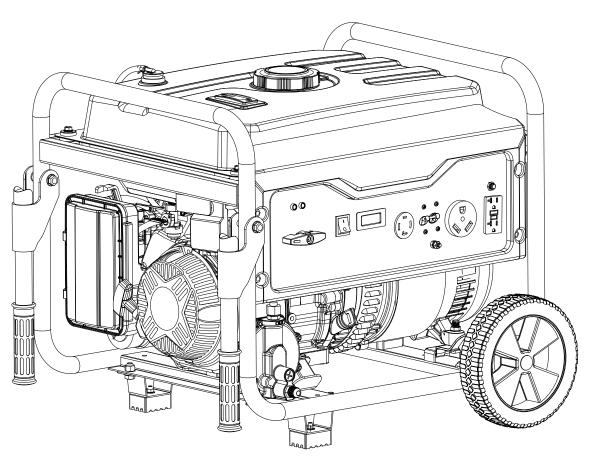


Model: PG6580BCO

# Generator OPERATOR'S MANUAL





WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals including Lead, which is known to the state of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information, visit www.P65warnings.ca.gov.



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# INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing this superior quality portable generator from Pulsar Products Inc. When operating and maintaining this product as instructed in this manual, your generator will give you many years of reliable service.

#### **Product Specifications:**

This generator is an engine-driven, revolving field, alternating current (AC) portable generator. It is designed to supply electrical power to operate tools, appliances, camping equipment, lighting, or serve as a back up power source during power outages.

		GAS	LPG
	Rated Wattage	5300W (5.3kW)	4750W (4.75kW)
	Rated Voltage	120V/240V	120V/240V
A O O	Rated Frequency	60Hz	60Hz
AC Output	Rated Ampere	44A / 22A	39.6A / 19.8A
	Peak Output	6.58kVA	5.92kVA
Engine	274cc OHV, 4 Stroke, Air Cooled		
Engine Oil	10W30 - 23oz (0.7L)		
Fuel Tank	5.2 Gal (20L) Unleaded Gasoline		

The emissions control system for this generator is compliant with all standards set by the U.S. Agency. (EPA)

#### How to contact us:

To order parts, receive warranty assistance, or other service inquiries, contact us at: 866.591.8921, or support@pulsar-products.com

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Save your original sales receipt and record the following information below for service or warranty assistance.

Date of Purchase:	
Model Number:	
Serial Number:	



# SAVE THIS MANUAL FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

This manual contains important information regarding safety, operation, and maintenance.

# **SAFETY RULES**

### **Safety Symbols**



Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which could result in serious injury or death if not avoided.



Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which could result in damage to equipment or property.



Toxic Fumes



Risk of fire



Risk of explosion



Risk of electric shock



Hot surface



Lifting hazard

#### **Safety Instructions**

The manufacturer cannot anticipate every possible hazardous circumstance that the user may encounter. Therefore, the warnings in this manual, on tags, and on affixed decals are not all-inclusive. To avoid accidents, the user must understand and follow all manual instructions and use common sense.



Read and understand this manual in its entirety before operating this generator. Improper use of this generator could result in serious injury or death.





Do not operate indoors or in a confined space preventing dangerous carbon monoxide gas from dissipating.

- Using a generator indoors CAN KILL YOU IN MINUTES!
- Carbon monoxide gas is a poisonous, odorless gas that can cause headache, confusion, fatigue, nausea, fainting, sickness, seizures, or death. If you start to experience any of these symptoms, IMMEDIATELY get fresh air and seek medical attention.
- Never use indoors, in a covered area, or in a confined space, even if doors and windows are open.
- Install a battery operated carbon monoxide alarm near bedrooms.
- Keep exhaust from this unit from entering a confined area through windows, doors, vents, or other openings.
- When working in areas where vapors could be inhaled, use a respirator mask according to all of its instructions.



Engine exhaust contains chemicals that lead to cause cancer and birth defects.

· Always wash hands after handling generator.





To reduce the risk of serious injury, avoid attempting to lift the generator alone.

# **SAFETY RULES**



Never exceed generator's wattage / amperage capacity. This could damage the generator and / or connected electrical devices.

Check operating voltage and frequency requirements of all electrical devices prior to plugging them into the generator.



Never start or stop engine with electrical devices plugged in to the receptacles. Failure to do so could damage the generator and / or connected electrical devices.

- Always start the engine and let it stabilize before connecting any electronic devices.
- Disconnect all electronic devices before stopping the engine.

# MARNING!

Starter and other moving parts can catch on clothing, jewelry, and hair.

- Do not wear loose clothing or gloves.
- Remove jewelry or anything else that could be caught in moving parts.
- Tie back or wear protective head covering to contain long hair.

# MARNING!





Keep engine away from flammable objects and other hazardous materials.

