User’s Handbook

Perkins 2800 Series

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General information

Introduction

The 2806-18 diesel engine is the latest development from Perkins Engines Company Limited, a world leader in the design and manufacture of high performance diesel engines. More than fifty years of diesel production experience, together with the use of the latest technology, have been used in the manufacture of your engine to give you reliable and economic power.

To ensure that you use the relevant information for your specific engine type, refer to "Engine identification" on page 5.

The terms "left side" and "right side" apply when the engine is seen from the rear end, the flywheel end. Number one cylinder is at the front end of the engine.

Danger is indicated in the text by two methods:

**Warning!** This indicates that there is a possible danger to the person.

**Caution:** This indicates that there is a possible danger to the engine.

**Note:** Is used where the information is important, but there is not a danger.

**California Proposition 65 Warning**

Diesel engine exhaust and some of its constituents are known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, and other reproductive harm. Battery posts, terminals and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds. **Wash hands after handling.**
Safety precautions

These safety precautions are important. You must refer also to the local regulations in the country of use. Some items only apply to specific applications.

- Always refer to the text of this handbook for specific warnings and cautions.
- Only use these engines in the type of application for which they have been designed.
- Do not change the specification of the engine.
- Do not make adjustments that you do not understand.
- Do not allow the engine to stand on its sump.
- Do not smoke when you put fuel in the tank.
- Clean away fuel which has been spilt. Material which has been contaminated by fuel must be moved to a safe place.
- Do not put fuel in the tank while the engine runs (unless it is absolutely necessary).
- Do not clean, add lubricating oil, or adjust the engine while it runs (unless you have had the correct training; even then extreme caution must be used to prevent injury).
- Ensure that the engine does not run in a location where it can cause a concentration of toxic emissions.
- Other persons must be kept at a safe distance while the engine or auxiliary equipment is in operation.
- Do not permit loose clothing or long hair near moving parts.

**Warning! Keep away from moving parts during engine operation. Some moving parts cannot be seen clearly while the engine runs.**

- Do not operate the engine if a safety guard has been removed.
- Do not remove the filler cap or any component of the coolant system while the engine is hot and while the coolant is under pressure, because dangerous hot coolant can be discharged.
- Do not allow sparks or fire near the batteries (especially when the batteries are on charge) because the gases from the electrolyte are highly flammable. The battery fluid is dangerous to the skin and especially to the eyes.
- Disconnect the battery terminals before a repair is made to the electrical system. Always disconnect the negative terminal first.
- Only one person must control the engine.
- Ensure that the engine is operated only from the control panel or from the operator’s position.
- If your skin comes into contact with high-pressure fuel, obtain medical assistance immediately.
- Diesel fuel and lubricating oil (especially used lubricating oil) can damage the skin of certain persons. Protect your hands with gloves or a special solution to protect the skin.
- Do not wear clothing which is contaminated by lubricating oil. Do not put material which is contaminated with oil into the pockets.
- Discard used lubricating oil and coolant in accordance with local regulations to prevent contamination.
- The combustible material of some components of the engine (for example certain seals) can become extremely dangerous if it is burned. Never allow this burnt material to come into contact with the skin or with the eyes.
- Always use a safety cage to protect the operator when a component is to be pressure tested in a container of water. Fit safety wires to secure the plugs which seal the hose connections of a component which is to be pressure tested.
- Do not allow compressed air to contact your skin. If compressed air enters your skin, obtain medical help immediately.
- Turbochargers operate at high speed and at high temperatures. Keep fingers, tools and debris away from the inlet and outlet ports of the turbocharger and prevent contact with hot surfaces.
- Some components are not waterproof and should not be washed with a high-pressure water jet or steam.
- Do not wash an engine while it runs or while it is hot. If cold cleaning fluids are applied to a hot engine, certain components on the engine could be damaged.
- Fit only genuine Perkins parts.
How to care for your engine

**Warning!** Read the “Safety precautions” and remember them. They are given for your protection and must be applied at all times.

**Caution:** Do not clean an engine while it runs. If cold cleaning fluids are applied to a hot engine, certain components on the engine may be damaged.

To obtain the best performance and the longest life from your engine, you must ensure that the maintenance operations are done at the correct intervals, refer to "Preventive maintenance periods" on page 15.

Ensure that all adjustments and repairs are done by personnel who have had the correct training.

Engine lift equipment

**Warning!** The lifting eyes which are fitted to the engine must be used for lifting only the engine. Do not use them to lift the engine if it is still attached to its driven unit.

Welding

Welding can cause damage to the electronic components fitted to the engine. If welding is necessary, the precautions which follow must be undertaken before and during the welding operation.

**Cautions:**
- Switch off the engine.
- Disconnect the cable from the negative terminal of the battery. If the machine is fitted with a battery disconnect the switch then open the switch.
- If welding to the engine, remove the ECM (electronic control module).
- If welding onto the machine chassis, ensure that the earth clamp is attached as close to the welding point as possible and NOT near to the ECM.
- If it is necessary to weld near to the ECM, remove the ECM from the engine.

Engine preservation

1E2566C - Lowest protection level: This process is for protection of engines for up to 30 days. The engine must be stored inside and shipped in a closed container.

1E2566B - Intermediate protection level: This process will protect engines from functional deterioration for a minimum of 6 months in outside storage conditions.

1E2566A - Highest protection level: This process will protect engines from functional deterioration for a minimum of 12 months in outside storage conditions. This process is used to extend the protection given by the intermediate level protection process.

Parts and service

If problems occur with your engine or with the components fitted to it, your authorised distributor can make the necessary repairs and will ensure that only the correct parts are fitted and that the work is done correctly.

Service literature

Workshop manuals and other service publications are available from your authorised distributor.

Training

Courses on the service and overhaul of the 2806 engine are available at the Factory. For details apply to: The Product Training Centre, Perkins Engines Company Limited, Peterborough, PE1 5NA, England.
POWERPART recommended consumable products

Perkins have made available the products recommended below in order to assist in the correct operation, service and maintenance of your engine and your machine. The instructions for the use of each product are given on the outside of each container. These products are available from your Perkins distributor.

POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant).
ELC is pre-mixed and protects the cooling system against frost and corrosion. Part number 21820181.(1)

POWERPART Easy flush
Cleans the cooling system. Part number 21825001.

POWERPART Gasket and flange sealant
To seal flat faces of components where no joint is used. Especially suitable for aluminium components. Part number 21820518.

POWERPART Gasket remover
An aerosol for the removal of sealants and adhesives. Part number 21820116.

POWERPART Griptite
To improve the grip of worn tools and fasteners. Part number 21820129.

POWERPART Hydraulic threadseal
To retain and seal pipe connections with fine threads. Especially suitable for hydraulic and pneumatic systems. Part number 21820121.

POWERPART Industrial grade super glue
Instant adhesive designed for metals, plastics and rubbers. Part number 21820125.

POWERPART Lay-Up 1
A diesel fuel additive for protection against corrosion. Part number 1772204.

POWERPART Lay-Up 2
Protects the inside of the engine and of other closed systems. Part number 1762811.

POWERPART Lay-Up 3
Protects outside metal parts. Part number 1734115.

POWERPART Metal repair putty
Designed for external repair of metal and plastic. Part number 21820126.

POWERPART Pipe sealant and sealant primer
To retain and seal pipe connections with coarse threads. Pressure systems can be used immediately. Part number 21820122.

POWERPART Radiator stop leak
For the repair of radiator leaks. Part number 21820127.

POWERPART Retainer (high strength)
To retain components which have an interference fit. Part number 21820638.

POWERPART Retainer (oil tolerant)
To retain components which have an interference fit, but are in contact with oil. Part number 21820608.

POWERPART Safety cleaner
General cleaner in an aerosol container. Part number 21820128.

