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**F20A
F25A
FT25B**

OWNER'S MANUAL

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Read this owner's manual carefully before operating your outboard motor.

Important manual information

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To the owner

Thank you for choosing a Yamaha outboard motor. This Owner's Manual contains information needed for proper operation, maintenance and care. A thorough understanding of these simple instructions will help you obtain maximum enjoyment from your new Yamaha. If you have any question about the operation or maintenance of your outboard motor, please consult a Yamaha dealer. In this Owner's Manual particularly important information is distinguished in the following ways.

 The Safety Alert Symbol means **ATTENTION! BECOME ALERT! YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED!**

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WARNING

Failure to follow WARNING instructions could result in severe injury or death to the machine operator, a bystander, or a person inspecting or repairing the outboard motor.

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CAUTION:

A CAUTION indicates special precautions that must be taken to avoid damage to the outboard motor.

NOTE:

A NOTE provides key information to make procedures easier or clearer.

Yamaha continually seeks advancements in product design and quality. Therefore, while this manual contains the most current product information available at the time of printing, there may be minor discrepancies between your machine and this manual. If there is any question concerning this manu-

al, please consult your Yamaha dealer.

To ensure long product life, Yamaha recommends that you use the product and perform the specified periodic inspections and maintenance by correctly following the instructions in the owner's manual. Note that if you do not follow these instructions, not only may the product break down, but the warranty will also be voided.

Some countries have laws or regulations restricting users from taking the product out of the country where it was purchased, and it may be impossible to register the product in the destination country. Additionally, the warranty may not apply in certain regions. When planning to take the product to another country, consult the dealer where the product was purchased for further information.

If the product was purchased used, please consult your closest dealer for customer registration, and to be eligible for the specified services.

NOTE:

The F20AET, F25AMH, F25AE, F25AET, FT25BET and the standard accessories are used as a base for the explanations and illustrations in this manual. Therefore some items may not apply to every model.

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General information

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Identification numbers record

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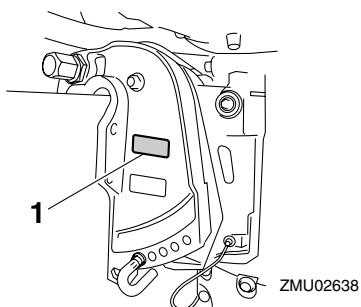


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Outboard motor serial number

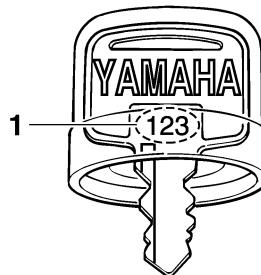
The outboard motor serial number is stamped on the label attached to the port side of the clamp bracket.

Record your outboard motor serial number in the spaces provided to assist you in ordering spare parts from your Yamaha dealer or for reference in case your outboard motor is stolen.



1. Outboard motor serial number location

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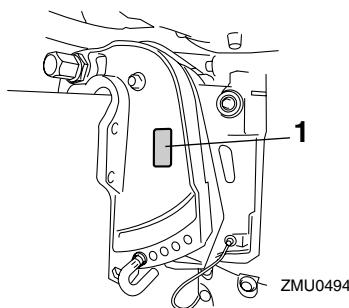
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1. Key number

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EC label

Engines affixed with this label conform to certain portions of the European Parliament directive relating to machinery. Refer to the label and the EC Declaration of Conformity for more details.



1. EC label location

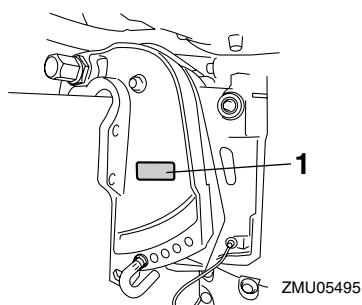
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Key number

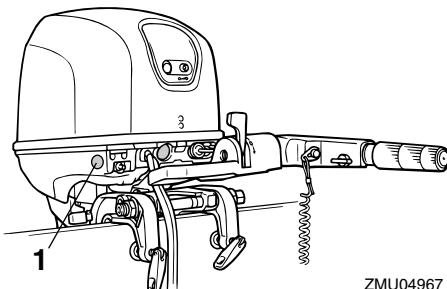
If a main key switch is equipped with the motor, the key identification number is stamped on your key as shown in the illustration. Record this number in the space provided for reference in case you need a new key.

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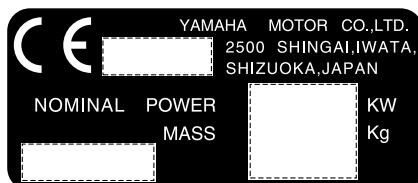


1. EC label location

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1. Approval label location



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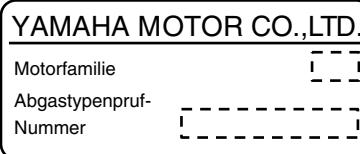
Emission control information

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SAV models

Engines affixed with the label pictured below conform to SAV (the Swiss exhaust emission regulations for Swiss inshore waters).

Approval label of emission control certif-



Fuel requirement label



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⚠ Safety information

- Before mounting or operating the outboard motor, read this entire manual. Reading it should give you an understanding of the motor and its operation.
- Before operating the boat, read any owner's or operator's manuals supplied with it and all labels. Be sure you understand

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each item before operating.

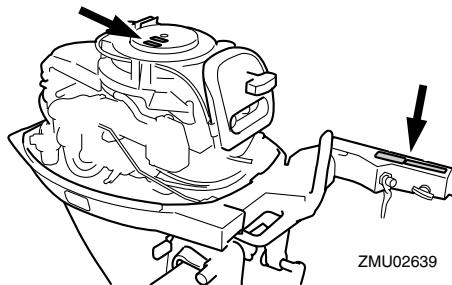
- Do not overpower the boat with this outboard motor. Overpowering the boat could result in loss of control. The rated power of the outboard should be equal to or less than the rated horsepower capacity of the boat. If the rated horsepower capacity of the boat is unknown, consult the dealer or boat manufacturer.
- Do not modify the outboard. Modifications could make the motor unfit or unsafe to use.
- Incorrect propeller selection and incorrect use may not only cause engine damage, but also adversely affect fuel consumption. Consult your dealer for correct use.
- Never operate after drinking alcohol or taking drugs. About 50% of all boating fatalities involve intoxication.
- Have an approved personal flotation device (PFD) on board for every occupant. It is a good idea to wear a PFD whenever boating. At a minimum, children and non-swimmers should always wear PFDs, and everyone should wear PFDs when there are potentially hazardous boating conditions.
- Gasoline is highly flammable, and its vapors are flammable and explosive. Handle and store gasoline carefully. Make sure there are no gas fumes or leaking fuel before starting the engine.
- This product emits exhaust gases which contain carbon monoxide, a colorless, odorless gas which may cause brain damage or death when inhaled. Symptoms include nausea, dizziness, and drowsiness. Keep cockpit and cabin areas well ventilated. Avoid blocking exhaust outlets.
- Check throttle, shift, and steering for proper operation before starting the engine.
- Attach the engine stop switch lanyard to a secure place on your clothing, or your arm or leg while operating. If you accidentally leave the helm, the lanyard will pull from the switch, stopping the engine.
- Know the marine laws and regulations where you will be boating - and obey them.
- Stay informed about the weather. Check weather forecasts before boating. Avoid boating in hazardous weather.
- Tell someone where you are going: leave a Float Plan with a responsible person. Be sure to cancel the Float Plan when you return.
- Use common sense and good judgment when boating. Know your abilities, and be sure you understand how your boat handles under the different boating conditions you may encounter. Operate within your limits, and the limits of your boat. Always operate at safe speeds, and keep a careful watch for obstacles and other traffic.
- Always watch carefully for swimmers during the engine operation.
- Stay away from swimming areas.
- When a swimmer is in the water near you shift into neutral and shut off the engine.
- Do not illegally discard empty containers used to replace or replenish oil. For the correct processing of empty containers, consult the dealer where you purchased the oil.
- When replacing oils used to lubricate the product (engine or gear oil), be sure to wipe away any spilt oil. Never pour oil without using a funnel or similar device. If necessary, verify the necessary replacement procedure with the dealer.
- Never illegally discard (dump) the product. Yamaha recommends consulting the dealer on discarding the product.

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Important labels

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Warning labels



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Label

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WARNING

- Be sure shift control is in neutral before starting engine. (except 2HP)
- Do not touch or remove electrical parts when starting or during operation.
- Keep hands, hair, and clothes away from flywheel and other rotating parts while engine is running.

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Label

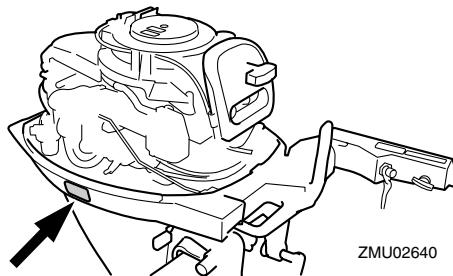
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WARNING

- This engine is equipped with a neutral starting device.
- The engine will not start unless the shift control is in neutral position.

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Caution labels



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Label

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CAUTION:

Transport and store the engine only as shown. Otherwise, engine damage could result from leaking oil.

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Fueling instructions

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WARNING

GASOLINE AND ITS VAPORS ARE HIGHLY FLAMMABLE AND EXPLOSIVE!

- Do not smoke when refueling, and keep away from sparks, flames, or other sources of ignition.
- Stop engine before refueling.
- Refuel in a well-ventilated area. Refuel portable fuel tanks off the boat.
- Take care not to spill gasoline. If gasoline spills, wipe it up immediately with dry rags.
- Do not overfill the fuel tank.
- Tighten the filler cap securely after refueling.
- If you should swallow some gasoline, inhale a lot of gasoline vapor, or get gasoline in your eyes, get immediate

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medical attention.

- If any gasoline spills onto your skin, immediately wash with soap and water. Change clothing if gasoline spills on it.
- Touch the fuel nozzle to the filler opening or funnel to help prevent electrostatic sparks.

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CAUTION:

Use only new clean gasoline which has been stored in clean containers and is not contaminated with water or foreign matter.

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Gasoline

Recommended gasoline:

Regular unleaded gasoline with a minimum octane rating of 90 (Research Octane Number).

If knocking or pinging occurs, use a different brand of gasoline or premium unleaded fuel.

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Engine oil

Recommended engine oil:

4-stroke motor oil with a combination of the following SAE and API oil classifications

Engine oil type SAE:

10W-30 or 10W-40

Engine oil grade API:

SE, SF, SG, SH, SJ, SL

Engine oil quantity (excluding oil filter):

F20AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50

Imp.qt)

F25AE 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50 Imp.qt)

F25AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50

Imp.qt)

F25AMH 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50

Imp.qt)

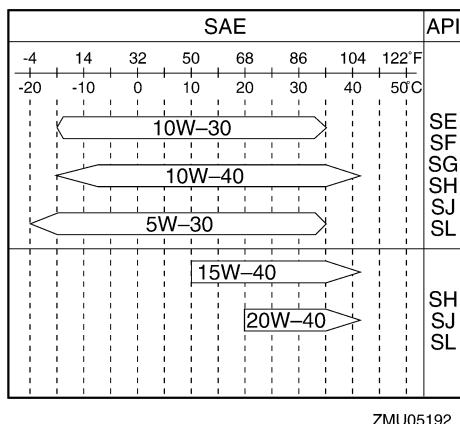
FT25BET 1.9 L (2.01 US qt) (1.67

Imp.qt)

NOTE:

If the recommended engine oil grades are not available, select an alternative from the following chart according to the average temperatures in your area.

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CAUTION:

All 4-stroke engines are shipped from the factory without engine oil.



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Battery requirement

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CAUTION:

Do not use a battery that does not meet the specified capacity. If a battery which does not meet specifications is used, the electric system could perform poorly or be overloaded, causing electric system damage.

For electric start models, choose a battery

which meets the following specifications.

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Battery specifications

Minimum cold cranking amps (CCA/EN):

F20AET 347.0 A

F25AE 347.0 A

F25AET 347.0 A

FT25BET 347.0 A

Minimum rated capacity (20HR/IEC):

F20AET 40.0 Ah

F25AE 40.0 Ah

F25AET 40.0 Ah

FT25BET 40.0 Ah

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Without a rectifier or Rectifier Regulator

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CAUTION:

A battery cannot be connected to models that do not have a rectifier or Rectifier Regulator.

If you wish to use a battery with the models without a rectifier or Rectifier Regulator, install an optional Rectifier Regulator.

Using a maintenance-free battery with the above models can shorten the life of the battery significantly.

Install an optional Rectifier Regulator or use accessories rated to withstand 18 volts or higher with the above models. Consult your Yamaha dealer for details on installing an optional Rectifier Regulator.

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Propeller selection

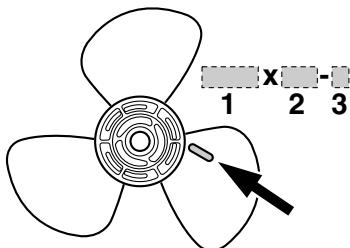
The performance of your outboard motor will be critically affected by your choice of propeller, as an incorrect choice could adversely affect performance and could also seriously damage the motor. Engine speed depends on the propeller size and boat load. If engine

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speed is too high or too low for good engine performance, this will have an adverse effect on the engine.

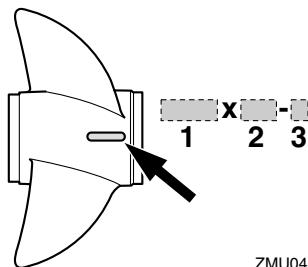
Yamaha outboard motors are fitted with propellers chosen to perform well over a range of applications, but there may be uses where a propeller with a different pitch would be more appropriate. For a greater operating load, a smaller-pitch propeller is more suitable as it enables the correct engine speed to be maintained. Conversely, a larger-pitch propeller is more suitable for a smaller operating load.

Yamaha dealers stock a range of propellers, and can advise you and install a propeller on your outboard that is best suited to your application.



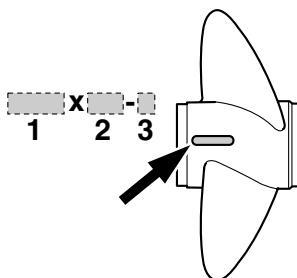
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1. Propeller diameter in inches
2. Propeller pitch in inches
3. Type of propeller (propeller mark)



ZMU04605

1. Propeller diameter in inches
2. Propeller pitch in inches
3. Type of propeller (propeller mark)



ZMU04606

1. Propeller diameter in inches
2. Propeller pitch in inches
3. Type of propeller (propeller mark)

NOTE:

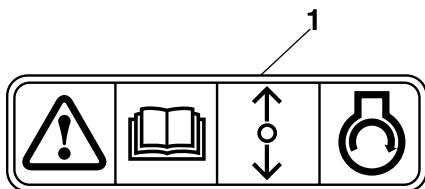
Select a propeller which will allow the engine to reach the middle or upper half of the operating range at full throttle with the maximum boat load. If operating conditions such as light boat loads then allow the engine r/min to rise above the maximum recommended range, reduce the throttle setting to maintain the engine in the proper operating range.

For instructions on propeller removal and installation, see page 57.

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Start-in-gear protection

Yamaha outboard motors affixed with the pictured label or Yamaha-approved remote control units are equipped with start-in-gear protection device(s). This feature permits the engine to be started only when it is in neutral. Always select neutral before starting the engine.



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1. Start-in-gear protection label

Basic components

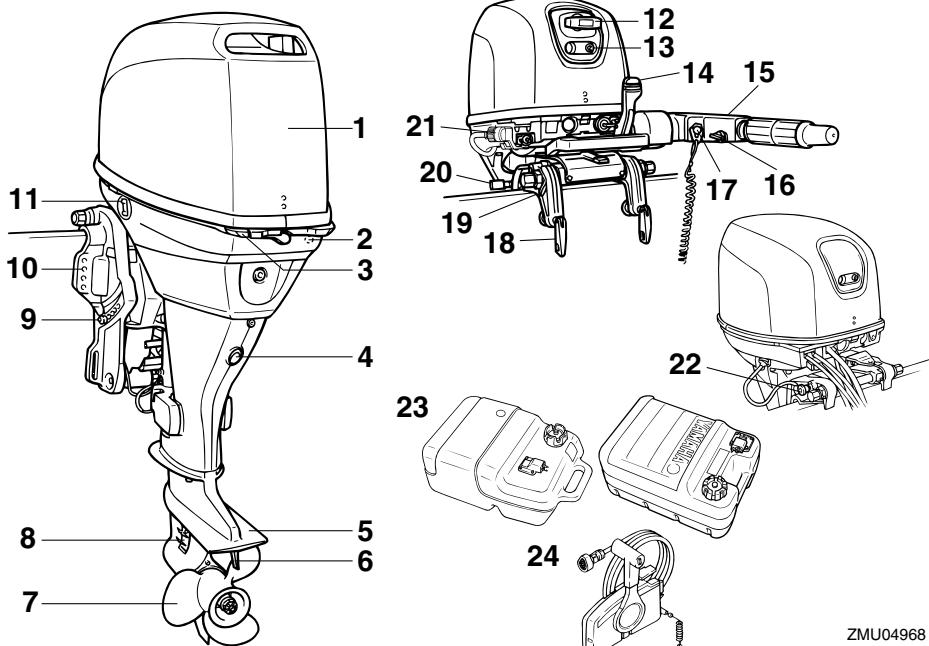
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Main components

NOTE: _____

* May not be exactly as shown; also may not be included as standard equipment on all models.

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1. Top cowling
2. Cooling water pilot hole
3. Top cowling lock lever(s)
4. Drain screw
5. Anti-cavitation plate
6. Trim tab (anode)
7. Propeller
8. Cooling water inlet
9. Trim rod*
10. Clamp bracket
11. Power trim and tilt switch*
12. Manual starter handle*
13. Warning indicator
14. Gear shift lever*
15. Tiller handle*
16. Throttle friction adjuster*
17. Engine stop button/Engine stop lanyard switch*
18. Transom clamp handle*
19. Rope attachment
20. Tilt lock lever*
21. Flushing device*
22. Tilt support knob*
23. Fuel tank*
24. Remote control box (side mount type)*

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Fuel tank

If your model was equipped with a portable

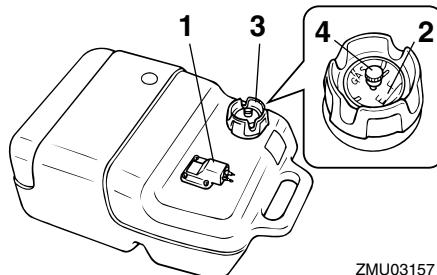
Basic components

fuel tank, its function is as follows.

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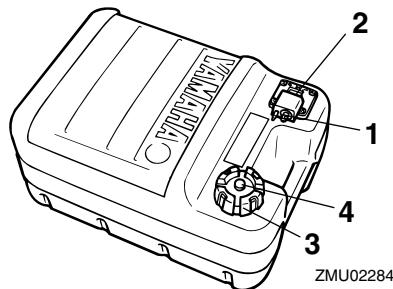
WARNING

The fuel tank supplied with this engine is its dedicated fuel reservoir and must not be used as a fuel storage container. Commercial users should conform to relevant licensing or approval authority regulations.



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1. Fuel joint
2. Fuel gauge
3. Fuel tank cap
4. Air vent screw



ZMU02284

1. Fuel joint
2. Fuel gauge
3. Fuel tank cap
4. Air vent screw

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Fuel joint

This joint is used to connect the fuel line.

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Fuel gauge

This gauge is located on either the fuel tank cap or on the fuel joint base. It shows the approximate amount of fuel remaining in the tank.

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Fuel tank cap

This cap seals the fuel tank. When removed, the tank can be filled with fuel. To remove the cap, turn it counterclockwise.

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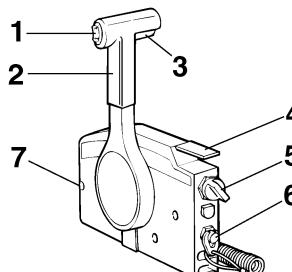
Air vent screw

This screw is on the fuel tank cap. To loosen the screw, turn it counterclockwise.

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Remote control

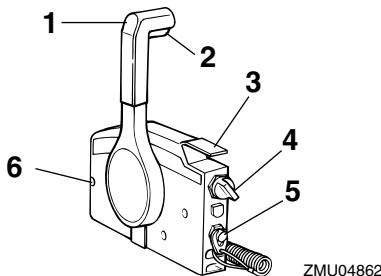
The remote control lever actuates both the shifter and the throttle. The electrical switches are mounted on the remote control box.



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1. Power trim and tilt switch
2. Remote control lever
3. Neutral interlock trigger
4. Neutral throttle lever
5. Main switch / choke switch
6. Engine stop lanyard switch
7. Throttle friction adjuster

Basic components



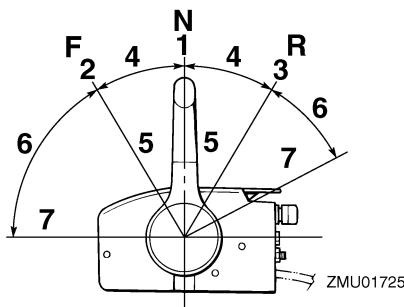
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1. Remote control lever
2. Neutral interlock trigger
3. Neutral throttle lever
4. Main switch / choke switch
5. Engine stop lanyard switch
6. Throttle friction adjuster

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Remote control lever

Moving the lever forward from the neutral position engages forward gear. Pulling the lever back from neutral engages reverse. The engine will continue to run at idle until the lever is moved about 35° (a detent can be felt). Moving the lever farther opens the throttle, and the engine will begin to accelerate.



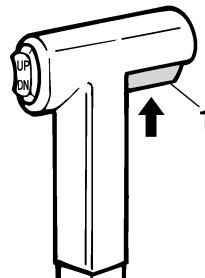
1. Neutral "N"
2. Forward "F"
3. Reverse "R"
4. Shift
5. Fully closed

6. Throttle
7. Fully open

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Neutral interlock trigger

To shift out of neutral, first pull the neutral interlock trigger up.



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1. Neutral interlock trigger

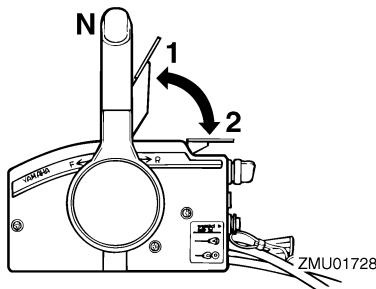
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Neutral throttle lever

To open the throttle without shifting into either forward or reverse, put the remote control lever in the neutral position and lift the neutral throttle lever.

NOTE:

The neutral throttle lever will operate only when the remote control lever is in neutral. The remote control lever will operate only when the neutral throttle lever is in the closed position.

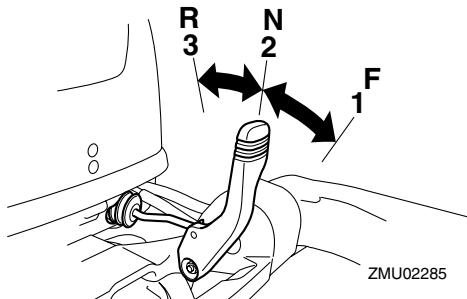


1. Fully open
2. Fully closed

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Tiller handle

To change direction, move the tiller handle to the left or right as necessary.

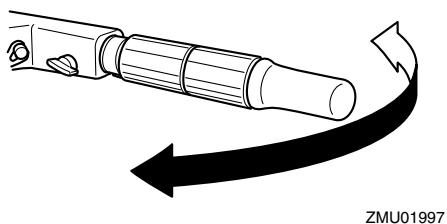


1. Forward "F"
2. Neutral "N"
3. Reverse "R"

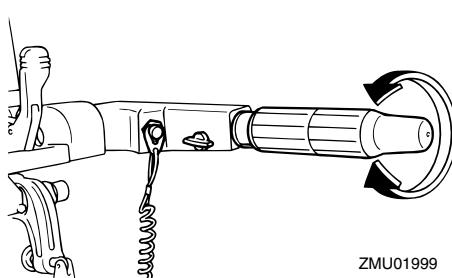
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Gear shift lever

Pulling the gear shift lever towards you puts the engine in forward gear so that the boat moves ahead. Pushing the lever away from you puts the engine in reverse gear so that the boat moves astern.



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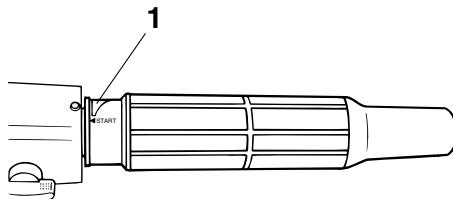
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Throttle indicator

The fuel consumption curve on the throttle indicator shows the relative amount of fuel consumed for each throttle position. Choose the setting that offers the best performance and fuel economy for the desired operation.

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1. Throttle indicator

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Throttle friction adjuster

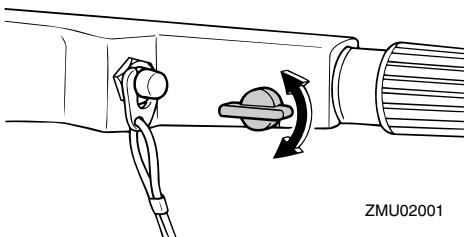
A friction device provides adjustable resistance to movement of the throttle grip or the remote control lever, and can be set according to operator preference.

To increase resistance, turn the adjuster clockwise. To decrease resistance, turn the adjuster counterclockwise.

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WARNING
Do not overtighten the friction adjuster. If there is too much resistance, it could be difficult to move the remote control lever or throttle grip, which could result in an accident.



ZMU02001

When constant speed is desired, tighten the adjuster to maintain the desired throttle setting.

EMU25990

Engine stop lanyard switch

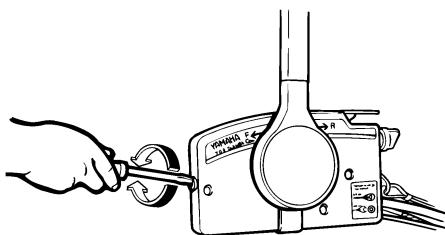
The lock plate must be attached to the engine stop switch for the engine to run. The lanyard should be attached to a secure place on the operator's clothing, or arm or leg. Should the operator fall overboard or leave the helm, the lanyard will pull out the lock plate, stopping ignition to the engine. This will prevent the boat from running away under power.

EWM00120



WARNING

- Attach the engine stop switch lanyard to a secure place on your clothing, or your arm or leg while operating.
- Do not attach the lanyard to clothing that could tear loose. Do not route the lanyard where it could become entangled, preventing it from functioning.
- Avoid accidentally pulling the lanyard during normal operation. Loss of engine power means the loss of most steering control. Also, without engine power, the boat could slow rapidly. This could cause people and objects in the boat to be thrown forward.

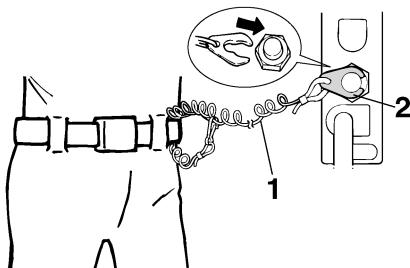


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Basic components

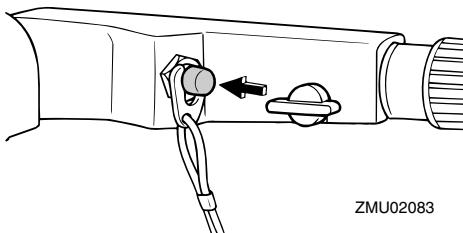
NOTE:

The engine cannot be started with the lock plate removed.



ZMU01716

1. Lanyard
2. Lock plate

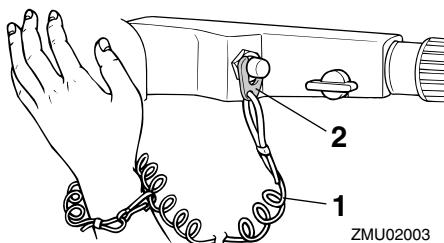


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EMU26070

Manual starter handle

To start the engine, first gently pull the handle out until resistance is felt. From that position, then pull the handle straight out quickly to crank the engine.



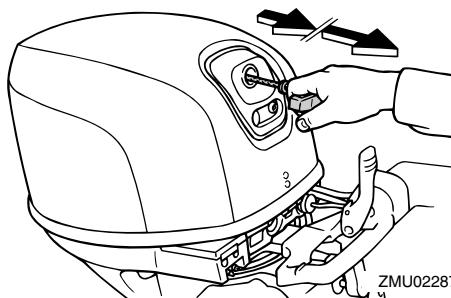
ZMU02003

1. Lanyard
2. Lock plate

EMU26001

Engine stop button

To open the ignition circuit and stop the engine, push this button.



ZMU02287

EMU26090

Main switch

The main switch controls the ignition system; its operation is described below.

- “OFF” (off)

With the main switch in the “OFF” (off) position, the electrical circuits are off, and the key can be removed.

- “ON” (on)

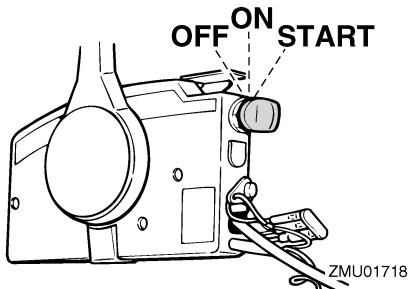
With the main switch in the “ON” (on) position, the electrical circuits are on, and the key cannot be removed.

- “START” (start)

With the main switch in the “START” (start) position, the starter motor turns to start the en-

Basic components

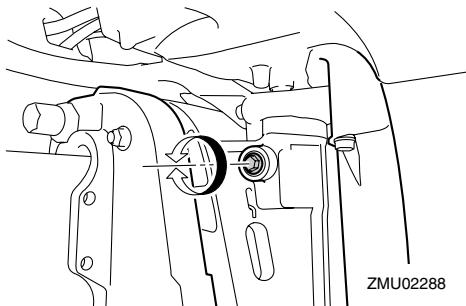
gine. When the key is released, it returns automatically to the “ON” (on) position.



EMU26122

Steering friction adjuster

A friction device provides adjustable resistance to the steering mechanism, and can be set according to operator preference. An adjusting screw or bolt is located on the swivel bracket.



To increase resistance, turn the adjuster clockwise.

To decrease resistance, turn the adjuster counterclockwise.

EWM00040

WARNING

Do not overtighten the friction adjuster. If there is too much resistance, it could be difficult to steer, which could result in an accident.

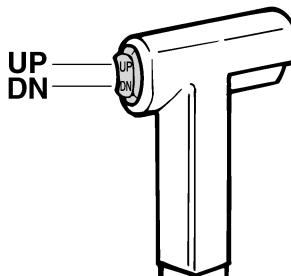
EMU26141

Power trim and tilt switch on remote control or tiller handle

The power trim and tilt system adjusts the outboard motor angle in relation to the transom. Pressing the switch “UP” (up) trims the outboard motor up, then tilts it up. Pressing the switch “DN” (down) tilts the outboard motor down and trims it down. When the switch is released, the outboard motor will stop in its current position.

NOTE:

For instructions on using the power trim and tilt switch, see pages 31 and 34.



EMU26151

Power trim and tilt switch on bottom engine cowling

The power trim and tilt switch is located on the side of the bottom engine cowling. Pressing the switch “UP” (up) trims the outboard motor up, then tilts it up. Pressing the switch “DN” (down) tilts the outboard motor down and trims it down. When the switch is released, the outboard motor will stop in its current position.

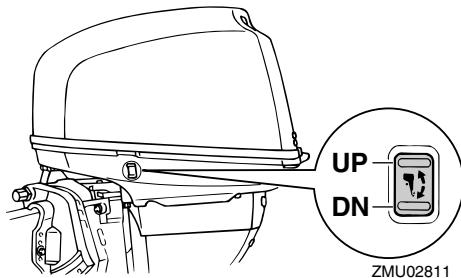
EWM01030

WARNING

Use the power trim and tilt switch located on the bottom engine cowling only when the boat is at a complete stop with the engine off. Attempting to use this switch

Basic components

while the boat is moving could increase the risk of falling overboard and could distract the operator, increasing the risk of collision with another boat or an obstacle.



NOTE:

For instructions on using the power trim and tilt switch, see page 34.

EMU26241

Trim tab with anode

The trim tab should be adjusted so that the steering control can be turned to either the right or left by applying the same amount of force.

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WARNING

An improperly adjusted trim tab could cause difficult steering. Always test run after the trim tab has been installed or replaced to be sure steering is correct. Be sure you have tightened the bolt after adjusting the trim tab.

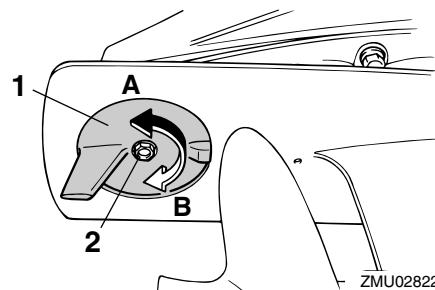
If the boat tends to veer the left (port side), turn the trim tab rear end to the port side "A" in the figure. If the boat tends to veer the right (starboard side), turn the trim tab end to the starboard side "B" in the figure.

ECM00840

CAUTION:

The trim tab also serves as an anode to

protect the engine from electrochemical corrosion. Never paint the trim tab as it will become ineffective as an anode.



1. Trim tab

2. Bolt

EMU26250

Trim tab

The trim tab should be adjusted so that the steering control can be turned to either the right or left by applying the same amount of force.

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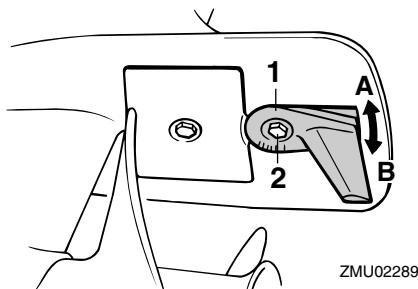


WARNING
An improperly adjusted trim tab could cause difficult steering. Always test run after the trim tab has been installed or replaced to be sure steering is correct. Be sure you have tightened the bolt after adjusting the trim tab.

If the boat tends to veer the left (port side), turn the trim tab rear end to the port side "A" in the figure.

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Basic components



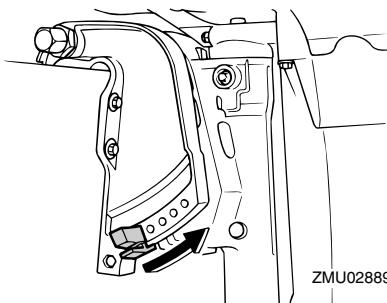
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1. Trim tab
2. Bolt

EMU26261

Trim rod (tilt pin)

The position of the trim rod determines the minimum trim angle of the outboard motor in relation to the transom.

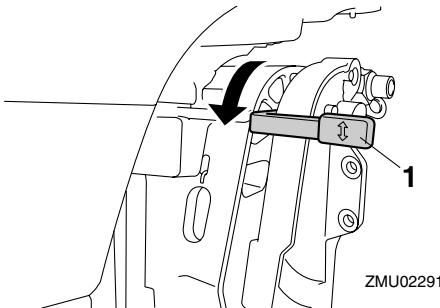


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EMU30530

Tilt lock mechanism

The tilt lock mechanism is used to prevent the outboard motor from lifting out of the water when in reverse gear.



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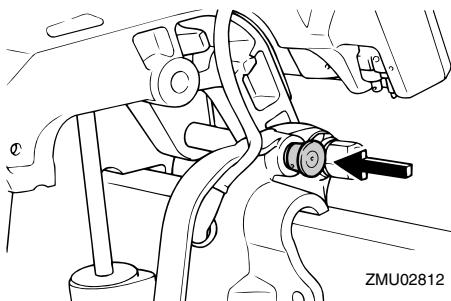
1. Tilt lock lever

To lock it, set the tilt lock lever in the lock position. To release, push the tilt lock lever in the release position.

