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Emergency Generator (Portable)

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 confirm proper operation and is intended for portable gasoline powered emergency generators.

1. Inspect the oil level if your portable generator is a 4 stroke engine.
2. Inspect gas lines and carburetor pump bulb for signs of cracks and replace them as required. This is one of the most common problems with gasoline tools that set idol for extended periods of time.
3. Start emergency generator and run it for at least 1 minute. If emergency generator does not start, make the necessary repairs or take it to a professional for service.

Note: Emergency generators may sit idol for extended periods of time before they are needed so it is important to run them periodically so you know they are in running order.

Recommendations:

Gasoline can become old and cause damage to your engine when allowed to sit in a tank for prolonged periods of time. Therefore, we recommend that you drain the tank during idol periods and keep a dedicated gas can full of gas for unexpected emergencies. Use a little of this gas to test your emergency generator each time and dump the rest of the gas in your vehicle, lawn mower, etc. Then refill the gas can for the next test which will be scheduled for six months from this month. This way, your gasoline is never more than 6 months old.

Hint:

If you have cracks in your gas lines or the carburetor pump bulb, remove them and take them to a mower shop or your home center to get the right size. Many gas lines fit tightly inside the gas tank so they must be cut at a 45 degree angle to get started in the tank.

Take the time to do a thorough inspection. Ask if you have questions!