Continued
POWERPART Silicone adhesive
An RTV silicone adhesive for application where low pressure tests occur before the adhesive sets. Used for sealing flange where oil resistance is needed and movement of the joint occurs. Part number 21826038. (2)

POWERPART Silicone RTV sealing and jointing compound
Silicone rubber sealant which prevents leakage through gaps. Part number 1861108. (2)

POWERPART Stud and bearing lock
To provide a heavy duty seal to components that have a light interference fit. Part number 21820119 or 21820120.

POWERPART Threadlock and nutlock
To retain small fasteners where easy removal is necessary. Part number 21820117 or 21820118.

POWERPART Universal jointing compound
Universal jointing compound which seals joints. Part number 1861117. (2)

(1) Powerpart (ELC) is not recommended for the 1300 Series.
(2) These product are not recommended for the 4006-23 engine.

Engine identification
If you need parts, service or information for your engine, you must give the complete engine number. The engine number is stamped on a data plate which is fastened to the right side of the engine.

A typical engine number is: HQD060003U2041L, which consists of these codes:

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Engine data

Number of cylinders: 6
Cylinder arrangement: Vertical in line
Cycle: Four stroke, compression ignition
Induction system: Turbocharged, air to air charge cooling
Combustion system: Direct injection
Nominal bore: 145 mm (5.709 in)
Nominal stroke: 183 mm (7.205 in)
Compression ratio: 14.5:1 Nominal
Cubic capacity: 18.13 litres (1106.36 in³)
Firing order: 1, 5, 3, 6, 2, 4
Direction of rotation: Anti-clockwise viewed on flywheel (cylinder 1 furthest from the flywheel)
Total weight Electropak: (dry) 2081 kg (4588 lb)
... (wet) 2190 kg (4828 lb)
Lubricating oil capacity:
Total system: 55.5 litres (97.7 UK pints)
Sump maximum: 53.5 litres (94.1 UK pints)
Sump minimum: 37.5 litres (66.0 UK pints)
Lubricating oil pressure:
At rated speed: 4.2 bar
Coolant System:
Coolant capacity of engine and radiator: 61 litres (107.3 UK pints)
Engine views

Introduction

Perkins engines are built for specific applications and the views which follow do not necessarily match your engine specification.

Location of engine parts

Front and left side view of engine (A)

1 Radiator
2 Hand priming pump
3 Rocker cover
4 Starter motor
5 Electronic Control Module (ECM)
6 Earth stud
7 Secondary fuel filter
8 Primary fuel filter
9 Speed/timing sensor (crankshaft)
Rear and right side view of engine (B)

1 Radiator
2 Restriction indicator
3 Air cleaner
4 Turbochargers
5 Exhaust manifold
6 Filler cap for lubricating oil
7 Thermostat housing
8 Dipstick
9 Sump drain plug
10 Lubricating oil filter
11 Flywheel housing
12 Flywheel
3

Operation instructions

How to start the engine

Before the engine is started

Perform the required daily maintenance and other periodic maintenance before the engine is started. Refer to "Preventive maintenance periods" on page 15.

- Check the fuel supply. Drain water from the water separator. Open the fuel supply valve.

**Caution:** All valves in the fuel return line must be open before and during engine operation to help prevent high fuel pressure. High fuel pressure can cause failure of the filter housing or other damage.

**Note:** If the engine has not been started for several weeks, fuel may have drained from the fuel system. Air may have entered the filter housing. Also, when fuel filters have been changed, some air pockets will be trapped in the engine. If necessary refer to "How to eliminate air from the fuel system" on page 49.

- Do not start the engine or move any of the controls if there is a "DO NOT OPERATE" label or similar warning label attached to the start switch or to the controls.
- Ensure that the areas around rotating parts are clear.
- Reset all of the shutdown devices or alarm components.
- Check the level of the engine lubricating oil. Maintain the oil level between the “L” and the “H” marks on the dipstick.
- Check the level of the coolant. Maintain the level of coolant within 13 mm (0.5 inch) of the bottom of the filler pipe. If the engine is fitted with a sight glass, maintain the coolant level in the sight glass.
- Check the service indicator for the air cleaner. When the red warning indicator is seen through the clear panel after the engine has stopped, the air filter element must be renewed.
- Ensure that any driven equipment has been disengaged. Remove any electrical loads.

How to start a new, an overhauled engine or an engine which has been in storage

Prime the turbocharger. This can be achieved by operating the engine briefly with the injection disable switch on.

When a new engine, or an engine which has been serviced, is first started, prepare to stop the engine if an overspeed condition occurs. Use the quickest method available, for example: Emergency Stop button.

Start procedure

This start procedure may be used for all engines which are not fitted with an air inlet heater.

Refer to the Owner's Manual of the OEM for your type of controls. Use this procedure to start the engine:

1 Move the ignition switch to the ON position. If a system fault is indicated by, for example a panel light, investigate the cause. If necessary use the Perkins Electronic Service Tool, EST.

2 Push the start button or turn the ignition switch to the START position to operate the engine.

3 If the engine fails to start within 30 seconds, release the start button or ignition switch. Wait for 30 seconds to allow the starter motor to cool before attempting to start the engine again.

**Note:** A system fault may be indicated after the engine is started. If this occurs the ECM has detected a problem with the system. Investigate the cause, if necessary use the Perkins service tool EST.

**Caution:** Oil pressure should rise within 15 seconds after the engine starts. The electronic engine controls monitor the oil pressure and will stop the engine if the oil pressure is below normal.
If possible, allow the engine to run at no load for approximately three minutes. Run the engine at no load until the water temperature gauge has started to rise. Check all gauges during the warm-up period.

How to start a cold engine in cold conditions

Refer to the Owner's Manual of the OEM for your type of controls. Use the procedure which follows to start the engine.

Warning! Ether type fuels must not be used in the 2806-18 six cylinder engine.

The engine will start without aids down to a temperature of -10 °C (14 °F), but the ability to start at temperatures below 10 °C (50 °F) will improve by the use of a cylinder block coolant heater or a device which heats the crankcase oil. This will help to reduce white smoke and misfires when the engine is started in cold weather.

Note: If the engine has not been run for several weeks, fuel may have drained. Air may have moved into the filter housing. Also, when fuel filters have been changed, some air will be left in the filter housing. Refer to "How to eliminate air from the fuel system" on page 49.

1. Move the ignition switch to the ON position. If a system fault is indicated by, for example a panel light, investigate the cause. If necessary use the Perkins Electronic Service Tool, EST.
2. Push the start button or turn the ignition switch to the START position to crank the engine.
3. If the engine fails to start within 30 seconds, release the start button or ignition switch. Wait for 30 seconds to allow the starter motor to cool before attempting to start the engine again. Repeat for a maximum of three times; if the engine fails to start investigate the cause.
4. A system fault may be indicated after the engine is started. If this occurs the ECM has detected a problem with the system. Investigate the cause, if necessary use the Perkins service tool EST. Refer to the Diagnostic Manual for more information on engine diagnostics.

Note: Oil pressure should rise within 15 seconds after the engine starts. The electronic engine controls monitor the oil pressure and will stop the engine if the oil pressure is below normal.

5. If possible, allow the engine to run at no load for approximately three minutes. Run the engine at no load until the coolant temperature gauge starts to rise. Check all gauges during the warm-up period.

Caution: The oil pressures and fuel pressures should be in the normal range on the instrument panel. Do not apply a load to the engine until the oil pressure gauge indicates at least normal pressure. Inspect the engine for leaks and/or unusual noises.

Important notes

The cold start strategy will be activated when the coolant temperature is below 17 °C (63 °F). The cold start strategy will continue until the coolant temperature reaches 28 °C (82 °F), or until the engine has been running for 14 minutes. A timer will disable the cold start strategy after a maximum time of 14 minutes.

If the cold start strategy is active and if the ECM measures engine speed, the engine power that is available is reduced.

