

SERVICE BULLETIN

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A. UNIVERSAL JOINT LUBRICATION during 20-HOUR CHECKUP

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to Page 1C-1 of Your Service Manual.)

It is important that universal joints be lubricated during the 20-Hour Checkup and every 100 hours of operation, once each season and whenever servicing the unit.

The following MerCruiser Stern Drive units have cross and bearing assemblies with grease fittings which will allow lubrication without disassembly of the universal joint:

Drive Model	Serial Number
MC120-140	2902889 and Up
MC 165	2919425 and Up
MC 888-225S	All
MC 215E-225-255TR-255-280TRS	All
MC 215H	AII*

^{*}Plugs must be removed from crosses and grease fittings installed. Remove fittings after lubrication and reinstall plugs. Grease fitting Part No. is C-22-31345.

All other stern drive unit cross and bearing assemblies without lubricant fitting will require disassembly and packing bearings with lubricant.

CAUTION: Universal Joint Lubricant (C-92-58229) must be used. Universal joints have been factory-greased with this lubricant. Other lubricants are not compatible with Universal Joint Lubricant. Bearing life will be shortened considerably if any other lubricant is used.

C-92-58229

Universal Joint Lubricant, ½ Pt. (8 Oz.) (22kg)

B. POWER TRIM HOSE REPLACEMENT

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to Page 7A-12 of Your Service Manual.)

When replacing Power Trim hoses, that attach to the trim cylinder, apply Perfect Seal No. 4 (C-92-34227) to the threads at both ends of the hose. This will help protect threaded area against corrosion. Care should be taken not to allow the Perfect Seal to enter the hydraulic system.

C. NEW MERCATHODE REPLACEMENT PARTS

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to Page 7E-4 of Your Service Manual.)

New MerCathode System components (Figure 1) are interchangeable with the earlier style units. Reference electrode and anode shapes have been changed. When replacing these units, follow the following instructions: