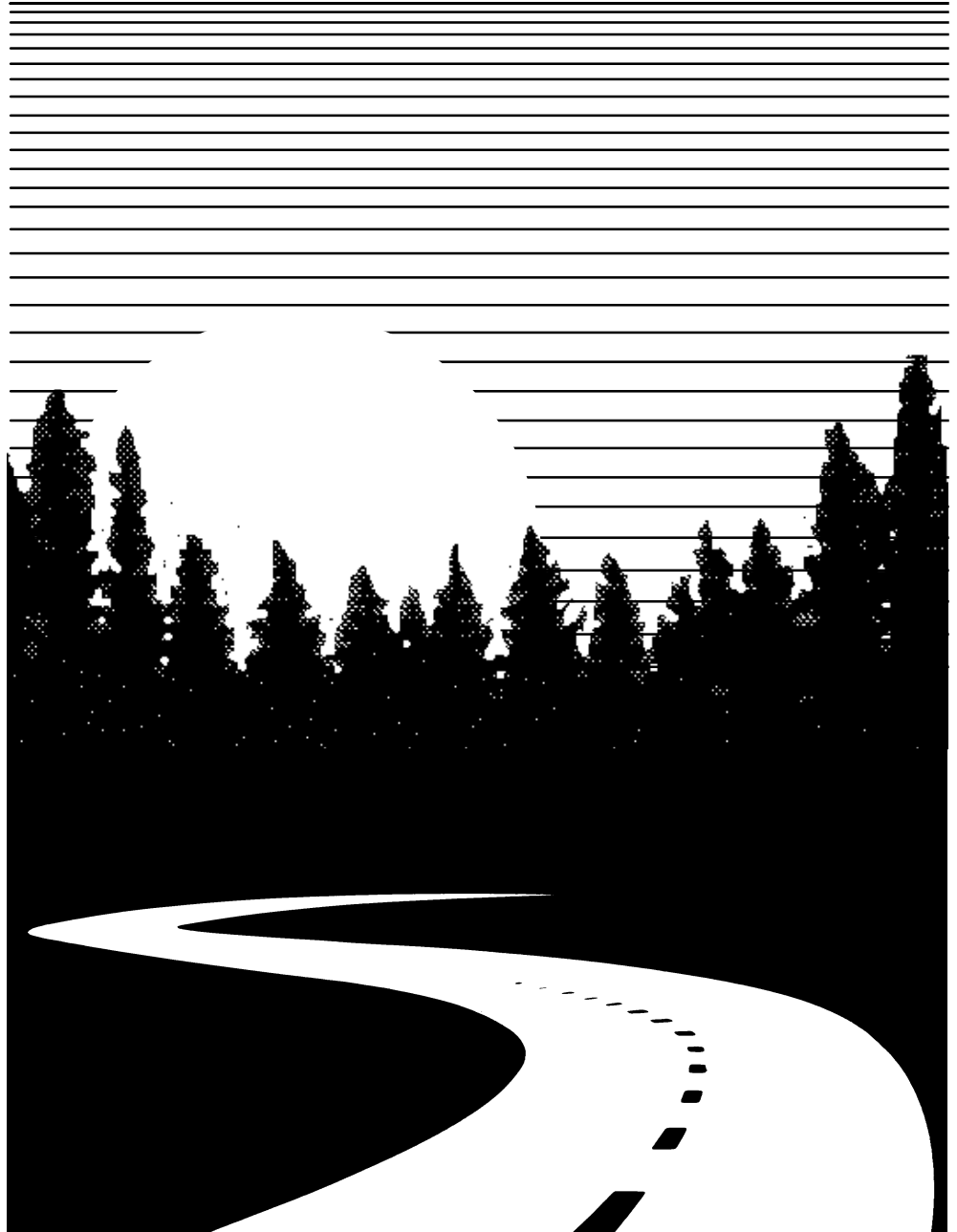


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## **Installation Manual**

**HDKBA**



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## **California**

### **Proposition 65 Warning**

**Diesel engine exhaust and some of its constituents are known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, and other reproductive harm.**



## **WARNING**



**Do not use this genset on a boat  
Such use may violate U. S. Coast Guard  
regulations and can result in  
severe personal injury or death from  
fire, electrocution, or  
carbon monoxide poisoning**

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# Safety Precautions

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Thoroughly read the **OPERATOR'S MANUAL** before operating the genset. Safe operation and top performance can only be obtained when equipment is operated and maintained properly.

The following symbols in this manual alert you to potential hazards to the operator, service person and equipment.

**⚠ DANGER** *alerts you to an immediate hazard which will result in severe personal injury or death.*

**⚠ WARNING** *alerts you to a hazard or unsafe practice which can result in severe personal injury or death.*

**⚠ CAUTION** *alerts you to a hazard or unsafe practice which can result in personal injury or equipment damage.*

Electricity, fuel, exhaust, moving parts and batteries present hazards which can result in severe personal injury or death.

## GENERAL PRECAUTIONS

- Keep children away from the genset.
- Do not use evaporative starting fluids. They are highly explosive.
- To prevent accidental or remote starting while working on the genset, disconnect the negative (-) battery cable at the battery.
- Let the engine cool down before removing the coolant pressure cap or opening the coolant drain. Hot coolant under pressure can spray out and cause severe burns.
- Keep the genset and its compartment clean. Excess oil and oily rags can catch fire. Dirt and gear stowed in the compartment can restrict cooling air.
- Make sure all fasteners are secure and torqued properly.

- Do not work on the genset when mentally or physically fatigued or after consuming alcohol or drugs.
- You must be trained and experienced to make adjustments while the genset is running—hot, moving or electrically live parts can cause severe personal injury or death.
- Used engine oil has been identified by some U. S. state and federal agencies as causing cancer or reproductive toxicity. Do not ingest, inhale, or contact used oil or its vapors.
- Ethylene glycol, used as engine antifreeze, is toxic to humans and animals. Clean up spills and dispose of used engine coolant in accordance with local environmental regulations.
- Keep multi-class ABC fire extinguishers handy. Class A fires involve ordinary combustible materials such as wood and cloth; Class B fires, combustible and flammable liquid fuels and gaseous fuels; Class C fires, live electrical equipment. (ref. NFPA No. 10)
- Genset installation and operation must comply with all applicable local, state and federal codes and regulations.

## GENERATOR VOLTAGE IS DEADLY

- Generator electrical output connections must be made by a trained and experienced electrician in accordance with applicable codes.
- The genset must not be connected to the public utility or any other source of electrical power. Back-feed could lead to electrocution of utility personnel and damage to equipment. An approved switching device must be used to prevent interconnections.
- Use caution when working on live electrical equipment. Remove jewelry, make sure clothing and shoes are dry, stand on a dry wooden platform or rubber insulating mat and use tools with insulated handles.

## ENGINE EXHAUST IS DEADLY

- Learn the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning in this manual.
- Never sleep in the vehicle while the genset is running unless the vehicle is equipped with a working carbon monoxide detector.
- The exhaust system must be installed in accordance with the genset Installation Manual.
- Engine cooling air must not be used for heating working or living spaces or compartments.
- Make sure there is ample fresh air when operating the genset in a confined area.

## DIESEL FUEL IS COMBUSTIBLE

- Do not smoke or turn electrical switches ON or OFF where fuel fumes are present or in areas sharing ventilation with fuel tanks or equipment. Keep flames, sparks, pilot lights, arc-producing equipment and all other sources of ignition well away.
- Fuel lines must be secured, free of leaks and separated or shielded from electrical wiring.

## BATTERY GAS IS EXPLOSIVE

- Wear safety glasses.
- Do not smoke.
- To reduce arcing when disconnecting or reconnecting battery cables, always disconnect the negative (-) battery cable first and reconnect it last.

## MOVING PARTS CAN CAUSE SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH

- Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry near moving parts such as PTO shafts, fans, belts and pulleys.
- Keep hands away from moving parts.
- Keep guards in place over fans, belts, pulleys, and other moving parts.

## FLAMMABLE VAPOR CAN CAUSE A DIESEL ENGINE TO OVERSPEED

Flammable vapor can cause a diesel engine to overspeed and become difficult to stop, resulting in possible fire, explosion, severe personal injury and death. ***Do not operate a diesel-powered genset where a flammable vapor environment can be created by fuel spill, leak, etc.*** The owners and operators of the genset are solely responsible for operating the genset safely.

# Introduction

## ABOUT THIS MANUAL

This manual is a guide for the installation of the HDKBA Series of generator sets (gensets). Proper installation is essential for top performance. Read through this manual before starting the installation.

This manual addresses the following aspects of the installation:

- Location and Mounting
- Exhaust Connections
- Fuel Connections
- Electrical Connections
- Startup

**⚠️WARNING** *This genset is not a life support system. It can stop without warning. Children, persons with physical or mental limitations, and pets could suffer personal injury or death. A personal attendant, redundant power or an alarm system must be used if genset operation is critical.*

**⚠️CAUTION** *Unauthorized modifications or replacement of fuel, exhaust, air intake or speed control system components that affect engine emissions are prohibited by law in the State of California.*

See the Operator’s Manual for operation and maintenance and the Service Manual for service.

**Note:** Manuals are updated from time to time to reflect changes in the equipment and its specifications. For this reason, only the copy of the installation manual supplied with the genset should be used as a guide for the installation.

## INSTALLATION CODES AND STANDARDS FOR SAFETY

The genset installer bears sole responsibility for the selection of the appropriate genset, for its proper installation and for obtaining approvals from the authorities (if any) having jurisdiction over the installation. These sets meet the basic requirements of the Standard for Safety for Engine Generator Sets for Recreational Vehicles, ANSI/RVIA EGS-1. They are suitable for installation in accordance with:

- ANSI A1192 (NFPA No. 1192)—Recreational Vehicles
- NFPA No. 70, Article 551—Recreational Vehicles and RV Parks
- CSA Electrical Bulletin 946—Requirements for Internal Combustion Engine-Driven Electric Generators for Use in Recreational Vehicles

Federal, State and local codes, such as the California Administrative Code—Title 25 (RV installation), might also be applicable. Installation codes and recommendations can change from time-to-time and are different in different countries, states and municipalities. It is recommended that the standards in Table 1 be obtained for reference.