After the ECM has completed the cold mode (or the cold mode is disabled), it cannot be enabled again until the ECM is switched OFF.

If an engine has been stopped, for example after a fault has been indicated, do not attempt to restart the engine until it has fully stopped.

After the engine has started

1. Check all of the gauges during the warm-up period.
2. Perform another walk-around inspection. Check the engine for fluid leaks and air leaks.

Note: Gauge readings should be observed and the data should be recorded frequently while the engine runs. A comparison of the data over time will help to determine normal readings for each gauge, it will also help to detect abnormal conditions of operation. Significant changes in the readings should be investigated.
Engine emergency stop

Caution: Emergency shut-off controls are for emergency use only. Do not use emergency shut-off devices or controls for the normal stop procedure.

Ensure that any components for the external system that support the engine operation are secured after the engine is stopped.

Manual stop procedure

Individual applications will have different control systems. Ensure that the engine shut-down procedures are understood. To stop the engine, use the general guidelines which follow:

1. Run the engine with no load for five minutes to allow it to cool.
2. After the cool-down period, turn the start switch to the OFF position.
Engine diagnostics

Self-diagnostics

Perkins electronic engines can perform a self-diagnostics test. Diagnostic codes are stored in the permanent memory of the Electronic Control Module (ECM) and can be retrieved by use of the Perkins electronic service tool, EST. A list of diagnostic codes is given in the table under "Diagnostic codes" on page 20.

Some installations have electronic displays that provide a direct reading of the engine diagnostic codes. Refer to the manual that is provided by the OEM for more information on retrieving engine diagnostic codes.

Active codes, indicated by a warning lamp or similar device (depending on application), represent problems that currently exist. These problems should be investigated first.

Logged codes represent:
- Intermittent problems
- Recorded events
- Performance history

The problems may have been repaired since the code was logged. These codes do not indicate that a repair is needed; the codes are guides or signals when a situation exists. Codes may be helpful to diagnose problems.

When the problems have been corrected, the corresponding logged fault codes should be cleared, where possible.

Use the Perkins service tool EST to determine the diagnostic code.

Fault logging

The system provides the capability of fault logging. When the Electronic Control Module (ECM) generates a diagnostic code, the code will be logged in the memory of the ECM. The codes that have been logged in the memory of the ECM can be retrieved with Perkins electronic service tools. The codes that have been logged can be cleared with Perkins electronic service tools. The codes that have been logged in the memory of the ECM will be automatically cleared from the memory after 100 hours. If the engine is operated in protection override mode, then low engine oil pressure and high engine coolant temperature events cannot be cleared without a factory password.

Engine operation with active diagnostic codes

If a fault is indicated during normal engine operation, the system has identified a situation that is not within the specification. Use Perkins electronic service tools to check the active diagnostic codes.

The active diagnostic code should be investigated. The cause of the problem should be corrected as soon as possible. If the cause of the active diagnostic code is repaired, and there was only one active diagnostic code, the warning lamp or similar device will turn off.

Engine operation with intermittent diagnostic codes

If during normal engine operation a fault is indicated by a fault lamp or similar device and the lamp or device then returns to normal, an intermittent fault may have occurred. If a fault has occurred, the fault will be logged in the memory of the Electronic Control Module (ECM).

In most cases, it is not necessary to stop the engine because of an intermittent code. However, the operator should retrieve the codes and refer to the relevant information to identify the nature of the event. The operator should note the circumstances that are involved during the time that the lamp was on:

- Engine load
- Limits of the engine speed
- Excessive smoke, etc.

This information can be useful to help diagnose the situation. The information can also be used for future reference. For more information on diagnostic codes, refer to the Diagnostic Manual for this engine.
Customer specified parameters

Customer specified parameters that will enhance the fuel efficiency and the operator's convenience can be programmed into the Electronic Control Module (ECM). Some parameters may affect engine operation. This may lead to complaints from the operator about power or performance. The engine related parameters which follow may be programmed by the customer, by use of the Perkins electronic service tool, to influence the operation of the engine:

- Engine ratings selection, the ability to choose between the relevant torque maps (prime/stand-by, 50/60 Hz) (where a switchable flash file has been specified)
- Governor gain tuning parameters
- Analogue throttle enable
- Equipment identification
- Droop set point
- Engine acceleration rate
- Enable speed selection by the use of an external switch
- Enable droop/isochronous selection by the use of an external switch
Preventive maintenance

Preventive maintenance periods

These preventive maintenance periods apply to average conditions of operation. Check the periods given by the manufacturer of the equipment in which the engine is installed. Use the periods which are shortest. When the operation of the engine must conform to the local regulations these periods and procedures may need to be adapted to ensure correct operation of the engine.

It is good preventive maintenance to check for leakage and loose fasteners at each service.

These maintenance periods apply only to engines that are operated with fuel and lubricating oil which conform to the specifications given in this handbook.
The maintenance operations must be applied at the interval (hours or months) which occurs first.

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- **A** Daily
  - Check the coolant level
  - Check the air cleaner service indicator
  - Check the lubricating oil level
  - Drain water/sediment from the primary fuel filter
  - Visual inspection of the engine systems
  - Drain water/sediment from the fuel tank
  - Check battery electrolyte level
  - Perform a diagnostics check
  - Renew the element in the primary fuel filter
  - Renew the element in the secondary fuel filter
  - Renew the engine lubricating oil \(^{(1)}\) \(^{(2)}\)
  - Renew the element in the lubricating oil filter
  - Inspect/adjust/renew the alternator and fan drive belts
  - Inspect the crankshaft vibration damper
  - Inspect/clean/tighten the earth stud
  - Inspect/renew the coolant hoses, air hoses and hose clips
  - Inspect and, if necessary, clean the exterior of the radiator/charge cooler
  - Inspect the engine mountings
  - Check/adjust the tappet clearances and the electronic unit injectors \(^{(3)}\)
  - Check the engine protection devices \(^{(3)}\)
  - Renew the thermostats in the coolant system
  - Check/clean the engine speed/timing sensors
  - Inspect the turbochargers \(^{(3)}\)
  - Drain and flush the coolant system and renew the coolant mixture
  - Inspect the battery charging alternator \(^{(3)}\)
  - Inspect the starter motor \(^{(3)}\)
  - Inspect the coolant pump

\(^{(1)}\) Oil sample analysis may be used to monitor the condition of the lubricating oil, but the lubricating oil must be replaced at 500 hours/12 months.

\(^{(2)}\) If fuel with a high sulphur content is used, the lubricating oil may have to be replaced at more frequent intervals. Contact the Applications Department (Stafford) at Perkins Engines Company Limited.

\(^{(3)}\) This procedure must be done by a person who has had the correct training.
How to check the coolant level

Check the coolant level when the engine is stopped and cool.

**Warning!** On a hot engine release the filler cap carefully as the system will be under pressure.

1. Remove the filler cap from the expansion tank slowly to relieve the pressure.
2. Maintain the coolant level at the bottom of the filler pipe.
3. Clean the filler cap and check the condition of the filler cap gaskets. Renew the filler cap if the gaskets are damaged. Fit the filler cap.
4. Inspect the coolant system for leaks.

How to check the air cleaner service indicator

**Caution:** Do not operate the engine if there is a blockage in the air filter or the air ducts. This can cause lubricating oil to enter the cylinders through the engine breather pipe.

The air filter is fitted with a restriction indicator (A) which gives a visual warning when the filter needs a service. When the red warning indicator is seen through the clear panel after the engine has stopped, the air filter element must be renewed.

After a clean element has been fitted, press the reset button on the restriction indicator.

Environmental conditions have an important effect on the frequency at which the air filter needs to be serviced.
How to check the lubricating oil level

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

At the periods given in the service schedule use the dipstick to check the amount of lubricating oil in the sump.

1. Check the oil level with the engine stopped. The level must be maintained between the “L” mark and “H” mark on the dipstick.
2. If necessary, remove the oil filler cap and add lubricating oil of the same grade and specification, see "Lubricating oil specification" on page 52. Do not overfill.
3. Clean and fit the oil filler cap.

How to drain the primary fuel filter

At the periods given in the service schedule, the bowl of the primary fuel filter must be drained to remove water.

1. Stop the engine.
2. Open the drain; the drain is self-ventilated. Use a suitable container to collect the water drained from the filter housing. Dispose of the water safely.
3. Close the drain. Tighten the drain valve securely to prevent air from entering the fuel system.
Visual inspection

A visual inspection should take only a few minutes and can prevent costly repairs and accidents.

- For maximum engine life, inspect the engine compartment before the engine is started. Look for items such as oil or coolant leaks, loose fastenings, worn belts or loose connections. Repair as necessary.
- The guards must be at the correct positions. Repair damaged guards or renew missing guards.
- Wipe all caps and plugs before the engine is serviced to reduce the chance of system contamination.
- For any type of leak (coolant, lubricating oil or fuel), clean away the fluid. If a leak is observed, find the source and correct the leak. If a leak is suspected, check the fluid levels frequently until the leak is found and repaired.
- Accumulated grease and/or oil on an engine is a fire hazard. Remove it by steam cleaning or by the use of a high pressure water jet. Avoid high pressure water on the electronic components.
- Ensure that the coolant pipes are fitted correctly and that they are secure. Check for leaks. Check the condition of all pipes.
- Inspect the coolant pump for leaks.

**Note:** The coolant pump seal is lubricated by the coolant in the coolant system. It is normal for a small amount of leakage to occur as the engine cools and the parts contract.

- Excessive coolant leakage may indicate the need to renew the coolant pump seal. For the removal of the coolant pump and the installation of the coolant pump and/or coolant pump seals, refer to the Workshop Manual.
- Inspect the lubrication system for leaks at the front crankshaft seal, the rear crankshaft seal, the sump, the oil filter and the rocker cover. If many oil leaks are present, particularly on an old engine, there could be a blockage of the engine breather.
- Inspect the fuel system for leaks. Check for loose fuel line clamps or for loose ties on the fuel lines.
- Inspect the ducts for the air inlet system and the elbows for cracks. Check also for loose clamps and check the condition of mounting rubbers. Ensure that hoses and tubes are not in contact with other hoses, tubes, wiring harnesses, etc.
- Inspect the fan belts and the alternator belt for cracks, breaks or other damage. Where more than one belt is used between two pulleys, all of the belts must be renewed together. Maximum belt life will only be obtained if the belts are maintained at the correct tension.
- Drain the water and sediment from fuel tanks on a daily basis to ensure that only clean fuel enters the fuel system.
- Inspect the wiring and the wiring harnesses for loose connections and for worn or frayed wires.
- Inspect the earth strap for a good connection and for good condition.
- Inspect the ECM-to-cylinder head earth strap for a good connection and for good condition.
- Disconnect any battery chargers which are not protected against the current drain of the starter motor. Check the condition and the electrolyte level of the batteries, unless the engine is fitted with a maintenance free battery.
- Check the condition of the gauges. Renew any gauges that are cracked. Renew any gauge that cannot be calibrated.
Diagnostics check

At the periods specified in the service schedule, use the Perkins Electronic Service Tool to retrieve the diagnostic codes. A key to the codes is given below. Refer to the relevant Diagnostic Manual for further details.

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How to renew the element of the primary fuel filter

Cautions:
- Do not allow dirt to enter the fuel system. Clean thoroughly the area around a fuel system component that will be disconnected. Fit a suitable cover to any disconnected component of the fuel system.
- Do not loosen fuel pipes or fittings except where indicated in this user’s handbook.

1 Stop the engine. Turn the start switch to the “OFF” position. Disconnect the battery.

Warning! Discard the water and fuel mixture in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

2 Close the fuel tank supply valve. Remove the drain plug from the base of the filter housing (A2) and drain the water and fuel into a suitable container. Dispose of the mixture safely.

Warning! Discard the used filter element and ‘O’ ring seal in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

3 Remove the filter housing, remove the ‘O’ ring seal from the housing and withdraw the filter element (A1).

4 Clean the inside of the housing and the housing thread with clean fuel oil and clean the contact face of the filter head. Clean the drain plug and fit it to the housing.

Notes:
- If a degreasing agent has been used to clean the housing, a suitable anti-seize lubricant must be applied to the threads before the housing is fitted.
- The correct filter element will be marked with the symbol shown (B).

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5 Fit a new element (A1) into the housing (A2). Ensure that the element engages fully with the guide in the base of the housing. Fit a new ‘O’ ring seal to the top of the housing.

Cautions:
- It is important that only genuine Perkins parts are used. The use of non Perkins parts could damage the fuel injection equipment.
- Do not fill the primary fuel filter with fuel before installation. The fuel would not be filtered and could be contaminated. Contaminated fuel will cause accelerated wear to components of the fuel system.

6 Fit the housing onto the filter head. Tighten the housing to a torque of 80 Nm (59 lbf ft) 8.16 kgf m. Do not overtighten. Ensure that the drain plug is tightened securely.

7 Clean away any fuel which has been spilled.

8 Open the fuel tank supply valve and eliminate air from the fuel system, see "How to eliminate air from the fuel system" on page 49.

9 Check for leaks.
How to renew the element of the secondary fuel filter

Cautions:
- Do not allow dirt to enter the fuel system. Clean thoroughly the area around a fuel system component that will be disconnected. Fit a suitable cover to any disconnected component of the fuel system.
- Do not loosen fuel pipes or fittings except where indicated in this user’s handbook.

1 Stop the engine.

Warning! Discard the water and fuel mixture in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

2 Turn the start switch to the “OFF” position. Disconnect the battery.

3 Close the fuel tank supply valve. Remove the drain plug from the base of the filter housing (A2) and drain the fuel into a suitable container.

Warning! Discard the used filter element and ‘O’ ring seal in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

4 Remove the filter housing, remove the ‘O’ ring seal from the housing and withdraw the filter element (A1).

5 Clean the inside of the housing and the housing thread with clean fuel oil and clean the contact face of the filter head. Clean the drain plug and fit it to the housing.

Notes:
- If a degreasing agent has been used to clean the housing, a suitable anti-seize lubricant must be applied to the threads before the housing is fitted.
- The correct filter element will be marked with the symbol shown (B).
6 Fit a new element (A1) into the housing (A2). Ensure that the element engages fully with the guide in the base of the housing. Fit a new ‘O’ ring seal to the top of the housing.

_Cautions:_
- It is important that only genuine parts are used. The use of non Perkins parts could damage the fuel injection equipment.
- Do not fill the secondary fuel filter with fuel before installation. The fuel would not be filtered and could be contaminated. Contaminated fuel will cause accelerated wear to components of the fuel system.

7 Fit the housing onto the filter head. Tighten the housing to a torque of 80 Nm (59 lbf ft) 8.16 kgf m. Do not overtighten. Ensure that the drain plug is tightened securely.

8 Clean away any fuel which has been spilled.

9 Open the fuel tank supply valve and eliminate air from the fuel system, see "How to eliminate air from the fuel system" on page 49.

10 Check for leaks.
How to obtain an oil sample

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

This operation must only be performed by personnel with the correct training. To avoid contamination of the oil sample, ensure that the tools and equipment used are clean.

An oil sample kit (part number KRP1572), which includes the relevant sample bottles, is available from Perkins dealers. Certain engines are fitted with an oil sample valve (A1), use the relevant procedure given below.

**Engines fitted with an oil sample valve**

1. Fit the vented cap to the sample bottle and insert the open end of the tube into one of the holes in the cap.
   **Warning!** Hot oil under pressure is present at the oil sample valve. Protective clothing must be worn during this operation. Do not allow hot oil or hot components to contact the skin.

