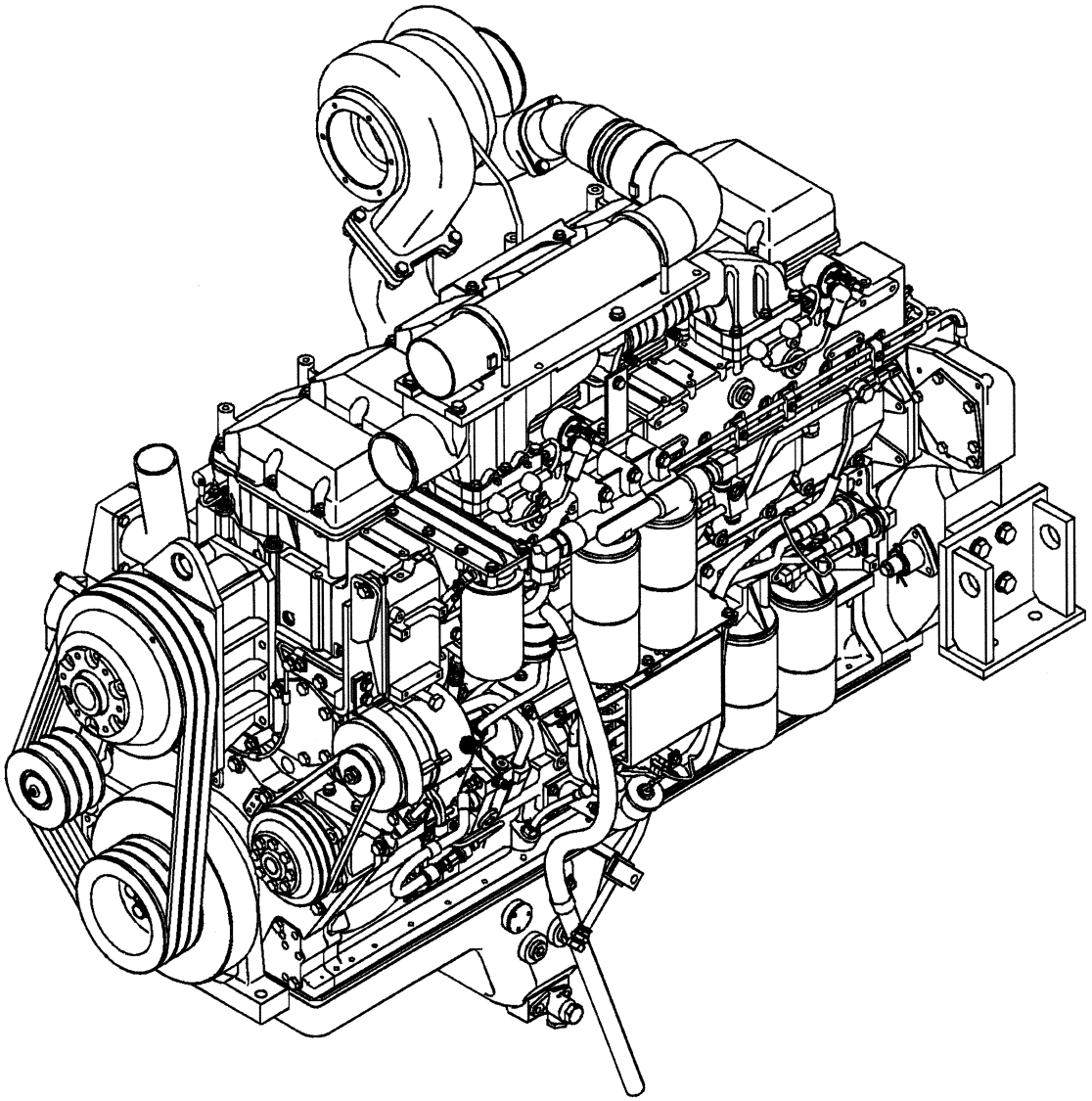
Operation and Maintenance Manual
QSK23 Series Engines



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Foreword

This manual contains information for the correct operation and maintenance of your Cummins engine. It also includes important safety information, engine and systems specifications, troubleshooting guidelines, and listings of Cummins Authorized Repair Locations and component manufacturers.