EMU26320

Tilt support knob

To keep the outboard motor in the tilted up position, push the tilt support knob under the swivel bracket.

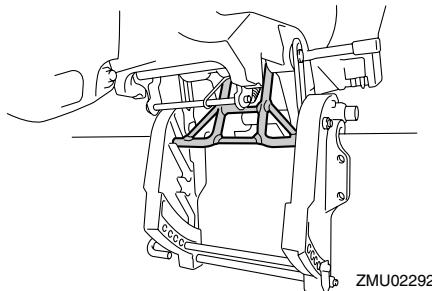


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EMU26330

Tilt support bar

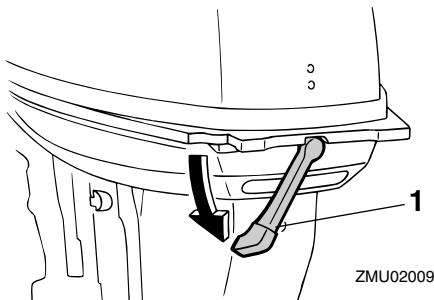
The tilt support bar keeps the outboard motor in the tilted up position.



EMU26372

Top cowling lock lever(s) (turn type)

To remove the engine top cowling, turn the lock lever(s) and lift off the cowling. When installing the cowling, check to be sure it fits properly in the rubber seal. Then lock the cowling again by returning the lever(s) to the lock position.



1. Top cowling lock lever(s)

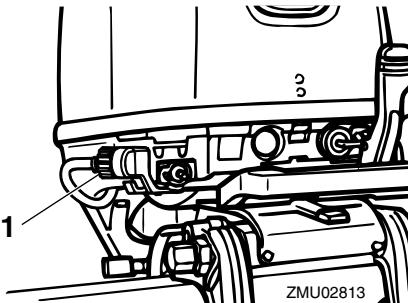
EMU26460

Flushing device

This device is used to clean the cooling water passages of the motor using a garden hose and tap water.

NOTE: _____

For details on usage, see page 45.

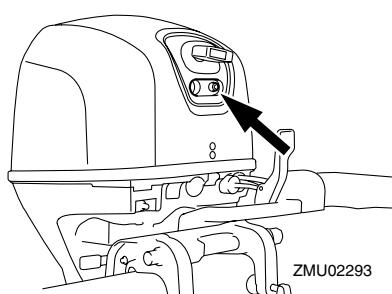


1. Flushing device

EMU26301

Warning indicator

If the engine develops a condition which is cause for warning, the indicator lights up. For details on how to read the warning indicator, see page 18.



EMU26801

Warning system

ECM00090

CAUTION:

Do not continue to operate the engine if a warning device has activated. Consult your Yamaha dealer if the problem cannot be located and corrected.

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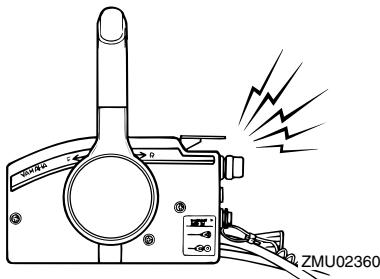
Overheat warning

This engine has an overheat warning device. If the engine temperature rises too high, the warning device will activate.

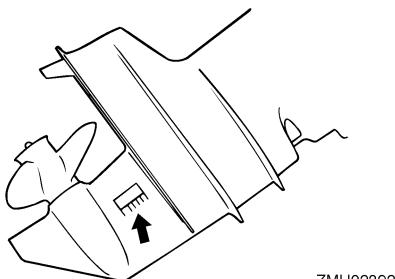
Basic components

Activation of warning device

- The engine speed will automatically decrease to about 2000 r/min.
- If equipped with an overheat warning indicator, it will light or blink.
- The buzzer will sound (if equipped on the tiller handle, remote control box, or main switch panel).



If the warning system has activated, stop the engine and check the cooling water inlet for clogging.



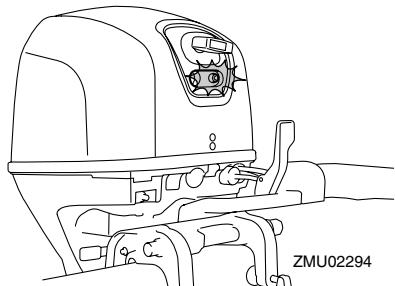
EMU30167

Low oil pressure warning

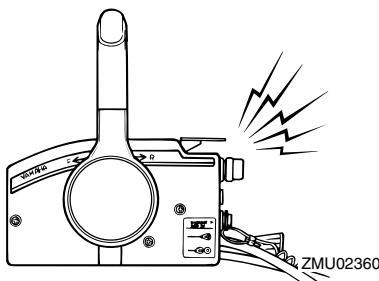
If the oil pressure drops too low, the warning device will activate.

Activation of warning device

- The engine speed will automatically decrease to about 2000 r/min.
- If equipped with a low oil pressure warning indicator, it will light or blink.



- The buzzer will sound (if equipped on the tiller handle, remote control box, or main switch panel).



If the warning system has activated, stop the engine as soon as it is safe to do so. Check the oil level and add oil as needed. If the oil level is correct and the warning device does not switch off, consult your Yamaha dealer.

ECM00100

CAUTION:

Do not continue to run the engine if the low oil pressure warning indicator is on. Serious engine damage could occur.

EMU26901

Installation

ECM00110

CAUTION:

Incorrect engine height or obstructions to smooth water flow (such as the design or condition of the boat, or accessories such as transom ladders or depth finder transducers) can create airborne water spray while the boat is cruising. Severe engine damage may result if the motor is operated continuously in the presence of airborne water spray.

NOTE:

During water testing check the buoyancy of the boat, at rest, with its maximum load. Check that the static water level on the exhaust housing is low enough to prevent water entry into the powerhead, when water rises due to waves when the outboard is not running.

EMU26910

Mounting the outboard motor

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WARNING

- Overpowering a boat could cause severe instability. Do not install an outboard motor with more horsepower than the maximum rating on the capacity plate of the boat. If the boat does not have a capacity plate, consult the boat manufacturer.
- The information presented in this section is intended as reference only. It is not possible to provide complete instructions for every possible boat and motor combination. Proper mounting depends in part on experience and the

specific boat and motor combination.

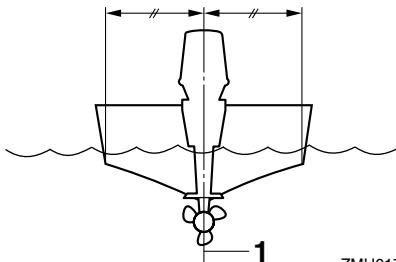
EWM00830

WARNING

Improper mounting of the outboard motor could result in hazardous conditions such as poor handling, loss of control, or fire hazards. Observe the following:

- For permanently mounted models, your dealer or other person experienced in proper rigging should mount the motor. If you are mounting the motor yourself, you should be trained by an experienced person.
- For portable models, your dealer or other person experienced in proper outboard motor mounting should show you how to mount your motor.

Mount the outboard motor on the center line (keel line) of the boat, and ensure that the boat itself is well balanced. Otherwise the boat will be hard to steer. For boats without a keel or which are asymmetrical, consult your dealer.



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1. Center line (keel line)

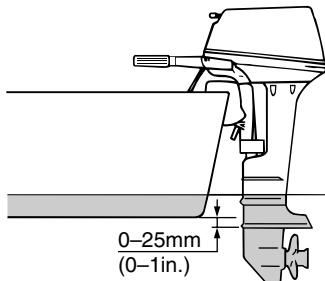
EMU26920

Mounting height

To run your boat at optimum efficiency, the water resistance (drag) of the boat and outboard motor must be made as little as possible. The mounting height of the outboard

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motor greatly affects the water resistance. If the mounting height is too high, cavitation tends to occur, thus reducing the propulsion; and if the propeller tips cut the air, the engine speed will rise abnormally and cause the engine to overheat. If the mounting height is too low, the water resistance will increase and thereby reduce engine efficiency. Mount the outboard motor so that the anti-cavitation plate is between the bottom of the boat and a level 25 mm (1 in.) below it.



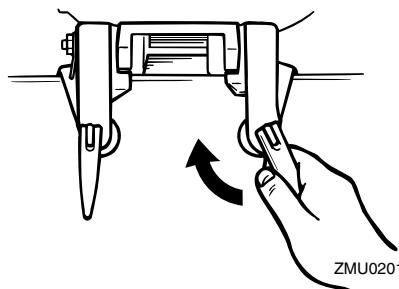
ZMU02011

come loose due to engine vibration.

EWM00640

WARNING

Loose clamp screws could allow the outboard motor to fall off or move on the transom. This could cause loss of control and serious injury. Make sure the transom screws are tightened securely. Occasionally check the screws for tightness during operation.



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NOTE:

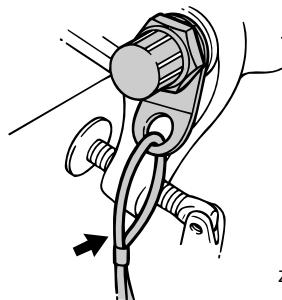
- The optimum mounting height of the outboard motor is affected by the boat and motor combination and the desired use. Test runs at different heights can help determine the optimum mounting height. Consult your Yamaha dealer or boat manufacturer for further information on determining the proper mounting height.
- For instructions on setting the trim angle of the outboard motor, see page 31.

EMU26970

Clamping the outboard motor

1. Place the outboard motor on the transom so that it is positioned as close to the center as possible. Tighten the transom clamp screws evenly and securely. Occasionally check the clamp screws for tightness during operation of the outboard motor because they could be

2. If the engine restraint cable attachment is equipped on your engine, an engine restraint cable or chain should be used. Attach one end to the engine restraint cable attachment and the other to a secure mounting point on the boat. Otherwise the engine could be completely lost if it accidentally falls off the transom.



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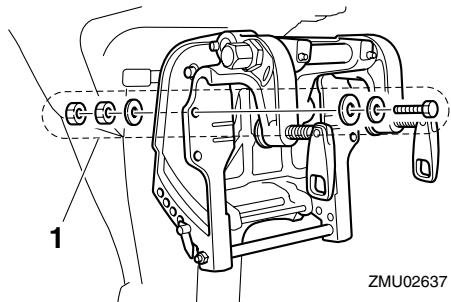
3. Secure the clamp bracket to the transom using the bolts provided with the out-

board (if packed). For details, consult your Yamaha dealer.

EMW00650

WARNING

Avoid using bolts, nuts or washers other than those contained in the engine packaging. If used, they must be of at least the same quality of material and strength and must be tightened securely. After tightening, test run the engine and check their tightness.



1. Bolts

EMU30173

Breaking in engine

Your new engine requires a period of break-in to allow mating surfaces of moving parts to wear in evenly. Correct break-in will help ensure proper performance and longer engine life.

ECM00800

CAUTION:

Failure to follow the break-in procedure could result in reduced engine life or even severe engine damage.

EMU27081

Procedure for 4-stroke models

Run the engine under load (in gear with a propeller installed) for 10 hours as follows.

1. First hour:

Run the engine at 2000 r/min or at approximately half throttle.

2. Second hour:

Run the engine at 3000 r/min or at approximately three-quarter throttle.

3. Remaining eight hours:

Run the engine at any speed. However, avoid operating at full throttle for more than 5 minutes at a time.

4. After the first 10 hours:

Operate the engine normally.

EMU27103

Preoperation checks

EMW0080

WARNING

If any item in the preoperation check is not working properly, have it inspected and repaired before operating the outboard motor. Otherwise an accident could occur.

ECM00120

CAUTION:

Do not start the engine out of water. Overheating and serious engine damage can occur.

EMU27111

Fuel

- Check to be sure you have plenty of fuel for your trip.
- Make sure there are no fuel leaks or gasoline fumes.
- Check fuel line connections to be sure they are tight (if equipped Yamaha fuel tank or boat tank).
- Be sure the fuel tank is positioned on a secure, flat surface, and that the fuel line is not twisted or flattened, or likely to contact sharp objects (if equipped Yamaha fuel tank or boat tank).

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EMU27130

Controls

- Check throttle, shift, and steering for proper operation before starting the engine.
- The controls should work smoothly, without binding or unusual free play.
- Look for loose or damaged connections.
- Check operation of the starter and stop switches when the outboard motor is in the water.

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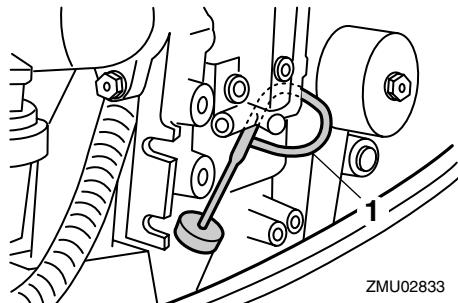
Engine

- Check the engine and engine mounting.
- Look for loose or damaged fasteners.
- Check the propeller for damage.

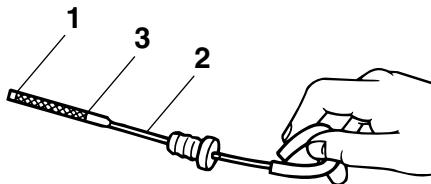
EMU27163

Checking the engine oil level

1. Put the outboard motor in an upright position (not tilted).
2. Remove oil dipstick and wipe it clean.
3. Completely insert the dipstick and remove it again.
4. Check the oil level using the dipstick to be sure the level falls between the upper and lower marks. Fill with oil if it is below the lower mark, or drain to the specified level if it is above the upper mark.



1. Oil dipstick



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1. Lower level mark

2. Oil dipstick

3. Upper level mark

NOTE:

Be sure to completely insert the dipstick into the dipstick guide.

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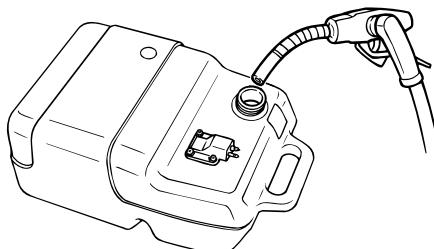
Filling fuel

EWM00060



WARNING

Gasoline and its vapors are highly flammable and explosive. Keep away from sparks, cigarettes, flames, or other sources of ignition.



ZMU04047

1. Remove the fuel tank cap.
2. Fill the fuel tank carefully.
3. Close the cap securely after refueling.

Wipe up any spilled fuel.

Fuel tank capacity:

24 L (6.34 US gal) (5.28 Imp.gal),
25 L (6.60 US gal) (5.50 Imp.gal)

NOTE:

The smaller fuel filling hole on the fuel tank has been designed to fit unleaded fuel fillers only for emission control models (for Bodensee).

EMU27450

Operating engine

EMU27461

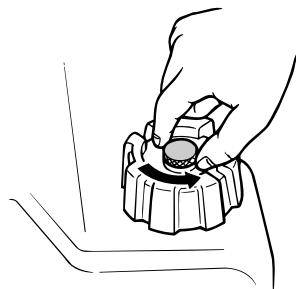
Feeding fuel (portable tank)

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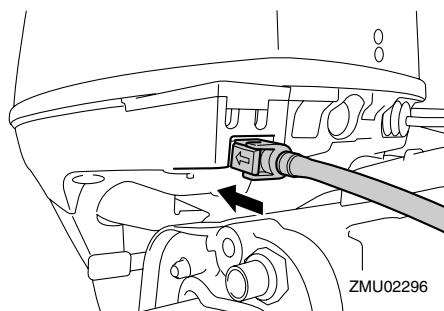
- Before starting the engine, make sure that the boat is tightly moored and that you can steer clear of any obstructions. Be sure there are no swimmers in the water near you.
- When the air vent screw is loosened, gasoline vapor will be released. Gasoline is highly flammable, and its vapors are flammable and explosive. Refrain from smoking, and keep away from open flames and sparks while loosening the air vent screw.
- This product emits exhaust gases which contain carbon monoxide, a colorless, odorless gas which could cause brain damage or death when inhaled. Symptoms include nausea, dizziness, and drowsiness. Keep cockpit and cabin in areas well ventilated. Avoid blocking exhaust outlets.

1. If there is an air vent screw on the fuel tank cap, loosen it 2 or 3 turns.

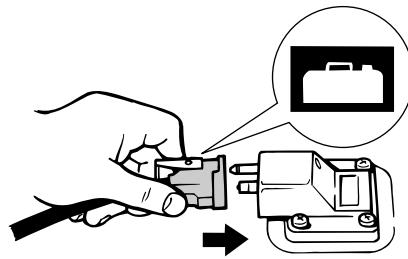


ZMU02295

2. If there is a fuel joint on the motor, firmly connect the fuel line to the joint. Then firmly connect the other end of the fuel line to the joint on the fuel tank.



ZMU02296



ZMU02024

3. If a steering friction adjuster is provided on your outboard motor, securely attach the fuel line to the fuel line clamp.

NOTE:

During engine operation place the tank horizontally, otherwise fuel cannot be drawn

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from the fuel tank.

4. Squeeze the primer pump with the outlet end up until you feel it become firm.



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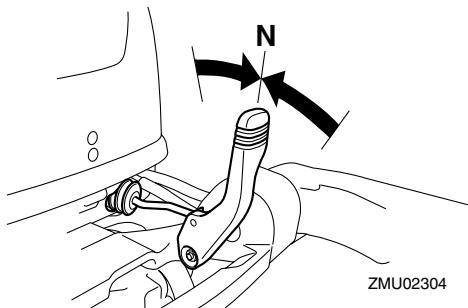
EMU27490

Starting engine

EMU27541

Starting engine

1. Place the gear shift lever in neutral.



ZMU02304

NOTE:

The start-in-gear protection device prevents the engine from starting except when in neutral.

2. Attach the engine stop switch lanyard to a secure place on your clothing, or your arm or leg. Then install the lock plate on the other end of the lanyard into the engine stop switch.