2. With the engine running at the normal temperature of operation, remove the dust cap from the sample valve (A1) on the engine and insert the nozzle of the tube into the sample valve. Press the nozzle against the valve, the valve will open and allow the oil to flow. Ensure that the sample bottle remains upright and withdraw the nozzle when the correct amount of oil is obtained; a mark on the bottle indicates the correct level for the oil sample.

3. Fit the dust cap to the sample valve (A1).

4. Remove the vented cap from the sample bottle and fit the sealed cap. Dispose of the tube, nozzle and vented cap in accordance with local regulations.

5. Complete the adhesive label and attach it to the sample bottle. Send the oil sample to a reputable oil analysis laboratory to provide a recommendations report.

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Engines without an oil sample valve

1. Run the engine until the normal temperature of operation is achieved, stop the engine and proceed with the operation immediately.
2. Use a vacuum pump and a long flexible tube: remove the engine oil dipstick, insert the flexible tube into the dipstick tube and withdraw the oil sample. Fit the dipstick to the dipstick tube.
3. Complete an adhesive label and attach it to the sample bottle. Send the oil sample to a reputable oil analysis laboratory to provide a recommendations report.
4. Ensure that all equipment used is cleaned or, if relevant, disposed of in accordance with local regulations.
How to renew the engine lubricating oil

**Warnings!**
- Hot oil and hot components can cause personal injury. Do not allow hot oil or hot components to contact the skin.
- Discard the used filter element and used engine oil in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

1. Operate the engine until it is warm, then stop the engine.
2. Remove the sump drain plug (A1) and drain the lubricating oil into a suitable container. Clean the drain plug and fit a new sealing washer. Fit the drain plug and tighten it to a torque of 45 Nm (33 lbf ft) 4.6 kgf m.
3. Renew the element of the lubricating oil filter as given in "How to renew the element of the lubricating oil filter" on page 30.
Clean the area around the oil filler cap (B1) and remove the cap. Fill the sump to the “H” mark on the dipstick (B2) with clean new lubricating oil of the correct grade as given in “Lubricating oil specification” on page 52. Do NOT overfill.

To prevent damage to the crankshaft bearings, operate the engine with the fuel OFF. This will fill the oil filter before the engine is started. Do not operate the engine continuously for more than 30 seconds. Ensure that oil pressure is indicated on the oil pressure gauge, or the service tool, before the engine is started.

Operate the engine at low idle speed for two minutes and check for leakage from the oil filter assembly.

Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain back to the sump for a minimum of ten minutes. Check the oil level on the dipstick and, if necessary, add oil. The oil level must be between the “L” and “H” marks on the dipstick.
How to renew the element of the lubricating oil filter

1. Stop the engine.
2. Turn the start switch to the “OFF” position. Disconnect the battery.
3. Remove the drain plug (A2) from the base of the oil filter housing (A1) and drain the oil into a suitable container.

Warning! Discard the used filter element, ‘O’ ring seal and used engine oil in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

4. Remove the filter housing, remove the ‘O’ ring seal from the housing and withdraw the filter element.
5. Clean the housing and clean the contact face of the filter head. Clean the drain plug (A2) and fit it to the housing.

Note: If a degreasing agent has been used to clean the housing, a suitable anti-seize lubricant must be applied to the threads before the housing is fitted.

Caution: It is important that only genuine Perkins parts are used. The use of non Perkins parts could damage the engine. The correct filter element will be marked with the symbol shown (B).

6. Fit a new element into the housing, ensure that it engages fully with the guide in the base of the housing. Fit a new ‘O’ ring seal around the top of the housing.

7. Fit the housing onto the filter head and tighten by use of a socket and torque wrench on the hexagon (A1). Tighten the housing to a torque of 80 Nm (59 lbf ft) 8.15 kgf m. Do not overtighten. Ensure that the drain plug is tightened securely.

8. Check the amount of engine oil in the sump. If necessary, add oil of the correct grade and specification. Refer to “Lubricating oil specification” on page 52.

9. Run the engine and check for leaks.
How to renew the air cleaner element

The air filter contains a paper element. This must not be washed. Renew the paper element as follows:

1. Loosen the clamp and remove the end cover (A1). Withdraw and discard the filter element (A2).
2. Clean, thoroughly, the inside of the casing (A3). Fit a new filter element and fit the end cover.
3. Reset the restriction indicator.
How to check the fan drive belts

Check all drive belts and renew a belt if it is worn or damaged. Where more than one belt is used between two pulleys, all of the belts must be renewed together. Maximum belt life will be obtained only if the belts are kept at the correct tensions. Where more than one belt is used, check/adjust the tension on the tightest belt.

How to adjust the tension of the fan belts

Remove the fan guards and proceed as follows.

Use a Borroughs belt tension gauge to check the tension at position (A1). It should be 714 N (160 lbf) 70.81 kgf. To adjust the tension, proceed as follows:

1. Loosen the large lock nut on the belt tensioner and turn the adjustment setscrew (A2) until the correct tension is obtained. Fully tighten the large lock nut to 280 Nm (207 lbf ft) 28.5 kgf m and check the tension of the belts again. If the tension is correct, loosen the adjustment setscrew (A2) just enough to release the tension.

2. Fit the fan guards and run the engine for 15 minutes. With the engine stopped, remove the guards and check again the tension.

3. When the correct tension is obtained, fit the fan guards.
How to adjust the tension of the alternator belt

Remove the access panel in the fan guard and proceed as follows.

Use a Borroughs belt tension gauge to check the tension at (A5). It should be 625 N (461 lbf ft) 63,73 kgf. To adjust the tension, proceed as follows:

1. Loosen the alternator pivot bolt (A3), the adjustment link setscrew which is behind the fan pulley and the adjustment setscrew (A4). Move the alternator to obtain the correct belt tension and tighten the bolt/setscrews to 70 Nm (51.63 lbf ft) 7,14 kgf m.

2. Fit the access panel to the fan guard and run the engine for 15 minutes. Remove the access panel and check again the tension.

3. When the correct tension is obtained, fit the access panel to the fan guard.
How to renew the fan drive belts

1. Remove the fan guards.
2. Remove the six setscrews which secure the fan and hub assembly to the pulley and remove the assembly.
   
   **Caution:** Take care during the removal of the fan; ensure that the radiator does not become damaged.

3. Loosen the belt tensioner and remove the old belts. Ensure that the grooves of the pulley are free from grease and dirt and fit a new set of belts.
4. Fit the fan and tighten the setscrews securely to 46 Nm (33.93 lbf ft) 4,69 kgf m. Adjust the fan belts to the correct tension, see “How to adjust the tension of the fan belts” on page 32, and fit the fan guards.

How to renew the alternator belt

1. Remove the fan guards.
2. Remove the six setscrews which secure the fan and hub assembly to the pulley and remove the assembly.
   
   **Caution:** Take care during the removal of the fan; ensure that the radiator does not become damaged.

3. Loosen the adjustment bolt setscrews to release the tension on the alternator belt and remove the old belt. Check that the pulley grooves are clean and fit a new belt.
4. Fit the fan and tighten the setscrews securely to 46 Nm (33.93 lbf ft) 4,69 kgf m. Adjust the alternator belt to the correct tension, see “How to adjust the tension of the alternator belt” on page 33, and fit the fan guards.

How to inspect the crankshaft vibration damper

The viscous damper has a weight that is located inside a case filled with fluid. The weight moves in the case to limit torsional vibration. Inspect the damper for evidence of dents, cracks or leaks of the fluid.

Renew the damper if it is dented, cracked or leaking.

The damper is mounted on the crankshaft and is located behind the belt guard at the front of the engine. Refer to the Workshop Manual for the correct procedure to remove and to fit the damper.
Earth stud

Inspect the wiring harness for good connections and inspect the condition of the harness. Check the tightness of the earth stud (A1) at the periods specified in the service schedule. The earth stud is fitted below the ECM at the left side of the crankcase. The earth strap is fitted between the earth stud and a terminal on the starter motor (A2). For engines which have the starter motor fitted to the right side, or engines not fitted with an electric starter motor, the earth strap is fitted between the earth stud and the negative terminal of the starter battery.