Read and follow all safety instructions. Refer to the WARNING in the General Safety Instructions in Section i - Introduction.

Keep this manual with the equipment. If the equipment is traded or sold, give the manual to the new owner.

The information, specifications, and recommended maintenance guidelines in this manual are based on information in effect at the time of printing. Cummins Inc. reserves the right to make changes at any time without obligation. If you find differences between your engine and the information in this manual, contact your local Cummins Authorized Repair Location or call 1-800-DIESELS (1-800-343-7357) toll free in the U.S. and Canada.

The latest technology and the highest quality components were used to produce this engine. When replacement parts are needed, we recommend using only genuine Cummins or ReCon® exchange parts. These parts can be identified by the following trademarks:

NOTE: Note: Warranty information is located in Section W. Make sure you are familiar with the warranty or warranties applicable to your engine.

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Important Reference Numbers

Fill in the part name and number in the blank spaces provided below. This will give you a reference whenever service or maintenance is required.

Name	Number	Number
Engine Model		
Engine Serial Number (ESN)		
Control Parts List (CPL)		
Fuel Pump Part Number		
Electronic Control Module (ECM)		
Electronic Control Module Serial Numbers (ECM)		
Filter Part Numbers:		
• Air Cleaner Element		
• Lubricating Oil		
• Fuel		
• Fuel-Water Separator		
• Coolant		
• Crankcase Ventilation		
Governor Control Module (GCM) (if applicable)		
Belt Part Numbers:		
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Clutch or Marine Gear (if applicable):		
• Model		
• Serial Number		
• Part Number		
• Oil Type		
• Sea Water Pump		
– Model		
– Part Number		

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Section i - Introduction

Section Contents

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To the Owner and Operator

General Information

Preventive maintenance is the easiest and least expensive type of maintenance. Follow the maintenance schedule recommendations outlined in Maintenance Guidelines (Section 2).

Keep records of regularly scheduled maintenance.

Use the correct fuel, lubricating oil, and coolant in your engine as specified in Maintenance Specifications (Section V).

Cummins Inc. uses the latest technology and the highest quality components to produce its engines. Cummins Inc. recommends using genuine Cummins new parts and ReCon® exchange parts.

Personnel at Cummins Authorized Repair Locations have been trained to provide expert service and parts support. If you have a problem that can **not** be resolved by a Cummins Authorized Repair Location, follow the steps outlined in the Service Assistance (Section S).

Product coverage, warranty limitations and owner responsibilities are available in Warranty (Section W).

△ CAUTION △

Disconnect both the positive (+) and negative (-) battery cables from the battery before welding on the vehicle. Attach the welder ground cable no more than 0.61 meters [2 feet] from the part being welded. Do not connect the ground cable of the welder to the ECM cooling plate or ECM. Welding on the engine or engine mounted components is not recommended.

About the Manual

General Information

This manual contains information needed to correctly operate and maintain your engine as recommended by Cummins Inc. For additional service literature and ordering locations, refer to Service Literature (Section L).

This manual does not cover vehicle, vessel, or equipment maintenance procedures. Consult the original vehicle, vessel, or equipment manufacturer for specific maintenance recommendations.

Both metric and U.S. customary values are listed in this manual. The metric value is listed first, followed by the U.S. customary in brackets.

Numerous illustrations and symbols are used to aid in understanding the meaning of the text. Refer to Symbols in this section for a complete listing of symbols and their definitions.

Each section of the manual is preceded by a Section Contents to aid in locating information.

How to Use the Manual

General Information

This manual is organized according to intervals at which maintenance on your engine is to be performed. A maintenance schedule, that states the required intervals and maintenance checks, is located in Maintenance Guidelines (Section 2). Locate the interval at which you are performing maintenance; then follow the steps given in that section for all the procedures to be performed.

Keep a record of all the checks and inspections made. A maintenance record form is located in Maintenance Guidelines (Section 2).

Engine troubleshooting procedures for your engine are located in Troubleshooting Symptoms (Section TS).

Specifications for your engine are located in Maintenance Specifications (Section V).