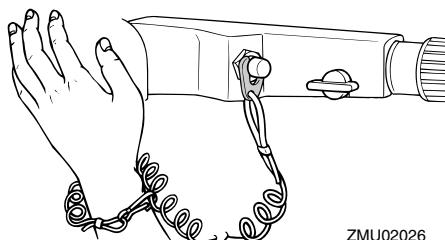
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WARNING

- Attach the engine stop switch lanyard

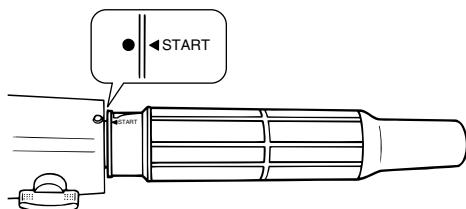
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- Do not attach the lanyard to clothing that could tear loose. Do not route the lanyard where it could become entangled, preventing it from functioning.
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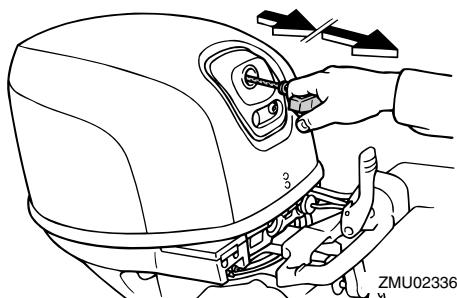
ZMU02026

3. Place the throttle grip in the "START" (start) position.



ZMU02335

4. Pull the manual starter handle slowly until you feel resistance. Then give a strong pull straight out to crank and start the engine. Repeat if necessary.



5. After the engine starts, slowly return the manual starter handle to its original position before releasing it.

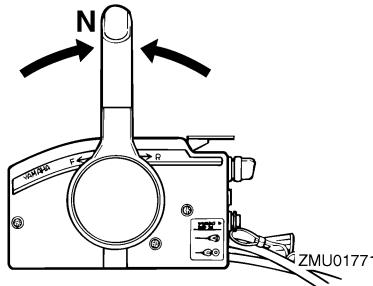
NOTE:

- When the engine is cold, it needs to be warmed up. For further information, see page 27.
- If the engine is warm and fails to start, open the throttle slightly and try to start the engine again. If the engine still fails to start, see page 64.

EMU27662

Electric start and remote control models

1. Place the remote control lever in neutral.



NOTE:

The start-in-gear protection device prevents the engine from starting except when in neutral.

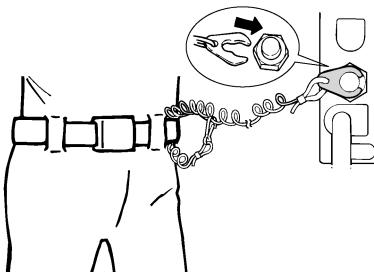
2. Attach the engine stop switch lanyard to a secure place on your clothing, or your

arm or leg. Then install the lock plate on the other end of the lanyard into the engine stop switch.

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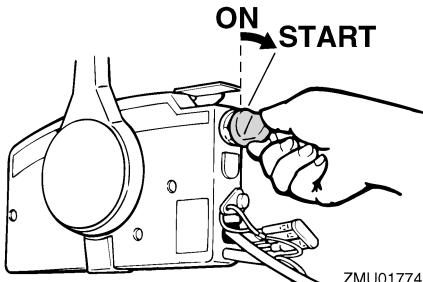
WARNING

- Attach the engine stop switch lanyard to a secure place on your clothing, or your arm or leg while operating.
- Do not attach the lanyard to clothing that could tear loose. Do not route the lanyard where it could become entangled, preventing it from functioning.
- Avoid accidentally pulling the lanyard during normal operation. Loss of engine power means the loss of most steering control. Also, without engine power, the boat could slow rapidly. This could cause people and objects in the boat to be thrown forward.



3. Turn the main switch to "ON" (on).
4. Turn the main switch to "START" (start), and hold it for a maximum of 5 seconds.

Operation



EMU27670

Warming up engine

EMU27710

Manual start and electric start models

1. After starting the engine, allow it to idle for 3 minutes to warm up. Failure to do so will shorten engine life.
2. Be sure the low oil pressure warning indicator goes off after starting the engine.
3. Check for a steady flow of water from the cooling water pilot hole.

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CAUTION:

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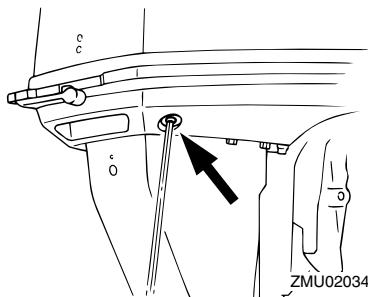
CAUTION:

- Never turn the main switch to "START" (start) while the engine is running.
- Do not keep the starter motor turning for more than 5 seconds. If the starter motor is turned continuously for more than 5 seconds, the battery will be quickly discharged, thus making it impossible to start the engine. The starter can also be damaged. If the engine will not start after 5 seconds of cranking, return the main switch to "ON" (on), wait 10 seconds, then crank the engine again.

NOTE:

- When the engine is cold, it needs to be warmed up. For further information, see page 27.
- If the engine is warm and fails to start, open the throttle slightly and try to start the engine again. If the engine still fails to start, see page 64.

- If the low oil pressure warning indicator does not go off after the engine starts, stop the engine. Otherwise serious engine damage could occur. Check the oil level and add oil if necessary. Consult your Yamaha dealer if the cause for the low oil pressure warning indicator cannot be found.
- A continuous flow of water from the pilot hole shows that the water pump is pumping water through the cooling passages. If water is not flowing out of the pilot hole at all times while the engine is running, overheating and serious damage could occur. Stop the engine and check whether the cooling water inlet on the lower case or the cooling water pilot hole is blocked. Consult your Yamaha dealer if the problem cannot be located and corrected.



EMU27740

Shifting

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WARNING

Before shifting, make sure there are no swimmers or obstacles in the water near you.

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CAUTION:

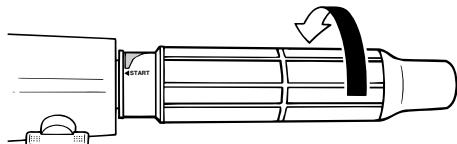
To change the boat direction or shifting position from forward to reverse or vice-versa, first close the throttle so that the engine idles (or runs at low speeds).

EMU27764

Forward (tiller handle and remote control models)

Tiller handle models

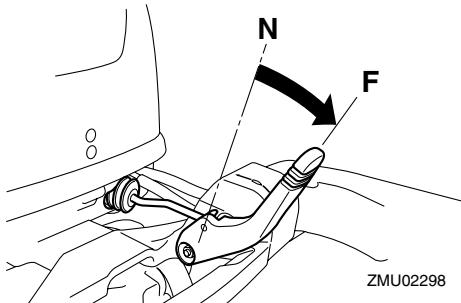
1. Place the throttle grip in the fully closed position.



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2. Move the gear shift lever quickly and

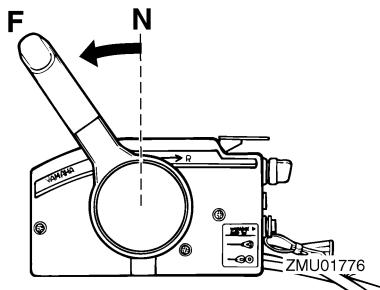
firmly from neutral to forward.



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Remote control models

1. Pull up the neutral interlock trigger (if equipped) and move the remote control lever quickly and firmly from neutral to forward.



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Reverse (automatic reverse lock and power trim and tilt models)

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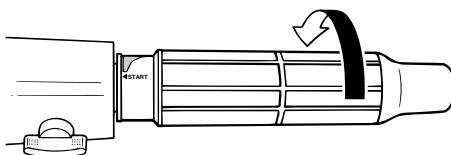
WARNING

When operating in reverse, go slowly. Do not open the throttle more than half. Otherwise the boat could become unstable, which could result in loss of control and an accident.

Tiller handle models

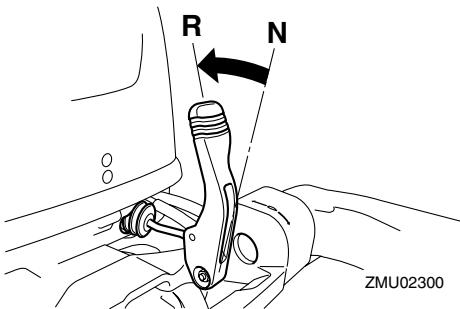
1. Place the throttle grip in the fully closed position.

Operation



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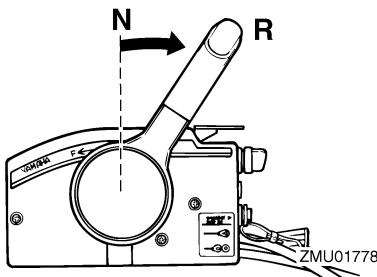
2. Move the gear shift lever quickly and firmly from neutral to reverse.



ZMU02300

Remote control models

1. Pull up the neutral interlock trigger (if equipped) and move the remote control lever quickly and firmly from neutral to reverse.



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Reverse (manual tilt and hydro tilt models)

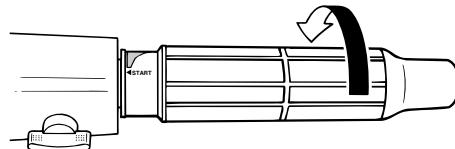
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WARNING

When operating in reverse, go slowly. Do not open the throttle more than half. Otherwise the boat could become unstable, which could result in loss of control and an accident.

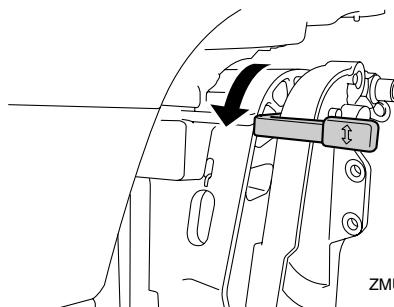
Tiller handle models

1. Place the throttle grip in the fully closed position.



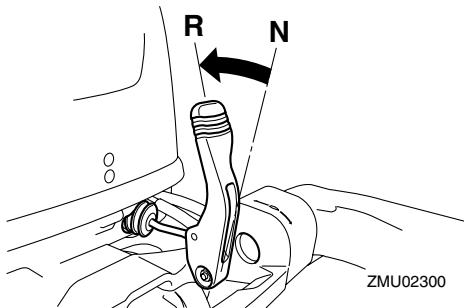
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2. On models equipped with a tilt lock lever, check that it is in the lock/down position.



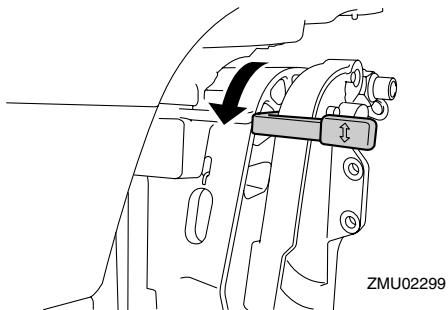
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3. Move the gear shift lever quickly and firmly from neutral to reverse.

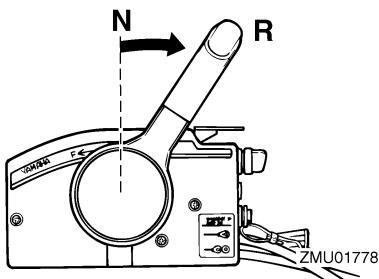


Remote control models

1. Check that the tilt lock lever is in the lock position.



2. Pull up the neutral interlock trigger (if equipped) and move the remote control lever quickly and firmly from neutral to reverse.



EMU27820

Stopping engine

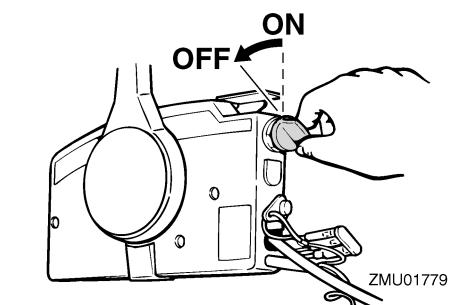
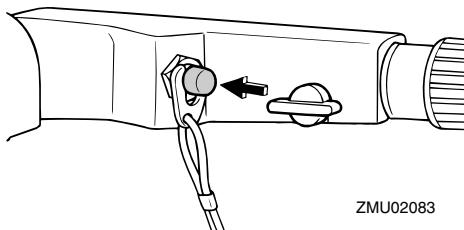
Before stopping the engine, first let it cool off for a few minutes at idle or low speed. Stop-

ping the engine immediately after operating at high speed is not recommended.

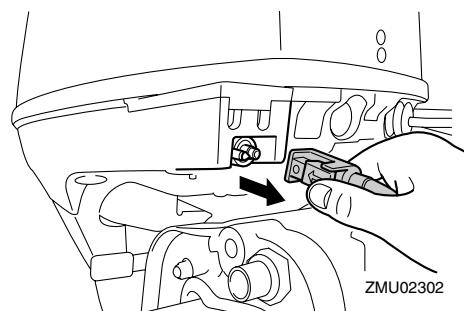
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Procedure

1. Push and hold the engine stop button or turn the main switch to "OFF" (off).

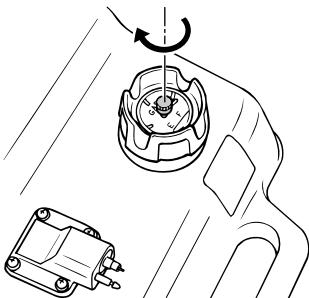


2. After stopping the engine, disconnect the fuel line if there is a fuel joint on the outboard motor.



3. Tighten the air vent screw on the fuel tank cap (if equipped).

Operation



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4. Remove the key if the boat will be left unattended.

NOTE:

The engine can also be stopped by pulling the lanyard and removing the lock plate from the engine stop switch, then turning the main switch to "OFF" (off).

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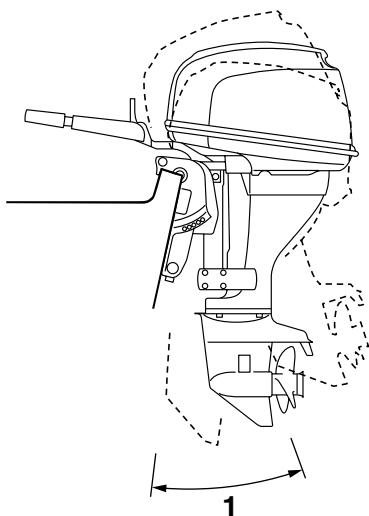
Trimming outboard motor

The trim angle of the outboard motor helps determine the position of the bow of the boat in the water. Correct trim angle will help improve performance and fuel economy while reducing strain on the engine. Correct trim angle depends upon the combination of boat, engine, and propeller. Correct trim is also affected by variables such as the load in the boat, sea conditions, and running speed.

EMU00740

WARNING

Excessive trim for the operating conditions (either trim up or trim down) can cause boat instability and can make steering the boat more difficult. This increases the possibility of an accident. If the boat begins to feel unstable or is hard to steer, slow down and/or readjust the trim angle.



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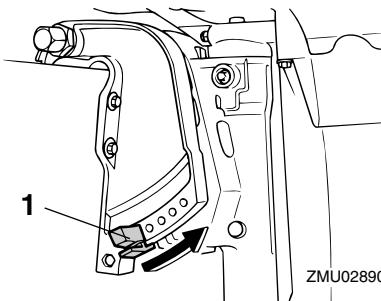
1. Trim operating angle

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Adjusting trim angle for manual tilt models

There are 4 or 5 holes provided in the clamp bracket to adjust the outboard motor trim angle.

1. Stop the engine.
2. Tilt the outboard motor up, and then remove the trim rod from the clamp bracket.



1. Trim rod

3. Reposition the rod in the desired hole. To raise the bow ("trim-out"), move the rod away from the transom. To lower the bow ("trim-in"), move the rod toward the transom. Make test runs with the trim set to different angles to find the position that works best for your boat and operating conditions.

EWM00400

WARNING

- Stop the engine before adjusting the trim angle.
- Use care to avoid being pinched when removing or installing the rod.
- Use caution when trying a trim position for the first time. Increase speed gradually and watch for any signs of instability or control problems. Improper trim angle can cause loss of control.

NOTE:

The outboard motor trim angle can be changed approximately 4 degrees by shifting the trim rod one hole.

EMU27882

Adjusting trim angle

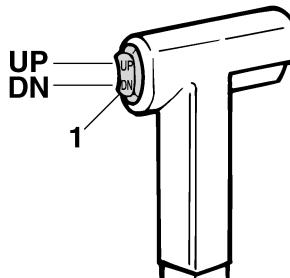
Power trim and tilt models

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WARNING

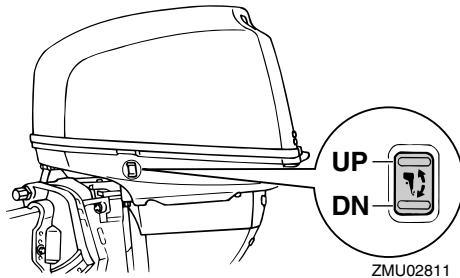
- Be sure all people are clear of the outboard motor when adjusting the tilt angle, also be careful not to pinch any body parts between the drive unit and clamp bracket.
- Use caution when trying a trim position for the first time. Increase speed gradually and watch for any signs of instability or control problems. Improper trim angle can cause loss of control.
- If equipped with a power trim and tilt switch located on the bottom cowling, use the switch only when the boat is at a complete stop with the engine off. Do not adjust the trim angle with this switch while the boat is moving.

Adjust the outboard motor trim angle using the power trim and tilt switch.



1. Power trim and tilt switch

Operation



To raise the bow (trim-out), press the switch "UP" (up).

To lower the bow (trim-in), press the switch "DN" (down).

Make test runs with the trim set to different angles to find the position that works best for your boat and operating conditions.

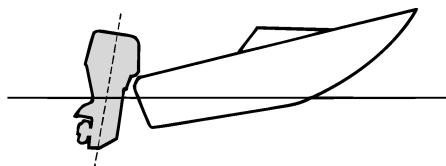
EMU27911

Adjusting boat trim

When the boat is on plane, a bow-up attitude results in less drag, greater stability and efficiency. This is generally when the keel line of the boat is up about 3 to 5 degrees. With the bow up, the boat may have a greater tendency to steer to one side or the other. Compensate for this as you steer. The trim tab can also be adjusted to help offset this effect. When the bow of the boat is down, it is easier to accelerate from a standing start onto plane.