TABLE 1. REFERENCE CODES AND STANDARDS

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Code of Federal Regulations,<br>Title 49: Chapter III<br>and Chapter V | Superintendent of Documents<br>P. O. Box 371954<br>Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954  |
| NFPA No 70, 1192   | National Fire Protection Association<br>470 Atlantic Avenue<br>Boston, MA 02210   |
| ANSI A119.2<br>ANSI/RVIA-EGS-1   | Recreational Vehicle Industry Association<br>14650 Lee Road<br>Chantilly, VA 22021  |
| California Administrative Code—Title<br>25, Chapter 3                  | State of California Documents Section<br>P.O. Box 1015<br>North Highlands, CA 95660   |
| CAN/CSA-Z240<br>Recreational Vehicles<br>Bulletin 946                  | Canadian Standards Association<br>Housing and Construction Materials Section<br>178 Rexdale Blvd.<br>Rexdale, Ontario, Canada M9W 1R3 |

## OUTLINE DRAWINGS

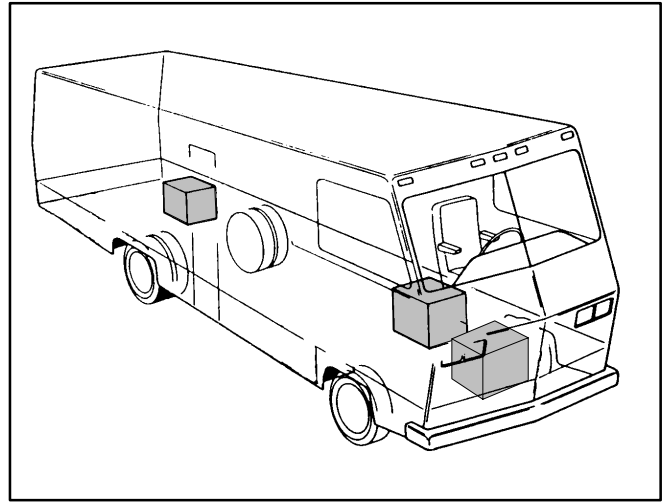
See the Outline Drawings (Pages 19 and 20) for installation details: mounting bolt hole locations, connection points (fuel, battery, exhaust, remote control, AC output), sizes and types of fittings, cooling air openings, weight, and overall dimensions. See your Onan dealer for a large-scale Outline Drawing and full-size floor cutout template.

**⚠️WARNING** *Improper installation can result in severe personal injury, death and equipment damage. The installer must be trained and experienced in the installation of electrical, mechanical, fuel and exhaust equipment.*

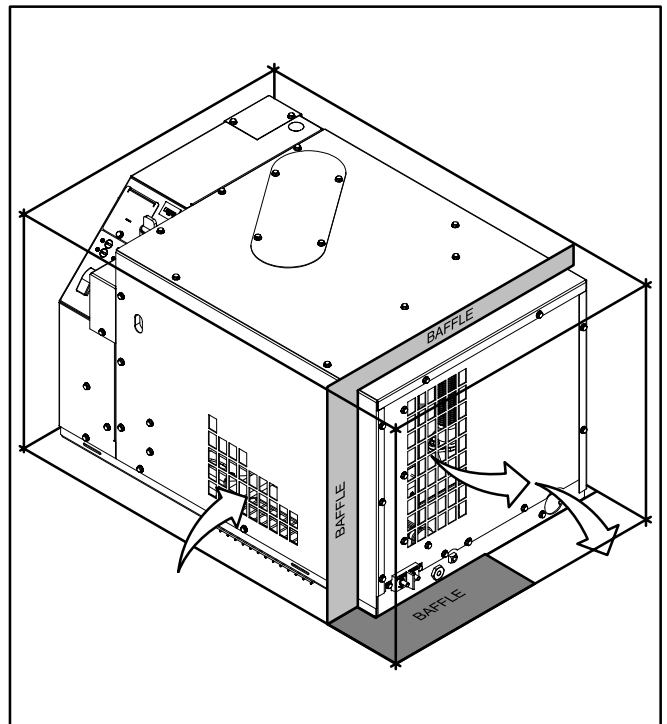
# Location and Mounting

Typical genset locations on a recreational vehicle are illustrated in Figure 1.

1. Orient the genset so that the operator's console is easily accessible for starting and stopping the genset and checking and filling oil and coolant.
2. Provide access for connecting the fuel lines, battery, remote control wiring and AC wiring.
3. Provide access for removing the bottom access cover to perform periodic maintenance in accordance with the Operator's Manual. If the genset compartment has a floor, use the floor cutout template that is available from your Onan dealer. The crosshatched areas on Page 20 indicate the areas that must be open in the floor. These areas must not be obstructed by frame members, exhaust tail pipes or other equipment.
4. The crosshatched areas on Page 20 also cover the areas that must be open for unobstructed air flow into and out of the genset for cooling, ventilation and combustion.
5. When the genset is installed in a compartment that surrounds the top and sides (Figure 2), provide non-flammable baffles (UL 94 HBF foam or better) to prevent hot side-discharge air from recirculating back into the front air inlet grille. The baffles must extend all the way across the top, down the front and half way back below the side air discharge grille. They must close off the gap between the genset and enclosure. See HOT AIR RECIRCULATION TEST (Page 17).
6. A genset compartment must be sized to provide at least 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) clearance at the top of the genset, 1/4 inch (6.4 mm) at the back and left side, 1 inch (25.4 mm) at the front for air intake and 4 inches (102 mm) at the right side for air discharge. These minimum clearances apply to any thermal or acoustic insulation with which the compartment may be lined.



**FIGURE 1. TYPICAL GENSET LOCATIONS**



**FIGURE 2. COMPARTMENT AIR BAFFLE TO PREVENT RECIRCULATION OF HOT AIR**



7. *If the air inlet for the front grille is in the compartment door*, it must allow the air to flow straight into each opening of the front inlet air grille without obstruction (Figure 2).
8. *If the air inlet for the front grille is in the compartment floor in front of the genset*, the opening must be at least 1 inches (25.4 mm) wide and extend across the entire front of the genset (crosshatched area, Page 20).
9. The compartment outlet for side-discharge air must be at least 4 inches (102 mm) wide and extend across the back half of the floor (Figure 2).
10. Make sure the genset clears the ground by at least 12 inches (305 mm) to reduce the amount of dust pulled in by the cooling fan.
11. Acoustic/thermal insulation and adhesive must be Classified as “Self-Extinguishing” at not less than 200°F (90°C). Do not line the bottom of the compartment with insulation, which absorbs spilled fuel and oil.
12. Provide a vapor-tight, fire-resistive barrier between the genset and the interior of the vehicle.

Use approved materials (26 gauge galvanized steel or equivalent). See NFPA 1192 for details.

**⚠WARNING** ***EXHAUST GAS IS DEADLY. Construct a suitable vapor barrier of approved materials between the genset and vehicle interior to keep out exhaust gas.***

13. Provide protection from direct road splash if the genset is located behind a road wheel or the front grille of the vehicle.
14. Support the genset on a structure able to resist the dynamic weight of the genset:  $\pm 3$  g-force ( $\pm 1200$  lbf) vertical and  $\pm 1$  g-force ( $\pm 400$  lbf) horizontal. Use four Grade 5 screws (3/8-16 UNC) to secure the genset to the floor or frame. The screws must protrude at least 1/2 inch (13 mm) but not more than 1 inch (25 mm) into the base, as measured from the bottom surface of the base. Torque the screws to 35 lb-ft (41 N-m).

**⚠WARNING** ***The genset support structure must be designed and installed to support the dynamic weight of the genset. Failure to do so can result in the genset dropping onto the roadway causing property damage, severe personal injury and death.***

# Exhaust Connections

The exhaust system must be gas-tight and designed to limit entry of exhaust gases into the vehicle.

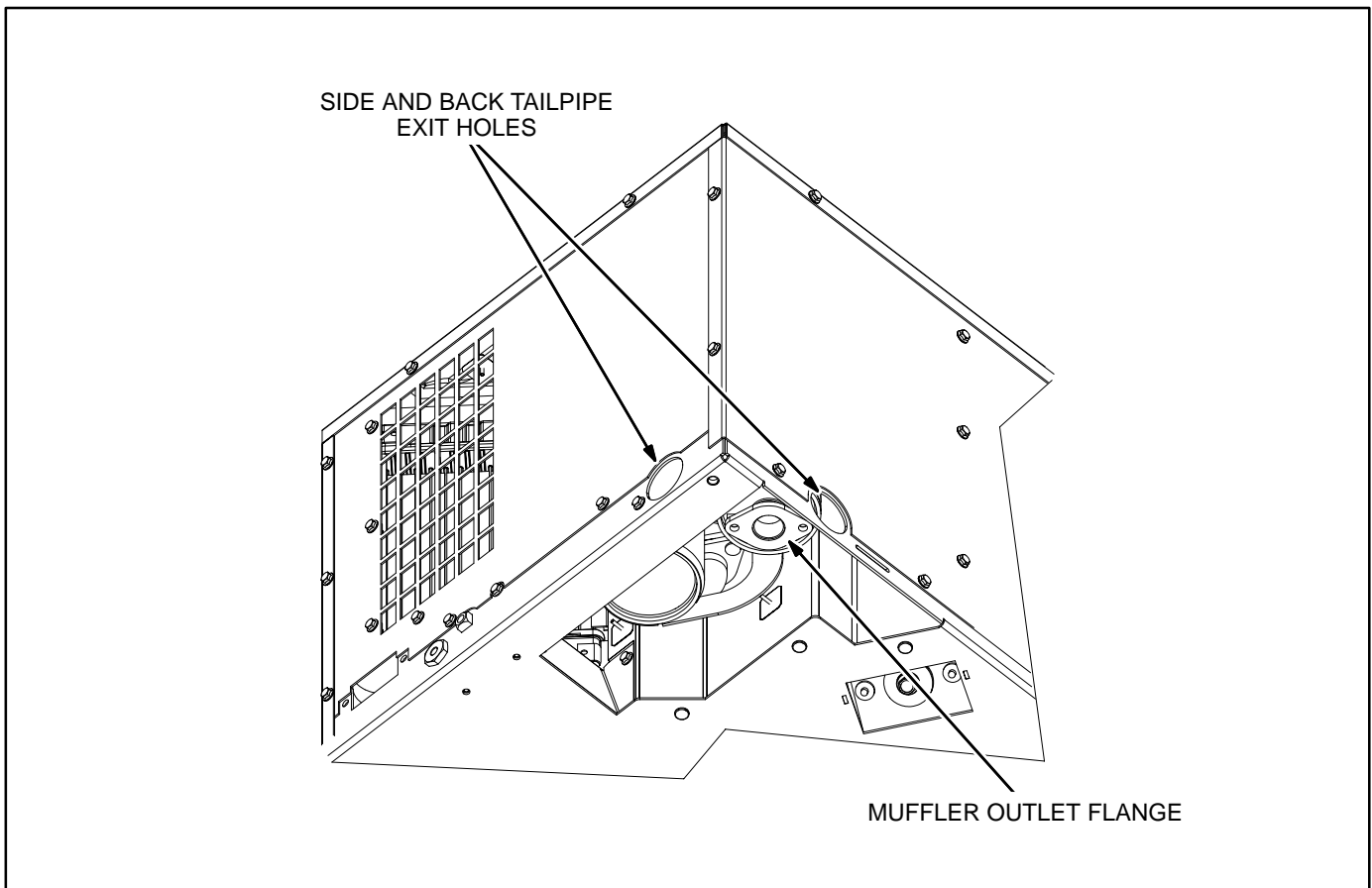
**⚠ WARNING** ***EXHAUST GAS IS DEADLY! To keep exhaust gases from entering the vehicle do not terminate the exhaust tailpipe underneath the vehicle or closer than specified to openings into the vehicle (Figure 6) or route it such that it is likely to be damaged (Figure 7). Use approved materials and parts only.***