- The fuel and its vapors used to power this unit are highly flammable and could explode resulting in serious injury or death.
- Never fill or drain fuel tank indoors.
- Never overfill fuel tank. If fuel spills, move the unit at least 30 feet away from the spill and wipe up any remaining fuel on the unit before starting the engine.
- Never smoke while operating or fueling this unit.
- Never operate or store this unit near an open flame, heat, or any other ignition source.
- Generator should have at least far away from buildings or other equipment during operation.
- Keep engine free of grass, leaves, or grease which are flammable.
- When adding or draining fuel, unit should be turned off for at least 2 minutes to cool before removing fuel cap. If unit has been running then the fuel cap is under pressure, remove slowly.
- To keep fuel from spilling, secure unit so it cannot tip while operating or transporting.
- When transporting unit, disconnect the spark plug wire and make sure the fuel tank is empty with the fuel shutoff valve turned to the off position.



Pull cord recoils rapidly and pulls arm towards engine faster than you can let go which could result in injury.

To avoid recoil, pull starter cord slowly until resistance is felt, then pull rapidly.

# WARNING!



#### Avoid contacting hot areas of this unit.

- Use caution around the muffler, cylinder, and other engine parts as they can be extremely hot.
- · Allow hot components to cool before touching.

# **SAFETY RULES**



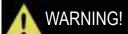


This generator produces a very high voltage which could result in burns or electrocution causing serious injury or death.

- Never handle the generator, electronic devices, or any cord while standing in water, while barefoot, or when hands
  or feet are wet.
- Always keep the generator dry. Never operate generator in rain or under wet conditions.
- Use a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) in a damp or highly conductive area, such as metal decking or steel
  work.
- Never plug electronic devices into generator having frayed, worn, or bare wires. Never touch bare wires or make contact with receptacles.
- Never permit a child or unqualified person to operate generator. Keep children a minimum of 10 feet away from the generator at all times.
- If using the generator for back up power, notify the utility company.
- If connecting generator to a building's electrical system for standby power, you must use a qualified electrician to install a transfer switch. Failure to isolate the generator from the power utility could result in serious injury or death to electric utility workers.

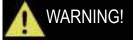


• Only operate generator on a level surface.



Never modify this unit in any way or modify governed speed.

- Increasing governing speed is dangerous which can result in personal injury and / or damaged equipment.
- Decreasing governed speed adds an excessive load and can damage equipment.
- Only when operating at the preset governed speed will this generator will supply the correct rated frequency and voltage.



Only use this unit as intended or serious injury or death could result.

- Do not bypass any safety device. Moving parts are covered with guards. Make sure all protective covers are in place.
- Never transport or make adjustments to this unit while it is running.
- Never insert objects through cooling slots.

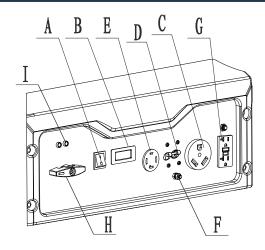
# WARNING!

Never operate this unit if there are any broken or missing parts and only use Pulsar Products replacement parts specifically designed for this unit.

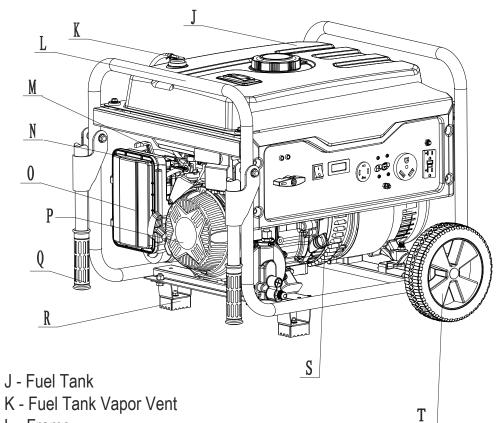
- Improper treatment of generator can damage the unit and shorten it's life.
- Always repair this unit as specified in this manual. If you have any questions contact your dealer or consult a qualified service center.
- Shut generator off if electrical output is missing, unit vibrates excessively or begins to smoke, spark or emit flames.

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# **FEATURES**



- A ON/OFF Start Switch
- B 3 in 1 Hour Meter
- C -120 Volt 30 Amp RV Receptacle (TT-30R)
- D Main Breaker
- E 120V / 240V 30 Amp Twist Lock (L14-30R)
- F Grounding Connection
- G Two 120 GFCI Outlets (NEMA5-20)
- H Fuel selector switch
- I CO Senser Light



- L Frame
- M- Choke Lever
- N Fuel Valve (ON/OFF)
- O Air Filter
- P Recoil Starter
- Q Handle
- R Support Foot
- S Oil Fill and Dipstick
- T No Flat Tires

# Unpacking

- 1. Place box on a level surface.
- 2. Remove all items from box except the generator. Make sure all items listed on the packing list are included and not damaged.
- 3. Cut down the sides of box being careful to avoid hitting the generator.
- 4. Leave generator on box to install wheel assembly.