Symbols

General Information

The following symbols have been used in this manual to help communicate the intent of the instructions. When one of the symbols appears, it conveys the meaning defined below:

WARNING - Serious personal injury or extensive property damage can result if the warning instructions are not followed.

CAUTION - Minor personal injury can result or a part, an assembly, or the engine can be damaged if the caution instructions are not followed.

Indicates a **REMOVAL** or **DISASSEMBLY** step.

Indicates an **INSTALLATION** or **ASSEMBLY** step.

INSPECTION is required.

CLEAN the part or assembly.

PERFORM a mechanical or time **MEASUREMENT.**

LUBRICATE the part or assembly.

Indicates that a **WRENCH** or **TOOL SIZE** will be given.

TIGHTEN to a specific torque.

PERFORM an electrical **MEASUREMENT.**

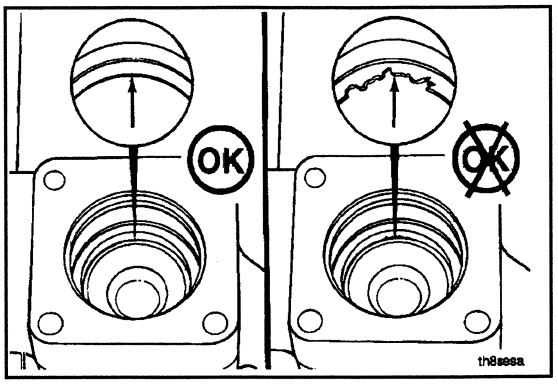
Refer to another location in this manual or another publication for additional information.

The component weighs 23 kg [50 lbs] or more. To reduce the possibility of personal injury, use a hoist or get assistance to lift the component. 17800009

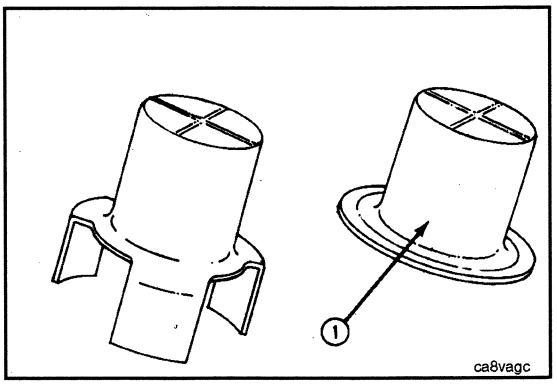
Illustrations

General Information

Some of the illustrations throughout this manual are generic and will **not** look exactly like the engine or parts used in your application. The illustrations can contain symbols to indicate an action required and an acceptable or **not** acceptable condition.



The illustrations are intended to show repair or replacement procedures. The procedure will be the same for all applications, although the illustration can differ.



General Safety Instructions

Important Safety Notice

⚠ WARNING ⚠

Improper practices, carelessness, or ignoring the warnings can cause burns, cuts, mutilation, asphyxiation or other personal injury or death.

Read and understand all of the safety precautions and warnings before performing any repair. This list contains the general safety precautions that **must** be followed to provide personal safety. Special safety precautions are included in the procedures when they apply.