**⚠ CAUTION** ***Unauthorized modifications or replacement of fuel, exhaust, air intake or speed control system components that affect engine emissions are prohibited by law in the State of California.***

## MUFFLER

The muffler is mounted inside the genset housing and has a flanged outlet opening (Figure 3). It has a USDA (Forest Service) spark arrestor and meets RVIA EGS-1 construction requirements. The Outline Drawing (Page 20) shows the dimensions of the exhaust flange and the locations of the tailpipe clearance holes.

A genset without a properly installed and maintained spark arresting exhaust system can cause a brush or forest fire, and is illegal on federal lands. Liability for damage, injury and warranty expense due to the modification of the exhaust system or to use of unapproved parts is the responsibility of the person performing the modification or installing the unapproved parts. Contact an Onan distributor for approved exhaust system parts.

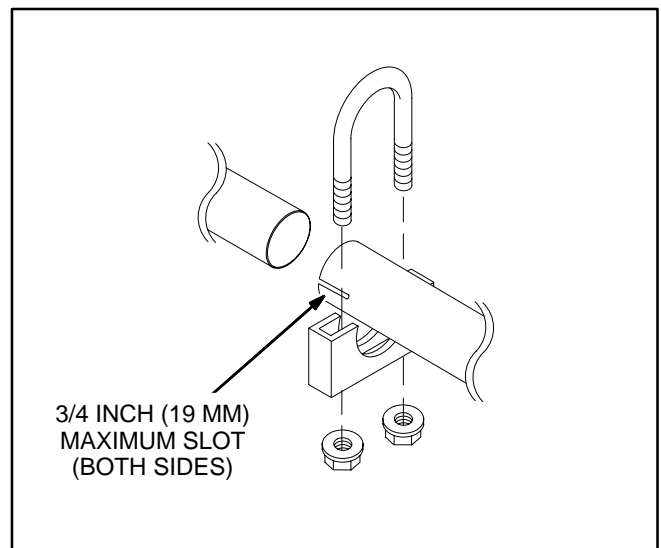


**FIGURE 3. EXHAUST CONNECTIONS AT GENSET**

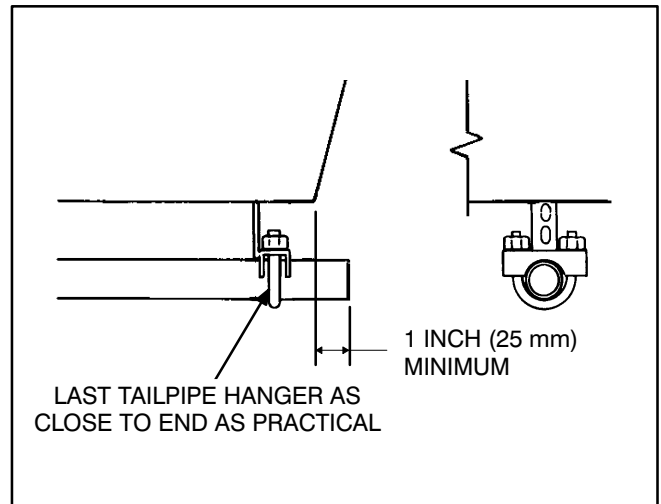
## TAILPIPE

Tailpipe adapter kits are separately available. Use a straight adapter for a tailpipe routed through the bottom. Use an elbow adapter for a tailpipe routed through the side or back exit holes. When connecting and routing the tailpipe:

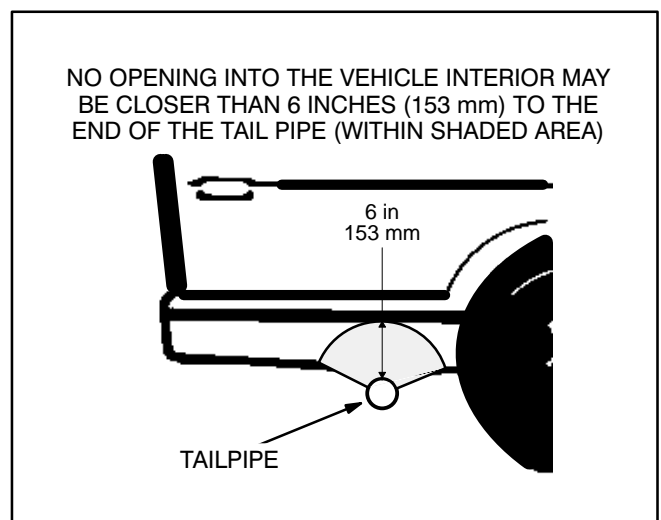
1. Use 1-3/8 inch ID, 18-gauge aluminized steel tubing or equivalent for the tailpipe. (Do not use flexible pipe. Flexible pipe is not gas tight or durable.)
2. Secure the tailpipe or adapter flange to the muffler flange with the gasket and two stainless steel bolts supplied in the kit.
3. Use U-bolt muffler clamps to connect sections of tailpipe. It is recommended that the overlapping pipe be slotted as shown in Figure 4.
4. Use automotive-type tailpipe hangers every 2 to 3 feet (0.6 to 0.9 m). Attach the hangers to steel framework, not to wood or other combustible material.
5. Do not terminate the tailpipe underneath the vehicle. Extend it a minimum of 1 inch (25 mm) beyond the perimeter of the vehicle (Figure 5). Support the end of the tailpipe such that it cannot be pushed inward and up under the skirt of the vehicle.
6. Do not route the tailpipe such that it will interfere with removing the service access cover and performing periodic maintenance. See the Operator's Manual.
7. Do not route the tailpipe closer than 3 inches (76 mm) to combustible material (wood, felt, cotton, organic fibers, etc.) unless it is insulated or shielded. The temperature rise (above ambient) on adjacent combustible material must not exceed 117°F (65°C).
8. Do not route the tail pipe near fuel lines or fuel tanks.
9. Do not terminate the tailpipe such that it is closer than 6 inches (153 mm) to any opening into the vehicle interior (door, window, vent). See Figure 6.



**FIGURE 4. EXHAUST TAILPIPE CONNECTIONS**



**FIGURE 5. TERMINATING THE EXHAUST TAILPIPE**



**FIGURE 6. MINIMUM DISTANCES TO OPENINGS**

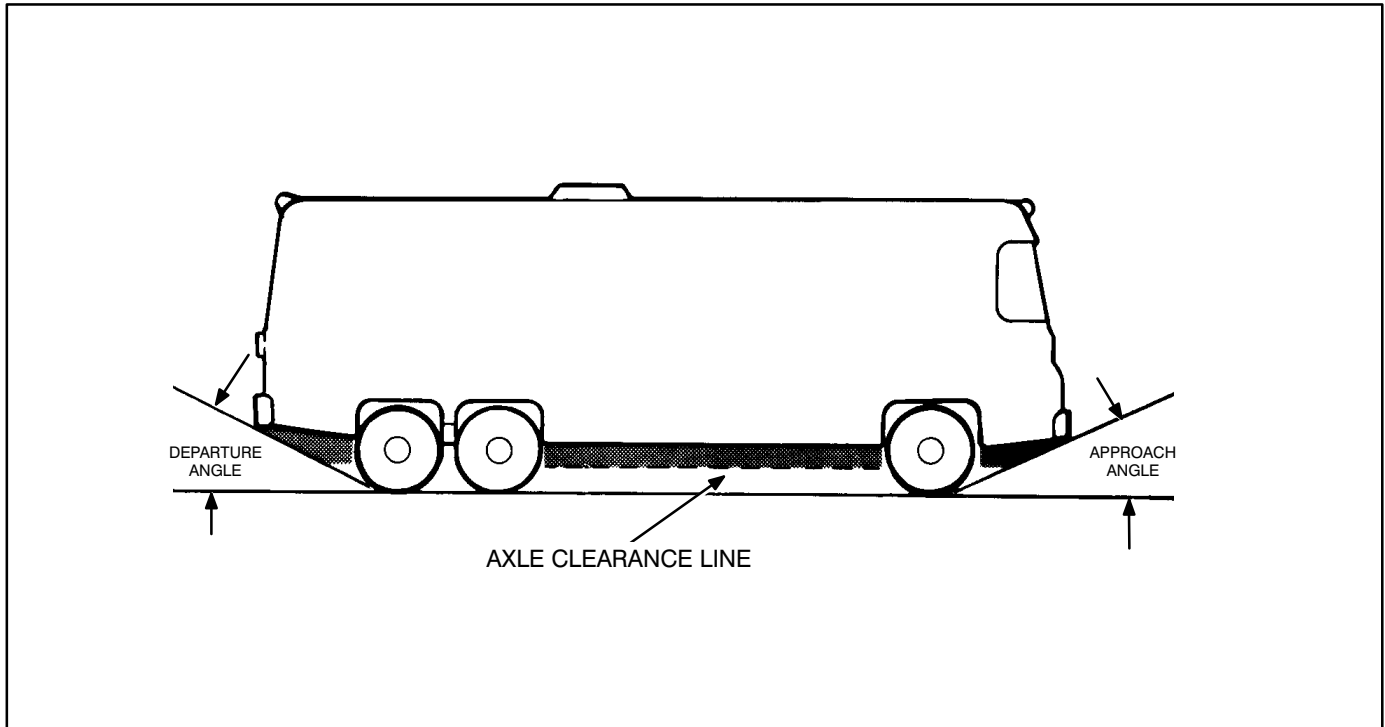
10. Route the tailpipe such that it is not likely to be struck when the vehicle is moving. Keep it out of the approach and departure angles of the vehicle and above the axle clearance line (Figure 7).

