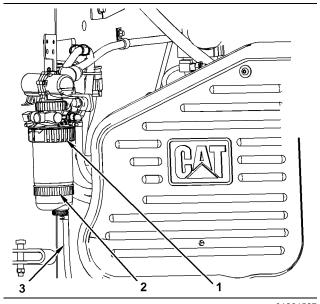


Illustration 159 g01264527

The Fuel Filter/Water Separator is located on the left side of the engine compartment.

- Open the drain on the fuel filter/water separator (3). Allow the water and fuel to drain into a suitable container.
- **3.** Close the drain valve by hand. Do not tighten the drain valve with a tool. Damage to the valve or to the seals may occur.
- **4.** Support the fuel filter/water separator and rotate the locking ring (1) counterclockwise. Remove the fuel filter/water separator.
- **5.** Rotate the locking ring (2) counterclockwise. Remove the bowl assembly.
- **6.** Clean the mounting base for the fuel filter/water separator.
- **7.** Clean the bowl assembly for the fuel/water separator.
- 8. Install the bowl assembly onto the new fuel/water separator and rotate the locking ring clockwise.
- **9.** Install the new fuel filter/water separator onto the mounting base. Rotate the locking ring clockwise in order to fasten the fuel filter/water separator to the mounting base.
- **10.** Prime the fuel system in order to fill the fuel filter/water separator with fuel. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Fuel System Priming Pump Operate".
- **11.** Close the engine access door.

# Fuel System Priming Pump - Operate

**SMCS Code:** 1258-548

This machine is equipped with a fuel transfer pump that is electric. Two examples that may cause the fuel system to lose prime are listed here:

- The machine runs completely out of fuel.
- The Fuel System Filter/Water Separator Element is replaced.

Follow the steps below in order to prime the fuel system.

 Ensure that the engine start switch is in the OFF position. Turn the engine start switch to the ON position.

**Note:** Do not start the engine. This operation only starts the fuel pump.

- **2.** Locate the Primary Fuel Filter. This is located in the left side of the engine compartment.
- **3.** Examine the clear bowl. The bowl must be completely full of fuel. If the bowl is not full of fuel, repeat Steps 1 and 2.
- **4.** Attempt to start the engine. If the engine starts and the engine runs rough or the engine misfires, operate the engine at low idle until the engine runs smoothly.

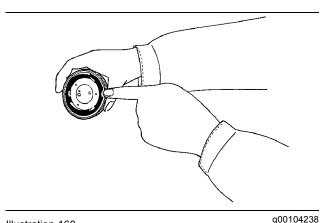
**Note:** If the engine fails to start or if the engine continues to misfire or smoke, stop the engine and repeat the procedure. If the problem persists after repeating the procedure, consult your Caterpillar dealer.

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# Fuel Tank Cap - Clean

SMCS Code: 1273-070-Z2

1. Remove the fuel cap.



- **2.** Inspect the cap. Replace the cap if the cap is damaged.
- **3.** Wash the fuel cap in a clean, nonflammable solvent and dry the fuel cap.
- 4. Put a light coating of fuel on the cap gasket.
- 5. Install the fuel cap.

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# Fuel Tank Water and Sediment - Drain

SMCS Code: 1273-543-M&S

#### NOTICE

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Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

**Note:** Drain the water and the sediment from the fuel tank when the tank is almost empty.

1. Slowly remove the fuel tank cap in order to allow the tank to vent while you drain the tank.

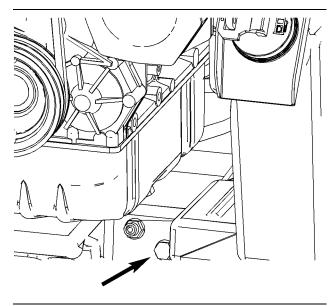


Illustration 161

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- 2. The fuel tank drain plug is located on the bottom of the fuel tank in the engine compartment on the right side of the machine. Remove the plug.
- 3. Allow the water and the sediment to drain into a suitable container.
- 4. Install the fuel tank drain plug.

**Note:** Apply 5P-3413 Pipe Sealant to the threads on the drain plug.

5. Install the fuel tank cap.

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### **Fuses - Replace**

SMCS Code: 1417-510; 1417; 7528

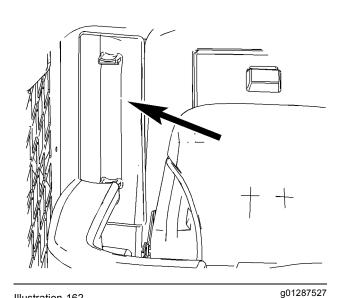
#### **Fuses**

**Fuses** – Fuses protect the electrical system from damage that is caused by overloaded circuits. Replace the fuse if the element separates. If the element of a new fuse separates, check the circuit. Repair the circuit, if necessary.

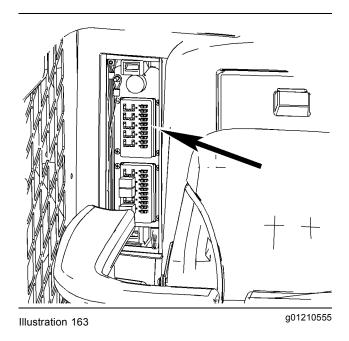
#### **NOTICE**

Replace the fuses with the same type and size only. Otherwise, electrical damage can result.