Bow Up

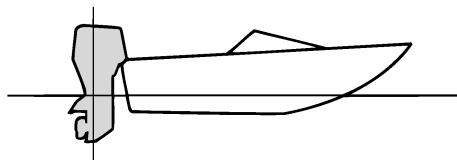
Too much trim-out puts the bow of the boat too high in the water. Performance and economy are decreased because the hull of the boat is pushing the water and there is more air drag. Excessive trim-out can also cause the propeller to ventilate, which reduces performance further, and the boat may "porpoise" (hop in the water), which could throw the operator and passengers overboard.



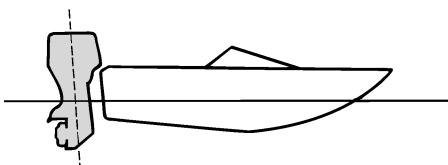
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Bow Down

Too much trim-in causes the boat to "plow" through the water, decreasing fuel economy and making it hard to increase speed. Operating with excessive trim-in at higher speeds also makes the boat unstable. Resistance at the bow is greatly increased, heightening the danger of "bow steering" and making operation difficult and dangerous.



ZMU01784



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NOTE:

Depending on the type of boat, the outboard

motor trim angle may have little effect on the trim of the boat when operating.

EMU27933

Tilting up and down

If the engine will be stopped for some time or if the boat is moored in shallows, the outboard motor should be tilted up to protect the propeller and casing from damage by collision with obstructions, and also to reduce salt corrosion.

EWMO0220

WARNING

Be sure all people are clear of the outboard motor when tilting up and down, also be careful not to pinch any body parts between the drive unit and engine bracket.

EWMO0250

WARNING

Leaking fuel is a fire hazard. If there is a fuel joint on the outboard motor, disconnect the fuel line or close the fuel cock if the engine will be tilted for more than a few minutes. Otherwise fuel may leak.

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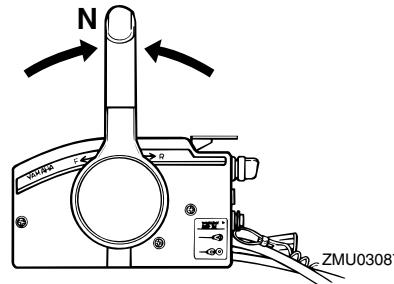
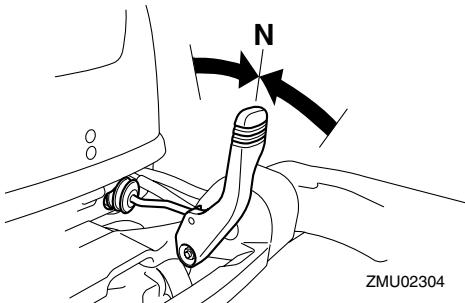
CAUTION:

- Before tilting the outboard motor, stop the engine by following the procedure on page 30. Never tilt the outboard motor while the engine is running. Severe damage from overheating can result.
- Do not tilt up the engine by pushing the tiller handle (if equipped) because this could break the handle.

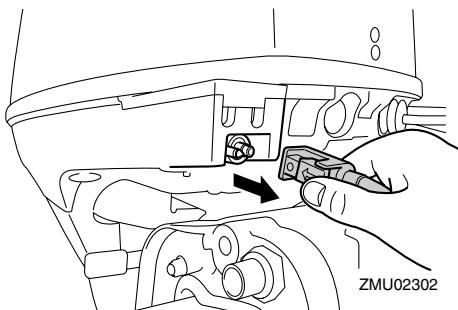
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Procedure for tilting up (manual tilt models)

1. Place the gear shift lever in neutral.

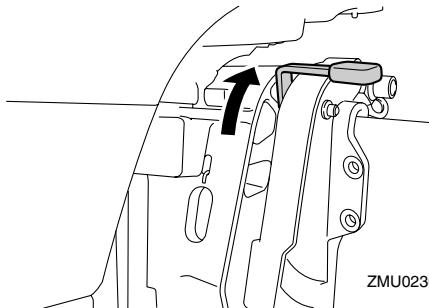


2. Disconnect the fuel line from the outboard motor.

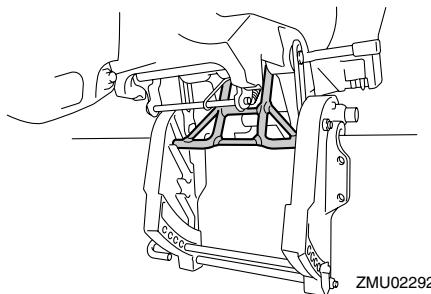


3. Place the tilt lock lever (if equipped) in the release/up position.

Operation



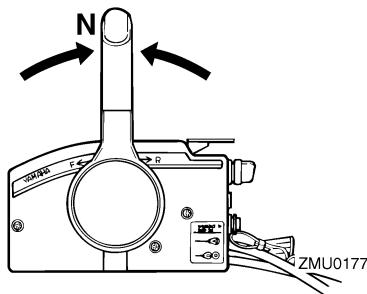
4. Pull up the shallow water lever (if equipped).
5. Hold the rear of the top cowling with one hand and tilt the engine up fully.
6. Push the tilt support knob into the clamp bracket. Or the tilt support bar will turn to the lock position automatically.



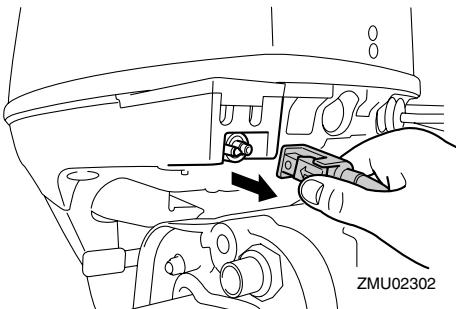
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Procedure for tilting up (power trim and tilt models / power tilt models)

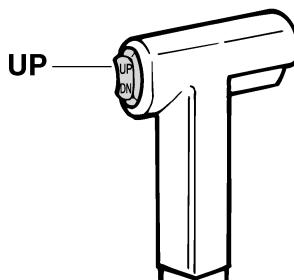
1. Place the remote control lever / gear shift lever in neutral.

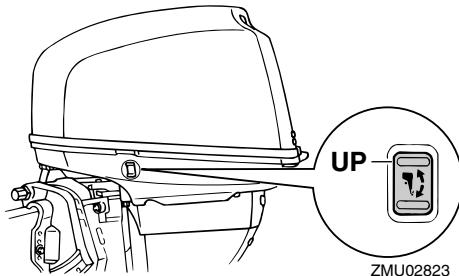


2. Disconnect the fuel line from the outboard motor or close the fuel cock.

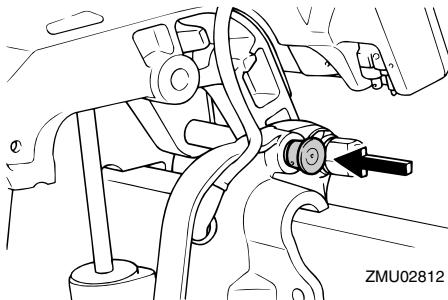


3. Press the power trim and tilt switch / power tilt switch "UP" (up) until the outboard motor has tilted up completely.





4. Push the tilt support knob into the clamp bracket or pull the tilt support lever toward you to support the engine.



EWMO0260

WARNING

After tilting the outboard motor, be sure to support it with the tilt support knob or tilt support lever. Otherwise the outboard motor could fall back down suddenly if oil in the power trim and tilt unit loses pressure.

5. Models equipped with trim rods: Once the outboard motor is supported with the tilt support lever, press the power trim and tilt switch / power tilt switch "DN" (down) to retract the trim rods.

ECM00250

CAUTION:

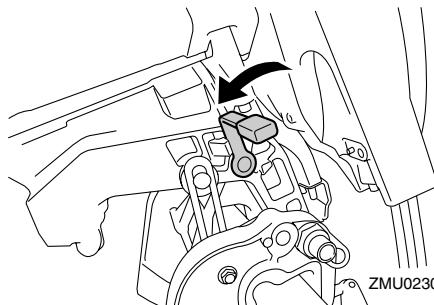
Be sure to retract the trim rods completely during mooring. This protects the rods

from marine growth and corrosion which could damage the power trim and tilt mechanism.

EMU30192

Procedure for tilting down (manual tilt models)

1. Place the tilt lock lever in the lock position.



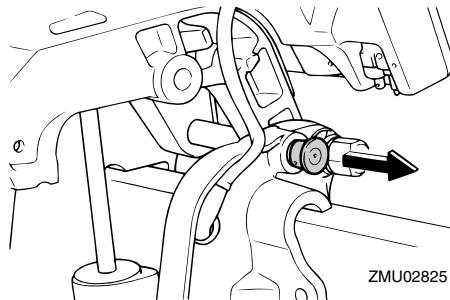
2. Slightly tilt the engine up until the tilt support bar is automatically released.
3. Slowly tilt the engine down.

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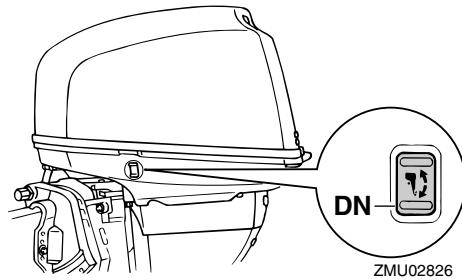
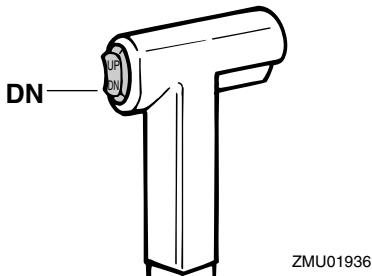
Procedure for tilting down (power trim and tilt models / power tilt models)

1. Push the power trim and tilt switch / power tilt switch "UP" (up) until the outboard motor is supported by the tilt rod and the tilt support lever / tilt support knob becomes free.
2. Release the tilt support lever or pull out the tilt support knob.

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3. Push the power trim and tilt switch / power tilt switch "DN" (down) to lower the outboard motor to the desired position.



EMU28060

Cruising in shallow water

The outboard motor can be tilted up partially to allow operation in shallow water.

EMU28071

Cruising in shallow water (manual tilt models)

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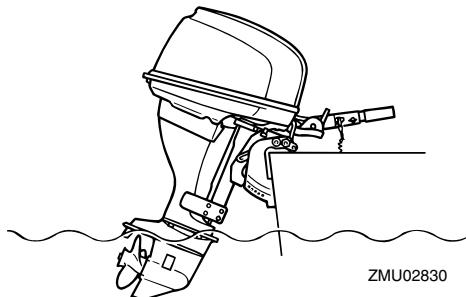
WARNING

- Place the gear shift in neutral before using the shallow water cruising system.
- Run the boat at the lowest possible speed when using the shallow water cruising system. The tilt lock mechanism does not work while the shallow water cruising system is being used. Hitting an underwater obstacle could cause the outboard motor to lift out of the water, resulting in loss of control.
- Do not rotate the outboard motor 180° and operate the boat in reverse. Place the gear shift in reverse to operate the boat in reverse.
- Use extra care when operating in reverse. Too much reverse thrust can cause the outboard motor to lift out of the water, increasing the chance of accident and personal injury.
- Return the outboard motor to its normal position as soon as the boat is back in deeper water.

ECM00260

CAUTION:

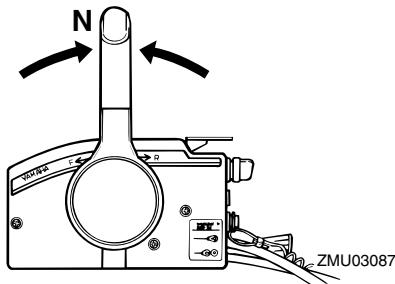
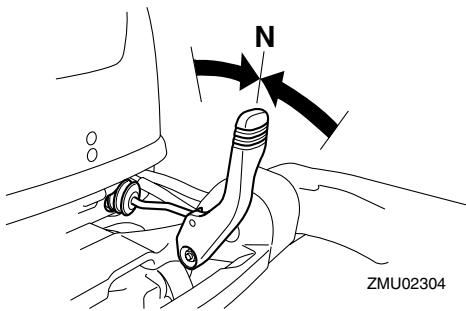
Do not tilt the outboard motor up so that the cooling water inlet on the lower unit is above the surface of the water when setting up for and cruising in shallow water. Otherwise severe damage from overheating can result.



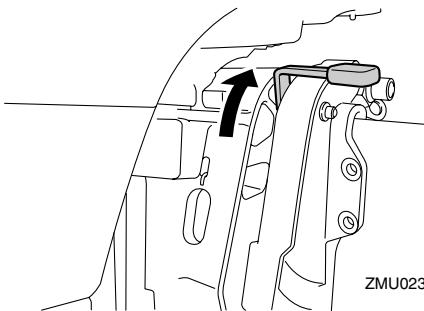
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Procedure

1. Place the gear shift lever in neutral.



2. Place the tilt lock lever in the release/up position.

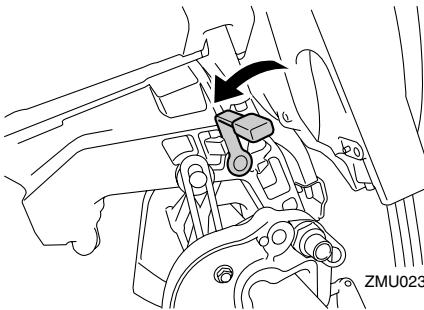


3. Slightly tilt the outboard motor up. The tilt support bar will lock automatically, supporting the outboard motor in a partially raised position.

NOTE:

This outboard motor has 2 positions for shallow water cruising.

4. To return the outboard motor to the normal running position, place the gear shift lever in neutral, then place the tilt lock lever in the lock/down position.



5. Slightly tilt the outboard motor up until the tilt support bar automatically returns to the free position.
6. Slowly lower the outboard motor to the normal position.

EMU28090

Power trim and tilt models / power tilt models

The outboard motor can be tilted up partially

Operation

to allow operation in shallow water.

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WARNING

- Place the gear shift in neutral before setting up for shallow water cruising.
- Return the outboard motor to its normal position as soon as the boat is back in deeper water.

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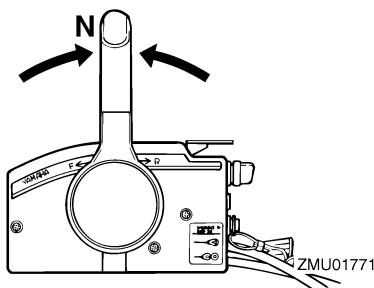
CAUTION:

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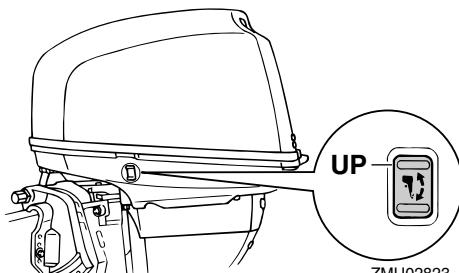
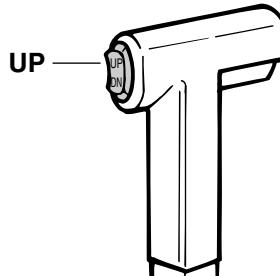
EMU28185

Procedure for power trim and tilt / power tilt models

1. Place the remote control lever / gear shift lever in neutral.



2. Slightly tilt the outboard motor up to the desired position using the power trim and tilt switch / power tilt switch.



3. To return the outboard motor to the normal running position, press the power trim and tilt switch / power tilt switch and slowly tilt the outboard motor down.

EMU28192

Cruising in other conditions

Cruising in salt water

After operating in salt water, flush the cooling water passages with fresh water to prevent them from becoming clogged with salt deposits.

NOTE:

For cooling system flushing instructions, see page 42.

Cruising in turbid water

Yamaha strongly recommends that you use the optional chromium-plated water pump kit (not available for some models) if you use the outboard motor in turbid or muddy water conditions.

EMU31480

Specifications

NOTE: _____
“(AL)” stated in the specification data below represents the numerical value for the aluminum propeller installed.
Likewise, “(SUS)” represents the value for stainless steel propeller installed and “(PL)” for plastic propeller installed.