**⚠ CAUTION** *Interconnecting the engine exhaust systems will allow exhaust condensates and soot to migrate into the engine that is idle, causing engine damage.*

11. Do not connect the genset to the vehicle engine exhaust system.

**⚠ CAUTION** *Excessive back pressure can cause loss of performance and engine damage.*

*Exhaust back pressure under full load must not exceed 2 inches (51 mm) water column (WC) as measured within 6 inches (154 mm) of the muffler outlet flange.*



**FIGURE 7. APPROACH AND DEPARTURE ANGLES AND AXLE CLEARANCE LINE**

# Fuel Connections

**⚠ WARNING** *Diesel fuel is a combustible and can cause severe personal injury or death. Do not smoke or allow any flame, spark, pilot light, arc-producing equipment, electrical switch or other ignition source around fuel or fuel components, or in areas sharing ventilation. Keep a type ABC fire extinguisher handy.*

Do not interconnect genset and vehicle engine fuel lines. Follow the vehicle chassis manufacturer's instructions when making connections to the vehicle engine fuel tank.

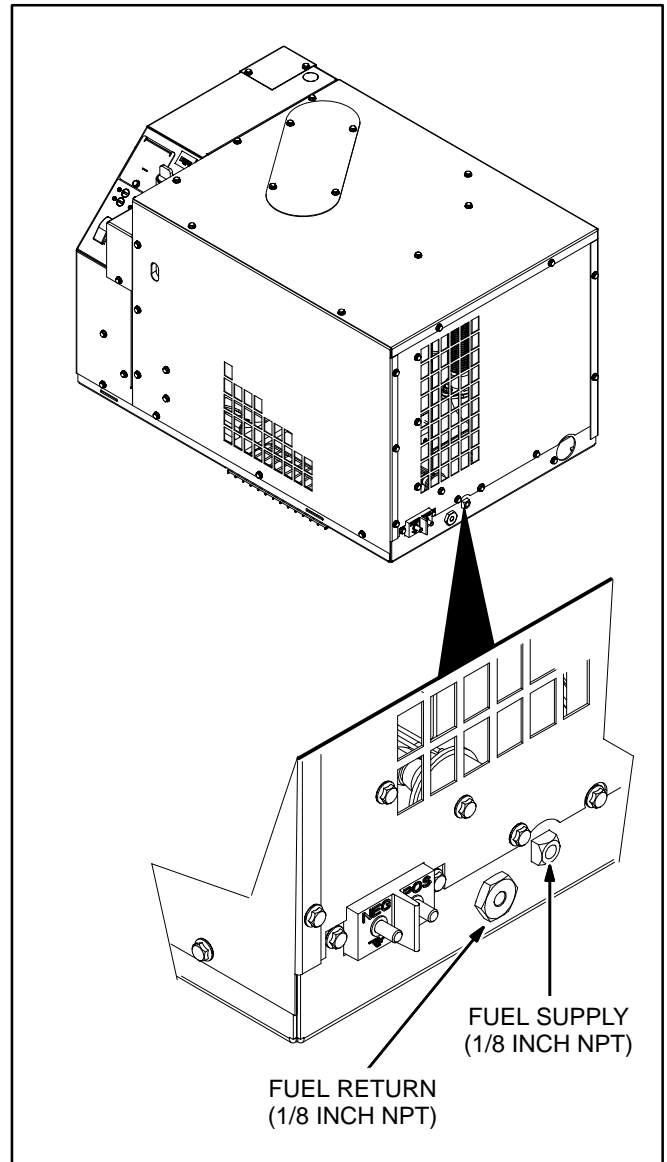
**⚠ CAUTION** *Either or both engines could starve for fuel if the genset and vehicle engine fuel lines are interconnected. Always use separate fuel lines or a separate fuel tank for the genset.*

To prevent the genset from running the vehicle out of fuel, do not extend the genset fuel pickup tube down into the fuel tank as far as the pickup tube for the vehicle engine.

Fuel lines (supply and return) must have at least a 1/4 inch (6.4 mm) ID. See Figure 8 for connections at the genset.

Run the fuel line at or above the top of the fuel tank to reduce the risk of siphoning fuel out of the tank if the line should break. The maximum fuel pump lift is 36 inches (1 meter).

Route fuel lines away from electrical wiring and hot engine exhaust components. Fuel lines should be accessible for inspection and replacement, protected from damage and secured to prevent kinking, contact with sharp edges and chafing due to vibration.



**FIGURE 8. FUEL CONNECTIONS**

# Electrical Connections

To prevent accidental starting of the genset during installation, do not connect the battery cables at the battery until so instructed in *Installation Review and Startup* (Page 16).

**⚠WARNING** *Accidental starting of the genset can cause severe personal injury or death. Do not connect the starting battery until so instructed in Installation Review and Startup.*

## AC POWER OUTPUT

The genset is equipped with a terminal block and conduit connector knockouts for AC power output connections (Figure 9).

### Wiring Methods

Follow the National Electrical Code, especially noting the following:

1. Have a trained and experienced electrician supervise and inspect the installation of all AC wiring.
2. Secure only one lead at each AC output terminal. The terminals are suitable for wire sizes up to No. 6 AWG.
3. Install vibration-proof switches and controls that won't open and close circuits when the vehicle is in motion.
4. Use rain-tight conduit, conduit connectors and junction boxes for all exterior wiring.
5. Provide ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) for all convenience power receptacles.
6. Seal all conduit openings into the vehicle interior to keep out exhaust gas. Apply silicone rubber or equivalent sealant inside and outside each conduit connector. (Flexible conduit is not vapor-tight and will allow exhaust gas to enter along the wires if not sealed.)

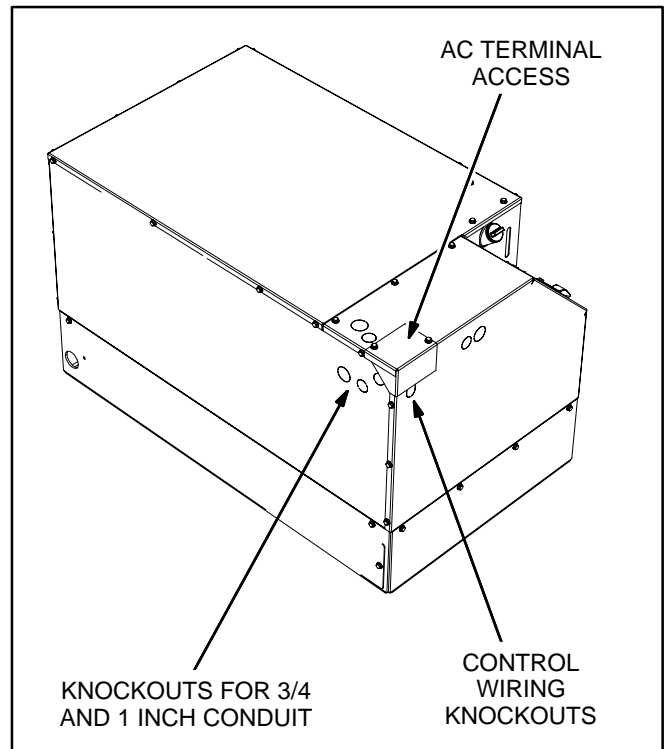
**⚠WARNING** *EXHAUST GAS IS DEADLY! Seal all wiring openings into the vehicle interior to keep out exhaust gas.*

7. Route or protect AC wiring so that it will not be cut or abraded, exposed to hot surfaces or damaged by road debris. Keep AC wiring away from fuel lines and control wiring (see Remote Control).

**⚠WARNING** *Routing AC wiring with fuel lines can lead to fire and severe personal injury or death. Keep AC wiring away from fuel lines.*

8. Connect the grounding terminal (Terminal TB4-5, Figure 10) in accordance with applicable codes.

**⚠WARNING** *Faulty grounding can lead to fire or electrocution and severe personal injury or death. Grounding must be in accordance with applicable codes.*

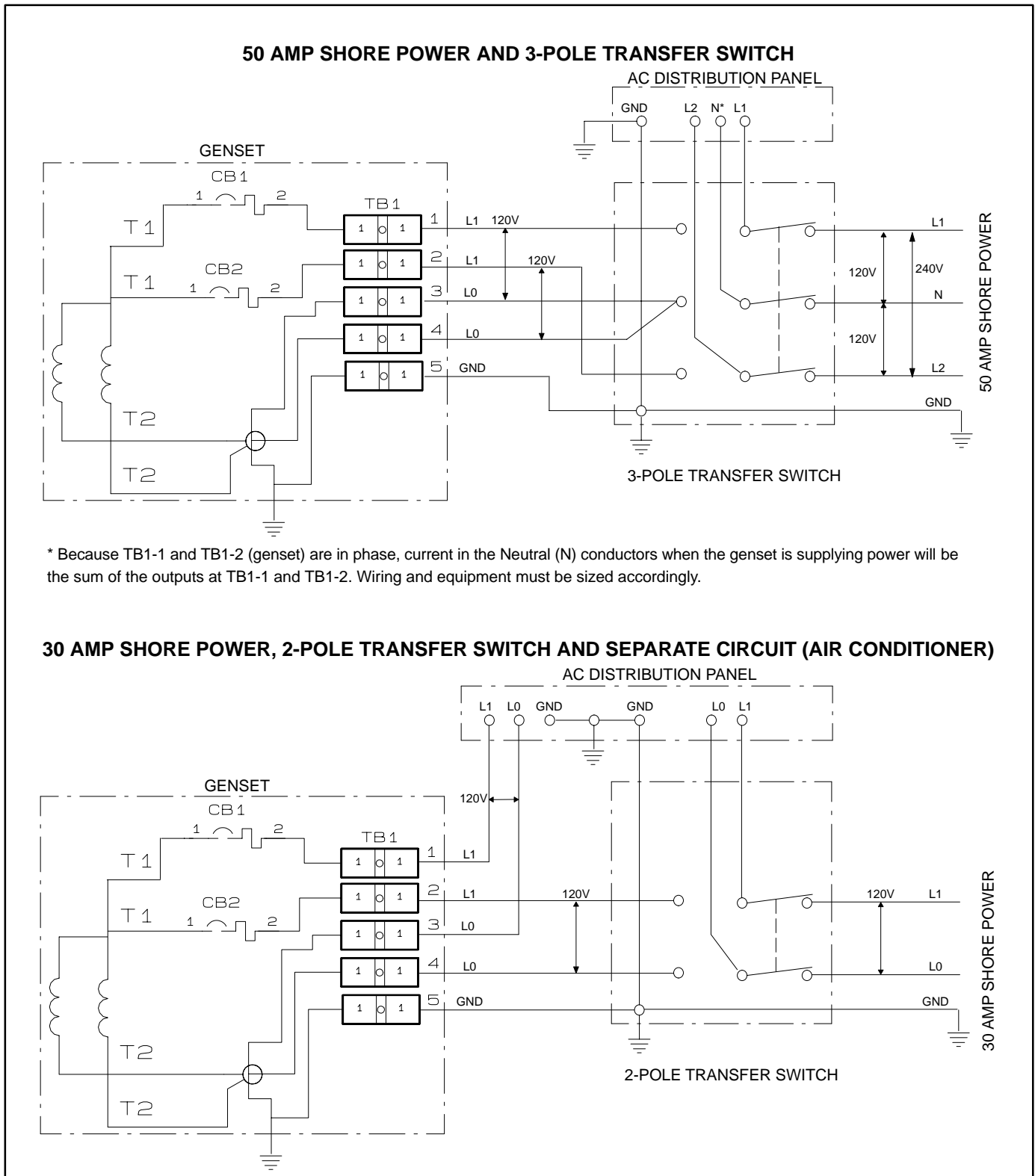


**FIGURE 9. ACCESS FOR AC OUTPUT AND REMOTE CONTROL CONNECTIONS**

## Connecting the Vehicle to Utility Power

A vehicle with provisions for connecting utility power must have an approved device to keep the genset and utility from being interconnected. See Figure 10 for typical connections.

**⚠ WARNING** *Interconnecting the genset and the public utility (or any other power source) can lead to electrocution of utility line workers, equipment damage and fire. Use an approved switching device to prevent interconnections.*



**FIGURE 10. TYPICAL AC CONNECTIONS**

## REMOTE CONTROL

Leads for connection to a remote control panel are terminated in a 10-pin sealed connector and are stowed inside the AC terminal enclosure when the genset leaves the factory. Details of the connector and its mate are provided on the Outline Drawing (Figure 18). See the schematic (Figure 20) for pin connections.

### Remote Control Panels

Onan offers harnesses of various lengths with mating receptacles and three remote control kits as follows:

- Remote switch / status lamp (Figure 11).
- Remote switch / status lamp and hour meter (Figure 12).
- Remote switch / status lamp and DC voltmeter (Figure 13).

If another source is used for the remote panel:

1. The control switch should be a two-pole, momentary-contact, center-return/center-off type of switch with an indicator light.
2. The total load connected to **P2-E** (Switched B+) should not exceed 2 amp.
3. The total load connected to **P2-F** (Status Light) should not exceed 2 amp.

### Wiring Methods

1. Remove the AC terminal access cover and remove one of the control wiring knockouts.
2. Pull out the remote control connector plug, fit the bushing around the connector leads into the knockout slot and secure the access cover.
3. Snap the connector plug and harness receptacle together.
4. If the harness does not have a plug for connections at the control panel, use solder-type butt connectors and heat-shrink insulation tubing to connect to the wiring from the remote panel.

Use insulated 18 AWG copper conductors for the wiring from the remote panel.

5. Keep control leads away from AC power leads to reduce the possibility of erratic operation due to induced signals.
6. Seal the hole where the leads enter the interior of the vehicle to keep out exhaust gas. Use silicone rubber or an equivalent type of sealant.

**⚠ WARNING EXHAUST GAS IS DEADLY!**  
**Seal all wiring openings into the vehicle interior to keep out exhaust gas.**

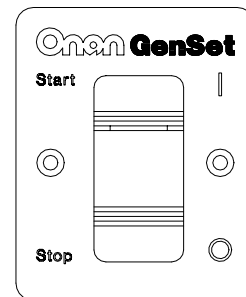


FIGURE 11. REMOTE SWITCH

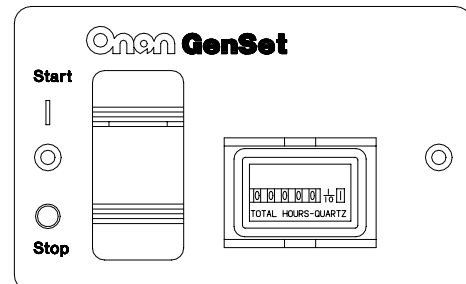


FIGURE 12. REMOTE SWITCH / HOUR METER

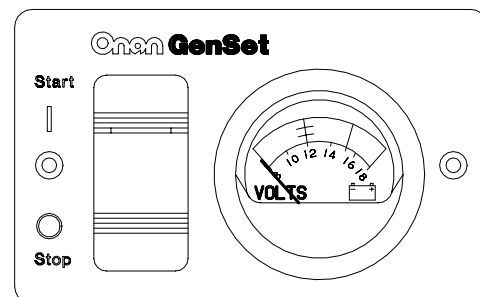


FIGURE 13. REMOTE SWITCH / DC VOLTMETER



## BATTERIES

To prevent accidental starting of the genset during installation, do not connect the battery cables at the battery until so instructed in *Installation Review and Startup* (Page 16).

**⚠WARNING** *Accidental starting of the genset can cause severe personal injury or death. Do not connect the starting battery until so instructed in Installation Review and Startup.*

### Battery Capacity

The genset has a 12 VDC, negative-ground control and starting system. See *Specifications* for the requirements for cranking batteries.

### Battery Compartment

Batteries must be mounted in a separate compartment from that of the genset and away from spark-producing equipment. An enclosed compartment must have openings of at least 1.7 square inches (11 square centimeters) at the top and bottom for ventilation of battery gasses. Batteries should be mounted such that spills and leaks will not drip acid on fuel lines, wiring and other equipment that could be damaged.

**⚠WARNING** *Arcing can ignite the explosive hydrogen gas given off by the battery, causing severe personal injury. The battery compartment must be ventilated and must isolate the battery from spark-producing equipment.*

### Battery Cables

Size battery cables according to Table 2. The current path between the genset and the negative (-) battery terminal must also be able to carry full cranking current without causing excessive voltage drop. It is highly recommended that a full-length cable be used to connect the genset to the negative (-) battery terminal (Figure 14). Note also that codes may require a bonding conductor between the genset and vehicle frame and between the battery and vehicle frame.

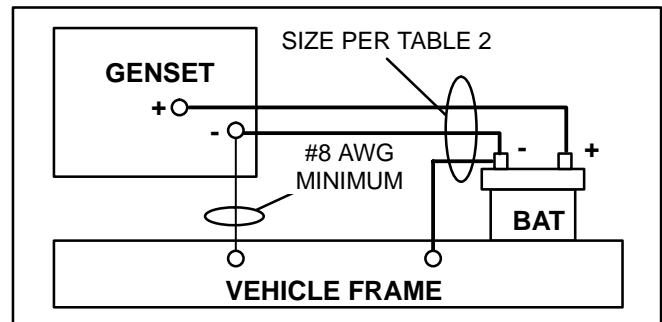
If the vehicle frame is used as the path between the negative (-) battery terminal and the genset (Fig-

ure 15), all frame members in the path of battery cranking currents must have substantial cross sections. The electrical resistance of riveted or bolted frame joints must also be carefully considered, especially if the joints will be exposed to corrosive conditions. A cable sized according to Table 2 must be used to connect the frame to the designated negative (-) terminal on the genset (Figure 15). **The genset mounting bolts are not considered adequate means for bonding the genset to the vehicle frame, either for the purpose of carrying cranking currents or for complying with requirements for genset/system grounding.**

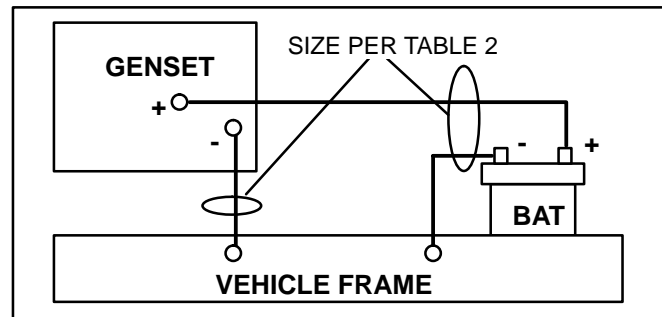
**TABLE 2. BATTERY CABLE SIZES FOR AMBIENT TEMPERATURES DOWN TO -20° F (-29° C)**

| TOTAL CABLE LENGTH, FEET (METERS) | CABLE SIZE, AWG |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 0 to 15 (0 to 4.5)                | 0*              |
| 16 to 20 (4.5 to 6)               | 000             |

\* - A total length of up to 25 feet (7.6 meters) may be used in warmer climates or when battery capacity totals at least 1200 CCA (Cold Cranking Amps).



**FIGURE 14. FULL-LENGTH CABLE FROM BATTERY NEGATIVE (-) TERMINAL**



**FIGURE 15. VEHICLE FRAME AS PATH FROM BATTERY NEGATIVE (-) TERMINAL**

Route battery cables away from fuel lines and hot engine exhaust components. Battery cables should be accessible for inspection and replacement, protected from damage and secured to prevent chafing due to vibration.