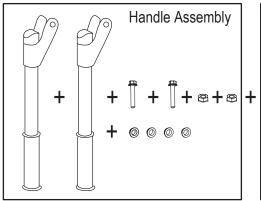
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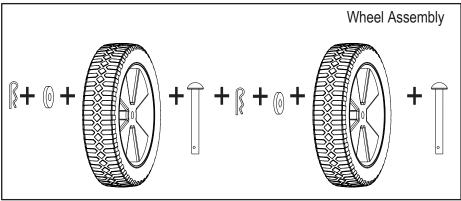
Check all loose parts to the following list. Contact your dealer if any loose parts are not included.

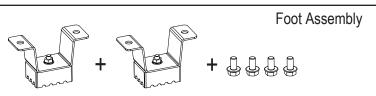
Description		Qty
Genera	tor	1
Operato	or's manual	1
Product	registration card	1
Engine oil		1
Two-stage regulator		1
	Spark Plug Wrench	1
Toolkit		
Funnel		1

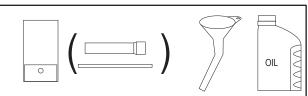
Description	Qty
Handle Assembly	2
Bolt	2
Bushings (Flanged)	4
Nut	2
Wheel Assembly	2
Axles	2
Washer	2
Hair pin	2

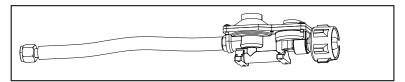
Description	Qty
Foot Assembly	2
Bolt	4
Measuring Cup	1











### **Attaching Wheels (See fig 1)**

- Parts needed 2 wheels, 2 axles, 2 hair pins, and 2 washers.
- Raise or tilt generator so you can slide the wheel axle pin into the wheel, the washer, the wheel mounting hole located on the side of the frame.
- Secure the wheel assembly by reinserting a hair pin through hole at the end of the wheel axle and pressing until it locks into place.
- Repeat process on the other side of the generator to install the second wheel.

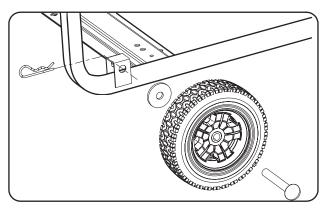


Fig 1

# **Installing Support Leg (See fig 2)**

- Parts needed Support leg & M8 Bolt (2).
- Raise the front end of the generator high enough to gain access to the bottom of the frame. Securely position props underneath to support.
- Line up holes on the support leg bracket to the holes on the front of the generator frame.
- Attach the support leg using M8 Bolt.

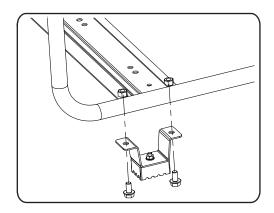
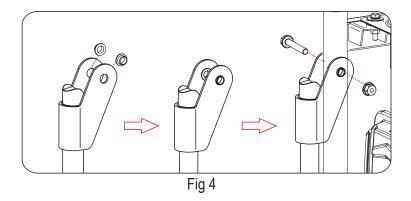


Fig 2

### **Installing The Handles (See fig 4)**

- Place 2 bushings on handle and slide handle in place with the pre-drilled hole on the generator frame.
- Insert bolt through the handle and frame and tighten with nut.
- Repeat on opposite side.



### Adding / Checking Engine Oil (See fig 5)

- · Place generator on a level surface.
- Insert a funnel into the crankcase dipstick hole and carefully add 4-Cycle engine oil (SAE10W- 30) to empty crankcase until oil reaches the outer edge of the oil fill hole (crankcase dipstick hole).
- Be sure to replace dipstick before attempting to start the engine.
- To check oil, set generator on a level surface, wipe dipstick clean, then reinsert dipstick without rethreading.

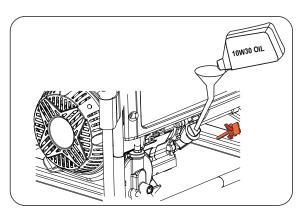
#### Adding Fuel (See fig 6)

- · Set generator outdoors that is well ventilated.
- Remove fuel cap.
- Insert a funnel into the fuel tank and carefully pour gasoline into the tank until fuel level reaches 1 ½ inches below the top of the neck. Be careful not to overfill the tank to provide space for fuel expansion.



You must add oil before first operating this generator. Always check oil level before each operation.

DO NOT USE E85 FUEL IN THIS UNIT. IT IS A VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW AND WILL DAMAGE THE UNIT AND VOID YOUR WARRANTY.





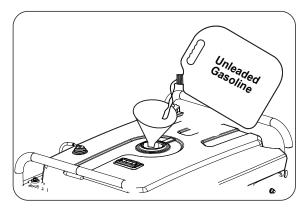


Fig 6

# **Connecting Generator to an Electrical System**

• If connecting generator to a building's electrical system for standby power, you must use a qualified electrician to install a transfer switch. The power from the generator must be isolated from the circuit breaker or alternative power source. The connection must comply with all electrical codes and applicable laws.