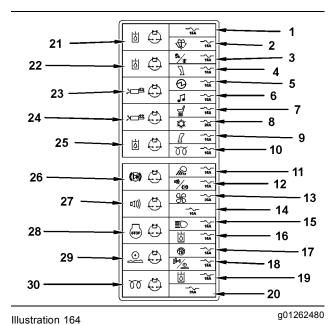
If it is necessary to replace fuses frequently, an electrical problem may exist. Contact your Caterpillar dealer



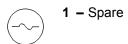
The fuse panel is located behind the seat on the right side.

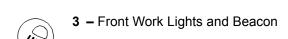


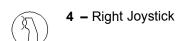
Remove the cover in order to access the fuse panel.



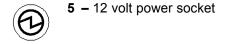
The following is a list of the fuses in the panel:



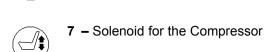




2 - Wiper



6 - Radio







9 – Left Joystick



22 - Auxiliary Electrical Control "AUX5(C2)"



10 - Cold Start



23 - Secondary Auxiliary Electrical Control "(C+)"



11 - Rear Work Lights



24 - Secondary Auxiliary Electrical Control "(C-)"



12 - Backup Alarm and Brake Lights



25 - Auxiliary Electrical Control "AUX7"



13 - HVAC Blower Fan



26 - Stop Lamp



14 - Spare



27 - Backup Alarm



15 - Headlights



28 - Fuel Shutoff



16 - Hydraulic Solenoid



29 - Self-Level and Ride Control



17 - Fuel Shutoff and Secondary Engine Shutoff



30 - Glow Plugs



18 - Hydraulic Quick Coupler



19 - Hydraulic Solenoid



**20** - Spare



### **Solenoids**



21 - Auxiliary Electrical Control "AUX6(C1)"

### Main Fuse

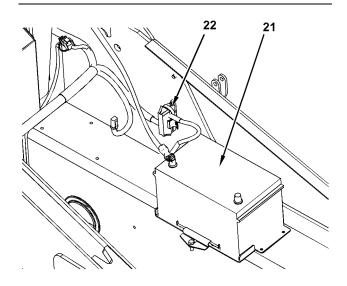


Illustration 165

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(21) Battery

(22) Main fuse

The main fuse (22) is located behind the battery (21) on the left side of the machine under the cab. This is a 105 amp fuse. You must disconnect the negative battery cable before you replace this fuse.

### Fuse panel behind cab

There is an additional fuse panel behind the cab on the right side of the machine.

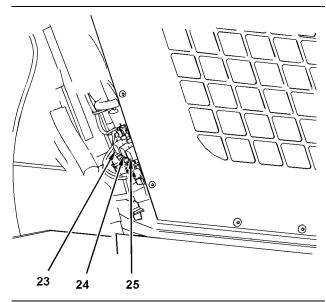


Illustration 166

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- (23) First Pair
- (24) Second Pair
- (25) Third Pair

This panel has 6 fuses. In order to change these fuses, push up on the locking tab on the fuse cover. Pull the cover away from the back of the cab.

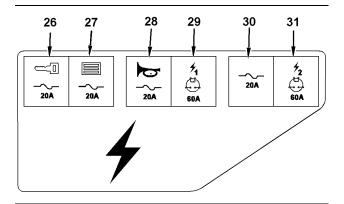


Illustration 167

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26 - Ignition switch



**27** – ECM



28 - Horn



29 - Main power relay 1



**30 –** Miscellaneous cab accessories



31 - Main power relay 2

### **Hydraulic System Oil - Change**

SMCS Code: 5095-044

### Selection of the Oil Change Interval

Your machine may be able to use a 4000 hour interval for the hydraulic oil. The hydraulic oil is in the system that is not integral to the service brakes, the clutches, the final drives, or the differentials. The standard change interval is 2000 hours. The oil should be monitored during intervals of 500 hours. The extended 4000 hour interval can be used if the following criteria are met.

### **HYDO Advanced 10**

Cat HYDO Advanced 10 is the preferred oil for use in most Caterpillar machine hydraulic and hydrostatic transmission systems when ambient temperature is between -20 °C (-4 °F) and 40 °C (104 °F). Cat HYDO Advanced 10 has an SAE viscosity grade of 10W. Cat HYDO Advanced 10 has a 50% increase in the standard oil drain interval (up to 3000 hours) for machine hydraulic systems over second and third choice oils when you follow the maintenance interval schedule for oil filter changes and for oil sampling that is stated in the Operation and Maintenance Manual. 6000 hour oil drain intervals are possible when using S·O·S Services oil analysis. When you switch to Cat HYDO Advanced 10, cross contamination with the previous oil should be kept to less than 10%. Consult your Cat dealer for details about the benefits from the improved performance designed into Cat HYDO Advanced 10.

#### Oil Filters

Caterpillar oil filters are recommended. The interval for changing the oil filter should be 500 hours.

#### Oil

The 6000 hour interval for changing the oil is specific to HYDO Advance 10.

The 4000 hour interval for changing the oil is for the following oil types.

- Caterpillar Hydraulic Oil (HYDO)
- Caterpillar Transmission and Drive Train Oil (TDTO)
- Caterpillar TDTO-TMS
- Caterpillar Diesel Engine Oil

- Caterpillar Biodegradable Hydraulic Oils (HEES)
- Caterpillar Multipurpose Tractor Oil (MTO)
- Heavy-duty diesel engine oils with a minimum zinc content of 900 ppm

If Caterpillar oils cannot be used, use heavy-duty oils with the following classification: Caterpillar ECF-1, API CG-4, API CF, and TO-4. These oils must have a minimum zinc additive of 0.09 percent (900 ppm).