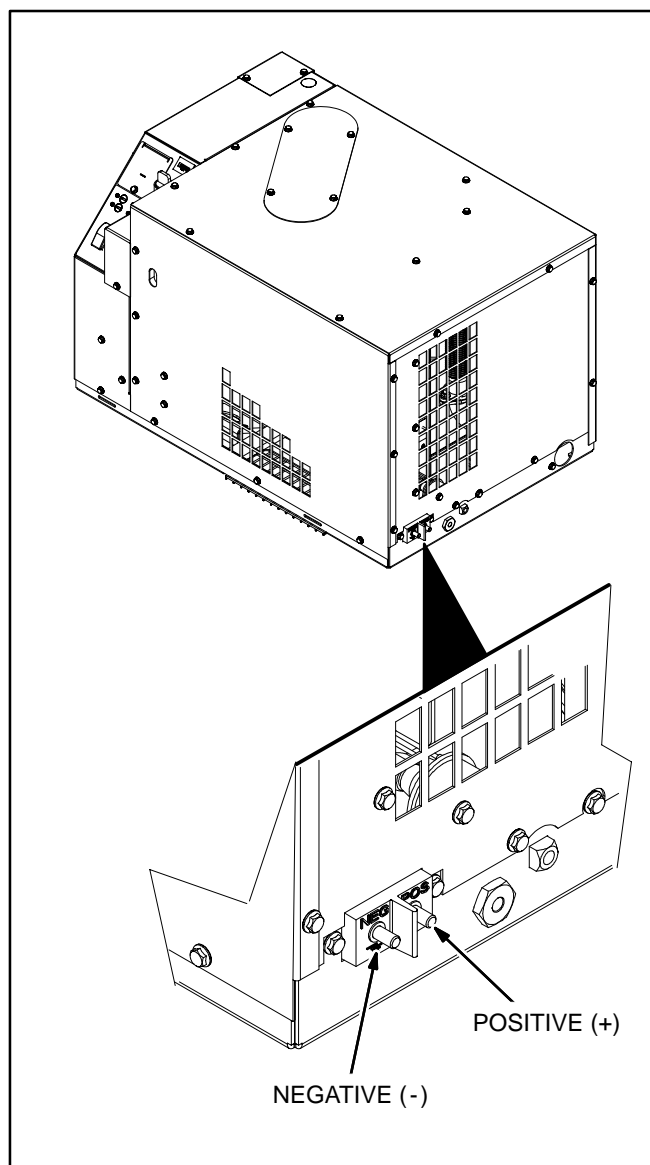
**⚠WARNING** *Routing battery cables with fuel lines can lead to fire and severe personal injury or death. Keep battery cables away from fuel lines.*

### Genset Bonding Terminal

The negative (-) battery cable terminal shown in Figure 16 is also the bonding terminal for grounding the genset to the vehicle chassis. If the grounding cable is also going to carry starter motor current, it must be sized the same as the battery cables.

### Connecting Battery and Bonding Cables

Terminate the battery cables with ring terminals sized for the 5/16 inch genset terminal screws (Figure 16). Permanently mark each end of each cable as to its polarity, positive (+) or negative (-). After making sure the battery cables are not connected at the battery, connect the battery and grounding cables to the genset (Figure 16).



**FIGURE 16. BATTERY CABLE TERMINALS**

# Installation Review and Startup

## INSTALLATION REVIEW

Before starting the genset inspect the installation and check off (✓) each of the following questions if it can be answered "YES". If a question cannot be checked off, review the appropriate section in the manual.

- [ ] Is the operator's console easily accessible for starting and stopping the genset, resetting circuit breakers and checking and adding engine coolant?
- [ ] Is the genset securely bolted in place?
- [ ] Is there clearance all around the genset?
- [ ] Are the cooling and combustion air inlet and outlet openings free of obstructions?
- [ ] Is there easy access for draining the engine oil?
- [ ] Is there easy access for draining the engine coolant?
- [ ] Is there easy access for changing the air filter, checking oil level and adding oil?
- [ ] Is there easy access for cleaning out the spark-arrest muffler?
- [ ] Are all tailpipe connections tight and all hangers and support straps secure?
- [ ] Does the tailpipe terminate at least 1 inch (25 mm) beyond the perimeter of the vehicle and at least 6 inches (153 mm) away from any opening into the vehicle?
- [ ] Is the tailpipe routed such that it is not likely to be struck while the vehicle is moving?
- [ ] Is the genset located outside the interior space of the vehicle and separated by approved vapor-tight and fire-resistive materials?
- [ ] Are all wiring holes into the vehicle interior (inside and outside conduit connectors) sealed to keep out exhaust gas?
- [ ] Have the AC output connections been made properly.
- [ ] Have properly sized batteries and battery cables been installed?
- [ ] Have the battery cables been secured at sufficient intervals to prevent chaffing and contact with sharp edges, fuel lines and hot exhaust parts?

- [ ] Is the genset bonding terminal (negative [-] battery cable terminal) properly grounded to the vehicle chassis?
- [ ] Are all fuel connections tight?
- [ ] Have the fuel lines been secured at sufficient intervals to prevent chaffing and contact with sharp edges, electrical wiring and hot exhaust parts?
- [ ] Is the genset protected from direct road splash?
- [ ] Does the genset clear the ground by at least 12 inches (305 mm)?

## STARTUP

When all installation requirements have been met, connect the battery cables to the battery, positive (+) cable first.

**⚠ WARNING** *Arcing at battery terminals or in light switches or other equipment, and flames or sparks, can ignite battery gas causing severe personal injury—Ventilate battery area before working on or near battery—Wear safety glasses—Do not smoke—Switch work light ON or OFF away from battery—Stop genset and disconnect charger before disconnecting battery cables—Disconnect negative (-) cable first and reconnect last.*

Read through the Operator's Manual and perform the maintenance and pre-start checks instructed. The genset is shipped from the factory with proper levels of engine oil and coolant, which should nevertheless be checked before the genset is started. Start and operate the genset, following all the instructions and precautions in the Operator's Manual.

**⚠ WARNING** *EXHAUST GAS IS DEADLY! Do not operate the genset when the vehicle is indoors unless there is ample fresh air ventilation.*

Check for fuel, coolant and exhaust leaks and unusual noises while the genset is running under full and intermediate loads. To calculate electrical loads see POWERING EQUIPMENT in the Operator's Manual. Do not place the genset in service until all leaks have been fixed and operation is satisfactory.

# HOT AIR RECIRCULATION TEST

A representative installation of the genset must be tested to determine that the genset will not overheat due to recirculation of hot air back into the genset.

## Test Method

1. Complete a representative installation.
2. Set up a load bank to run the genset at rated full-load.
3. Conduct the test at a location where the ambient air temperature will remain between 60° F and 100° F (16° C and 38° C).
4. Measure temperatures with thermocouples not heavier than No. 24 AWG (0.21 mm<sup>2</sup>).
  - A. Measure genset inlet air temperature with one thermocouple tied in the middle of the inlet air grille (Figure 17).
  - B. Measure ambient air temperature with a shielded thermocouple within 4 feet (1.2 meters) of the genset and at approximately the same height. Make sure the thermocouple will not be affected by warm air discharged from the genset or by sunlight. Use 2 inch diameter white PVC piping at least 6 inches long as a thermocouple shield.

5. Close all compartment doors and run the genset at full-load for at least an hour. Record temperatures at 15 minute intervals until they stabilize. Temperature is considered stable when there is no change in three consecutive readings. See Table 3 for an example of how the data can be arranged for recording and analysis.

TABLE 3. TEMPERATURE DATA

| THERMOCOUPLE LOCATION | TEMPERATURE C° (F°) |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                       | Time Of Reading     |  |  |  |  |
|                       |                     |  |  |  |  |
| AMBIENT AIR           |                     |  |  |  |  |
| INLET AIR             |                     |  |  |  |  |

## Test Requirement

The rise in inlet air temperature over ambient air temperature must not exceed 14° F (8° C). A rise in inlet air temperature indicates hot air recirculation. If the rise exceeds the requirement, steps must be taken to reduce recirculation to an acceptable level. Review *Location and Mounting* (Page 5).