- Work in an area surrounding the product that is dry, well lit, ventilated, free from clutter, loose tools, parts, ignition sources and hazardous substances. Be aware of hazardous conditions that can exist.
- **Always** wear protective glasses and protective shoes when working.
- Rotating parts can cause cuts, mutilation or strangulation.
- Do **not** wear loose-fitting or torn clothing. Remove all jewelry when working.
- Disconnect the battery (negative [-] cable first) and discharge any capacitors before beginning any repair work. Disconnect the air starting motor if equipped to prevent accidental engine starting. Put a "Do **Not** Operate" tag in the operator's compartment or on the controls.
- Use ONLY the proper engine barring techniques for manually rotating the engine. Do **not** attempt to rotate the crankshaft by pulling or prying on the fan. This practice can cause serious personal injury, property damage, or damage to the fan blade(s) causing premature fan failure.
- If an engine has been operating and the coolant is hot, allow the engine to cool before slowly loosening the filler cap to relieve the pressure from the cooling system.
- **Always** use blocks or proper stands to support the product before performing any service work. Do **not** work on anything that is supported ONLY by lifting jacks or a hoist.
- Relieve all pressure in the air, oil, fuel, and cooling systems before any lines, fittings, or related items are removed or disconnected. Be alert for possible pressure when disconnecting any device from a system that utilizes pressure. Do **not** check for pressure leaks with your hand. High pressure oil or fuel can cause personal injury.
- To reduce the possibility of suffocation and frostbite, wear protective clothing and ONLY disconnect liquid refrigerant (Freon) lines in a well ventilated area. To protect the environment, liquid refrigerant systems **must** be properly emptied and filled using equipment that prevents the release of refrigerant gas (fluorocarbons) into the atmosphere. Federal law requires capturing and recycling refrigerant.
- To reduce the possibility of personal injury, use a hoist or get assistance when lifting components that weigh 23 kg [50 lb] or more. Make sure all lifting devices such as chains, hooks, or slings are in good condition and are of the correct capacity. Make sure hooks are positioned correctly. **Always** use a spreader bar when necessary. The lifting hooks **must not** be side-loaded.
- Corrosion inhibitor, a component of SCA and lubricating oil, contains alkali. Do **not** get the substance in eyes. Avoid prolonged or repeated contact with skin. Do **not** swallow internally. In case of contact, immediately wash skin with soap and water. In case of contact, immediately flood eyes with large amounts of water for a minimum of 15 minutes. IMMEDIATELY CALL A PHYSICIAN. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
- Naptha and Methyl Ethyl Ketone (MEK) are flammable materials and **must** be used with caution. Follow the manufacturer's instructions to provide complete safety when using these materials. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.
- To reduce the possibility of burns, be alert for hot parts on products that have just been turned off, and hot fluids in lines, tubes, and compartments.
- **Always** use tools that are in good condition. Make sure you understand how to use the tools before performing any service work. Use ONLY genuine Cummins or Cummins ReCon® replacement parts.
- **Always** use the same fastener part number (or equivalent) when replacing fasteners. Do **not** use a fastener of lesser quality if replacements are necessary.
- Do **not** perform any repair when fatigued or after consuming alcohol or drugs that can impair your functioning.
- Some state and federal agencies in the United States of America have determined that used engine oil can be carcinogenic and can cause reproductive toxicity. Avoid inhalation of vapors, ingestion, and prolonged contact with used engine oil.
- Liquified petroleum gas is heavier than air and can accumulate near the floor, in sumps, and low-lying areas.
- Natural gas is lighter than air and can accumulate under hood and awnings.
- To reduce the possibility of suffocation and frostbite, wear protective clothing and ONLY disconnect natural gas and liquified petroleum gas lines in a well ventilated area.
- Coolant is toxic. If **not** reused, dispose of in accordance with local environmental regulations.

General Repair Instructions

General Information

This engine incorporates the latest technology at the time it was manufactured; yet, it is designed to be repaired using normal repair practices performed to quality standards.

- **Cummins Inc. does not recommend or authorize any modifications or repairs to engines or components except for those detailed in Cummins Service Information. In particular, unauthorized repair to safety-related components can cause personal injury or death. Below is a partial listing of components classified as safety-related:**
  - **Air Compressor**
  - **Air Controls**
  - **Air Shutoff Assemblies**
  - **Balance Weights**
  - **Cooling Fan**
  - **Fan Hub Assembly**
  - **Fan Mounting Bracket(s)**
  - **Fan Mounting Capscrews**
  - **Fan Hub Spindle**
  - **Flywheel**
  - **Flywheel Crankshaft Adapter**
  - **Flywheel Mounting Capscrews**
  - **Fuel Shutoff Assemblies**
  - **Fuel Supply Tubes**
  - **Lifting Brackets**
  - **Throttle Controls**
  - **Turbocharger Compressor Casing**
  - **Turbocharger Oil Drain Line(s)**
  - **Turbocharger Oil Supply Line(s)**
  - **Turbocharger Turbine Casing**
  - **Vibration Damper Mounting Capscrews**

