



# Service Bulletin

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## MerCruiser Flushing Requirements

### Models Affected

#### All Gas Models

Models Covered	Serial Number
All MerCruiser Sterndrive, Inboard, and TowSport models	All

### Scope

Worldwide

### Situation

**IMPORTANT:** Flushing the engine with fresh water after operation in salty, brackish, mineral-laden, or polluted water is a required maintenance procedure. Flush the engine after each outing for best results.

Mercury Marine's Limited Warranty statement excludes from coverage damage caused by the failure to perform routine maintenance, including flushing the engine after operation.

### Correction

MerCruiser Sterndrive, Inboard, and TowSport engines are used in a variety of recreational and commercial applications. Choosing the correct flushing procedure for your engine will depend on the engine model, and in some cases the marine hardware and water supply fittings provided by the boat manufacturer.

Detailed flushing instructions can be found in the Operation and Maintenance manual included with each engine. The flushing procedures described in the engine's Operation and Maintenance manual explain the correct flushing procedure for the majority of applications.

Installations using through-the-hull fittings, seacocks, strainers, or aftermarket flushing devices should be evaluated before a boat is put into service. Each new boat delivery should include an explanation during the Customer Delivery Inspection (CDI) of the correct flushing procedure for the engine and application.

**IMPORTANT:** Refer to the Mercury Precision Parts and Accessories Guide for flushing attachments if the engine is not equipped with a flushing device.

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