**Note:** Industrial hydraulic oils are not recommended in Caterpillar hydraulic systems.

### Monitoring the Condition of the Oil

The oil should be monitored during intervals of 500 hours. Caterpillar's standard SOS Fluids Analysis or an equivalent oil sampling program should be used.

The current guidelines for cleanliness of the oil should be observed. Refer to "Measured Data".

If an oil sampling program is not available, the standard 2000 oil change interval should be used.

#### Measured Data

The following information should be monitored through sampling of the oil:

- Significant changes in wear metals should be monitored. These metals include iron, copper, chromium, lead, aluminum, and tin.
- Significant changes in the following additives should be monitored: zinc, calcium, magnesium, and phosphorus.
- Contaminants should not be present. These contaminants include fuel and antifreeze. Water content should be .5 percent or less.
- The silicon level should not exceed 15 parts per million for new oil. The particle counts should be monitored.
- The recommended level of cleanliness for Caterpillar machines that are operated in the field is ISO 18/15 or cleaner. The cleanliness should be monitored by particle count analysis. The levels of contamination should not exceed the normal by more than two ISO codes. Action should be taken in order to determine the cause of the contamination. The system should be returned to the original levels of contamination.
- There should not be significant changes in sodium, silicon, copper, and potassium.

- The allowable level of oxidation is 40 percent (0.12 Abs units).
- The kinematic viscosity of 100 °C (212 °F) oil should not exceed a change of more than 2 cSt from new oil.

# Procedure for Changing the Hydraulic Oil

#### NOTICE

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Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

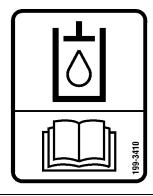


Illustration 168

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Note: This film is located near the hydraulic filler cap on machines that are filled with arctic oil.

Operate the machine for a few minutes in order to warm the hydraulic system oil.

### **A WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result without releasing all of the hydraulic pressure.

Release all the pressure from the hydraulic system before any lines are disconnected.

The machine should be on level ground. Lower the bucket to the ground and apply slight downward pressure. Engage the parking brake and stop the engine. Keep the armrests lowered. Turn the engine start switch key to the ON position. Push the parking brake switch. Move all of the hydraulic controls while you press several times on each side of the auxiliary hydraulic control (if equipped) in order to relieve hydraulic pressure. Move the engine start switch key to the OFF position.

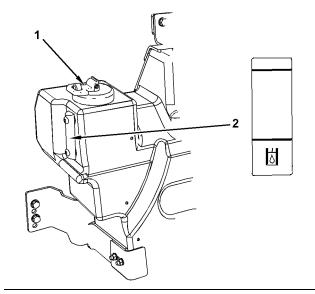
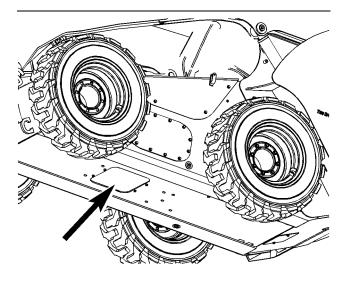


Illustration 169

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- (1) Hydraulic oil tank cap
- (2) Sight Gauge
- **1.** Remove the hydraulic oil tank cap (1).



- 2. Remove the access panel in the belly guard underneath the machine.
- The hose is located on the right side. Pull the drain hose through the access hole in the belly guard. Remove the plug from the end of the drain hose. Drain the oil into a suitable container.
- 4. Install the drain plug into the drain hose. Tighten to 22 ± 3 N·m (16 ± 2 lb ft). Pull the drain hose back into the machine.
- Change the hydraulic system filter. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Hydraulic System Oil Filter - Change".
- 6. Fill the hydraulic system oil tank. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Lubricant Viscosities" and Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Capacities (Refill)" for the type of oil and the proper amount of oil.
- Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Hydraulic System Oil Level - Check". Maintain the hydraulic oil level approximately in the middle of the sight gauge (2).

Check the oil level with the loader arms in the fully lowered position.

**Note:** The oil must be free of bubbles. If bubbles are present in the oil, air is entering the hydraulic system. Inspect the suction hoses and hose clamps.

8. Install the hydraulic tank filler cap.

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# Hydraulic System Oil Filter - Replace

**SMCS Code:** 5068-510

#### NOTICE

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Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

The hydraulic oil filter is located in the engine compartment.

- Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".
- **2.** Remove the hydraulic tank filler cap.

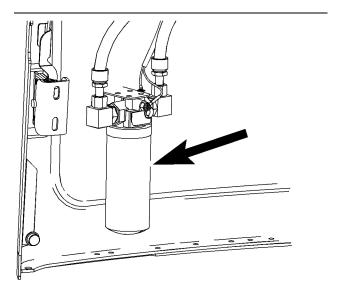


Illustration 171

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The hydraulic filter is located on the rear door.

**3.** Remove the filter with a strap type wrench.

**Note:** Place a suitable nonconductive container under the hydraulic oil filter. Use this container in order to catch any oil that may spill from the filter or the filter element mounting base.

- **4.** Clean the filter element mounting base. Remove any part of the filter element gasket that remains on the filter element mounting base.
- **5.** Apply a light coat of oil to the gasket of the new filter element gasket.
- 6. Install a newfilter hand tight until the seal of the filter contacts the base. Note the position of the index marks on the filter in relation to a fixed point on the filter base.

