

Service Advisory

No. 99-12

3.0 Litre Mounting Height

Models Affected

MERCURY/MARINER

225/250 HP Carb/EFI S/N 0G960500 and Above

200/225 HP Optimax S/N 0G960500 and Above

The 2000 model year 3.0 Litre product will have a new lower unit with dual water inlets. This new gear case will have water inlets on the front/leading end of the torpedo, in addition to the standard side water inlets. The new design will allow for better water flow to the engine when used on stepped bottom boats, which generally create a high amount of air-ventilated water.

The change in gear case design does **NOT** change the mounting height requirements for the engine. Mounting the engine above the recommended height could cause the engine to overheat, damage to the propeller shaft and bearing carrier, and premature product failure. Damage due to mounting heights above recommendations will **NOT** be covered under warranty. See engine installation manual for correct mounting height.



b - Side water inlets