1. Disconnect the batteries.
2. Remove the nut which retains the earth strap on the earth stud (A1) and remove the earth strap and washer.
3. Use a suitable socket to check that the earth stud is torque tightened to 47 Nm (35 lbf ft) 4.8 kgf m.

Notes:
- If the earth stud is removed, the short end must be fitted into the crankcase.
- If the earth strap is disconnected from the starter motor, it must be connected again and the nut which retains it must be tightened to a torque of 30.5 ± 3.5 Nm (22.5 ± 2.5 lbf ft) 3.1 ± 0.3 kgf m.
4. Clean the earth stud and the earth strap with a clean cloth. If the connections are corroded, clean them with a solution of sodium bicarbonate and water.
5. Fit the washer and the earth strap. Fit the retaining nut and tighten to a torque of 47 Nm (35 lbf ft) 4.8 kgf m.
6. Keep the earth stud and the strap clean and coated with petroleum jelly.
7. Connect the batteries.
Hoses and hose clips

Inspect all hoses for leaks which may be caused by:

- Cracks
- Softness
- Loose clips

Renew hoses that are cracked or soft. Tighten any loose clips.

Check for these conditions:

- End fittings that are damaged or leaking
- Outer covering that is chafed or cut
- Exposed wire that is used for reinforcement
- Outer covering that is ballooning locally
- Flexible part of the hose that is kinked or crushed
- Armour that is embedded in the outer covering

To renew a hose

*Warning! Take care during removal of the filler cap as the coolant system may be under pressure.*

1. Stop the engine. Allow the engine to cool.
2. Loosen the filler cap of the coolant system slowly to relieve any pressure. Remove the filler cap.

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

3. Drain the coolant to a level below the hose which is to be renewed.
4. Remove the hose clips and remove the old hose.
5. Fit the new hose.
6. Fill the coolant system to the correct level with the specified coolant mixture.
7. Clean the filler cap and inspect the gaskets. Renew the filler cap if the gaskets are damaged. Fit the filler cap.
8. Start the engine. Inspect the coolant system for leaks.
How to clean the radiator

Inspect the radiator for damaged fins, corrosion, dirt, grease, insects, leaves, oil, and other debris. Clean the exterior of the radiator, if necessary.

**Warnings!**
- *During the use of high 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.*

Use a high pressure air jet to remove loose debris. Direct the air in the opposite direction to the fan's air flow. Hold the nozzle approximately 6 mm (0.25 in) away from the fins. Move the air nozzle slowly in a direction that is parallel with the tubes to remove debris from between them.

A high pressure water jet may also be used to clean the radiator. The maximum water pressure for cleaning purposes must be less than 275 kPa (40 psi) 2.8 kg/cm². Do not hold the nozzle too close to the radiator as the fins can be damaged. Use pressurized water to soften mud. Clean the core from both sides.

Use a degreaser and steam for the removal of oil and grease. Clean both sides of the core. Wash the core with detergent and hot water. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

After the radiator has been cleaned, start the engine and run it at high idle speed. This will help to dry the core and remove debris. Stop the engine and use a light bulb, held behind the core, to inspect for cleanliness. Clean again, if necessary.

Inspect the fins for damage. Check the condition of the welds, the mounting brackets, the connections and seals. Arrange for repairs as necessary.

How to inspect the engine mountings

Inspect the engine mountings. Check for damage or deterioration and check that the bolts are tightened to the correct torque. Note that engine vibration can be caused by:
- Incorrect mounting of the engine.
- Deterioration of the engine mounts.

If an engine mount shows signs of deterioration, it must be renewed.
How to drain the coolant system

Warnings!
- Do not remove the coolant filler cap while the engine is still hot and the system is under pressure because dangerous hot coolant can be discharged.
- Discard used coolant in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

1. Stop the engine and allow the engine to cool. Loosen slowly the filler cap of the coolant system to relieve any pressure. Remove the filler cap.
2. Open the drain valve of the coolant system (if fitted). If the coolant system is not fitted with a drain valve, disconnect the lowest coolant hose.
3. Allow the coolant to drain.

How to clean the coolant system

Warning! Discard used coolant in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

1. Drain the coolant system, see "How to drain the coolant system" on page 38.
2. Flush the coolant system with clean water.
3. Fill the coolant system, see "How to fill the coolant system" on page 38.

How to fill the coolant system

Cautions:
- To avoid air locks, the coolant system must be filled at a rate not faster than 19 L (4.2 UK gal) per minute.
- If the recommended coolant and procedures are not used, Perkins Engines Company Limited cannot be held responsible for damage caused by frost or corrosion or for loss of cooling efficiency.

1. Fill the coolant system with POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant), see "Coolant" on page 51. Do not fit the filler cap.
2. Start and run the engine at idle for 1 minute to eliminate air from the cavities of the engine block. Stop the engine.
3. Check the coolant level. Maintain the coolant level at the bottom of the filler pipe in the expansion tank.
4. Clean the filler cap of the coolant system. Inspect the gasket on the filler cap. If the gasket is damaged, renew the filler cap. If the gasket is not damaged, use a proprietary pressure test kit to perform a test on the filler cap. The correct pressure for the filler cap is stamped on its face. If the filler cap does not retain the correct pressure, fit a new filler cap.
5. Start the engine. Inspect the coolant system for leaks and for correct temperature of operation.
How to check the tappet clearances

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The tappet clearance is measured between the rocker levers and the top of the valve bridge pieces. The operation must be done with the engine cold and stopped. Refer also to "How to check/adjust the electronic unit injectors" on page 42.

1. Remove the rocker cover.
2. Remove the top bolt (A1) from the cover (A2) on the flywheel housing and slacken the other cover bolt to allow the cover to open. The top bolt (A1) is the timing bolt.
   **Caution:** If a customer-fitted speed sensor is fitted to the flywheel housing, it must be removed before the engine turning tool can be inserted.
3. Remove the plug (A3) from the timing bolt location in the flywheel housing and fit the timing bolt.
   **Note:** There are two locations for the timing bolt, one at each side of the flywheel housing. Use the location which is the most convenient.
4. Insert the engine turning tool, CH11148, into the flywheel housing through the aperture behind the cover (A2). Use a 1/2 inch drive ratchet with the turning tool to rotate the engine flywheel in the normal direction of rotation (anti-clockwise when viewed on the flywheel) until the timing bolt engages with the threaded hole in the flywheel. The piston of number 1 cylinder is now at TDC (top dead centre).
   **Caution:** If the flywheel is turned past the threaded hole, the flywheel must be turned in the opposite direction for approximately 45 degrees and then back in the normal direction of rotation until the timing bolt engages with the threaded hole. This is to eliminate backlash.
Check the inlet and exhaust valves of the number 1 cylinder. If they are fully closed the piston is on its compression stroke and the rocker levers can be moved by hand. If the rocker levers can not be moved because the valves are slightly open, the piston is on its exhaust stroke. If it is on its exhaust stroke, withdraw the timing bolt and turn the flywheel a further 360 degrees in the normal direction of rotation so that the number 1 cylinder is set to TDC on its compression stroke, then insert again the timing bolt.

Before each set of tappet clearances is adjusted, ensure that the roller of the rocker lever is fully against the camshaft lobe.

Use a set of feeler gauges, inserted at the position shown (B3) between the valve bridge piece and the rocker lever button, to check the tappet clearances for the inlet valves (C1) on cylinders 1, 2 and 4. Adjust the clearances if necessary. Check the tappet clearance for the exhaust valves (C2) on cylinders 1, 3 and 5, and adjust the clearances if necessary.