**Note:** There are rotation index marks on the filter that are spaced 90 degrees or 1/4 of a turn away from each other. When you tighten the filter, use the rotation index marks as a guide.

7. Tighten the filter according to the instructions that are printed on the filter. Use the index marks as a guide. For non-Caterpillar filters, use the instructions that are provided with the filter. **Note:** You may need to use a Caterpillar strap wrench, or another suitable tool, in order to turn the filter to the amount that is required for final installation. Make sure that the installation tool does not damage the filter.

- 8. Maintain the hydraulic oil level to the middle of the sight gauge. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Hydraulic System Oil Level Check". Do not overfill the hydraulic tank.
- Inspect the gasket on the hydraulic tank filler cap for damage. Replace the hydraulic tank filler cap, if necessary. Install the hydraulic tank filler cap.
- 10. Close the engine access door.

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# Hydraulic System Oil Level - Check

SMCS Code: 5095-535-FLV

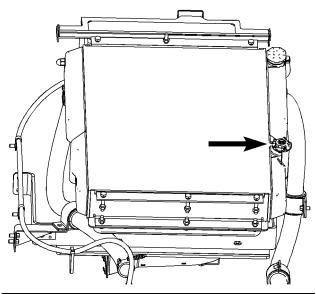


Illustration 172

Filler for adding hydraulic oil

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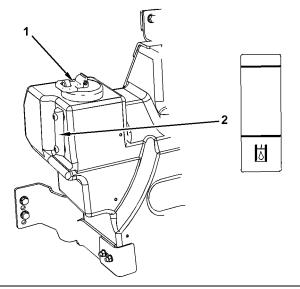


Illustration 173

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- (2) Sight gauge on right side of tank
- 1. Park the machine on level ground.
- Lower the work tool to the ground. Turn off the engine.
- **3.** Wait for about five minutes before checking the level of the hydraulic oil.
- Use the hydraulic oil filler on the radiator in order to top off the hydraulic oil.
- Maintain the oil level to the middle of the two lines on the sight gauge. Do not overfill the hydraulic tank.

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## Hydraulic System Oil Sample - Obtain

SMCS Code: 5050-008; 7542-008

Open the rear access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers" for information about the rear door.

Raise the radiator. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Radiator Tilting" for information about the radiator.

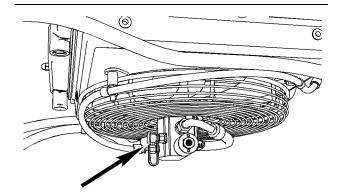


Illustration 174

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The sampling port for the hydraulic oil is located on the fan motor.

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#### **Hydraulic Tank Breather -**Replace

SMCS Code: 5050-510-BRE; 5056-510-BRE

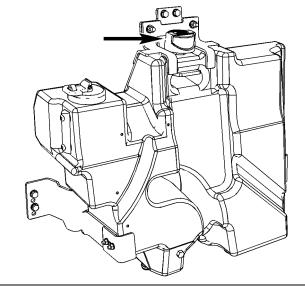


Illustration 175

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The breather for the hydraulic tank is located on the top of the hydraulic tank.

- 1. Raise the cab. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cab Tilting" for the procedure to raise the cab.
- 2. Remove the breather.
- 3. Install the new breather and tighten to 20  $\pm$  3 N·m  $(15 \pm 2 lb ft)$ .

#### Lift Arm and Cylinder Linkage - Lubricate

SMCS Code: 5102-086-BD; 6107-086-BD

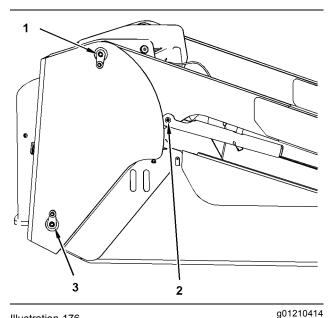


Illustration 176

Radial Lift

- (1) Lift Arm Pivot
- (2) Lift Cylinder Rod End
- (3) Head End Fitting

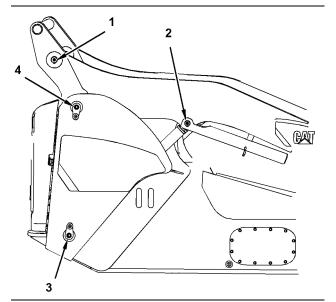


Illustration 177

Vertical Lift

- (1) Lift Arm Pivot
- (2) Lift Cylinder Rod End
- (3) Head End Fitting
- (4) Link Arm

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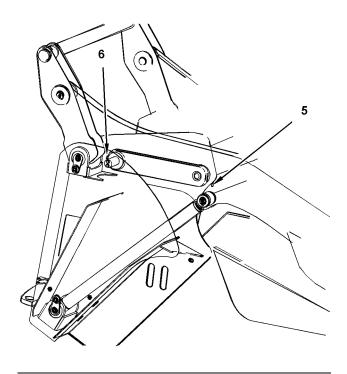


Illustration 178 g01210416

The Link Arm is located behind the loader arm.

- (5) Mounting for Link Pin
- (6) Rear of Link Arm

Apply lubricant to all the grease fittings on one side.

Repeat the process for the opposite side of the machine.

