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Warranty and Preparation of New, Unsold, Non-Current Product Models Affected

Model	Serial Number
Mercury Outboard engines	All new, unsold, non-current product
Mercury Jet Drive engines	All new, unsold, non-current product
MerCruiser Sterndrive, Inboard, and Tow Sports engines	All new, unsold, non-current product

IMPORTANT: "New, unsold, non-current product" is new product that has remained unsold more than one year from the date of manufacture. The date of manufacture can be found in the Product History section of MercNET.

Situation

Boats sometimes remain unsold for longer than 12 months. Stored boats that are exposed to sunlight and daily temperature changes may collect moisture in closed spaces. Boat covers are known to cause rust, corrosion, and interior damage if not properly vented. Fuel, depending on its original quality and how it was prepared for storage, will deteriorate and can damage fuel systems of boats in long-term storage.

Installed engines that are operated periodically when held in inventory for extended periods provide better long-term service to the customer and require less extra work at delivery. Starting the engine periodically and allowing it to reach operating temperature will reduce the risk of harm to the engine. Periodically operating the engine improves the service life for the customer, but it does not reduce the need for proper storage preparation as outlined in Mercury service literature.

Any engine that has not been installed and is on display or is stored indoors in the original packaging will likely be in a less harsh environment than a complete boat package. Operating this engine may not provide the same benefits as running an engine that has already been installed.

All new, unsold, non-current product requires proper predelivery inspection and preparation to ensure that it is in good condition before sale to the customer.

To validate factory warranty on all new, unsold, non-current products, follow the instructions listed below. The time periods listed start with Mercury Marine's original date of manufacture. The original date of manufacture can be found in the Product History section of MercNET.

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1 to 2 Years

- Check the serial number of the product. Verify if the product was affected by any service bulletin(s). Correct as necessary.
- Complete the normal inspections and preparations according to the **Predelivery Checklist** packaged with the product.
- Complete and submit the warranty registration according to the current instructions.

2 to 6 Years

- Check the serial number of the product. Verify if the product was affected by any service bulletin(s). Correct as necessary.
- Inspect the product for damage or corrosion. Correct as necessary.
- Change gearcase lubricant as specified in the operations and maintenance manual. Rotate the prop shaft several times on the Mercury Racing "dry-sump" drives to prime them. Change the transom assembly tailstock bearing lubricant using the lubricant specified in the operations and maintenance manual on all SpeedMaster drive line models.
- Replace all fuel filters.
- Inspect air filters, if applicable and replace them as necessary.
- Replace the sea water pump impeller. Refer to the appropriate Mercury Marine or MerCruiser service manual.
- Lubricate the lower unit driveshaft and prop shaft splines after the water pump impeller replacement and before installing the lower unit (not applicable for jet drives).
- Change the engine oil and filter as specified in the operations and maintenance manual for all 4 stroke engines (outboard, sterndrive, or inboard).
- Change the supercharger lubricant as specified in the operations and maintenance manual.
- Change the transmission fluid as specified in the operations and maintenance manual for Mercury Racing SpeedMaster models and MerCruiser inboard and Tow Sports engines.
- Lubricate the engine coupler and gimbal bearing of all Mercury Racing and MerCruiser sterndrives.
- Lubricate all points required according to the operations and maintenance manual.
- Remove and inspect the spark plugs. Spray lubricant into the cylinder bores before installing the spark plugs.
- Prime the engine oil system, if applicable, and the fuel system before starting the engine.

IMPORTANT: Manually prime the external oil pump on Mercury Racing "dry-sump" engines to 40 psi before rotating the crank shaft as described in the operations and maintenance manual.

6 Years or More

- Products manufactured by Mercury Marine 6 years or more before retail sale are not eligible for the factory warranty.

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- Complete all items as described in the **2 to 6 Years** section to ensure customer satisfaction. Mark the bill of sale "Sold AS IS without factory warranty." Register the product to receive notifications of future recalls or product updates.

Warranty

- Parts and labor are required for preparation of non-current product for sale and are not covered by warranty.
- Concealed shipping damage is not covered by warranty.

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