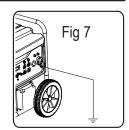


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# **Grounding the Generator (See fig 7)**

The ground terminal located on the front panel of the generator may be used for additional grounding, or when connected to a structure. Connect the ground terminal to an earthen ground rod, driven six feet into the ground. with a No 8 AWG (American Wire Gauge) copper wire. The wire connects to the terminal between the lock washer and nut. Tighten the nut securely to ensure proper connection. Grounding the generator protects you from electric shock that results from a build up of undetected ground faults.



#### **How to Start Engine (See fig 8-12)**

• Place generator on a level surface. All electrical loads **MUST** be disconnected from generator.

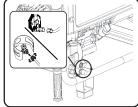
#### When Using Gasoline

- Turn the fuel selector to "GAS" position.
- Turn fuel valve to the "ON" position. (See fig 9)
- Slide the choke lever to the "Choke" position. (See fig 10) **SKIP THIS IF THE ENGINE IS WARM OR HOT.**
- Push the ON/OFF switch to the "ON" position. Pull the recoil handle (starter cord) slowly until resistance is felt, return, then pull rapidly. (See fig 11)
- Let engine run for several seconds and then gradually, as engine warms up, slide the choke lever towards the "RUN" position until the choke is fully engaged to the "RUN" position. (See fig 12)

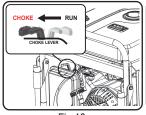
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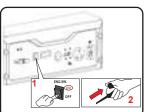
- Turn the fuel selector to "LPG" position
- Connect the propane hose to the intake nozzle of regulator; Open the valve on the LPG tank (See fig 8)
- Slide the choke lever to the "Choke" position. (See fig 10)
- Push the ON/OFF switch to the "ON" position. Pull the recoil handle (starter cord) slowly until resistance is felt, return, then pull rapidly. (See fig 11)
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**Note!** When using the switch and go function please make sure the load on the generator does not exceed 60%. if the load exceeds 60%, the generator will be shut down.



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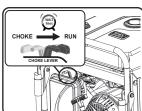


Fig 8 Fig

Fig 10 SKIP THIS IF THE ENGINE IS WARM OR HOT.

Fig 11 Recoil Start

Fig 12



Never start or stop engine with electrical devices plugged in to the receptacles. Failure to do so could damage the generator and / or connected electrical devices.

- Always start the engine and let it stabilize before connecting any electronic devices.
- Disconnect all electronic devices before stopping the engine.



Pull cord recoils rapidly and pulls arm towards engine faster than you can let go which could result in injury.

To avoid recoil, pull starter cord slowly until resistance is felt, then pull rapidly.

#### How to Stop Engine (See fig 13-16)

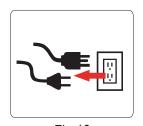
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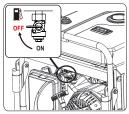
#### When using gasoline

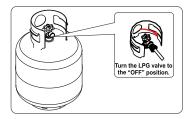
- 1. Turn the engine ON/OFF switch to the "OFF" position. (See fig 16)
- 2. Turn the fuel valve lever back to the OFF position. (See fig 14)

#### When using LPG

- 1.Turn the engine ON/OFF switch to the "OFF" position. (See fig 16)
- 2.Close supply valve on LPG bottle. (See fig 15)







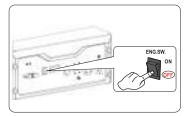


Fig 13

Fig 14

Fig 15

Fig 16

# **Receptacles and Extension Cords**

Only use high quality, well-insulated, grounded extension cords in good condition with generator receptacles. Follow each load manufacturer's power rating recommendation when selecting receptacle and extension cord.

#### This generator is equipped with the following receptacles:

- Two 120 GFCI Outlets (NEMA5-20).
- One 120 Volt AC, 30 Amp RV receptacle (TT-30R).
- One 120 / 240 Volt AC, 30 Amp twist lock receptacle (NEMA L14-30R).

#### 120 Volt GFCI duplex receptacles (NEMA 5-20R)

- This receptacle has a 20 Amp push-to reset circuit breaker to protect against overload.
- Each socket is rated to operate 120 Volt, AC, single phase, 60Hz loads requiring up to 2400 watts (2.4 kW) at 20 Amps.
- Use extension cords having a minimum rating of 125 Volts AC, 20 Amps.

#### 120 / 240 Volt AC, 30 Amp locking receptacle

- This receptacle has a 30 Amp push-to reset circuit breaker to protect against overload.
- This receptacle is rated to operate 120 Volt, AC, single phase, 60Hz loads requiring up to 3600 watts (3.6 kW) at 30 Amps. It is also rated to operate 240 Volt AC, single phase, 60Hz loads requiring up to 7,200 watts (7.2 kW).
- Use a NEMA L14-30 plug with this receptacle.
- Use a 4-wire cord rated for 240 Volts AC, 30 Amps to the plug. You can use the same 4-wire cord to operate a 120 Volt load.



Do not connect 3-phase loads to generator.

#### **Extension Cord Selection**

Refer to the below table to ensure the extension cord used has the capacity to carry the required load. If the size of the cable is inadequate it can cause a voltage drop, which can damage the electrical device and cord.

Current	Load (Watts)	Maximum Cord Length				
(Amps)		#8 Wire	#10 Wire	#12 Wire	#14 Wire	#16 Wire
2.5	600	Х	1000 ft.	600 ft.	375 ft.	250 ft.
5	1200	Х	500 ft.	300 ft.	200 ft.	125 ft.
7.5	1800	Х	350 ft.	200 ft.	125 ft.	100 ft.
10	2400	Х	250 ft.	150 ft.	100 ft.	50 ft.
15	3800	Х	150 ft.	100 ft.	65 ft.	Х
20	4800	175 ft.	125 ft.	75 ft.	X	X
25	6000	150 ft.	100 ft.	Х	Х	X
30	7200	125 ft.	65 ft.	Х	Х	Х

### **Moving the Generator**

- Disconnect any electronic devices from generator then turn generator off.
- Turn fuel valve to the "OFF" position.
- Tilt generator until it balances on wheels. Roll machine to desired location.
- If the generator must be carried, fold handle to the down position. Never lift or carry generator by its handle.



This product is heavy and requires several people to lift. Lift and lower with your legs by bending at the knees, not your back, to avoid injury.

#### **Don't Overload Generator**

Make sure you can supply enough rated watts and surge watts for all electrical devices connected to the generator. Rated watts refer to the power a generator must supply to keep a device running. Surge watts refer to the power a generator must supply to start an electrical device. This power surge for starting a device usually lasts between 2-3 seconds but this additional output must be taken into account when selecting the electrical devices you plan to attach to the generator. To prevent overloading the generator take the following steps:

Operating voltage and frequency requirement of all electronic equipment should be checked prior to plugging them into this generator. Damage may result if the equipment is not designed to operate within a +/- 10% voltage variation, and +/- 3 Hz frequency variation from the generator name plate ratings. To reduce the risk of damage, always have an additional load plugged into the generator if solid state equipment (such as television set) is used. A power line conditioner is recommended for some solid state applications.

#### Wattage Reference Guide

(Wattages listed are just approximations. Check electronic device for actual wattage)

Essentials	Rated Watts	Surge Watts	
75W Light Bulbs	75 each	75 each	
18 CU Ft Refrigerator / Freezer	800	2200	
Furnace Fan (1/3 HP)	800	2350	
Sump Pump (1/3 HP)	1000	2000	
Water Pump (1/3 HP)	1000	3000	
Heating/Cooling			
Dehumidifier	650	800	
Table Fan	800	2000	
Window AC (10k BTU)	1200	3600	
Central Air (10k BTU)	1500	6000	
Electric Blanket	400	400	
Space Heater	1800	1800	
Kitchen			
Blender	300	900	
Toaster (2 slice)	1000	0	
Coffee Maker	1500	1500	
Electric Range (1 element)	1500	1500	
Dishwasher	1500	3000	
Electric Oven	3410	3410	
Electric Water Heater	4000	4000	
Laundry Room			
Iron	1200	1200	
Washing Machine	1150	3400	
Gas Clothes Dryer	700	2500	
Electric Clothes Dryer	5400	6750	

Bathroom	Rated Watts	Surge Watts
Hair Dryer	1250	0
Curling Iron	1500	0
Family Room		
X-Box or Play Station	40	0
AM/FM Radio	100	100
VCR	100	100
Color TV (27")	500	500
Home Office		
Fax Machine	65	0
Personal Computer (17" Monitor)	800	0
Laser Printer	950	0
Copy Machine	1600	0
Power Tools		
1000W Quartz Halogen Work Light	1000	0
Airless Sprayer (1/3 HP)	600	1200
Reciprocating Saw	960	0
Circular Saw (7 1/4")	1400	2300
Miter Saw (10")	1800	1800
Table/Radial Arm Saw	2000	2000
Electric Drill (1/2 HP, 5.4 Amps)	600	900
Hammer Drill	1000	3000
Air Compressor	1600	4500
Other		
Home Security System	500	500
Garage Door Opener (1/3 HP)	750	750



Never exceed generator's wattage / amperage capacity. This could damage the generator and / or connected electrical devices.

Check operating voltage and frequency requirements of all electrical devices prior to plugging them into the generator.

#### Hour Meter (See Fig 17)

Use this meter along with the manual to determine when and what type of service on the unit is needed. The display will show the word "P25" at the first 25 hours of operation and again at every 100 hours of operation after.

#### **Power Management**

- Start engine without anything connected to generator.
- When engine has stabilized, plug in and turn on first load. It is strongly recommended to plug in devices with the largest power requirement first and the smallest power requirement last to help prevent overloading the generator.
- Allow generator power requirement to stabilize (engine and attached devices run evenly) before plugging in the next load.

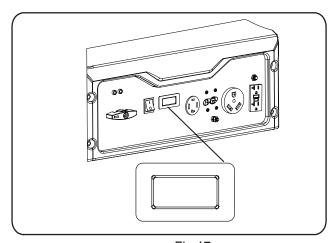


Fig 17

# **Cold Weather Operation**

Under humid conditions where temperatures drop to 40°F (4°C) the carburetor and/or crankcase breather system may begin to freeze. To prevent icing take the following steps:

- 1. Replace any old fuel with clean, fresh fuel.
- 2. Use synthetic 5W-30 or SAE 5W-30 engine oil. Check oil daily or after every 8 hours of use.
- 3. Turn fuel valve to the open position.
- 4. Ensure generator is serviced according to the maintenance schedule under "Maintenance" section of manual.
- 5. Shelter unit from elements.

Regular maintenance will extend the life of this generator and improve its performance. The warranty does not cover items that result from operator negligence, misuse, or abuse. To receive full value from the warranty, operator must maintain the generator as instructed in this manual, including proper storage.



Before inspecting or servicing this machine, make sure the engine is off and no parts are moving. Disconnect the spark plug wire and move it away from the spark plug.

#### **Pre-Operation Steps**

Before starting the engine, perform the following pre-operation steps:

- · Check the level of the engine oil and the fuel tank level.
- Make sure the air filter is clean.
- Remove any debris that has collected on the generator and around the muffler and controls. Use a vacuum cleaner to pick up loose debris. If dirt is caked on, use a soft bristle brush.
- Inspect the work area for hazards.

#### After Each Use

Follow the following procedure after each use:

- · Shut off engine.
- Store unit in a clean and dry area.

#### **Maintenance Schedule**

After First 5 Hours	Change Oil
After 8 Hours or Daily	Clean Debris
	Check Engine Oil Level
Annually (25 hr Use)	Check and Clean Air Cleaner
	Change Engine Oil (Service more often under dirty or dusty conditions)
	Check Muffler and Spark Arrester
Annually (100 hr Use)	Service Spark Plug (Replace with NGK BP6ES, Champion N9YC or equivalent)
	Service Fuel Valve
	Inspect Muffler and Spark Arrester
	Check and Clean Air Cleaner, Replace Air Filter
	Clean Cooling System

## **Changing Oil (See Fig 18)**

- Run the Generator until the Engine is warm.
- Place generator on a level surface.
- Remove the crankcase dipstick.
- Place an oil pan underneath the oil drainage bolt to collect used oil.
- Remove the oil drainage plug and allow oil to drain completely.
- Reinstall oil drainage plug, tighten securely.
- Carefully add SAE 10W-30 to empty crankcase until the oil reaches the outer edge of the oil fill hole (Crankcase Dipstick hole).
- Replace crankcase dipstick.

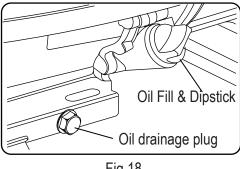
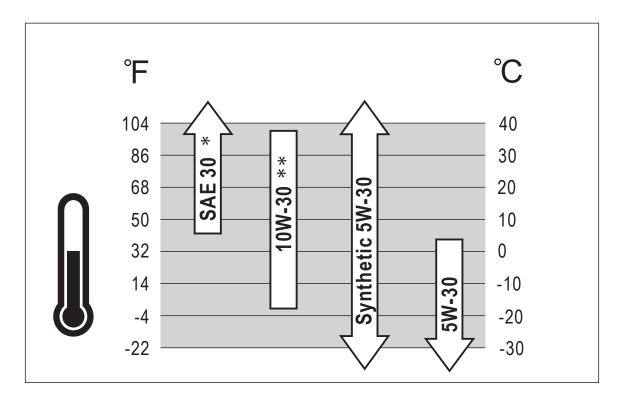


Fig 18

#### Oil Recommendations

- Do not use special additives.
- Outdoor temperatures determine the proper oil viscosity for the engine. Use the chart to select the best viscosity for the outdoor temperature range expected.



Note: \* Below 40 °F (4 °C) the use of SAE 30 will result in hard starting. \*\* Above 80  $^{\circ}$ F(27  $^{\circ}$ C) the use of 10W -30 may cause increased oil consumption.

Check oil level more frequently .



Used oil should be disposed of at an approved disposal site.

### Air Filter (See Fig 19)

A dirty air filter will reduce the life span of the engine, make it difficult to start the engine, and reduce the unit's performance.

- To clean, remove the air filter cover.
- Carefully pull the air filter out by lifting up along the edges.
- Remove dirt from filter by tapping on it or having it blown out. Replace with new filter annually.
- Reinstall air filter so that it seals and replace air filter cover.

#### **Checking Spark Plug (See Fig 20)**

- Disconnect the spark plug wire from the spark plug.
- Before removing the spark plug, clean the area around its base to prevent debris from entering the engine.
- Clean carbon deposits off the electrode with a wire brush.
- Check the electrode gap and slowly adjust to 0.7 mm 0.8 mm (0.028 0.031") if necessary.
- Reinstall spark plug and tighten to Torque 22.0 26.9 Nm (16-20 ft-lb).
- Reconnect spark plug wire.
- If spark plug is worn replace only with an equivalent replacement part. Spark plug should be replaced annually.(BOSCH F7TC, NGK BP6ES, CHAMPION N9YC or Equivalent)

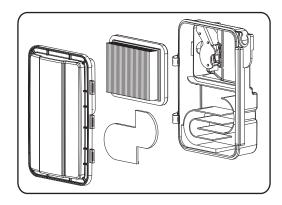


Fig 19

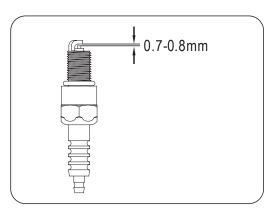


Fig 20

#### **High Altitude Operation**

At high altitude, the standard carburetor air/fuel mixture will be too rich. Performance will decrease, and fuel consumption will increase. A very rich mixture will also foul the spark plug and cause hard starting. Operation at an altitude that differs from that at which this engine was certified, for extended periods of time, may increase emissions. High altitude performance can be improved by specific

modifications to the carburetor. If you always operate your generator at altitudes above 5,000 feet (1,500 meters), have your dealer perform this carburetor modification. This engine, when operated at high altitude with the carburetor modifications for high altitude use, will meet each emission standard throughout its useful life. Even with carburetor modification, engine horsepower will decrease about 3.5% for each 1,000-foot (300-meter) increase in altitude. The effect of altitude on horsepower will be greater than this if no carburetor modification is made.

#### **Draining Fuel Tank and Carburetor**

To help prevent gum deposits in the fuel system, drain the fuel from the tank and carburetor before storing the unit for long periods of time. This will help prevent starting problems in the future. If the unit is stored with fuel and the fuel becomes stale or turns gummy or to varnish the warranty does not cover this repair or service.

# **Draining the fuel tank**

- Turn the engine OFF.
- Turn the fuel valve to the OFF position.
- Remove the fuel line that leads to the carburetor from the petcock by squeezing the ends of the hose clamps and sliding the fuel line off.
- If needed, install a fuel hose that will extend to a suitable fuel container large enough to catch the fuel being drained from the tank.
- Turn the fuel valve to the ON position.
- When the fuel has drained from the tank, close the fuel valve and reinstall fuel line securely on petcock.

# **Draining the carburetor**

- Turn the engine OFF.
- Turn the fuel valve to the OFF position.
- Position a suitable container under the carburetor drain screw to catch fuel; loosen the screw.
- Allow fuel to drain completely into container.
- Retighten drain screw.



Consult your local hazardous waste management in your area for the proper way to dispose of used fuel.

# **Storage and Transportation of the Generator: (See Fig 21)**

- Remove any debris that has collected on the generator and around the muffler and control panel. Use a brush or vacuum to remove loose dirt.
- Inspect air cooling slots. Remove any debris if obstructed.
- For short-term storage, start generator once every 7 days.
- For semi-long term storage, add fuel stabilizer to prevent stale fuel from causing acid and gum deposits in the fuel system and carburetor.
- For long-term storage, drain the fuel.
- Store in an outdoor, sheltered area and use a weather-resistant cover to protect from the elements.
- The generator must be Shipped, Run and Stored in the upright position as seen in this image.