- **Follow all safety instructions noted in the procedures**
  - — Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for cleaning solvents and other substances used during the repair of the engine. Some solvents and used engine oil have been identified by government agencies as toxic or carcinogenic. Avoid excessive breathing, ingestion and contact with such substances. **Always** use good safety practices with tools and equipment.
- **Provide a clean environment and follow the cleaning instructions specified in the procedures**
  - — The engine and its components **must** be kept clean during any repair. Contamination of the engine or components will cause premature wear.
- **Perform the inspections specified in the procedures**
- **Replace all components or assemblies which are damaged or worn beyond the specifications**
- **Use genuine Cummins new or ReCon® service parts and assemblies**
  - — The assembly instructions have been written to use again as many components and assemblies as possible. When it is necessary to replace a component or assembly, the procedure is based on the use of new Cummins or Cummins ReCon® components. All of the repair services described in this manual are available from all Cummins Distributors and most Dealer locations.
- **Follow the specified disassembly and assembly procedures to reduce the possibility of damage to the components**

Complete rebuild instructions are available in the shop manual which can be ordered or purchased from a Cummins Authorized Repair Location. Refer to Section L — Service Literature for ordering instructions.

Welding on a Vehicle with an Electronic Controlled Fuel System

△ CAUTION △

Disconnect both the positive (+) and negative (-) battery cables from the battery before welding on the vehicle. Attach the welder ground cable no more than 0.61 meters [2 feet] from the part being welded. Do not connect the ground cable of the welder to the ECM cooling plate or ECM. Welding on the engine or engine mounted components is not recommended or damage to the engine or components can result.

General Cleaning Instructions

Solvent and Acid Cleaning

Several solvent and acid-type cleaners can be used to clean the engine parts. Experience has shown that the best results can be obtained using a cleaner that can be heated to 90 to 95 degrees Celsius [180 to 200 degrees Fahrenheit]. A cleaning tank that provides a constant mixing and filtering of the cleaning solution will give the best results. **Cummins Inc. does not recommend any specific cleaners. Always** follow the cleaner manufacturer's instructions.

Remove all the gasket material, o-rings, and the deposits of sludge, carbon, etc., with a wire brush or scraper before putting the parts in a cleaning tank. Be careful **not** to damage any gasket surfaces. When possible, steam clean the parts before putting them in the cleaning tank.

⚠ WARNING ⚠

Acid is extremely dangerous and can cause personal injury and damage the machinery. Always provide a tank of strong soda water as a neutralizing agent. Wear goggles and protective clothing to reduce the possibility of serious personal injury.

Rinse all of the parts in hot water after cleaning. Dry completely with compressed air. Blow the rinse water from all of the capscrew holes and the oil drillings.

If the parts are **not** to be used immediately after cleaning, dip them in a suitable rustproofing compound. The rustproofing compound **must** be removed from the parts before installation on the engine.

Steam Cleaning

Steam cleaning can be used to remove all types of dirt that can contaminate the cleaning tank. It is a good way to clean the oil drillings.

⚠ WARNING ⚠

When using a steam cleaner, wear safety glasses or a face shield, as well as protective clothing. Hot steam can cause serious personal injury.

Do **not** steam clean the following parts:

1. Electrical Components
2. Wiring
3. Injectors
4. Fuel Pump
5. Belts and Hoses
6. Bearings
7. Electronic Control Module (ECM)
8. ECM Connectors

Glass or Plastic Bead Cleaning

Glass or plastic bead cleaning can be used on many engine components to remove carbon deposits. The cleaning process is controlled by the size of the glass or plastic beads, the operating pressure, and the cleaning time.

△ CAUTION △

Do not use glass or plastic bead cleaning on aluminum piston skirts. Do not use glass bead cleaning on aluminum ring grooves. Small particles of glass or plastic will embed in the aluminum and result in premature wear. Valves, turbocharger shafts, etc., can also be damaged. Follow the cleaning directions listed in the procedures.

NOTE: Plastic bead blasting media, Part No. 3822735, can be used to clean aluminum ring grooves. Do **not** use any bead blasting media on pin bores or aluminum skirts.