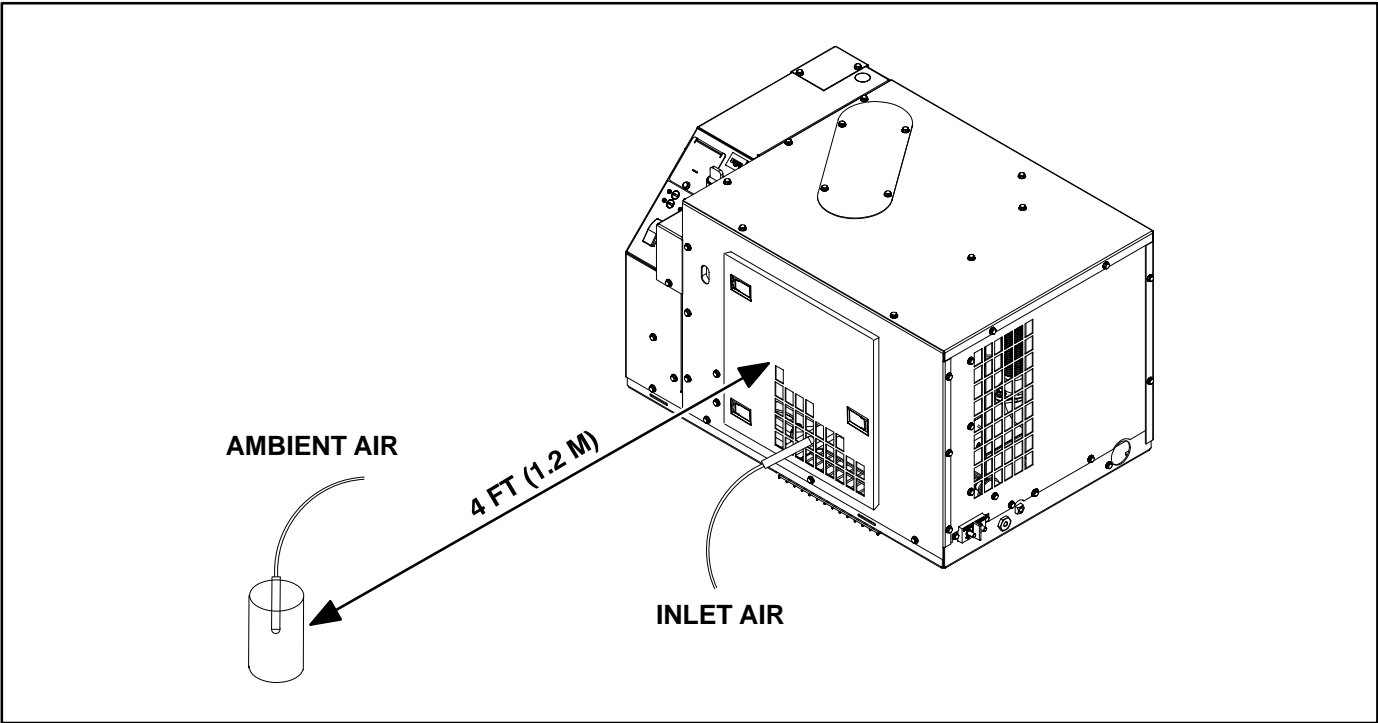


FIGURE 17. THERMOCOUPLE LOCATIONS FOR HOT AIR RECIRCULATION TEST

# Specifications

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>GENSET CONTROLLER:</b> Integrated Microprocessor Based Engine and Generator Controller            |  |
| <b>GENERATOR:</b> Two-Bearing, Two-Pole Rotating Field, 3600 RPM, "Poly-Vee" Belt Drive              |  |
| Power (@ 1.0 power factor)   | 5500 W   |
| Voltage  | 120  |
| Frequency  | 60 Hz  |
| Number of Phases   | 1  |
| Current  | 45.8 amps  |
| Line Circuit Breakers (Standard)   | One 20 amp and One 30 amp  |
| <b>FUEL CONSUMPTION:</b>   |  |
| No-load  | 0.25 gph (0.93 lph)  |
| Half-load  | 0.41 gph (1.57 lph)  |
| Full-load  | 0.66 gph (2.51 lph)  |
| <b>ENGINE:</b> 2-Cylinder In-Line, Water-Cooled, Indirect-Injection, 2880 RPM, 4-Stroke Cycle Diesel |  |
| Bore   | 2.64 in (67 mm)  |
| Stroke   | 2.68 in (68 mm)  |
| Displacement   | 29.23 in <sup>3</sup> (479 cc)                                     |
| Compression Ratio  | 23 : 1   |
| Fuel Injection Timing (BTDC)   | 18°-20°  |
| Injection Order  | 1-2  |
| Fuel Nozzle Injection Pressure   | 1991 psi (13.73 mPa)   |
| Valve Lash: Intake & Exhaust (cold)  | 0.0059 - 0.0073 inch (0.145 - 0.185 mm)                            |
| Oil Capacity (with filter)   | 2 quart (1.9 liter)  |
| Cooling System Capacity  | 2.5 quart (2.4 liter)  |
| <b>DC SYSTEM:</b>  |  |
| Nominal Battery Voltage  | 12 volts   |
| Minimum Battery Capacity<br>CCA (Cold Cranking Amps)   | 475 amps down to 0° F (-17° C)<br>650 amps down to -20° F (-29° C) |
| Fuse F1 (control, start and glow plug circuits)  | 30 amp mini-bayonet  |
| <b>WEIGHT:</b> 400 lbs (181 kg)  |  |
| <b>SIZE (L x W x H):</b> 34.5 x 22.4 x 20.3 in (846 x 549 x 498 mm)                                  |  |
| <b>SOUND LEVEL:</b> 68 dB(A) @ 10 ft (3m) in typical RV installation                                 |  |