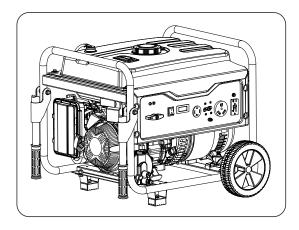


Fig 21

# **Engine Long Term Storage:**

- Remove the spark plug and pour about 1 teaspoon of 10W30 Engine oil into the spark plug hole. Reinstall the spark plug. With the ON/OFF switch in the OFF position pull the recoil starter cord several time to coat the cylinder walls with oil.
- Slowly pull the recoil Starter until you feel the engine build compression (When you feel resistance). Leave the Engine in this state as this will prevent any corrosion on the cylinder walls if stored for a long period of time.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Cause	Solution
Engine is running, but AC output is not available	<ol> <li>Open circuit breaker</li> <li>Poor connection</li> <li>Defective cord set</li> <li>Connected device is faulty</li> <li>Fault in generator</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Reset circuit breaker</li> <li>Check and repair</li> <li>Check and repair</li> <li>Connect a device that is working properly</li> <li>Contact service department</li> </ol>
Engine runs well without load but bogs down when loads are connected	<ol> <li>Short circuit in connected device</li> <li>Generator is overloaded</li> <li>Clogged fuel filter</li> <li>Engine speed is too slow</li> <li>Short circuit in generator</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Disconnect device</li> <li>See pg 15 "Don't overload generator"</li> <li>Clean or replace fuel filter</li> <li>Contact service department</li> <li>Contact service department</li> </ol>
Engine will not start, shuts down during operation, or starts and runs rough.	<ol> <li>ON/OFF switch set to "OFF"</li> <li>Dirty Air filter</li> <li>Clogged fuel filter</li> <li>Stale fuel</li> <li>Spark plug wire disconnected from spark plug</li> <li>Bad spark plug</li> <li>Water in fuel</li> <li>Fuel valve is in "OFF" position</li> <li>Over choking</li> <li>Low oil level</li> <li>Rich fuel mixture</li> <li>Intake valve stuck open or closed</li> <li>Loss of engine compression</li> <li>Dead battery</li> <li>Engine has flooded</li> <li>CO Sensor indicator light turn red</li> <li>CO Sensor indicator light turn yellow</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Turn switch to "ON"</li> <li>Replace Air filter</li> <li>Clean or replace fuel filter</li> <li>Replace fuel</li> <li>Reconnect spark plug wire</li> <li>Replace spark plug</li> <li>Drain fuel tank and replace fuel</li> <li>Turn fuel valve to "ON" position</li> <li>Turn off choke</li> <li>Fill crankcase to proper oil level         <ul> <li>place generator on a level surface</li> </ul> </li> <li>Contact service department</li> <li>Contact service department</li> <li>Recharge or replace battery</li> <li>Wait 5 minutes and recrank         <ul> <li>engine</li> </ul> </li> <li>Move the generator to an open,         outdoor area</li> <li>Contact service department</li> </ol>
Engine lacks power	<ol> <li>Generator is overloaded</li> <li>Clogged fuel filter</li> <li>Dirty Air filter</li> <li>Engine needs servicing</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>See pg 15 "Don't overload generator"</li> <li>Clean or replace fuel filter</li> <li>Replace Air filter</li> <li>Contact service department</li> </ol>
Engine "hunts" or falters	Choke was removed too soon     Clogged fuel filter     Carburetor is running too rich or too lean	Move choke to middle position until engine runs evenly     Clean or replace fuel filter     Contact service department

# **CO SENSOR**

#### CO SENSOR

The CO Sensor monitors for the accumulation of poisonous carbon monoxide gas around the generator when the engine is running. If increasing levels of CO gas are detected, the CO Sensor automatically shuts down the engine.

The CO Sensor will also detect the accumulation of carbon monoxide from other fuel burning sources used in the area of operation. For example, if the exhaust of fuel burning tools is pointed at a CO Sensor-equipped generator, a shut-off may be initiated due to rising CO levels. This is not an error. Hazardous carbon monoxide has been detected. Move and redirect any additional fuel burning sources to dissipate carbon monoxide away from personnel and occupied buildings.

**Note:** Remote start-equipped generators must be restarted with the START/STOP button on the control panel after an automatic shut-down occurs.

Generators are intended to be used outdoors, far from occupied buildings and the exhaust pointed away from personnel and buildings. If misused and operated in a location that results in the accumulation of CO, like in a partially enclosed area, the CO Sensor shuts off the engine, notifies the user with a RED indicator light, and directs the user to read the Action Label for steps to take. The CO Sensor **DOES NOT** replace carbon monoxide alarms. Install battery-powered carbon monoxide alarm(s) in your home.

#### CO SENSOR INDICATOR LIGHTS

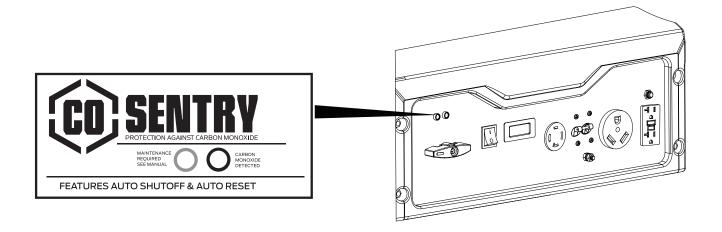
#### **RED**

Carbon monoxide accumulated around the generator. After shut-off, the RED indicator light in the CO Sensor area of the control panel will flash to provide notification that the generator was shut-off due to an accumulating CO hazard. The RED light will flash for at least five minutes after a CO shut-off.

Move the generator to an open, outdoor area far away from occupied spaces with exhaust pointed away. Once relocated to a safe area, the generator can be restarted. Introduce fresh air and ventilate the area where the generator had shut down.

#### **YELLOW**

A CO sensor system fault occurred. When a system fault occurs, the generator is automatically shut down and the YELLOW indicator light in the CO auto-shutoff area of the control panel will flash to provide notification that a fault has occurred. The YELLOW light will flash for at least five minutes after a fault. The generator can be re-started, but may continue to shutoff. A CO sensor fault can only be diagnosed and repaired by an authorized Pulsar service center.



# **DIAGRAMS**

