

TO: SERVICE MANAGER TECHNICIANS
PARTS MANAGER

No. 94-15

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION UNDER THE U.S. FEDERAL BOAT SAFETY ACT

A. REQUIRED ENGINE FUEL FILTER REPLACEMENT

Models

MCM V6 & V8 Stern Drive Engines. Serial Number: 0F353000-0F421726.

MIE V8 Ski & Inboard Engines. Serial Number: 0D798385-0F419755.

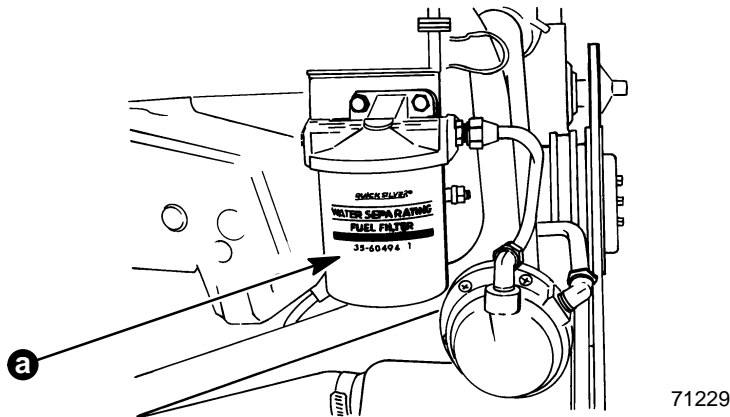
Hi-Performance MCM V8 Stern Drive Engines. Serial Number: 0F213347-0F374181.

Situation

The fuel filter (Part Number 35-806771) missed the process for epoxy coating the inside of it during manufacturing. This could allow the filter to rust through from the inside out if water-contaminated fuel sat in it for a period of time. This "rust through" will cause fuel (gasoline) to leak into the bilge of the boat. The fumes from this gasoline could combine with a spark to create a fire or explosion.

Inspection

Look at the part number on the fuel filter. If the number on the filter is 35-806771, the filter must be changed.



a. - P/N 35-806771 - CHANGE FILTER.

P/N 35-805269 OR 35-807172 - Already Changed.

Correction

Change the filter on any engines that you have in stock. If the boat has been sold, please contact your customer and perform this service on their engine(s). When an engine is registered at Mercury Marine, we will check to see if the filter has been changed. If our records do not show that the filter has been changed, the customer will be contacted by letter. A copy of letter is with this bulletin.

Part Required

Order

(1) 35-805269 1 Fuel Filter.

OR

(1) 35-807172 Fuel Filter.

Either filter can be used.

Warranty

Fill out warranty claim and send it to your normal warranty processing center. More than one engine can be put on the warranty claim if you list the part number, engine model, serial number, warranty code and labor hours for each engine on separate lines on warranty claim.

Warranty Code: EXCP

Labor per Engine: \$15.00

Old Parts: Do not return old fuel filters along with warranty claim. Render the old filter non-reusable and dispose of at your dealership.



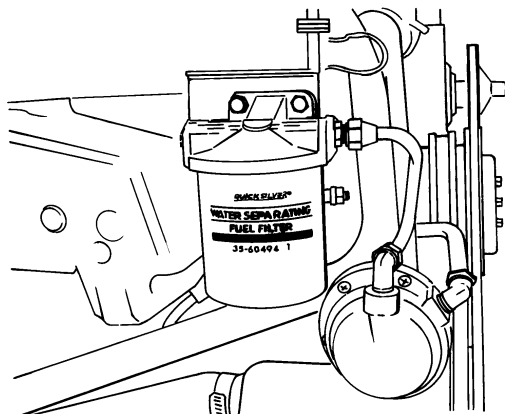
Notice of Recall Pursuant to Federal Boat Safety Act

Dear MerCruiser Customer:

Our records indicate that you are the owner of a MerCruiser engine which Mercury Marine has determined is included in a recall under the Federal Boat Safety Act.

We have determined that the water separating fuel filter installed on your engine may have been manufactured incorrectly. Because of this manufacturing problem the water separating fuel filter has the potential of corroding internally. This corrosion could lead to fuel system contamination and/or a fuel leak. A leak would create the potential for a fire or explosion if an ignition source is present. Mercury Marine has developed this recall program to eliminate any such risk or concern.

To determine if the water separating fuel filter on your engine needs to be replaced, please refer to the location diagram below. The Quicksilver part number is prominently displayed on the filter. **If the part number is 35-806771, the filter needs to be replaced.** If the part number on the filter is 35-805269 or 35-807172, the filter is OK and does not need to be replaced until the service interval as listed in your Operations and Maintenance Manual.



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Your MerCruiser dealer was notified of this situation by MerCruiser Service Bulletin SB94-15 and is ready to provide you the required assistance.

If your water separating fuel filter does need to be replaced, there is no need to stop using your boat. Inspect the filter regularly for leaks and follow the starting instructions outlined in your Operation and Maintenance Manual. **Always operate the bilge blower to ventilate the engine compartment prior to starting the engine.** At your convenience, make arrangements with your MerCruiser dealer to have the filter replaced. The replacement can generally be accomplished in 1/2 hour or less.

If inspection reveals that your water separating fuel filter is not defective, please complete the enclosed, postage paid, return card and drop it in the mail so we can update our records. If you no longer own the boat, please provide us with the name and address of the new owners so we may contact them about this important matter.

MerCruiser apologizes for any inconvenience that you may experience because of this recall. Your safety is extremely important to us.

Sincerely,

Larry Engelbert
National Service Manager - MerCruiser