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#### **Lower Machine Frame - Clean**

SMCS Code: 7050-070

**1.** Tilt the cab upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cab Tilting".

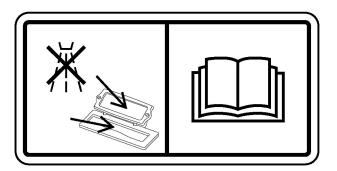


Illustration 179

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This film is located in the air duct.

#### NOTICE

Do not spray water or cleaning fluids into the ventilation ducts. Cover the opening in order to prevent foreign material or fluid from entering the ventilation ducts.

**2.** Seal the opening of the ventilation ducts with plastic.

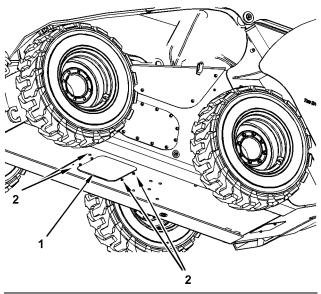


Illustration 180

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- (1) Access panel
- (2) Retaining bolts
- **3.** The access panel (1) is located in the frame underneath the machine.
- **4.** Remove the four retaining bolts (2).
- **5.** Slide the panel forward or slide the panel rearward. Pull the panel downward and remove the access panel from the machine.

- Remove any debris or dirt from the inside of the frame.
- Reinstall the access panel.
- **8.** Remove the cover from the ventilation ducts.
- 9. Tilt the cab downward.

#### Oil Filter - Inspect

SMCS Code: 1308-507; 3067-507; 5068-507

#### **Inspect a Used Filter for Debris**

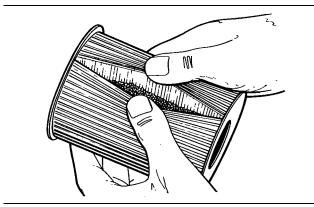


Illustration 181

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The element is shown with debris.

Use a filter cutter to cut the filter element open. Spread apart the pleats and inspect the element for metal and for other debris. An excessive amount of debris in the filter element can indicate a possible failure.

If metals are found in the filter element, a magnet can be used to differentiate between ferrous metals and nonferrous metals.

Ferrous metals can indicate wear on steel parts and on cast iron parts.

Nonferrous metals can indicate wear on the aluminum parts of the engine such as main bearings, rod bearings, or turbocharger bearings.

Small amounts of debris may be found in the filter element. This could be caused by friction and by normal wear. Consult your Caterpillar dealer in order to arrange for further analysis if an excessive amount of debris is found.

Using an oil filter element that is not recommended by Caterpillar can result in severe engine damage to engine bearings, to the crankshaft, and to other parts. This can result in larger particles in unfiltered oil. The particles could enter the lubricating system and the particles could cause damage.

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#### **Quick Coupler - Clean/Inspect**

SMCS Code: 6129-040; 6129-070

#### **A 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.

**Note:** Do not weld on the quick coupler without consulting your Caterpillar dealer.

 Clean the quick coupler prior to inspection in order to properly inspect the quick coupler.

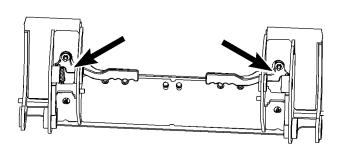


Illustration 182

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This is the back side of the quick coupler. The lift arm and the tilt cylinder are removed for clarity.

- 2. Tilt the quick coupler all the way forward in order to clean the debris away from the pins.
- **3.** Move the quick coupler levers. Ensure that the levers are not bent or broken.
- 4. Make sure that the coupler pins extend through the bottom of the quick coupler assembly. Check the pins for wear and check the pins for damage.

- 5. Check the top edges of the quick coupler assembly for wear or for damage. Check the face of the quick coupler assembly for wear or for damage.
- 6. Inspect the components inside the quick coupler for the following problems:loose bolts, oil leaks, broken parts, missing parts, and cracked components
- 7. Inspect the hydraulic lines and the hydraulic fittings for damage or for wear. Repair any worn components or replace any worn components. Repair any leaking components.
- Inspect the steel material of the quick coupler for cracks.

**Note:** Perform all repairs before placing the quick coupler back into operation.

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#### Radiator Core - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1353-070-KO

The radiator is located at the rear of the machine above the engine compartment.

**Note:** Adjust the frequency of cleaning according to the effects of the operating environment. On models 272C and 297C, clean the aftercooler core when you clean the radiator core.

- Stop the engine. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Access Doors and Covers".
- **2.** Tilt the radiator guard upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Radiator Tilting".

#### **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.

#### **NOTICE**

When you are using compressed air or high pressure water to clean the radiator fins, ensure that the air or water is directed parallel to the fins. If the compressed air or high pressure water is not directed parallel to the radiator fins, the radiator fins could be bent or damaged.

Note: Pressurized air is the preferred method for removing loose debris. Hold the nozzle approximately 6 mm (0.25 inch) away from the fins. Slowly move the air nozzle in a direction that is parallel with the tubes. The air nozzle should point in the opposite direction of the flow of the fan. This will remove debris that is between the tubes. Pressurized water may also be used for cleaning. The maximum water pressure for cleaning purposes must be less than 275 kPa (40 psi). Use pressurized water in order to soften mud. Use a degreaser and steam for removal of oil and grease. Wash the core with detergent and hot water. Thoroughly rinse the core with clean water.

Clean the radiator core from the top toward the fan

**Note:** If parts of the cooling system appear to be damaged or if parts of the cooling system are repaired, a leak test is highly recommended. Consult your Caterpillar dealer for the most current information about the cooling system.