EMU28218

Dimension:

Overall length:

F20AET 703 mm (27.7 in)
F25AE 703 mm (27.7 in)
F25AET 703 mm (27.7 in)
F25AMH 1151 mm (45.3 in)
FT25BET 713 mm (28.1 in)

Overall width:

F20AET 376 mm (14.8 in)
F25AE 376 mm (14.8 in)
F25AET 376 mm (14.8 in)
F25AMH 430 mm (16.9 in)
FT25BET 373 mm (14.7 in)

Overall height S:

F25AE 1148 mm (45.2 in)
F25AMH 1148 mm (45.2 in)

Overall height L:

F20AET 1275 mm (50.2 in)
F25AE 1275 mm (50.2 in)
F25AET 1275 mm (50.2 in)
F25AMH 1275 mm (50.2 in)
FT25BET 1311 mm (51.6 in)

Transom height S:

F25AE 423 mm (16.7 in)
F25AMH 423 mm (16.7 in)

Transom height L:

F20AET 550 mm (21.7 in)
F25AE 550 mm (21.7 in)
F25AET 550 mm (21.7 in)
F25AMH 550 mm (21.7 in)

FT25BET 528 mm (20.8 in)

Weight (AL) S:

F25AE 65.0 kg (143 lb)
F25AMH 62.0 kg (137 lb)

Weight (AL) L:

F20AET 67.0 kg (148 lb)
F25AE 67.0 kg (148 lb)
F25AET 71.0 kg (157 lb)
F25AMH 64.0 kg (141 lb)
FT25BET 86.7 kg (191 lb)

Performance:

Full throttle operating range:
5000–6000 r/min

Maximum output:

F20AET 14.7 kW@5500 r/min (20
HP@5500 r/min)
F25AE 18.4 kW@5500 r/min (25
HP@5500 r/min)
F25AET 18.4 kW@5500 r/min (25
HP@5500 r/min)
F25AMH 18.4 kW@5500 r/min (25
HP@5500 r/min)
FT25BET 18.4 kW@5500 r/min (25
HP@5500 r/min)

Idling speed (in neutral):

F20AET 925 ±50 r/min
F25AE 925 ±50 r/min
F25AE 950 ±25 r/min
F25AET 925 ±50 r/min
F25AET 950 ±25 r/min
F25AMH 950 ±25 r/min
F25AMH 975 ±50 r/min
FT25BET 975 ±50 r/min

Engine:

Type:
4-stroke L

Displacement:
498.0 cm³ (30.39 cu.in)

Bore × stroke:
65.0 × 75.0 mm (2.56 × 2.95 in)

Ignition system:

Maintenance

CDI	Gear positions: Forward-neutral-reverse
Spark plug with resistor (NGK): DPR6EA-9	Gear ratio: F20AET 2.08 (27/13)
Spark plug gap: 0.8–0.9 mm (0.031–0.035 in)	F25AE 2.08 (27/13)
Control system: F20AET Remote control	F25AET 2.08 (27/13)
F25AE Remote control	F25AMH 2.08 (27/13)
F25AET Remote control	FT25BET 2.42 (29/12)
F25AMH Tiller	Trim and tilt system: F20AET Power trim and tilt
FT25BET Remote control	F25AE Manual tilt
Starting system: F20AET Electric	F25AET Power trim and tilt
F25AE Electric	F25AMH Manual tilt
F25AET Electric	FT25BET Power trim and tilt
F25AMH Manual	Propeller mark: F20AET F
FT25BET Electric	F25AE F
Starting carburetion system: Prime start	F25AET F
Valve clearance (cold engine) IN: 0.15–0.25 mm (0.0059–0.0098 in)	F25AMH F
Valve clearance (cold engine) EX: 0.25–0.35 mm (0.0098–0.0138 in)	FT25BET G
Min. cold cranking amps (CCA/EN): F20AET 347.0 A	Fuel and oil: Recommended fuel: Regular unleaded gasoline
F25AE 347.0 A	Min. research octane: F20AET 90
F25AET 347.0 A	F25AE 90
FT25BET 347.0 A	F25AET 90
Min. rated capacity (20HR/IEC): F20AET 40.0 Ah	F25AMH 90
F25AE 40.0 Ah	FT25BET 90
F25AET 40.0 Ah	Fuel tank capacity: 24 L (6.34 US gal) (5.28 Imp.gal), 25 L (6.60 US gal) (5.50 Imp.gal)
FT25BET 40.0 Ah	Recommended engine oil: 4-stroke outboard motor oil
Alternator output: F25AMH 80 W	Engine oil grade API: API SE, SF, SG, SH, SJ, SL
Alternator output for battery DC: F20AET 15.0 A	Engine oil type SAE: SAE10W30 or SAE10W40
F25AE 15.0 A	Lubrication: Wet sump
F25AET 15.0 A	Engine oil quantity (excluding oil filter):
FT25BET 15.0 A	

Drive unit:

F20AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50
Imp.qt)
F25AE 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50
Imp.qt)
F25AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50
Imp.qt)
F25AMH 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50
Imp.qt)
FT25BET 1.9 L (2.01 US qt) (1.67
Imp.qt)

Recommended gear oil:

Hypoid gear oil SAE#90

Gear oil quantity:

F20AET 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)
(11.29 Imp.oz)
F25AE 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)
(11.29 Imp.oz)
F25AET 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)
(11.29 Imp.oz)
F25AMH 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)
(11.29 Imp.oz)
FT25BET 430.0 cm³ (14.54 US oz)
(15.17 Imp.oz)

Tightening torque for engine:

Spark plug:

18.0 Nm (13.3 ft-lb) (1.84 kgf-m)

Propeller nut:

F20AET 35.0 Nm (25.8 ft-lb) (3.57
kgf-m)
F25AE 35.0 Nm (25.8 ft-lb) (3.57
kgf-m)
F25AET 35.0 Nm (25.8 ft-lb) (3.57
kgf-m)
F25AMH 35.0 Nm (25.8 ft-lb) (3.57
kgf-m)
FT25BET 40.0 Nm (29.5 ft-lb) (4.08
kgf-m)

Engine oil drain bolt:

F20AET 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86
kgf-m)
F25AE 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86

kgf-m)
F25AET 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86
kgf-m)
F25AMH 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86
kgf-m)
FT25BET 18.0 Nm (13.3 ft-lb) (1.84
kgf-m)
Engine oil filter:
18.0 Nm (13.3 ft-lb) (1.84 kgf-m)

EMU28222

Transporting and storing outboard motor

EWM00690

WARNING

- **Leaking fuel is a fire hazard. When transporting and storing the outboard motor, close the air vent screw and fuel cock to prevent fuel from leaking.**
- **USE CARE when transporting fuel tank, whether in a boat or car.**
- **DO NOT fill fuel container to maximum capacity. Gasoline will expand considerably as it warms up and can build up pressure in the fuel container. This can cause fuel leakage and a potential fire hazard.**

EWM00700

WARNING

Never get under the lower unit while it is tilted, even if a motor support bar is used. Severe injury could occur if the outboard motor accidentally falls.

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CAUTION:

Do not use the tilt support lever or knob when trailering the boat. The outboard motor could shake loose from the tilt support and fall. If the motor cannot be trailered in the normal running position, use an additional support device to secure it

Maintenance

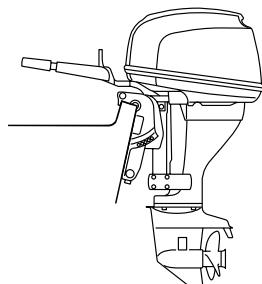
in the tilt position.

The outboard motor should be trailered and stored in the normal running position. If there is insufficient road clearance in this position, then trailer the outboard motor in the tilt position using a motor support device such as a transom saver bar. Consult your Yamaha dealer for further details.

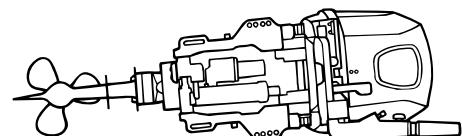
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Clamp screw mounting models

When transporting or storing the outboard motor while removed from a boat, keep the outboard motor in the attitude shown.



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NOTE:

Place a towel or something similar under the outboard motor to protect it from damage.

EMU28241

Storing outboard motor

When storing your Yamaha outboard motor for prolonged periods of time (2 months or

longer), several important procedures must be performed to prevent excessive damage. It is advisable to have your outboard motor serviced by an authorized Yamaha dealer prior to storage. However, you, the owner, with a minimum of tools, can perform the following procedures.

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CAUTION:

- To prevent problems which can be caused by oil entering the cylinder from the sump, keep the outboard motor in the attitude shown when transporting and storing it. If storing or transporting the outboard motor on its side (not upright), put it on a cushion after draining the engine oil.
- Do not place the outboard motor on its side before the cooling water has drained from it completely, otherwise water may enter the cylinder through the exhaust port and cause engine trouble.
- Store the outboard motor in a dry, well-ventilated place, not in direct sunlight.

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Procedure

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Flushing in a test tank

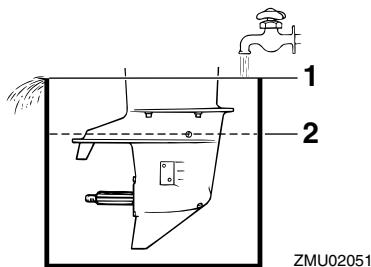
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CAUTION:

Do not run the engine without supplying it with cooling water. Either the engine water pump will be damaged or the engine will be damaged from overheating. Before starting the engine, be sure to supply water to the cooling water passages.

1. Wash the outboard motor body using fresh water. For further information, see page 46.

2. Disconnect the fuel line from the motor or shut off the fuel cock, if equipped.
3. Remove the engine top cowling and silencer cover. Remove the propeller.
4. Install the outboard motor on the test tank. Fill the tank with fresh water to above the level of the anti-cavitation plate.



1. Water surface
2. Lowest water level

ECM00290

CAUTION:

If the fresh water level is below the level of the anti-cavitation plate, or if the water supply is insufficient, engine seizure may occur.

5. Cooling system flushing is essential to prevent the cooling system from clogging up with salt, sand, or dirt. In addition, fogging/lubricating of the engine is mandatory to prevent excessive engine damage due to rust. Perform the flushing and fogging at the same time.

EWMO0090

WARNING

- **Do not touch or remove electrical parts when starting or during operation.**
- **Keep hands, hair, and clothes away from the flywheel and other rotating**

parts while the engine is running.

6. Run the engine at a fast idle for a few minutes in neutral position.
7. Just prior to turning off the engine, quickly spray "Fogging Oil" alternately into each carburetor or the fogging hole of the silencer cover, if equipped. When properly done, the engine will smoke excessively and almost stall.
8. Remove the outboard motor from the test tank.
9. Install the silencer cover/cap of fogging hole and top cowling.
10. If the "Fogging Oil" is not available, run the engine at a fast idle until the fuel system becomes empty and the engine stops.
11. Drain the cooling water completely out of the motor. Clean the body thoroughly.
12. If the "Fogging Oil" is not available, remove the spark plug(s). Pour a teaspoonful of clean engine oil into each cylinder. Crank several times manually. Replace the spark plug(s).
13. Drain the fuel from the fuel tank.

NOTE:

Store the fuel tank in a dry, well-ventilated place, not in direct sunlight.

EMU28401

Lubrication

1. Grease the spark plug threads and install the spark plug(s) and torque to proper specification. For information on spark plug installation, see page 51.
2. Change the gear oil. For instructions, see page 59. Inspect the oil for the presence of water that indicates a leaky seal. Seal replacement should be performed by an authorized Yamaha dealer prior to use.

Maintenance

3. Grease all grease fittings. For further details, see page 50.

EMU28430

Battery care

EWM00330



WARNING

Battery electrolytic fluid is dangerous; it contains sulfuric acid and therefore is poisonous and highly caustic.

Always follow these preventive measures:

- **Avoid bodily contact with electrolytic fluid as it can cause severe burns or permanent eye injury.**
- **Wear protective eye gear when handling or working near batteries.**

Antidote (EXTERNAL):

- **SKIN - Flush with water.**
- **EYES - Flush with water for 15 minutes and get immediate medical attention.**

Antidote (INTERNAL):

- **Drink large quantities of water or milk followed by milk of magnesia, beaten egg, or vegetable oil. Get immediate medical attention.**

Batteries also generate explosive hydrogen gas; therefore, you should always follow these preventive measures:

- **Charge batteries in a well-ventilated area.**
- **Keep batteries away from fire, sparks, or open flames (for example: welding equipment, lighted cigarettes, and so on.)**
- **DO NOT SMOKE when charging or handling batteries.**

KEEP BATTERIES AND ELECTROLYTIC FLUID OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

Batteries vary among manufacturers. Therefore the following procedures may not always apply. Consult your battery

manufacturer's instructions.

Procedure

1. Disconnect and remove the battery from the boat. Always disconnect the black negative cable first to prevent the risk of shorting.
2. Clean the battery casing and terminals. Fill each cell to the upper level with distilled water.
3. Store the battery on a level surface in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place out of direct sunlight.
4. Once a month, check the specific gravity of the electrolyte and recharge as required to prolong battery life.

EMU28442

Flushing power unit

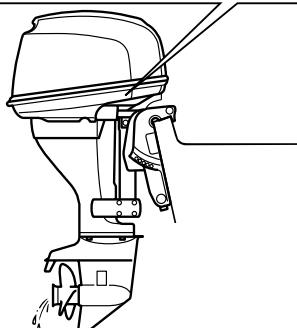
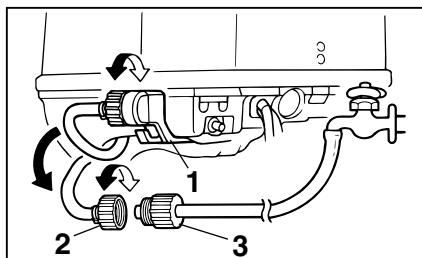
Perform this procedure right after operation for the most thorough flushing.

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CAUTION:

Do not perform this procedure while the engine is running. The water pump may be damaged and severe damage from overheating can result.

1. After shutting off the engine, unscrew the garden hose connector from the fitting on the bottom cowling.



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1. Fitting
2. Garden hose connector
3. Garden hose

2. Screw the garden hose adapter onto a garden hose, which is connected to a fresh water supply, and then connect it to the garden hose connector.
3. With the engine off, turn on the water tap and let the water flush through the cooling passages for about 15 minutes. Turn off the water and disconnect the garden hose adapter from the garden hose connector.
4. Reinstall the garden hose connector onto the fitting on the bottom cowling. Tighten the connector securely.

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CAUTION:

Do not leave the garden hose connector loose on the bottom cowling fitting or let the hose hang free during normal opera-

tion. Water will leak out of the connector instead of cooling the engine, which can cause serious overheating. Be sure the connector is tightened securely on the fitting after flushing the engine.

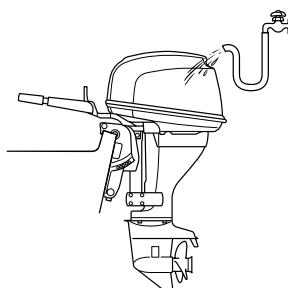
NOTE:

- When flushing the engine with the boat in the water, tilting up the outboard motor until it is completely out of the water will achieve better results.
- For cooling system flushing instructions, see page 42.

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Cleaning the outboard motor

After use, wash the exterior of the outboard motor with fresh water. Flush the cooling system with fresh water.



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NOTE:

For cooling system flushing instructions, see page 42.

EMU28460

Checking painted surface of motor

Check the motor for scratches, nicks, or flaking paint. Areas with damaged paint are more likely to corrode. If necessary, clean and paint the areas. A touch-up paint is available from your Yamaha dealer.

Maintenance

EMU28476

Periodic maintenance

EWM01070



WARNING
Be sure to turn off the engine when you perform maintenance unless otherwise specified. If you or the owner is not familiar with machine servicing, this work should be done by your Yamaha dealer or other qualified mechanic.

EMU28510

Replacement parts

If replacement parts are necessary, use only genuine Yamaha parts or parts of the same type and of equivalent strength and materials. Any part of inferior quality may malfunction, and the resulting loss of control could endanger the operator and passengers. Yamaha genuine parts and accessories are available from your Yamaha dealer.

Maintenance chart

Frequency of maintenance operations may be adjusted according to the operating conditions, but the following table gives general guidelines. Refer to the sections in this chapter for explanations of each owner-specific action.

NOTE:

When operating in salt water, turbid or muddy water, the engine should be flushed with clean water after each use.

The “●” symbol indicates the check-ups which you may carry out yourself.

The “○” symbol indicates work to be carried out by your Yamaha dealer.

Item	Actions	Initial		Every	
		10 hours (1 month)	50 hours (3 months)	100 hours (6 months)	200 hours (1 year)
Anode(s) (external)	Inspection / replacement		●/○	●/○	
Anode(s) (internal)	Inspection / replacement				○
Battery	Inspection / charging	●/○			
Cooling water passages	Cleaning		●	●	
Cowling clamp	Inspection				●
Fuel filter (can be dis-assembled)	Inspection / cleaning	●	●	●	
Fuel system	Inspection	●	●	●	
Fuel tank (Yamaha portable tank)	Inspection / cleaning				●
Gear oil	Change	●		●	
Greasing points	Greasing			●	
Idling speed (carburetor models)	Inspection	●/○		●/○	
Power trim and tilt unit	Inspection				○
Propeller and cotter pin	Inspection / replacement		●	●	
Shift link / shift cable	Inspection / adjustment				○
Thermostat	Inspection / replacement				○
Throttle link / throttle cable / throttle pick-up timing	Inspection / adjustment				○

Maintenance

Item	Actions	Initial		Every	
		10 hours (1 month)	50 hours (3 months)	100 hours (6 months)	200 hours (1 year)
Water pump	Inspection / replacement				<input type="radio"/>
Engine oil	Inspection / change	<input checked="" type="radio"/>		<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Oil filter (cartridge)	Change				<input type="radio"/>
Spark plug(s)	Cleaning / adjustment / replacement	<input checked="" type="radio"/>			<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Timing belt	Inspection / replacement			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Valve clearance (OHC, OHV)	Inspection / adjustment	<input type="radio"/>		<input type="radio"/>	

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Maintenance chart (additional)

Item	Actions	Every	
		500 hours (2.5 years)	1000 hours (5 years)
Timing belt	Replacement		<input type="radio"/>
Exhaust guide, exhaust manifold	Inspection / replacement		<input type="radio"/>

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NOTE:

When using lead or high-sulfur gasoline, inspecting valve clearance may be required more frequently than every 500 hours.