Notes:
- Move each valve bridge piece before the feeler gauge is inserted to reduce the effect of the oil film.
- During the procedure, ensure that the feeler gauge is fully inserted

After each unit has been adjusted, tighten the lock nut (B2) of the adjustment screw (B1) to a torque of 30 ± 4 Nm (22 ± 3 lbf ft) 3 ± 0,4 kgf m.

Withdraw the timing bolt and rotate the flywheel by 360 degrees so that the number 6 piston is at TDC on its compression stroke. Insert again the timing bolt into the threaded hole.
10 Check the tappet clearances for the inlet valves (C1) on cylinders 3, 5 and 6. Adjust the clearances if necessary. Check the tappet clearances for the exhaust valves (C2) on cylinders 2, 4 and 6, and adjust the clearances if necessary.

11 After each unit has been adjusted, tighten the lock nut of the adjustment screw to a torque of $30 \pm 4$ Nm $(22 \pm 3$ lbf ft) $3 \pm 0.4$ kgf m.

12 Check again the tappet clearances for all six cylinders.

13 Fit the rocker cover. Remove the engine turning tool and the timing bolt and fit the cover to the flywheel housing.

14 Fit the plug to the timing bolt location.
How to check/adjust the electronic unit injectors

This operation should be performed at the same time as the operation to check the valve tappet clearances. **Warning! The electrical circuit for the fuel injector units operates on 110 volts. Do NOT work on the fuel injector units unless the power supply to the ECM has been disconnected.**

1. With the rocker covers removed, set the number 1 piston to TDC (top dead centre) on its compression stroke. Check/adjust the height dimensions for the fuel injectors of cylinders 3, 5 and 6.

2. Use the fuel injector setting gauge, CH11149, to obtain the correct height for the fuel injector. The dimension to be measured is from the top of the unit injector (A1) to the machined ledge on the fuel injector body (A2). This dimension should be 78.0 ± 0.2 mm (3.07 ± 0.01 in). Slacken the lock nut and use the adjustment screw of the rocker lever to obtain the correct dimension. Tighten the lock nut to a torque of 55 ± 10 Nm (41 ± 7 lbf ft) 5.6 ± 1 kgf m.

3. Remove the timing bolt from the flywheel housing and rotate the flywheel by 360 degrees in the normal direction of engine rotation until the timing bolt can be inserted into the threaded hole. This will put the number 1 piston at TDC in its exhaust stroke.

4. Check/adjust the height dimensions for the fuel injectors of cylinders 1, 2 and 4 as given in step 2.

5. When all adjustments have been made, remove the timing bolt, fit the cover to the flywheel housing, fit the plug to the timing bolt position and fit the rocker covers.

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Engine protection devices

The engine is fitted with an electronic management unit which monitors all critical engine temperatures and pressures and will stop the engine if a critical fault occurs.

If any of the sensors fail, the diagnostics indicator will be activated and your Perkins dealer should be contacted so that the fault can be identified by use of the Perkins Electronic Service Tool (EST).

Visual inspection

Check visually the condition of all gauges, sensors and wiring. Look for wiring and components that are loose, broken, or damaged. Damaged wiring or components should be repaired or renewed immediately.
How to renew the thermostats of the coolant system

Renew the coolant thermostats at the periods given in the service schedule. This is recommended preventive maintenance practice.

**Warnings!**
- Do not remove the coolant filler cap while the engine is still hot and the system is under pressure because dangerous hot coolant can be discharged.
- Discard used coolant in a safe place and in accordance with local regulations.

**Cautions:**
- Failure to replace the thermostats at the periods given in the service schedule could cause severe engine damage.
- The engine must be operated with the thermostats installed. If a thermostat is fitted incorrectly the engine may overheat.

1. Drain the coolant until the level is below the thermostat housing (A1). **Caution:** Certain sensors fitted to the engine have a short lead which is part of the sensor unit. For this type of sensor ensure that the wiring harness is disconnected from the end of the lead. Do not attempt to remove the lead from the sensor unit.
2. Disconnect the cable (A3) from the coolant temperature sensor.
3. Release the hose clips (A2) and disconnect the pipe and hose clip from the top of the unit.
4. Slacken the five setscrews of the thermostat housing; then remove fully the three setscrews (A4) which retain the thermostat housing on the cylinder head.
5. Lift carefully the assembly to separate it from the coolant bobbin (A5) at its base.
6 Remove the two short setscrews which remain, separate the two halves of the assembly and remove the thermostats.

7 Clean thoroughly both parts of the assembly and check the condition of the lip-type seals. Renew the seals if they are worn or damaged.

8 Fit the new thermostats. Ensure that the new thermostats are fitted correctly. Fit a new ‘O’ ring type seal to the groove in the thermostat housing (B1), assemble the two halves of the unit and retain with the two short setscrews.

9 Ensure that the mating face on the cylinder head is clean.

10 Fit new seals to the coolant bobbin (B5) which fits into the base of the unit and lubricate the seals with a small amount of rubber lubricant.

11 Fit a new ‘O’ ring type seal to the groove in the mating face of the housing and fit the assembly over the coolant bobbin.

12 Fit the three setscrews (B4) which retain the thermostat housing on the cylinder head.

13 Gradually and evenly tighten the five setscrews to a torque of 38 Nm (28.0 lbf ft) 3.8 kgf m.

14 Connect the hose to the top of the housing and tighten the hose clip (B2).

15 Connect the cable (B3) to the coolant temperature sensor.

16 Fill the coolant system, see "How to fill the coolant system" on page 38.
How to clean and to calibrate the engine speed/timing sensors

1. Disconnect the wiring harness from the sensor and remove the two speed-timing sensors from the left side of the engine at the back of the gear case.
2. Check the condition of the plastic end of the sensors for wear and/or contaminants.
3. Clean the metal shavings and other debris from the face of the sensors.
4. Fit the sensors to the correct locations and connect the wiring harness.

**Note:** If a new ECM unit has been fitted, or the engine gear train has been renewed or dismantled and assembled, the engine speed/timing sensors must be calibrated. Refer to engine timing calibration in the Diagnostic Manual.
How to inspect the turbochargers

At the periods given in the service schedule, with the engine switched off and cool, disconnect and remove the pipes from between the air filter and the turbochargers. Turn, rapidly, the rotor assembly of each turbocharger, check for freedom of movement and for sounds of interference. If necessary, contact your Perkins dealer/distributor.

**Caution:** Failure of the turbocharger bearings can cause large amounts of oil to enter the air inlet and exhaust systems. Loss of engine lubricant can cause serious engine damage.

Minor leakage of a turbocharger housing under extended low load operation should not cause problems unless turbocharger bearing failure has occurred.

**Caution:** When a turbocharger bearing failure is accompanied by a significant loss in engine performance (exhaust smoke or engine speed up at no load), do not continue to operate the engine until the turbocharger has been repaired or renewed.

Deposits must not be removed from the turbine wheels nor the compressor wheels or the balance of the assembly will be adversely affected.

Check the oil supply and drain pipes for oil leaks.

Check for air leakage when the engine is run.

**To remove and to fit a turbocharger**

Refer the Workshop Manual for details of how to remove and to fit the turbocharger.

How to inspect the battery charging alternator

Inspect the battery charging alternator, for loose connections. Inspect the ammeter (if fitted) during engine operation to ensure correct battery performance and/or correct performance of the electrical system. Clean the outside of the alternator and ensure that the ventilation holes are clear.

The alternator must be checked and corrected, if necessary, by a person who has had the correct training, at the periods given in the service schedule.
How to inspect the starter motor

Check the electrical connections of the starter motor assembly and clean them. Check the starter motor for correct operation.

The starter motor must be checked and corrected, if necessary, by a person who has had the correct training, at the periods given in the service schedule.