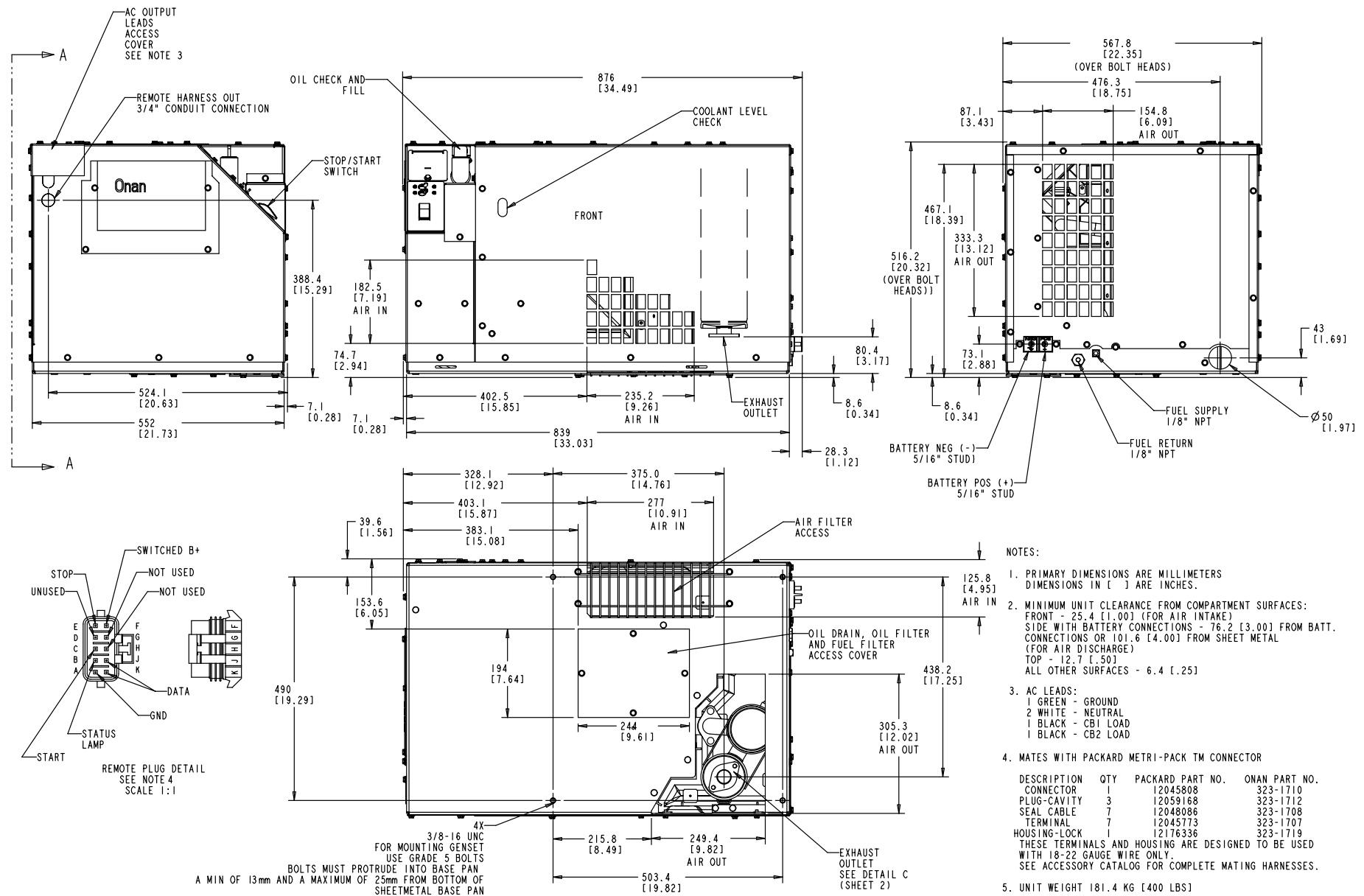


FIGURE 18. OUTLINE DRAWING—SHEET 1

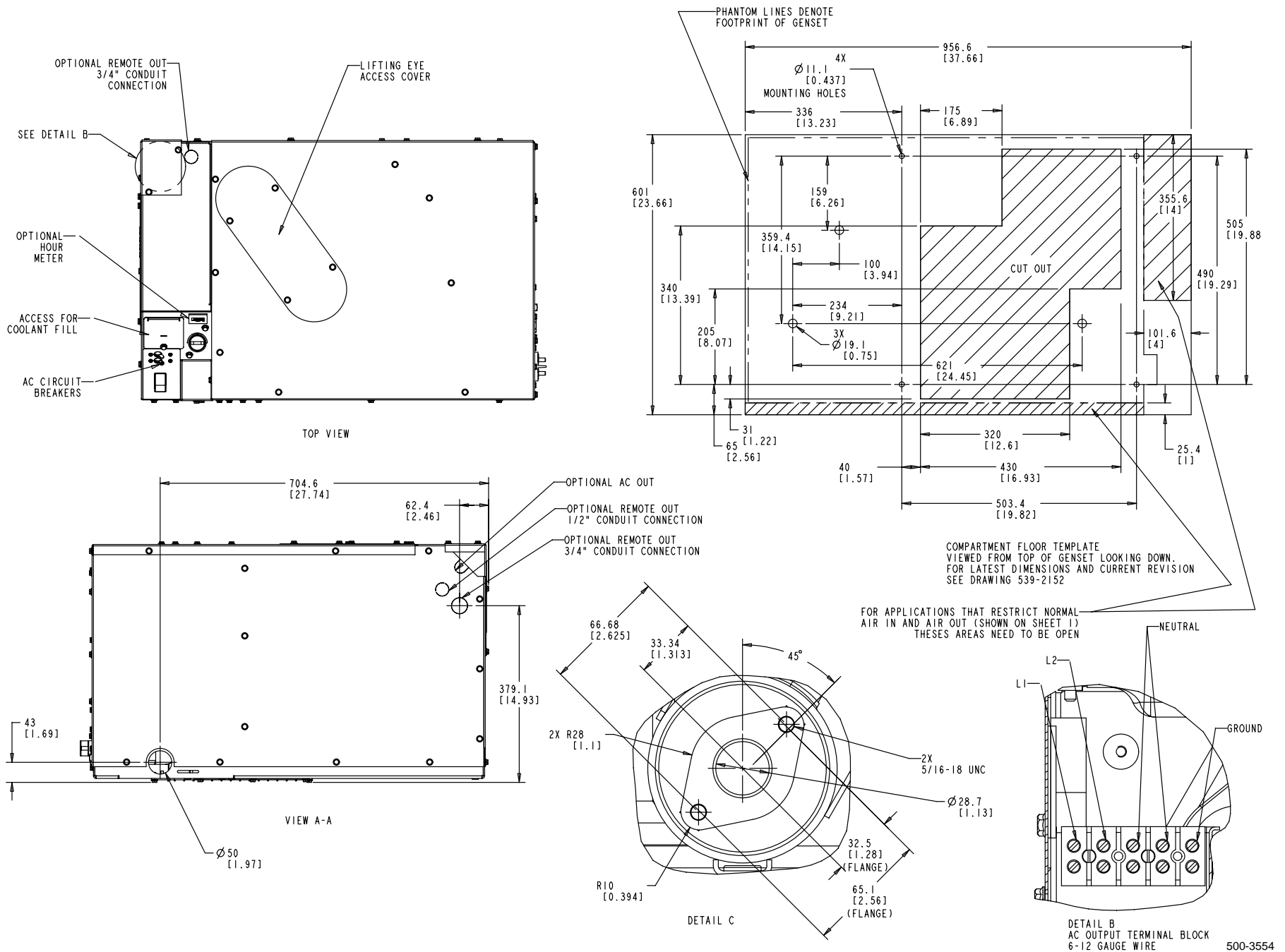


FIGURE 19. OUTLINE DRAWING—SHEET 2

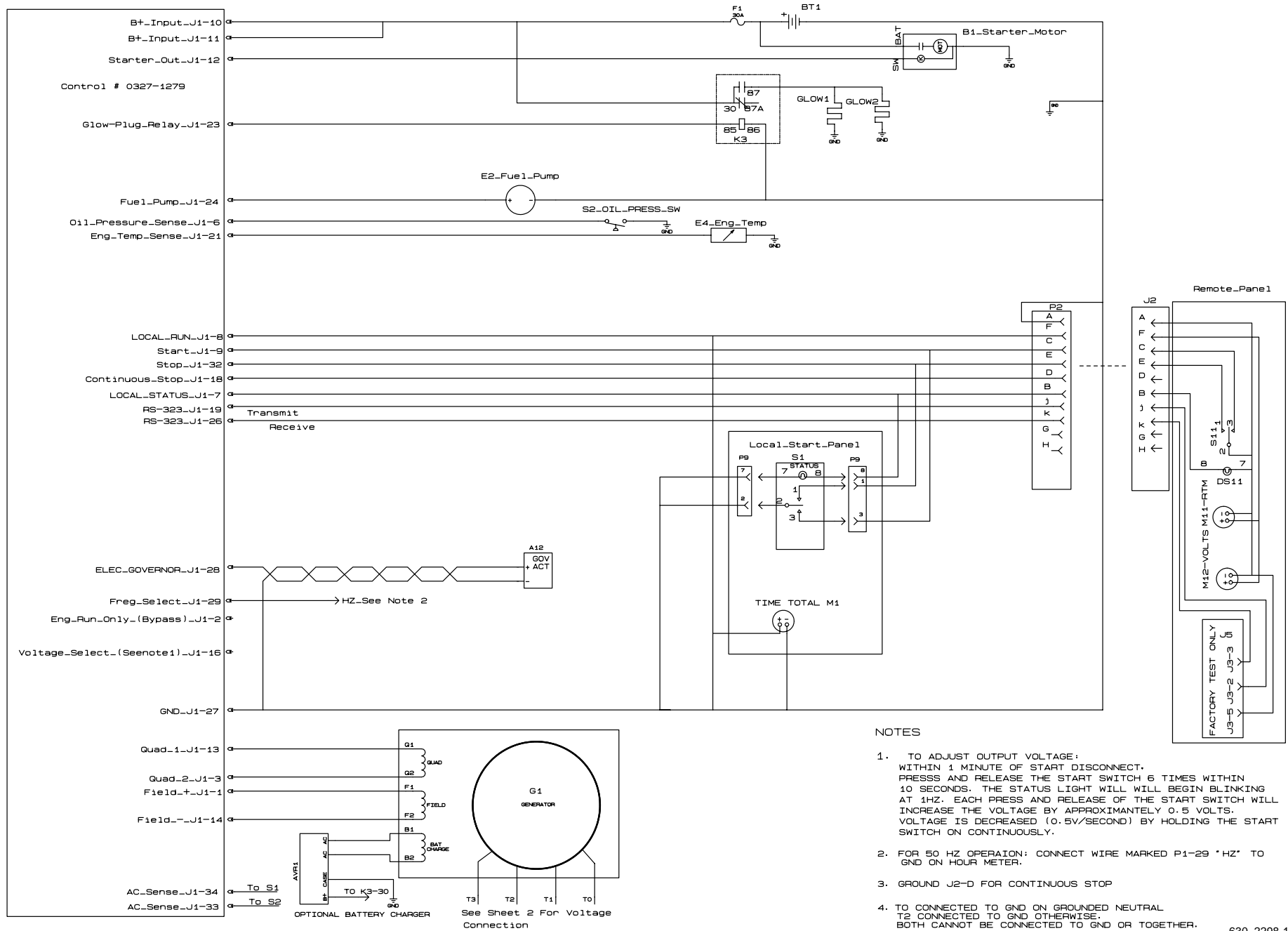
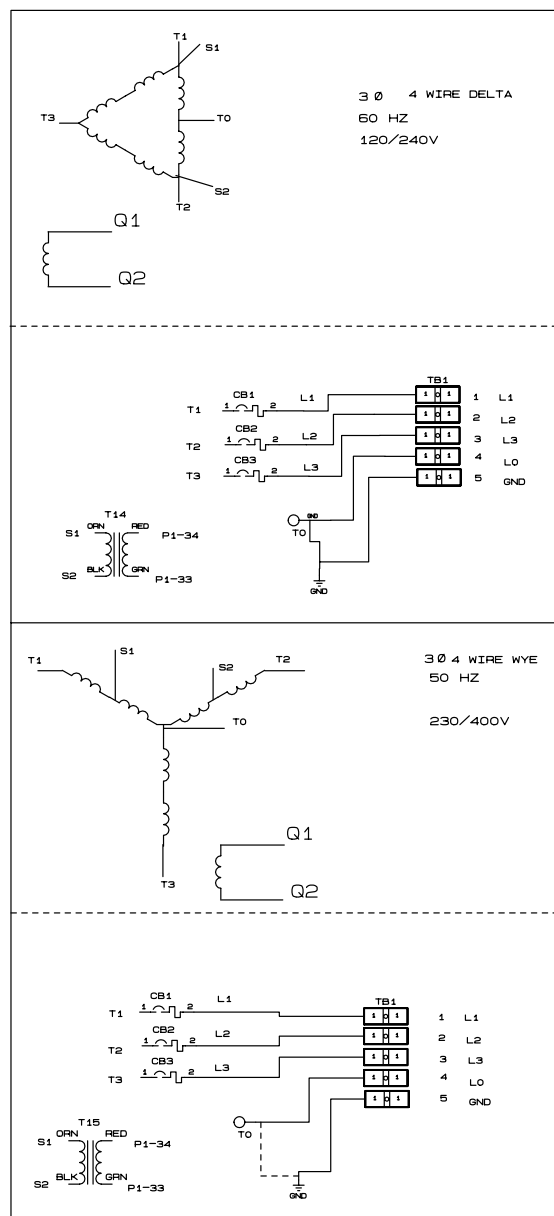
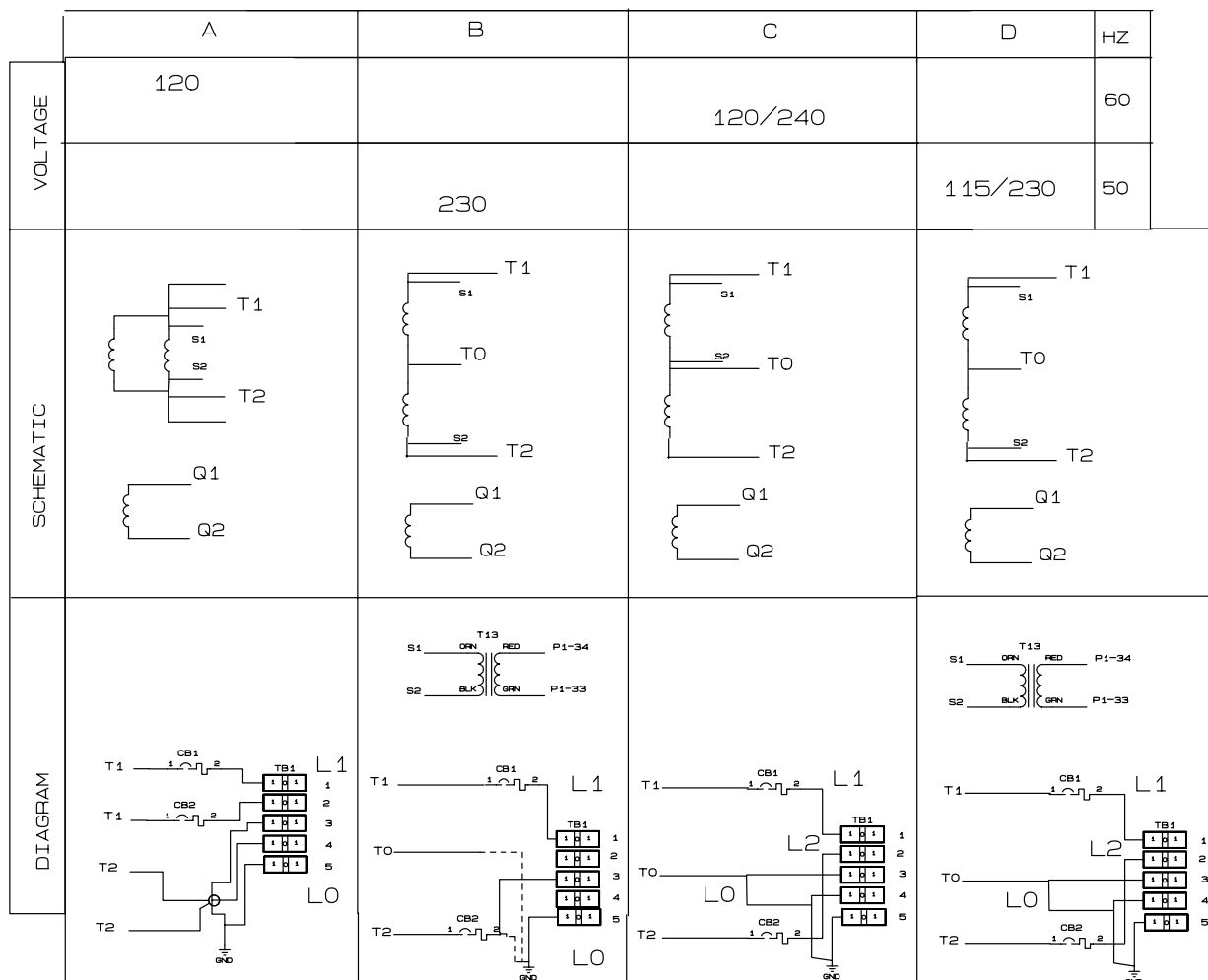


FIGURE 20. WIRING DIAGRAM—SHEET 1





3Ø Generator Reconnection



SEE NOTE 4.

1Ø Generator Reconnection

FIGURE 21. WIRING DIAGRAM—SHEET 2



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