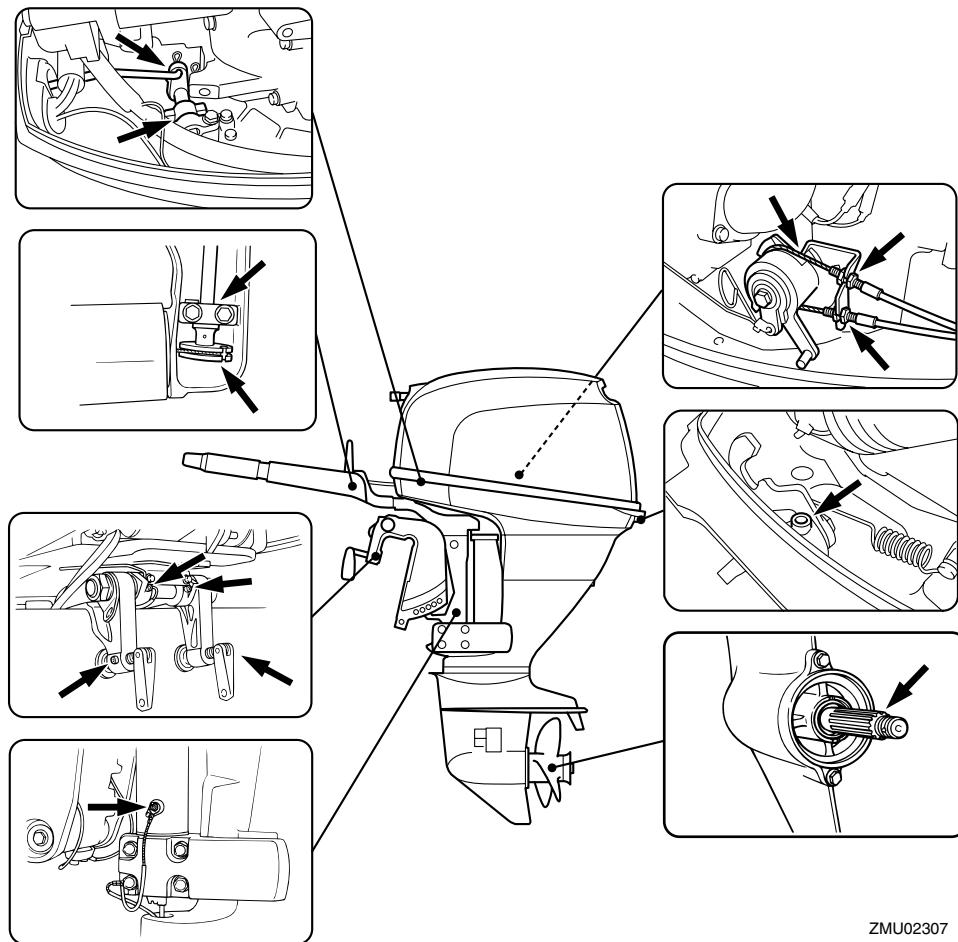
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Greasing

Yamaha grease A (water resistant grease)

Yamaha grease D (corrosion resistant grease; for propeller shaft)

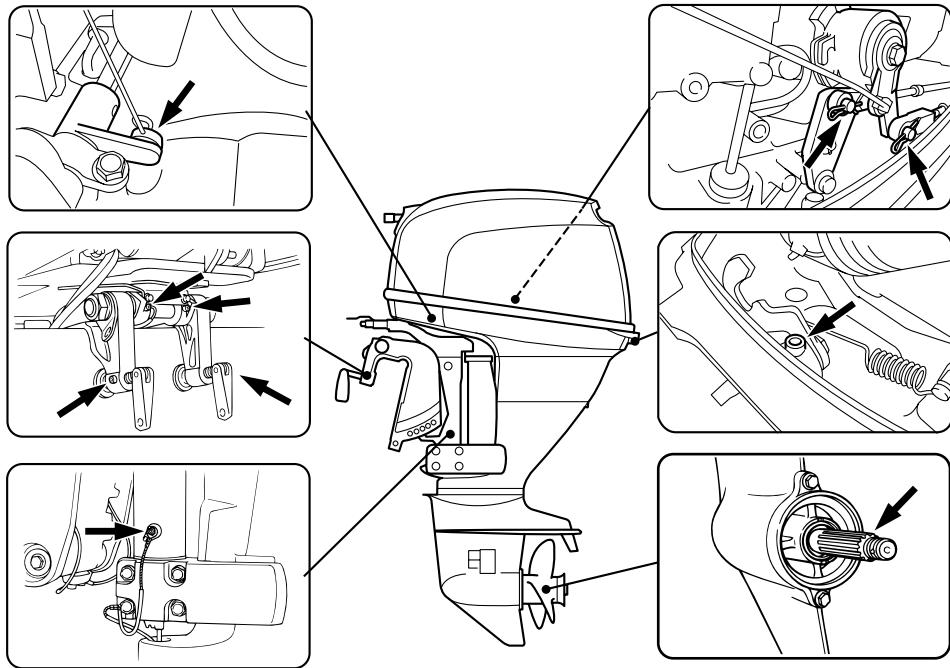
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Maintenance

F20AET, F25AE, F25AET, FT25BET



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Cleaning and adjusting spark plug

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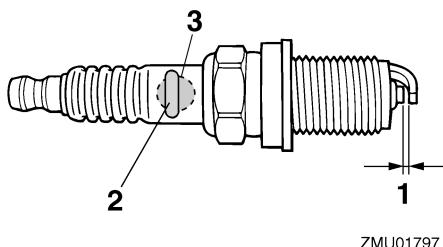
When removing or installing a spark plug, be careful not to damage the insulator. A damaged insulator could allow external sparks, which could lead to explosion or fire.

The spark plug is an important engine component and is easy to inspect. The condition of the spark plug can indicate something about the condition of the engine. For example, if the center electrode porcelain is very white, this could indicate an intake air leak or carburetion problem in that cylinder. Do not attempt to diagnose any problems yourself. Instead, take the outboard motor to a

Yamaha dealer. You should periodically remove and inspect the spark plug because heat and deposits will cause the spark plug to slowly break down and erode. If electrode erosion becomes excessive, or if carbon and other deposits are excessive, you should replace the spark plug with another of the correct type.

Standard spark plug:
DPR6EA-9

Before fitting the spark plug, measure the electrode gap with a wire thickness gauge; adjust the gap to specification if necessary.



1. Spark plug gap
2. Spark plug I.D. mark (NGK)
3. Spark plug part number

Spark plug gap:
0.8–0.9 mm (0.031–0.035 in)

When fitting the plug, always clean the gasket surface and use a new gasket. Wipe off any dirt from the threads and screw in the spark plug to the correct torque.

Spark plug torque:
18.0 Nm (13.3 ft-lb) (1.84 kgf-m)

NOTE:

If a torque-wrench is not available when you are fitting a spark plug, a good estimate of the correct torque is 1/4 to 1/2 a turn past finger-tight. Have the spark plug adjusted to the correct torque as soon as possible with a torque-wrench.

EMU28962

Checking fuel system

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WARNING

Gasoline and its vapors are highly flammable and explosive. Keep away from sparks, cigarettes, flames, or other

sources of ignition.

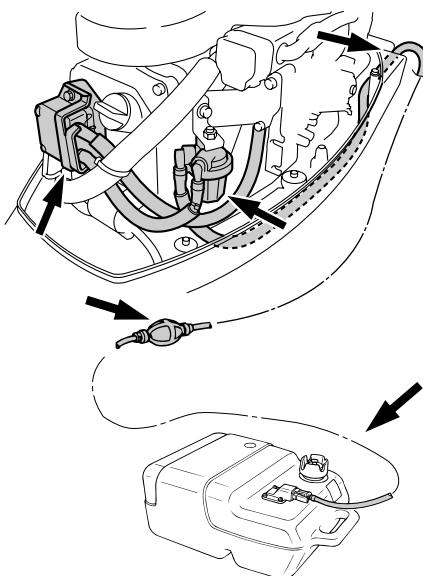
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WARNING

Leaking fuel can result in fire or explosion.

- **Check for fuel leakage regularly.**
- **If any fuel leakage is found, the fuel system must be repaired by a qualified mechanic. Improper repairs can make the outboard unsafe to operate.**

Check the fuel lines for leaks, crack, or malfunction. If a problem is found, your Yamaha dealer or other qualified mechanic should repair it immediately.



Checkpoints

- Fuel system parts leakage
- Fuel line joint leakage
- Fuel line cracks or other damage
- Fuel connector leakage

Maintenance

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Inspecting fuel filter

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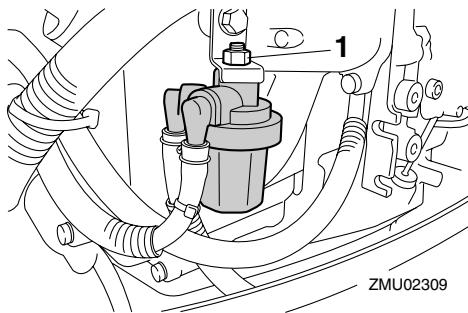
Gasoline is highly flammable, and its vapors are flammable and explosive.

- If you have any question about properly doing this procedure, consult your Yamaha dealer.
- Do not perform this procedure on a hot or running engine. Allow the engine to cool.
- There will be fuel in the fuel filter. Keep away from sparks, cigarettes, flames or other sources of ignition.
- This procedure will allow some fuel to spill. Catch fuel in a rag. Wipe up any spilled fuel immediately.
- The fuel filter must be reassembled carefully with the O-ring, filter cup, and hoses in place. Improper assembly or replacement could result in a fuel leak, which could result in a fire or explosion hazard.

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Cleaning fuel filter

1. Remove the nut holding the fuel filter assembly if equipped.



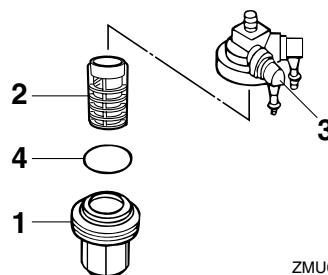
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1. Nut

2. Unscrew the filter cup, catching any

spilled fuel in a rag.

3. Remove the filter element, and wash it in solvent. Allow it to dry. Inspect the filter element and O-ring to make sure they are in good condition. Replace them if necessary. If any water is found in the fuel, the Yamaha portable fuel tank or other fuel tanks should be checked and cleaned.



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1. Filter cup
2. Filter element
3. Filter housing
4. O-ring

4. Reinstall the filter element in the cup. Make sure the O-ring is in position in the cup. Firmly screw the cup onto the filter housing.
5. Attach the filter assembly to the bracket so that the fuel hoses are attached to the filter assembly.
6. Run the engine and check the filter and lines for leaks.

EMU29041

Inspecting idling speed

EMW00451



- Do not touch or remove electrical parts when starting or during operation.
- Keep hands, hair, and clothes away from the flywheel and other rotating

parts while the engine is running.

ECM00490

CAUTION:

This procedure must be performed while the outboard motor is in the water. A flushing attachment or test tank can be used.

A diagnostic tachometer should be used for this procedure. Results may vary depending on whether testing is conducted with the flushing attachment, in a test tank, or with the outboard motor in the water.

1. Start the engine and allow it to warm up fully in neutral until it is running smoothly.

NOTE:

Correct idling speed inspection is only possible if the engine is fully warmed up. If not warmed up fully, the idle speed will measure higher than normal. If you have difficulty verifying the idle speed, or the idle speed requires adjustment, consult a Yamaha dealer or other qualified mechanic.

2. Verify whether the idle speed is set to specification. For idle speed specifications, see page 40.

EMU29073

Changing engine oil

EMW00760

WARNING

- Avoid draining the engine oil immediately after stopping the engine. The oil is hot and should be handled with care to avoid burns.
- Be sure the outboard motor is securely fastened to the transom or a stable stand.

ECM00970

CAUTION:

- Do not overfill the oil, and be sure the

outboard motor is upright (not tilted) when checking and changing the engine oil.

- If the oil level is above the upper level mark, drain until the level meets the specified capacity. Overfilling the oil could cause leakage or damage.

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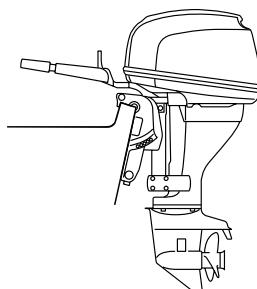
CAUTION:

Change the engine oil after the first 10 hours of operation, and every 100 hours or at 6-month intervals thereafter. Otherwise the engine will wear quickly.

NOTE:

Change the engine oil when the oil is still warm.

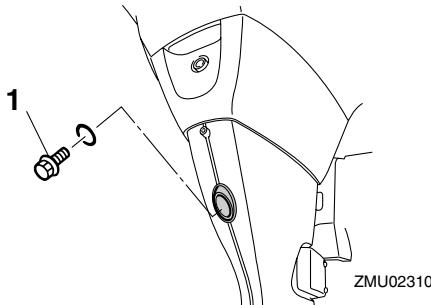
1. Put the outboard motor in an upright position (not tilted).



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2. Prepare a suitable container that holds a larger amount than the engine oil capacity. Loosen and remove the drain screw while holding the container under the drain hole. Then remove the oil filler cap. Let the oil drain completely. Wipe up any spilled oil immediately.

Maintenance



1. Drain screw
3. Put a new gasket on the oil drain screw. Apply a light coat of oil to the gasket and install the drain screw.

Drain screw tightening torque:

F20AET 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86 kgf-m)
F25AE 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86 kgf-m)
F25AET 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86 kgf-m)
F25AMH 28.0 Nm (20.7 ft-lb) (2.86 kgf-m)
FT25BET 18.0 Nm (13.3 ft-lb) (1.84 kgf-m)

filler hole. Install the filler cap.

Recommended engine oil:

4-stroke outboard motor oil

Engine oil quantity (excluding oil filter):

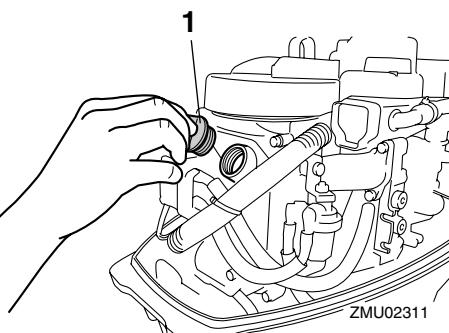
F20AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50 Imp.qt)

F25AE 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50 Imp.qt)

F25AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50 Imp.qt)

F25AMH 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50 Imp.qt)

FT25BET 1.9 L (2.01 US qt) (1.67 Imp.qt)



1. Oil filler cap

5. Start the engine and watch to make sure the low oil pressure warning indicator (if equipped) turns off. Make sure that there are no oil leaks.

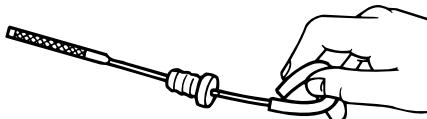
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CAUTION:

If the low oil pressure warning indicator does not turn off or if there are oil leaks, stop the engine and find the cause. Continued operation with a problem could cause severe engine damage. Consult your Yamaha dealer if the problem cannot be located and corrected.

4. Add the correct amount of oil through the

6. Turn off the engine and wait 3 minutes. Recheck the oil level using the dipstick to be sure the level falls between the upper and lower marks. Fill with oil if it is below the lower mark, or drain to the specified level if it is above the upper mark.



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7. Dispose of used oil according to local regulations.

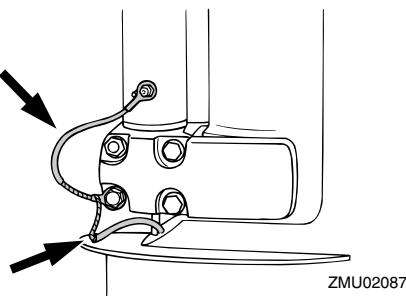
NOTE:

- For more information on the disposal of used oil, consult your Yamaha dealer.
- Change the oil more often when operating the engine under adverse conditions such as extended trolling.

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Checking wiring and connectors

- Check that each grounding wire is properly secured.
- Check that each connector is engaged securely.



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EMU29120

Exhaust leakage

Start the engine and check that no exhaust leaks from the joints between the exhaust cover, cylinder head, and body cylinder.

EMU29130

Water leakage

Start the engine and check that no water leaks from the joints between the exhaust cover, cylinder head, and body cylinder.

EMU29140

Engine oil leakage

Check for oil leaks on the around the engine.

NOTE:

If any leaks are found, consult your Yamaha dealer.

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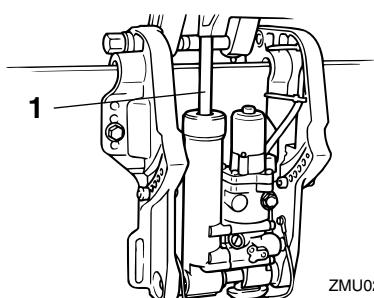
Checking power trim and tilt / power tilt system

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WARNING

- Never get under the lower unit while it is tilted, even when the tilt support lever is locked. Severe injury could occur if the outboard motor accidentally falls.
- Make sure no one is under the outboard motor before performing this test.

1. Check the power trim and tilt unit / power tilt unit for any sign of oil leaks.



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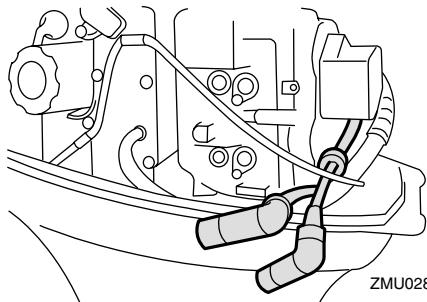
1. Trim and tilt rod

Maintenance

2. Operate each of the power trim and tilt switches / power tilt switches to check that all switches work.
3. Tilt the outboard motor up and check that the trim and tilt rod / the tilt rod is pushed out completely.
4. Check that the trim and tilt rod / the tilt rod is free of corrosion or other flaws.
5. Tilt the outboard motor down. Check that the trim and tilt rod / the tilt rod operates smoothly.

NOTE: _____

Consult your Yamaha dealer if any operation is abnormal.



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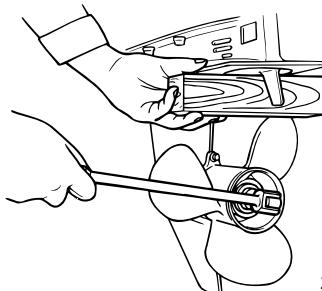
Checking propeller

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WARNING

You could be seriously injured if the engine accidentally starts when you are near the propeller.

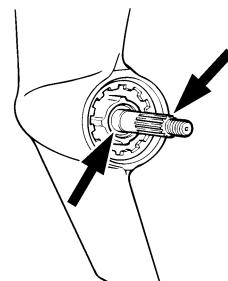
- Before inspecting, removing, or installing the propeller, remove the spark plug caps from the spark plugs. Also, place the shift control in neutral, turn the main switch to “OFF” (off) and remove the key, and remove the lanyard from the engine stop switch. Turn off the battery cut-off switch if your boat has one.
- Do not use your hand to hold the propeller when loosening or tightening the propeller nut. Put a wood block between the anti-cavitation plate and the propeller to prevent the propeller from turning.



ZMU01897

Checkpoints

- Check each of the propeller blades for wear, erosion from cavitation or ventilation, or other damage.
- Check the propeller shaft for damage.
- Check the splines / shear pin for wear or damage.
- Check for fish line tangled around the propeller shaft.