How to inspect the coolant pump

Inspect the coolant pump for leaks. If leakage is observed, renew the coolant pump seal or the coolant pump assembly. Refer to the Workshop Manual for the dismantle and assembly procedures.

Refer to the Workshop Manual or consult your Perkins dealer/distributor if any repair or replacement is needed.

Notes:

- A small amount of leakage of coolant across the surface of the face seal in the water pump is normal. Its purpose is to provide lubrication for the seal.
- There is a hole in the water pump body to allow coolant to drain. Small amounts of coolant might be seen to leak intermittently from the drain hole during the engine operation cycle.
- Signs of a small leakage through the drain hole are not an indication that the pump is faulty. Coolant stains or intermittent drops of coolant from the hole, indicate normal operation of the pump.
How to eliminate air from the fuel system

This procedure is used normally when the engine runs out of fuel.

1 Loosen the union of the fuel return pipe (A1). Unlock and operate the hand priming pump (A2) until fuel, free from air, flows from the union; this procedure will require many strokes of the pump. Use a cloth or a container to collect the excess fuel.

2 Tighten the union (A1). Operate the hand priming pump until a strong pressure is felt on the pump. Push the priming pump plunger inward. Tighten the plunger by hand and continue immediately with the next stage.

3 Start the engine.

Caution: Do not operate the engine continuously for more than 30 seconds. Allow the starter motor to cool for two minutes before the engine is operated again.

4 If the engine will not start, allow the starter motor to cool for 2 minutes. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to start the engine. Continue to eliminate air from the fuel system if:

- The engine starts, but runs unevenly.
- The engine starts, but continues to misfire or smoke.

5 Run the engine with no load until it runs smoothly.
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Engine fluids

Fuel specification

Diesel fuel must conform to one of these specifications:
ASTM D975 No 1-D or No 2-D
BS 2869: Part 2 1998 Class A2
BS EN 590 1997

General fuel requirements are: Maximum sulphur content 0.2%; minimum Cetane number 45.

Fuel cleanliness

The modern, high pressure fuel injection system used on the 2800 Series engine requires a high level of fuel cleanliness to ensure correct operation and reliability.

The fuel must conform to all aspects of the ASTM D975 specification, but in particular to the requirement for number 2-D to have less than 0.05% water and sediment. The fuel should also be free from biological growth. If biological growth is suspected, contact Perkins to discuss a suitable measurement and course of action. For long term storage of fuel, the recommendations given in ASTM D975 must be followed where appropriate.

The use of fuels which do not conform to the above standards can cause: difficulty with starting, poor combustion, deposits in the fuel injectors or combustion chamber, reduced service life of the fuel system and filters, reduced engine life and could affect the warranty. Further details can be obtained from the Perkins Help Desk.

Coolant

The coolant approved and recommended for use in 2800 Series is POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant). This coolant is pre-mixed and is available in 25 litre (5.5 UK gallon) containers part number 21820181.

There are many benefits for the use of POWERPART ELC coolant.

POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant) uses virtually non-depleting corrosion inhibitors for maximum protection for the six basic metal alloys: aluminium, brass, cast iron, copper, solder and steel.

- It has a service life of 3000 service hours or 3 years which ever is sooner.
- Pre-mixed to the correct strength for optimum protection.
- Provides protection to a freezing point of -37 °C (-34 °F).
- Provides additional protection against boiling to 106 °C (223 °F).

Caution: If the recommended coolant and procedures are not used, Perkins Engines Company Limited cannot be held responsible for damage caused by frost or corrosion, or for loss of cooling efficiency.

Notes:

- POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant) must not be mixed with other products or further diluted.
- If frost protection is not necessary, it is still recommended to use the pre-mixed POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant) because this gives a protection against corrosion and cavitation erosion.
- Before changing to POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant) it is important that the cooling system is drained and cleaned. For draining and cleaning the cooling system refer to the relevant User’s Handbook for the engine.

If required a safety data sheet is available on POWERPART ELC (Extended Life Coolant), please contact Perkins Help Desk: Fax + 44 (0) 161 776 5100 or Email: specs_help@perkins.com.
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2800 Series

Water quality

Soft water means de-ionised water, distilled water, rain water or water from a mains supply which has the following requirements:

Chlorides - 40 mg/l max, sulphates - 100 mg/l max, total hardness 170 mg/l max, total solids 340 mg/l max and pH of 5.5 to 9.0.

If in doubt consult the local water treatment and supply company.

If soft water is not used, the coolant system may be affected by the formation of hard deposits which can cause the engine to overheat. This is especially important for engines which have coolant added frequently.

The use of products which are not approved for the coolant system may cause serious problems. Coolant mixtures with insufficient corrosion inhibitor can cause erosion and/or corrosion of coolant system components.

Lubricating oil specification

The lubricating oil used in the 2806 engine must be a 15W40 oil which conforms to the API CG-4 specification as a minimum. Oil produced to the higher specification, API CH-4, has greater soot handling capability and wear resistance leading to longer engine life.

The recommendation is that API CH-4 is the preferred oil but API CG-4 is an acceptable alternative.

Oil change period is 500 hours where fuel sulphur is less than 0.2%. Use of fuels having a higher sulphur level than this will reduce the oil life, which will have to be determined by oil analysis conducted by the customer and a reputable analysis service.

Warranty

The engine must be operated with the approved fuel, lubricant and coolant, and maintained in accordance with the service schedule or the warranty can become invalid.
## Fault diagnosis

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List of possible causes

1. Battery capacity low.
2. Bad electrical connections.
3. Fault in starter motor.
4. Wrong grade of lubricating oil.
5. Starter motor turns engine too slowly.
6. Fuel tank empty.
7. Fault in stop control.
8. Restriction in a fuel pipe.
10. Dirty fuel filter element.
11. Restriction in air induction system.
12. Air in fuel system.
13. Fault in fuel injectors or fuel injectors of an incorrect type.
14. Cold start system used incorrectly.
15. Fault in cold start system.
16. Restriction in fuel tank vent.
17. Wrong type or grade of fuel used.
18. Restricted movement of engine speed control (not applicable to 2800 series engines).
19. Restriction in exhaust pipe.
20. Engine temperature is too high.
21. Engine temperature is too low.
22. Incorrect valve tip clearances.
23. Too much oil or oil of the wrong type is used in wet type air cleaner, if one is fitted.
24. Not enough lubricating oil in sump.
25. Defective gauge.
27. Fan damaged.
28. Fault in engine mounting or flywheel housing.
29. Too much lubricating oil in sump.
30. Restriction in air or water passages of radiator.
31. Restriction in breather pipe.
32. Insufficient coolant in system.
33. Vacuum pipe leak or fault in exhauster (not applicable to 2800 series engines).
34. Fault in fuel injection pump.
35. Broken drive on fuel injection pump.
37. Valve timing is incorrect.
38. Bad compression.
40. Valves are not free.
41. Wrong high-pressure pipes (not applicable to 2800 series engines).
42. Worn cylinder bores.
43. Leakage between valves and seats.

Continued
Piston rings are not free or they are worn or broken.  
Valve stems and/or guides are worn.  
Crankshaft bearings are worn or damaged.  
Lubricating oil pump is worn.  
Relief valve does not close.  
Relief valve does not open.  
Relief valve spring is broken.  
Fault in suction pipe of lubricating oil pump.  
Piston is damaged.  
Piston height is incorrect.  
Flywheel housing or flywheel is not aligned correctly.  
Fault in thermostat or thermostat is of an incorrect type.  
Restriction in coolant passages.  
Fault in water pump.  
Valve stem seal is damaged.  
Restriction in sump strainer.  
Valve spring is broken.  
Turbocharger impeller is damaged or dirty.  
Lubricating oil seal of turbocharger leaks.  
Induction system leaks.  
Turbocharger impeller is damaged or dirty.  
Drive belt for water pump is loose.  
Induction system leaks (turbocharged engines).  
Faulty engine management system