- 4. After cleaning, start the engine and accelerate the engine to high idle rpm. This will help in the removal of debris and drying of the core. Stop the engine. Use a light bulb behind the core in order to inspect the core for cleanliness. Repeat the cleaning, if necessary.
- 5. Inspect the fins and tubes of the radiator core for damage. Some fins and tubes may be worn from abrasive material that has passed through the radiator core. Bent fins may be opened with a "comb".

#### NOTICE

Do not clean a rotating fan with high pressure water. Fan blade failure can result.

**6.** Remove any dirt or debris from the fan, the fan hub, the oil cooler, the radiator guard and the fan guard.

**Note:** Dirt or debris on the cooling fan can cause an imbalance.

- 7. Tilt the radiator guard downward.
- 8. Close the engine access door.

# Refrigerant Dryer - Replace (If Equipped)

SMCS Code: 7322-510

#### **WARNING**

Personal injury can result from contact with refrigerant.

Contact with refrigerant can cause frost bite. Keep face and hands away to help prevent injury.

Protective goggles must always be worn when refrigerant lines are opened, even if the gauges indicate the system is empty of refrigerant.

Always use precaution when a fitting is removed. Slowly loosen the fitting. If the system is still under pressure, release it slowly in a well ventilated area.

Personal injury or death can result from inhaling refrigerant through a lit cigarette.

Inhaling air conditioner refrigerant gas through a lit cigarette or other smoking method or inhaling fumes released from a flame contacting air conditioner refrigerant gas, can cause bodily harm or death.

Do not smoke when servicing air conditioners or wherever refrigerant gas may be present.

Use a certified recovery and recycling cart to properly remove the refrigerant from the air conditioning system.

#### NOTICE

If the refrigerant system has been open to the outside air (without being plugged) for more than 30 minutes, the receiver-dryer must be replaced. Moisture will enter an open refrigerant system and cause corrosion which will lead to component failure.

Refer to Service Manual, SENR5664, "Air Conditioning and Heating R-134a For All Caterpillar Machines" for the proper procedure to change the receiver-dryer assembly and for the procedure to reclaim the refrigerant gas.

**Note:** The receiver-dryer must also be replaced when the air conditioning system is evacuated.

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# Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) and Falling Object Protective Structure (FOPS) - Inspect

**SMCS Code:** 7323-040; 7325-040

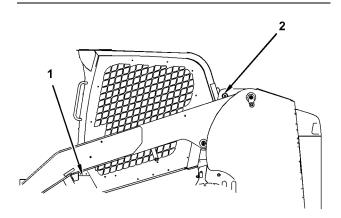


Illustration 183

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- Inspect the ROPS for loose bolts. Tighten the bolts (1) to the following torque 125 ± 20 N·m (92 ± 15 lb ft). Check the hinge on the cab (2). Check the ROPS and the FOPS for damaged bolts or missing bolts. Replace any damaged bolts or missing bolts with original equipment parts only.
- 2. Operate the machine on a rough surface. Replace the ROPS mounting supports if the ROPS emits a noise. Replace the ROPS mounting supports if the ROPS rattles. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Cab Tilting" for a description of the mounting support.

Do not straighten the ROPS or the FOPS. Do not repair the ROPS or the FOPS by welding reinforcement plates to the ROPS or the FOPS.

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for repair of any cracks in the ROPS or the FOPS.

Inspect the Flying Object Guard (if equipped) for damage.

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for repair of any cracks in the Flying Object Guard.

#### **Seat Belt - Inspect**

SMCS Code: 7327-040

Always check the condition of the seat belt and the condition of the seat belt mounting hardware before you operate the machine. Replace any parts that are damaged or worn before you operate the machine.

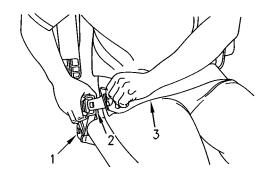


Illustration 184

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Typical example

Check the seat belt mounting hardware (1) for wear or for damage. Replace any mounting hardware that is worn or damaged. Make sure that the mounting bolts are tight.

Check buckle (2) for wear or for damage. If the buckle is worn or damaged, replace the seat belt.

Inspect the seat belt (3) for webbing that is worn or frayed. Replace the seat belt if the seat belt is worn or frayed.

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for the replacement of the seat belt and the mounting hardware.

**Note:** Within three years of the date of installation or within five years of the date of manufacture, replace the seat belt. Replace the seat belt at the date which occurs first. A date label for determining the age of the seat belt is attached to the seat belt, the seat belt buckle, and the seat belt retractor.

If your machine is equipped with a seat belt extension, also perform this inspection procedure for the seat belt extension.

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#### Seat Belt - Replace

**SMCS Code:** 7327-510

Within three years of the date of installation or within five years of the date of manufacture, replace the seat belt . Replace the seat belt at the date which occurs first. A date label for determining the age of the seat belt is attached to the seat belt, the seat belt buckle, and the seat belt retractor.

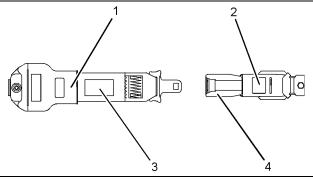


Illustration 185

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- (1) Date of installation (retractor)
- (2) Date of installation (buckle)
- (3) Date of manufacture (tag) (fully extended web)
- (4) Date of manufacture (underside) (buckle)

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for the replacement of the seat belt and the mounting hardware.

