## **November Edition of Natural Gas Engine Tech Talk**

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#### Tip of the Month:

# Draining On-board Fuel Filters Daily, How to Avoid Fuel Compressor Oil Contamination

Often overlooked, <u>draining the low-pressure fuel filter each day</u> will help you avoid low power complaints and expensive fuel system cleaning and repair costs. When refueling your on-board natural gas fuel system, you should expect a minimal amount of compressor oil to enter your fuel system.

The B6.7N, ISL G, L9N, and ISX12G engines fuel system all use a heated wire flow sensor to monitor fuel flow; when this sensor gets contaminated, it misreads fuel flow, resulting in poor engine performance. (Note: The ISX12N does <u>not</u> have this type of flow sensor, therefore is not part of this reminder)

As a best practice, I recommend capturing and inspecting any contaminates exiting the filters during the filter drain with a shop towel, paper towel, or even a plastic container with a lid, such as a water bottle. If excessive compressor oil is found present, report the issue to your maintenance department and refueling site operator.

If you are having a technical issue with your natural gas engines or you have a question about your natural gas engines, send me an email at <a href="mailto:jason.p.bauer@cummins.com">jason.p.bauer@cummins.com</a> or give me a call at (812) 447-0516.

#### **New This Month:**

### Cummins Natural Gas Engine Operating RPM Sweet Spot, by Engine Platform

	Gearing Recommendations				Operating Recommendations		
Engine Platform	On Highway		On/Off Road City/Urban		Minimum Full Load	Minimum Part Load*	Sweet Spot
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Downshift Downshift		
B6.7 N, ISB6.7 G	1700	2400	2000	2400	1600	1300	1700 - 1900
L9N, ISL G	1500	2000	1800	2000	1400	1200	1500 - 1700
ISX12N, ISX12 G	1400	1700	1500	1800	1300	1100	1400 - 1450

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Part load is defined as 50% throttle.

### **Technical Resources:**

Jason Bauer's Maintenance Tip Videos - Click Links Below

**Maintenance Intervals** 

**Natural Gas Engine Oil** 

**Ignition Coil Maintenance** 

**Fuel Filter Maintenance** 

**Spark Plug Maintenance** 

**Tips for Success** 

#### Minimum methane number requirement for Cummins Natural Gas Engines:

C Gas Plus, B Gas Plus, and L Gas Plus	65
ISL G, ISX12 G, ISB6.7 G, and all 2018 engine	

#### **GHG Emissions Calculator:**

https://www.cumminswestport.com/greenhouse-gas-calculator

#### **Fuel Quality Calculator:**

https://www.cumminswestport.com/fuel-quality-calculator

#### **Recommended Maximum GVW for Best Performance & Efficiency:**

B6.7N	33,000lbs
L9N	66,000lbs
ISX12N	80,000lbs

ISB6.7 G & B6.7N Maintenance Intervals		
	Hours	
Oil & Filter* - CES 20092	750	
<b>Conventional Coolant Replacement</b>	1,500	
Hybrid Coolant Replacement	4,000	
OAT Coolant Replacement	6,000	
Spark Plugs	750	
Fuel Filter	1,000	
Valve Adjustment	1,500	
Crankcase Breather	2,000	
Ignition Coil Extension	5,000	

ISL G & L9N Maintenance Intervals			
	Hours		
Oil & Filter* - CES 20092	1,000		
Standard Coolant Filter	500		
Extended Service Interval Filter	4,000		
<b>Conventional Coolant Replacement</b>	1,500		
Hybrid Coolant Replacement	4,000		
OAT Coolant Replacement	6,000		
Fuel Filter	1,000		
Valve Adjustment	1,000 / 2,000		
Spark Plugs	1,500		
Crankcase Breather Filter - L9N	2,000		
Standard Coolant	2,000		
Ignition Coil Extension	10,000		

ISX12 G & ISX12 N Maintenance Intervals		
Hou		
Oil & Filter* - CES 20092	1,000	
Spark Plugs	1,000	
Standard Coolant Filter	500	
Extended Service Interval Filter	4,000	
Conventional Coolant Replacement	1,500	
Hybrid Coolant Replacement	4,000	
OAT Coolant Replacement	6,000	
Valve Adjustment	1,000 / 3,000	
Ignition Coil Extension	10,000	
Crankcase Breather Filter - ISX12N	10,000	

ISB6.7 G & B6.7N Maintenance Part Numbers			
Component	Cummins Part #	Fleetguard Part #	
Oil Filter	4367100	LF14000NN	
Fuel Filter	3607140	NG5900	
Crankcase Filter	5288839		
Spark Plug Kit**	4376564		
Ignition Coil Extension	5402163		

<sup>\*\*</sup>Kit includes spark plug and pregreased boot

ISL G & L9N Maintenance Part Numbers			
Component	Cummins Part #	Fleetguard Part #	
Oil Filter	4367100	LF14000NN	
Fuel Filter	3607140	NG5900	
Crankcase Filter*	5288839		
Spark Plug Kit**	5473009		
Ignition Coil Extension	5265337		

<sup>\*</sup> If Equipped

ISX12 G & ISX12 N Maintenance Part Numbers			
Component	Cummins Part # Fleetguard Part #		
Oil Filter	4367100 LF14000NN		
Fuel Filter*	3607140 NG5900		
Crankcase Filter*	4389517 CV53009		
Spark Plug Kit**	4309391		
Ignition Coil Extension	4387015		

<sup>\*</sup>If Equipped

<u>CES 20092 Oil Provider Recommendations</u>
For the latest list of recommended oil providers click <u>here</u>.

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