Follow the equipment manufacturer's cleaning instructions. The following guidelines can be used to adapt to manufacturer's instructions:

1. Bead size:
   a. Use U.S. size No. 16-20 for piston cleaning with plastic bead media, Part No. 3822735.
   b. Use U.S. size No. 70 for piston domes with glass media.
   c. Use U.S. size No. 60 for general purpose cleaning with glass media.
2. Operating Pressure:
   a. Glass: Use 620 kPa [90 psi] for general purpose cleaning.
   b. Plastic: Use 270 kPa [40 psi] for piston cleaning.
3. Steam clean or wash the parts with solvent to remove all of the foreign material and glass or plastic beads after cleaning. Rinse with hot water. Dry with compressed air.
4. Do **not** contaminate the wash tanks with glass or plastic beads.

Acronyms and Abbreviations

General Information

The following list contains some of the acronyms and abbreviations used in this manual.

API	American Petroleum Institute
ASTM	American Society of Testing and Materials
°C	Celsius
CARB	California Air Resources Board
C.I.D.	Cubic Inch Displacement
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
CPL	Control Parts List
cSt	Centistokes
ECM	Electronic Control Module
EGR	Exhaust Gas Recirculation
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
°F	Fahrenheit
FMI	Failure Mode Indentifier
GVW	Gross Vehicle Weight
LPG	Liquified Petroleum Gas
Hg	Mercury
hp	Horsepower
H_2O	Water
ICM	Ignition Control Module
km/l	Kilometers per Liter
kPa	Kilopascal
LNG	Liquid Natural Gas
LTA	Low Temperature Aftercooling
MPa	Megapascal
mph	Miles Per Hour
mpq	Miles Per Quart
N•m	Newton-meter
NG	Natural Gas
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
PID	Parameter Identification Descriptions
ppm	Parts Per Million
psi	Pounds Per Square Inch
PTO	Power Takeoff
rpm	Revolutions Per Minute
SAE	Society of Automotive Engineers
SCA	Supplemental Coolant Additive
STC	Step Timing Control
SID	Subsystem Identification Descriptions
VS	Variable Speed
VSS	Vehicle Speed Sensor

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Section E - Engine and System Identification

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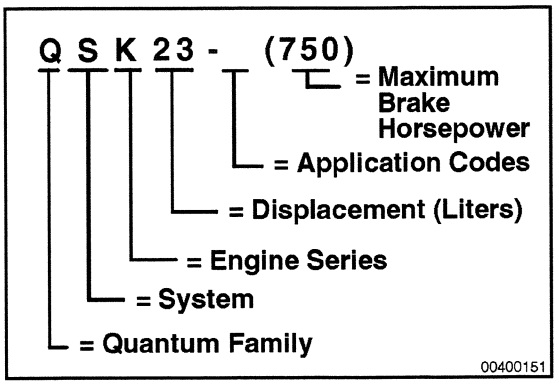
Engine Identification

Cummins Engine Nomenclature

The model name provides identification data for the engine. Refer to the illustration for the model name identification.



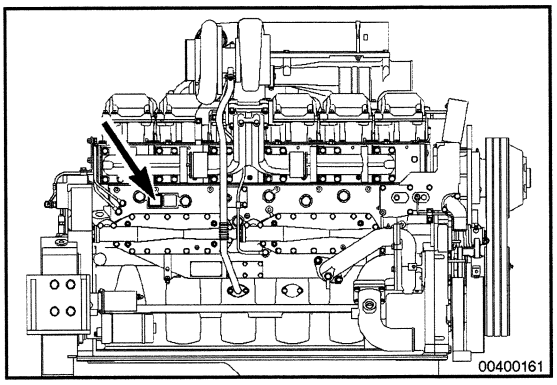
The applications codes are:

- A = Agricultural
- C = Construction
- D = Generator drive
- F = Fire pump
- G = Generator set
- L = Locomotive
- M = Marine
- P = Power unit
- R = Railcar
- T = Tactical military.

Engine Dataplate

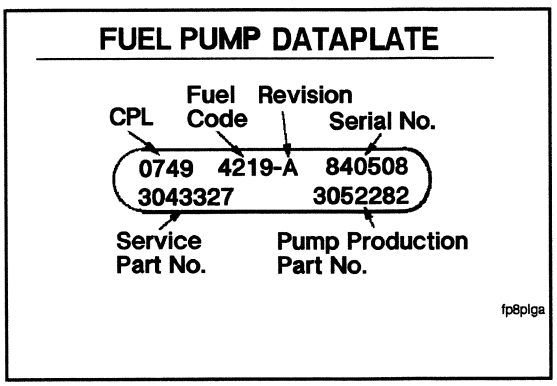
The engine dataplate shows specific information about the engine. The engine serial number (ESN), Control Parts List (CPL), model, horsepower and rpm ratings , and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) information provide information for ordering parts and service needs.

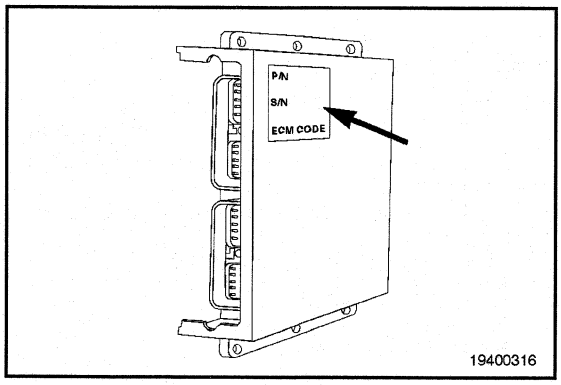
The engine dataplate **must not** be changed unless approved by Cummins Inc.



Fuel Pump Dataplate

The fuel pump dataplate is located on the top of the fuel pump. It provides information for fuel pump calibration.





ECM Dataplate

The external ECM dataplate is located on top of the ECM.

The dataplate contains the following:

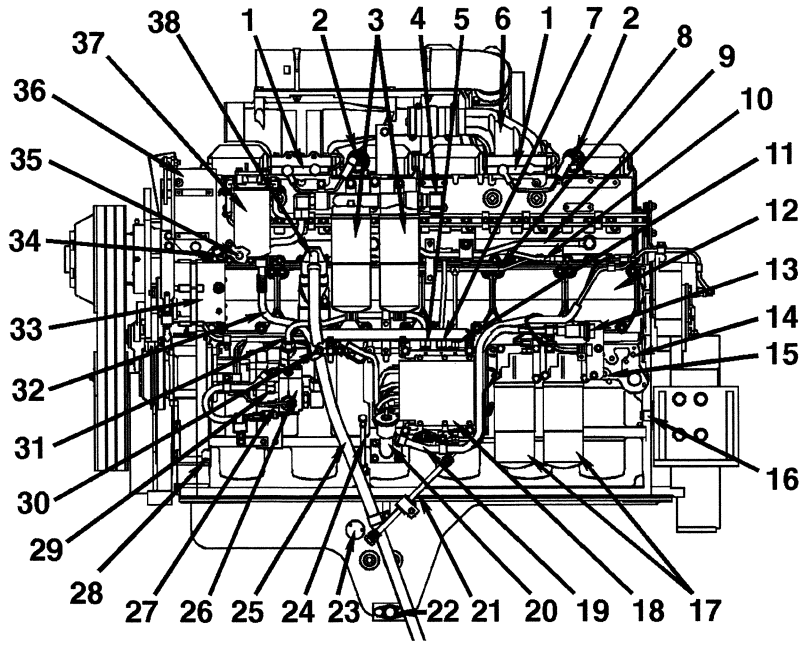
- ECM part number (P/N)
- ECM serial number (S/N)
- Manufacturer date code (D/C)
- Supplier identifier (S/I)
- Input voltage rating of the ECM (V/R).

The dataplate on the right contains engine and calibration information. This includes the engine serial number (ESN), ECM calibration date (Date), and ECM calibration code.

