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**TS-0054                      Gasoline Cans and Other Flammable Liquids**

*These instructions are to be used as a guide to help you maintain your home or office in a safe and efficient manner. They do not replace the requirements of the manufacturer. You should ALWAYS review your owner’s manual for additional preventive maintenance requirements.*

This inspection is designed to increase your personal safety and to maximize the use of gasoline.

1. All flammable liquids should be stored in a flammable storage locker whenever possible. However, not everyone has room for, or can afford a flammable storage locker. Below are some storage methods that should be used if you do not own and use a flammable storage locker.

A. Never store gasoline indoors.

B. Always keep lids tightly secured on flammable liquids.

C. Only fill gasoline cans up to their fill level (usually indicated on the can). Gasoline and other flammable liquids expand when they get warm so a full-to-the-top can stored in the garage can actually leak gas onto your garage floor causing an extreme fire hazard.

D. Never store gasoline near an open flame. Some gas water heaters are installed in garages. If you have a gas water heater, your gas cans should be stored as far from the water heater as possible.

E. Every three months, use the gasoline you have stored for emergency use or for use in gasoline power tools, by putting it in a vehicle (NEVER PUT GAS MIXED WITH OIL IN YOUR VEHICLE). Then go purchase more gas for storage and home use. Gas goes bad over a period of time and it is always a good idea to have fresh gas on hand for emergencies.

F. Only keep a 3 month supply of 2 stroke gas mixtures. This way, you will use your supply before it goes bad. Once you run out, mix another 3 month batch. Remember, you may not need 2 stroke gas mixture over the winter months so plan accordingly. You can purchase additives that will help keep gasoline fresh longer so if you cannot use the gasoline, we recommend you check with your local small engine shop or gas station for a recommended additive and mixture rate.

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F. Always keep your gasoline stored in the same place and together (gas, with the 2 stroke gas/oil mixture, cooking fuels such as those used in camp stoves and lanterns, etc.). Know where this storage place is and be prepared to tell firefighters and other first responders where you store your gasoline. This way they can be prepared when responding to an emergency.

G. Never smoke around your stored gas or any flammable gas.

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