If your machine is equipped with a seat belt extension, also perform this replacement procedure for the seat belt extension.

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# Tilt Cylinder Bearings and Bucket Linkage Bearings - Lubricate

SMCS Code: 5104-086-BD; 6107-086-BD

Wipe all of the grease fittings before you apply lubricant.

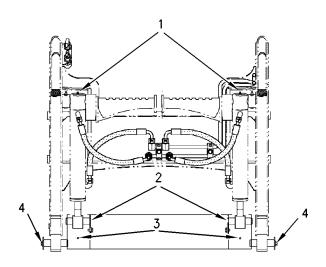


Illustration 186 g00955895

**Note:** Lubricate the fittings with the loader lift arms in the fully lowered position.

Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (1) for the upper bearings for the tilt cylinders.

Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (2) for the lower bearings for the tilt cylinders.

Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (3) for the coupler engagement pins.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (4) for the pivot pin of the quick coupler assembly.

There are a total of 8 grease fittings.

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#### **Tire Inflation - Check**

SMCS Code: 4203-535-AI

Table 32

Tire size and recommended inflation pressure (cold) for Caterpillar Skid Steer Loader C-Series Models					
	Size	Ply Rating	Pressure		
Caterpillar Premium Conventional	12x16.5	10	310 kPa	45 psi	3.10 bar
Caterpillar Low Side Wall	305-546	10	310 kPa	45 psi	3.10 bar
Caterpillar Extreme Duty	12x16.5	14	345 kPa	50 psi	3.45 bar
Caterpillar Premium Conventional Floatation	33x15.5x16.5	12	240 kPa	35 psi	2.41 bar
Galaxy Beefy Baby	12x16.5	10	310 kPa	45 psi	3.10 bar

The above recommended tire inflation pressure is based on a standard machine with the following conditions:

- 75 kg operator
- · Typical operating conditions
- Full fluid levels
- The machine weight and the weight of the work tool must not exceed the weight limit on the "ROPS" certification.

**Note:** Consult your Caterpillar dealer if your machine is experiencing excessive tire slippage. Slippage may be the result of tire wear.

Inflate the tires, if necessary.

#### Tire Inflation with Air

#### **WARNING**

Use a self-attaching inflation chuck and stand behind the tread when inflating a tire.

Proper inflation equipment, and training in using the equipment, are necessary to avoid overinflation. A tire blowout or rim failure can result from improper or misused equipment.

Before inflating tire, install on the machine or put tire in restraining device.

#### NOTICE

Set the tire inflation equipment regulator at no more than 140 kPa (20 psi) over the recommended tire pressure.

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#### **Wheel Nuts - Tighten**

**SMCS Code:** 4210-527

When wheels are installed, check the torque after every one service hour until the specified torque is maintained. After the specified torque is maintained, check the torque on the nuts after every ten service hours or every day.

Check the nuts on all four wheels. Use a star pattern when you are tightening the nuts.

The torque specifications are given in the following table.

Table 33

Tightening Torque for Wheels				
Solid Tires	163 ± 7 N·m (120 ± 5 lb ft)			
Pneumatic Tires	149 ± 7 N·m (110 ± 5 lb ft)			

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# Window Washer Reservoir - Fill (If Equipped)

SMCS Code: 7306-544-KE

#### NOTICE

When operating in freezing temperatures, use Caterpillar nonfreezing window washer solvent or equivalent. System damage can result from freezing.

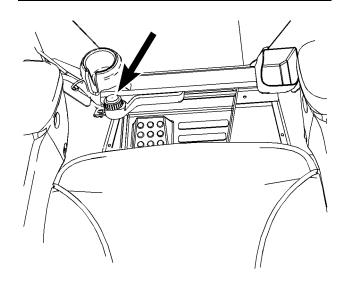


Illustration 187

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The reservoir for the window washer solvent is located inside the cab by the left footrest.

Fill the reservoir with window washer solvent. Window washer solvent with isopropyl alcohol is recommended.

# Window Wiper - Inspect/Replace (If Equipped)

**SMCS Code:** 7305-040; 7305-510

Inspect the condition of the front window wiper blade. Replace the window wiper blade if the window wiper blade is worn or damaged. If the window wiper blade streaks the window, replace the window wiper blade.

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#### Windows - Clean

SMCS Code: 7310-070

#### **Rear Window and Glass Front Door**

Use commercially available window cleaning solutions in order to clean the windows.

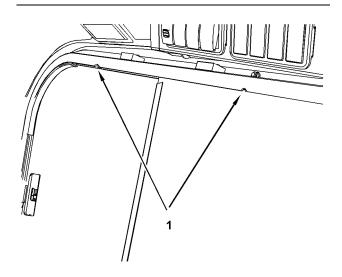
Apply the cleaning solution liberally. Wipe the surface.

Dry the surface in order to prevent spots.

#### Side Windows

Use commercially available window cleaning solutions in order to clean the windows.

The side windows of the cab can be removed for cleaning. Refer to the following procedure in order to remove the side windows.



- Release the latch. Slide the front window rearward between the circular marks (1) in the top of the window frame. Push the window upward in the track. Pull outward on the bottom of the window in order to remove the window.
- Release the latch. Slide the rear window forward between the circular marks (1) in the top of the window frame. Push the window upward in the track. Pull outward on the bottom of the window in order to remove the window.
- Pull straight up on the bottom window in order to remove the window from the track. Pull inward in order to remove the window.
- 4. Reverse the process in order to install the windows. Install the lower window first. Then install the rear window in the outer track. Install the front window in the inner track next.