Engine Diagrams

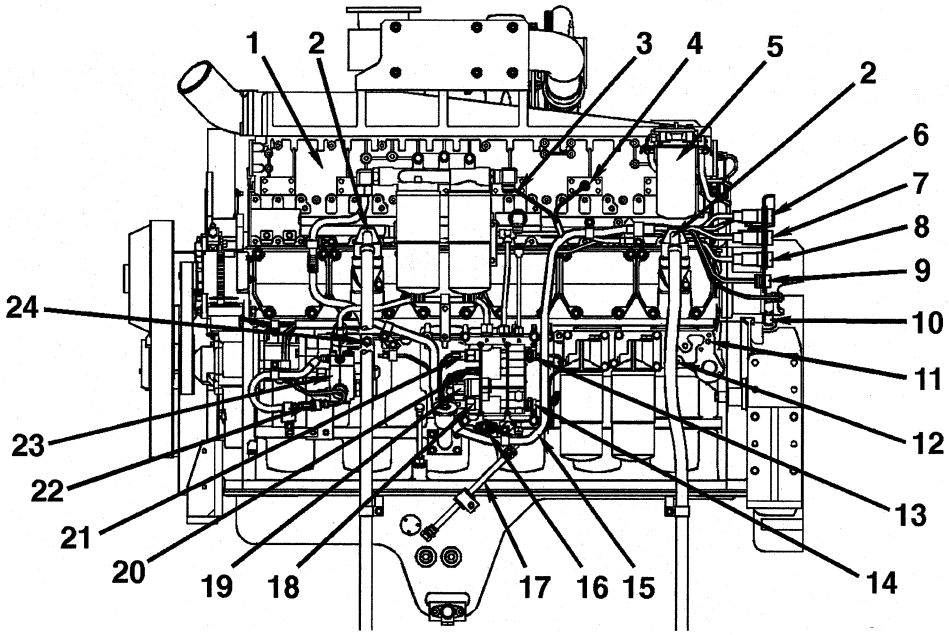
Engine Views

The illustrations show the locations of the major external engine components, filters, and other service and maintenance points. Some external components will be at different locations for different engine models.



Left Side - Industrial

1. Grid heaters (Industrial **only**)
2. Grid heater relays (Industrial **only**)
3. Fuel filters
4. Fuel inlet (to filters)
5. Fuel inlet (to ECVA)
6. Air intake connection (Industrial **only**)
7. Fuel timing supply
8. Fuel pipe (to fuel rail)
9. Fuel pipe (return)
10. Fuel pipe (for injection timing)
11. Fuel rail supply
12. Cam follower cover
13. OEM electrical connections (Industrial **only**)
14. Oil pressure checkpoint (after filters)
15. Oil pressure checkpoint (before filters)
16. Engine barring device
17. Oil filters
18. ECVA/ECM
19. Wiring harness
20. Oil fill port
21. Fuel rail dampening hose
22. Engine oil drain valve
23. Oil level sensor (optional)
24. Dipstick
25. Blowby tube
26. Fuel pump
27. Fuel pump pressure sensor
28. Oil pressure check point (to front idler gears)
29. Fuel pump actuator
30. Oil pressure sensor
31. Fuel pipe (pump to ECVA)
32. Fuel pipe (filters to pump)
33. Alternator
34. Intake manifold pressure sensor (Industrial **only**)
35. Intake manifold temperature sensor (Industrial **only**)
36. Refrigerant compressor mounting location
37. Coolant filter (Industrial **only**)
38. Crankcase breather assembly.



Left Side - Power Generation

1. Intake manifold (Power Generation **only**)
2. Crankcase breathers
3. Intake manifold pressure sensor (Power Generation **only**)
4. Intake manifold temperature sensor (Power Generation **only**)
5. Coolant filter (Power Generation **only**)
6. Inline B connector (Power Generation **only**)
7. Inline A connector (Power Generation **only**)
8. Inline C connector (Power Generation **only**)
9. Datalink connector (Power Generation **only**)
10. Engine speed sensor (Power Generation **only**)
11. Oil pressure checkpoint (after filters)
12. Oil pressure checkpoint (before filters)
13. Fuel timing pressure sensor
14. Fuel rail pressure sensor
15. Wiring harness
16. Barometric pressure sensor
17. Fuel rail dampening hose
18. Fuel rail actuator
19. Fuel shutoff valve
20. Fuel temperature sensor
21. Fuel timing actuator
22. Fuel pump pressure sensor
23. Fuel pump actuator
24. Oil pressure sensor.