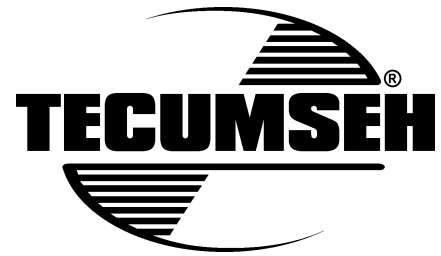


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SUBJECT: Storage



NEVER STORE AN ENGINE WITH FUEL IN THE TANK INDOORS, OR IN ENCLOSED, POORLY VENTILATED AREAS. FUEL FUMES MAY REACH AN OPEN FLAME, SPARK OR PILOT LIGHT AS ON A FURNACE, WATER HEATER, CLOTHES DRYER OR OTHER GAS APPLIANCE AND IGNITE.

If the engine is to be unused for 30 days or more, prepare as follows:

FUEL SYSTEM:

Starting with clean fresh fuel, mix one packet of Tecumseh fuel stabilizer "Smart Start" part number 730245 in any amount of fuel up to 2-1/2 gallons. This will reduce and retard gum and varnish formations in the fuel for up to a 24 month period. **Run the engine at least 10 minutes after adding the stabilizer to allow it to reach carburetor.**

NOTE: Extended storage periods beyond fuel stabilizer limits require fuel removal, always read the manufactures recommendations.

DRY STORAGE:

DRAIN FUEL INTO APPROVED CONTAINER OUTDOORS, AWAY FROM OPEN FLAME.

Run the engine until the fuel tank is empty and the engine stops due to lack of fuel.

NOTE: If gasohol has been used, complete the preceding instructions and then put a small amount of unleaded gasoline into the fuel tank and repeat the preceding instructions.

When "Smart Start" is not available use of a liquid fuel stabilizer is acceptable. Follow the manufacturers instructions for proper mixing.

CYLINDER BORE: 2 CYCLE ENGINES

- A. Pull the starter handle slowly until resistance is felt due to compression pressure, then stop.
- B. Release the starter tension slowly to prevent the engine from reversing due to compression pressure. This position will close both the intake and exhaust ports to prevent corrosion of the piston and cylinder bore.

CYLINDER BORE: 4 CYCLE ENGINES

- A. Remove the spark plug. Squirt one (1) oz. (30 ml) of clean engine oil into spark plug hole.
- B. Cover the spark plug hole with a rag.
- C. Crank the engine over, slowly, several times.

AVOID SPRAY FROM THE SPARK PLUG HOLE WHEN CRANKING THE ENGINE OVER SLOWLY.

- D. Install the spark plug. Do not connect the spark plug wire.

CLEAN ENGINE:

Remove any clippings, dirt, or chaff from exterior of engine.