### Polycarbonate Front Door and Polycarbonate Top Window

**Note:** Do not wipe the window dry. Do not use paper towels. This may scratch the finish of the polycarbonate windows over time.

For cleaning your polycarbonate top window or polycarbonate front door, use a soft cloth, a sponge, or a chamois. Use any of the following cleaners:

- · soap and water
- · isopropyl alcohol
- kerosene
- · denatured alcohol
- · commercially available window cleaning solutions

Apply the cleaning solution liberally. Wipe the surface.

Illustration 188 g01209231

#### **Work Tool - Lubricate**

SMCS Code: 6700-086

#### **Multipurpose Bucket**

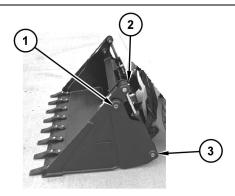


Illustration 189

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Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (1) for the pivot pin of the apron.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (2) for the rod end of the multipurpose bucket cylinder.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (3) for the head end of the multipurpose bucket cylinder.

Repeat for the other side of the bucket.

There are six grease fittings.

## **Utility Grapple Bucket and Utility Grapple Fork**

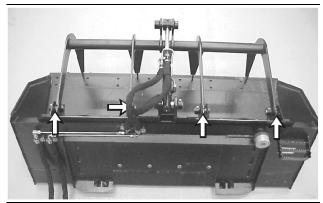


Illustration 190

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Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the grapples.

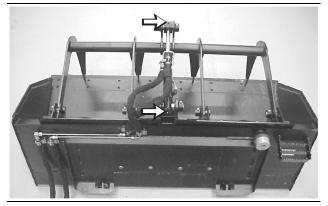


Illustration 191

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Apply lubricant to the two fittings for the grapple cylinder.

There are six grease fittings.

## Industrial Grapple Bucket and Industrial Grapple Fork

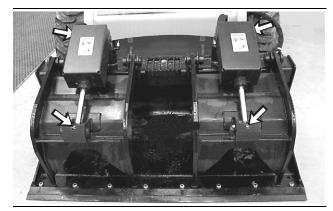


Illustration 192

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Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the fork cylinders.

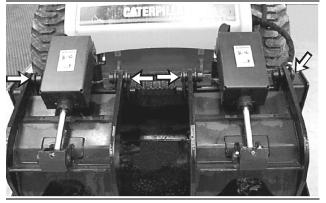


Illustration 193

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Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the two forks.

There are eight grease fittings.

#### **Grapple Rake**

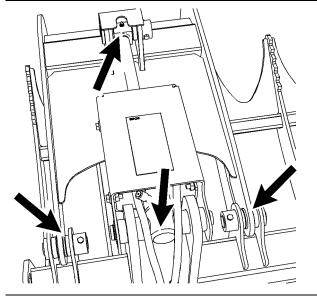


Illustration 194

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Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the grapple cylinders.

Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the two grapples.

There are eight grease fittings.

#### **Angle Blade**

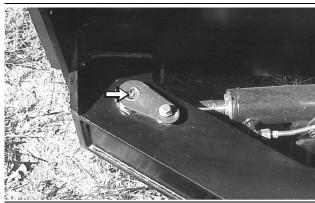


Illustration 195

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Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the rod end of the angle cylinder.

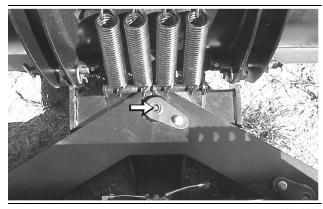


Illustration 196

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Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the horizontal pivot point of the blade.

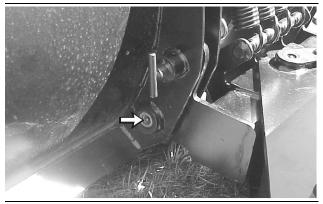


Illustration 197

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Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the vertical pivot point of the blade. Repeat for opposite side of the blade.

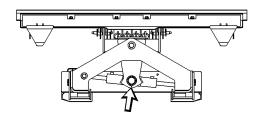


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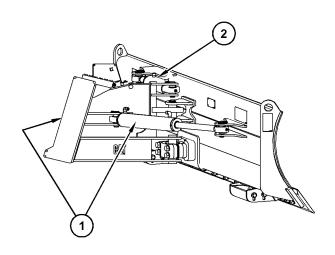
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This is a bottom view of the angle blade.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the pivot point of the cylinder.

There are five grease fittings.

#### **Dozer Blade**



Inspect upper angled plate (1) and ensure that the plate is not bent or otherwise damaged. Inspect holes (2) for wear and for damage. Inspect lower angled plate (3) and ensure that the plate is not bent or otherwise damaged. If any wear is suspected or any damage is suspected, consult your Caterpillar dealer before you use the work tool.

Illustration 199 g01073259

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on both ends of the right hand angle cylinder (1). Repeat for opposite side of the blade.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the pivot points on each end of the tilt cylinder (2).

There are six grease fittings.

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# **Work Tool Mounting Bracket - Inspect**

**SMCS Code:** 6700-040-BK

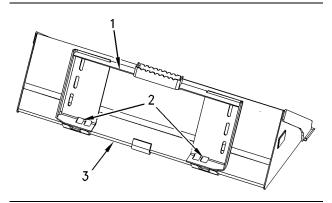


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