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- Check the propeller shaft oil seal for damage.

NOTE:

If the shear pin equipped: it is designed to break if the propeller hits a hard underwater obstacle to help protect the propeller and drive mechanism. The propeller will then spin freely on the shaft. If this happens, the shear pin must be replaced.

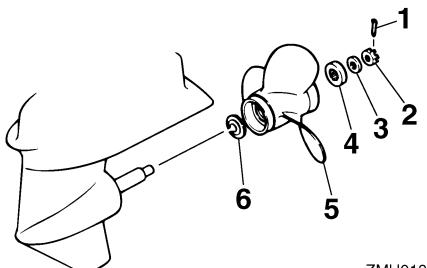
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Removing the propeller

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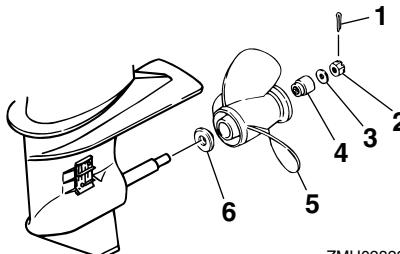
Spline models

1. Straighten the cotter pin and pull it out using a pair of pliers.
2. Remove the propeller nut, washer, and spacer (if equipped).



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1. Cotter pin
2. Propeller nut
3. Washer
4. Spacer
5. Propeller
6. Thrust washer



ZMU02829

1. Cotter pin
2. Propeller nut
3. Washer
4. Spacer
5. Propeller
6. Thrust washer

3. Remove the propeller and thrust washer.

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Installing the Propeller

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Spline models

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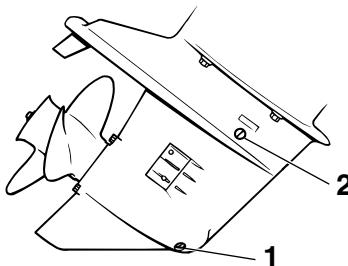
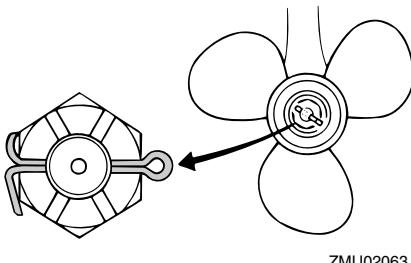
CAUTION:

- Be sure to install the thrust washer before installing the propeller, otherwise the lower case and propeller boss could be damaged.
- Be sure to use a new cotter pin and bend the ends over securely. Otherwise the propeller could come off during operation and be lost.

1. Apply Yamaha marine grease or a corrosion resistant grease to the propeller shaft.
2. Install the spacer (if equipped), thrust washer, and propeller on the propeller shaft.
3. Install the spacer (if equipped) and the washer. Tighten the propeller nut to the specified torque.

Maintenance

- Align the propeller nut with the propeller shaft hole. Insert a new cotter pin in the hole and bend the cotter pin ends.



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NOTE:

1. Gear oil drain screw
2. Oil level plug

NOTE:
If the propeller nut does not align with the propeller shaft hole after tightening to the specified torque, tighten the nut further to align it with the hole.

EMU29282

Changing gear oil

EWMO0800

WARNING

- Be sure the outboard motor is securely fastened to the transom or a stable stand. You could be severely injured if the outboard motor falls on you.
- Never get under the lower unit while it is tilted, even when the tilt support lever or knob is locked. Severe injury could occur if the outboard motor accidentally falls.

1. Tilt the outboard motor so that the gear oil drain screw is at the lowest point possible.
2. Place a suitable container under the gear case.
3. Remove the gear oil drain screw and gasket.

NOTE:

- If a magnetic gear oil drain screw is equipped, remove all metal particles from the screw before installing it.
- Always use new gaskets. Do not reuse the removed gaskets.

4. Remove the oil level plug and gasket to allow the oil to drain completely.

ECM00710

CAUTION:

Inspect the used oil after it has been drained. If the oil is milky, water is getting into the gear case which can cause gear damage. Consult a Yamaha dealer for repair of the lower unit seals.

NOTE:

For disposal of used oil, consult your Yamaha dealer.

5. With the outboard motor in a vertical position, and using a flexible or pressurized filling device, inject the gear oil into

the gear oil drain screw hole.

Recommended gear oil:

Hypoid gear oil SAE#90

Gear oil quantity:

F20AET 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)

(11.29 Imp.oz)

F25AE 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)

(11.29 Imp.oz)

F25AET 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)

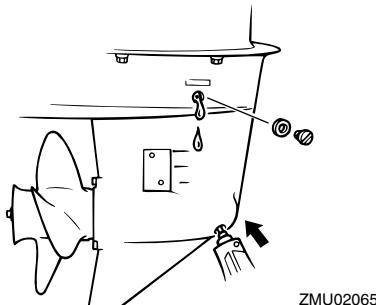
(11.29 Imp.oz)

F25AMH 320.0 cm³ (10.82 US oz)

(11.29 Imp.oz)

FT25BET 430.0 cm³ (14.54 US oz)

(15.17 Imp.oz)



- Put a new gasket on the oil level plug. When the oil begins to flow out of the oil level plug hole, insert and tighten the oil level plug.
- Put a new gasket on the gear oil drain screw. Insert and tighten the gear oil drain screw.

EMU29302

Cleaning fuel tank

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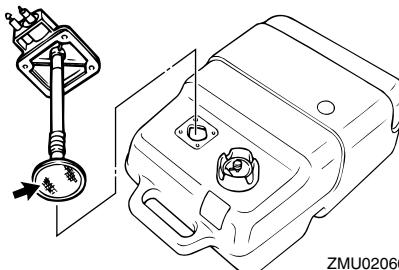
Gasoline is highly flammable, and its vapors are flammable and explosive.

- If you have any question about properly doing this procedure, consult your

Yamaha dealer.

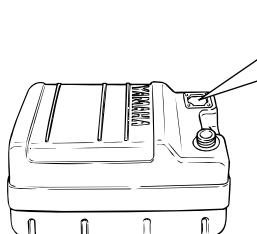
- Keep away from sparks, cigarettes, flames, or other sources of ignition when cleaning the fuel tank.
- Remove the fuel tank from the boat before cleaning it. Work only outdoors in an area with good ventilation.
- Wipe up any spilled fuel immediately.
- Reassemble the fuel tank carefully. Improper assembly can result in a fuel leak, which could result in a fire or explosion hazard.
- Dispose of old gasoline according to local regulations.

- Empty the fuel tank into an approved container.
- Pour a small amount of suitable solvent into the tank. Install the cap and shake the tank. Drain the solvent completely.
- Remove the screws holding the fuel joint assembly. Pull the assembly out of the tank.

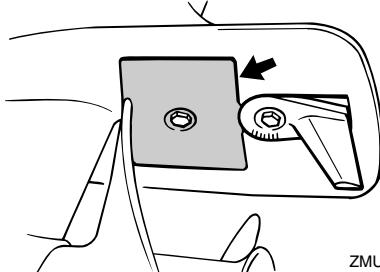
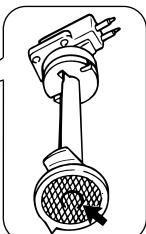


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4. Clean the filter (located on the end of the suction pipe) in a suitable cleaning solvent. Allow the filter to dry.
5. Replace the gasket with a new one. Reinstall the fuel joint assembly and tighten the screws firmly.

EMU29312

Inspecting and replacing anode(s)

Yamaha outboard motors are protected from corrosion by sacrificial anodes. Inspect the external anodes periodically. Remove scales from the surfaces of the anodes. Consult a Yamaha dealer for replacement of external anodes.

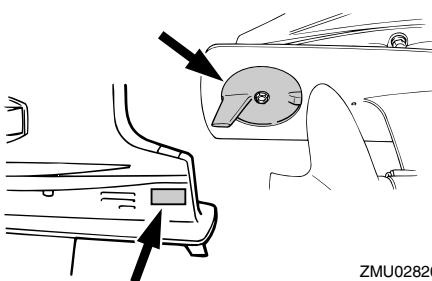
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CAUTION:

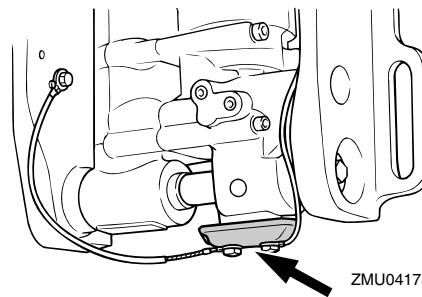
Do not paint anodes, as this would render them ineffective.

NOTE:

Inspect ground leads attached to external anodes on equipped models. Consult a Yamaha dealer for inspection and replacement of internal anodes attached to the power unit.



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EMU29320

Checking battery (for electric start models)

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WARNING

Battery electrolytic fluid is dangerous; it contains sulfuric acid and therefore is poisonous and highly caustic.

Always follow these preventive measures:

- **Avoid bodily contact with electrolytic**

fluid as it can cause severe burns or permanent eye injury.

- Wear protective eye gear when handling or working near batteries.

Antidote (EXTERNAL):

- SKIN - Flush with water.
- EYES - Flush with water for 15 minutes and get immediate medical attention.

Antidote (INTERNAL):

- Drink large quantities of water or milk followed by milk of magnesia, beaten egg, or vegetable oil. Get immediate medical attention.

Batteries also generate explosive hydrogen gas; therefore, you should always follow these preventive measures:

- Charge batteries in a well-ventilated area.
- Keep batteries away from fire, sparks, or open flames (for example: welding equipment, lighted cigarettes, and so on.)
- DO NOT SMOKE when charging or handling batteries.

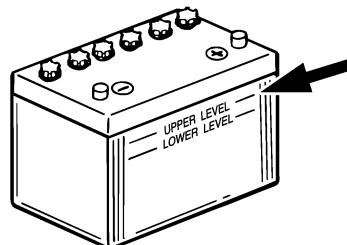
KEEP BATTERIES AND ELECTROLYTIC FLUID OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

ECM00360

CAUTION:

- A poorly maintained battery will quickly deteriorate.
- Ordinary tap water contains minerals harmful to a battery, and should not be used for topping up.

1. Check the electrolyte level at least once a month. Fill to the manufacturer's recommended level when necessary. Top up only with distilled water (or pure de-ionized water suitable to use in batteries).



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2. Always keep the battery in a good state of charge. Installing a voltmeter will help you monitor your battery. If you will not use the boat for a month or more, remove the battery from the boat and store it in a cool, dark place. Completely recharge the battery before using it.
3. If the battery will be stored for longer than a month, check the specific gravity of the fluid at least once a month and recharge the battery when it is low.

NOTE:

Consult a Yamaha dealer when charging or re-charging batteries.

EMU29331

Connecting the battery

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WARNING

Mount the battery holder securely in a dry, well-ventilated, vibration-free location in the boat. Install a fully charged battery in the holder.

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CAUTION:

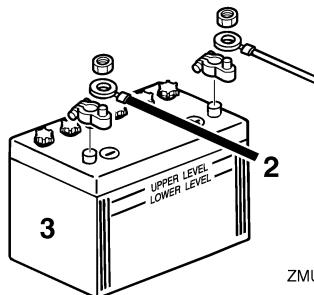
- Make sure the main switch (on applicable models) is "OFF" (off) before working on the battery.
- Reversal of the battery cables will damage the electrical parts.
- Connect the red battery cable first

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when installing the battery and disconnect the black battery cable first when removing it. Otherwise, the electrical parts can be damaged.

- The electrical contacts of the battery and cables must be clean and properly connected, or the battery will not start the engine.

Connect the red battery cable to the POSITIVE (+) terminal first. Then connect the black battery cable to the NEGATIVE (-) terminal.



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1. Red cable
2. Black cable
3. Battery

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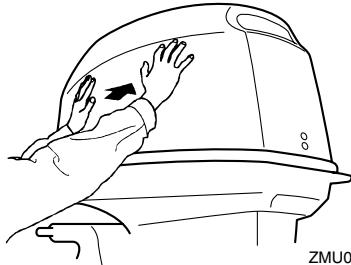
Disconnecting the battery

Disconnect the BLACK cable from the NEGATIVE (-) terminal first. Then disconnect the RED cable from the POSITIVE (+) terminal.

EMU29390

Checking top cowling

Check the fitting of the top cowling by pushing it with both hands. If it is loose have it repaired by your Yamaha dealer.



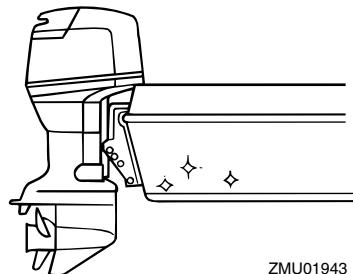
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EMU29400

Coating the boat bottom

A clean hull improves boat performance. The boat bottom should be kept as clean of marine growth as possible. If necessary, the boat bottom can be coated with an anti-fouling paint approved for your area to inhibit marine growth.

Do not use anti-fouling paint which includes copper or graphite. These paints can cause more rapid engine corrosion.



ZMU01943

Troubleshooting

A problem in the fuel, compression, or ignition systems can cause poor starting, loss of power, or other problems. This section describes basic checks and possible remedies, and covers all Yamaha outboard motors. Therefore some items may not apply to your model.

If your outboard motor requires repair, bring it to your Yamaha dealer.

If the engine trouble warning indicator is flashing, consult your Yamaha dealer.

Starter will not operate.

Q. Is battery capacity weak or low?

A. Check battery condition. Use battery of recommended capacity.

Q. Are battery connections loose or corroded?

A. Tighten battery cables and clean battery terminals.

Q. Is fuse for electric start relay or electric circuit blown?

A. Check for cause of electric overload and repair. Replace fuse with one of correct amperage.

Q. Are starter components faulty?

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Q. Is shift lever in gear?

A. Shift to neutral.

Engine will not start (starter operates).

Q. Is fuel tank empty?

A. Fill tank with clean, fresh fuel.

Q. Is fuel contaminated or stale?

A. Fill tank with clean, fresh fuel.

Q. Is fuel filter clogged?

A. Clean or replace filter.

Q. Is starting procedure incorrect?

A. See page 25.

Q. Has fuel pump malfunctioned?

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Q. Are spark plug(s) fouled or of incorrect type?

A. Inspect spark plug(s). Clean or replace with recommended type.

Q. Are spark plug cap(s) fitted incorrectly?

A. Check and re-fit cap(s).

Q. Is ignition wiring damaged or poorly connected?

A. Check wires for wear or breaks. Tighten all loose connections. Replace worn or broken wires.

Q. Are ignition parts faulty?

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Q. Is engine stop switch lanyard not attached?

A. Attach lanyard.

Q. Are engine inner parts damaged?

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Engine idles irregularly or stalls.

Q. Are spark plug(s) fouled or of incorrect type?

A. Inspect spark plug(s). Clean or replace with recommended type.

Trouble Recovery

Q. Is fuel system obstructed?	A. Return to home position.
A. Check for pinched or kinked fuel line or other obstructions in fuel system.	Q. Is motor angle too high?
Q. Is fuel contaminated or stale?	A. Return to normal operating position.
A. Fill tank with clean, fresh fuel.	Q. Is carburetor clogged?
Q. Is fuel filter clogged?	A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.
A. Clean or replace filter.	Q. Is fuel joint connection incorrect?
Q. Have ignition parts failed?	A. Connect correctly.
A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.	Q. Is throttle valve adjustment incorrect?
Q. Has warning system activated?	A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.
A. Find and correct cause of warning.	Q. Is battery cable disconnected?
Q. Is spark plug gap incorrect?	A. Connect securely.
A. Inspect and adjust as specified.	Warning buzzer sounds or indicator lights.
Q. Is ignition wiring damaged or poorly connected?	Q. Is cooling system clogged?
A. Check wires for wear or breaks. Tighten all loose connections. Replace worn or broken wires.	A. Check water intake for restriction.
Q. Is specified engine oil not being used?	Q. Is engine oil level low?
A. Check and replace oil as specified.	A. Fill oil tank with specified engine oil.
Q. Is thermostat faulty or clogged?	Q. Is heat range of spark plug incorrect?
A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.	A. Inspect spark plug and replace it with recommended type.
Q. Are carburetor adjustments incorrect?	Q. Is specified engine oil not being used?
A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.	A. Check and replace oil with specified type.
Q. Is fuel pump damaged?	Q. Is engine oil contaminated or deteriorated?
A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.	A. Replace oil with fresh, specified type.
Q. Is air vent screw on fuel tank closed?	Q. Is oil filter clogged?
A. Open air vent screw.	A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.
Q. Is choke knob pulled out?	Q. Has oil feed/injection pump malfunctioned?

Trouble Recovery

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.	Q. Are weeds or other foreign matter tangled on gear housing?
Q. Is load on boat improperly distributed?	A. Remove foreign matter and clean lower unit.
A. Distribute load to place boat on an even plane.	Q. Is fuel system obstructed?
Q. Is water pump or thermostat faulty?	A. Check for pinched or kinked fuel line or other obstructions in fuel system.
A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.	Q. Is fuel filter clogged?
Q. Is there excess water in fuel filter cup?	A. Clean or replace filter.
A. Drain filter cup.	Q. Is fuel contaminated or stale?
Engine power loss.	A. Fill tank with clean, fresh fuel.
Q. Is propeller damaged?	Q. Is spark plug gap incorrect?
A. Have propeller repaired or replaced.	A. Inspect and adjust as specified.
Q. Is propeller pitch or diameter incorrect?	Q. Is ignition wiring damaged or poorly connected?
A. Install correct propeller to operate outboard at its recommended speed (r/min) range.	A. Check wires for wear or breaks. Tighten all loose connections. Replace worn or broken wires.
Q. Is trim angle incorrect?	Q. Have electrical parts failed?
A. Adjust trim angle to achieve most efficient operation.	A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.
Q. Is motor mounted at incorrect height on transom?	Q. Is specified fuel not being used?
A. Have motor adjusted to proper transom height.	A. Replace fuel with specified type.
Q. Has warning system activated?	Q. Is specified engine oil not being used?
A. Find and correct cause of warning.	A. Check and replace oil with specified type.
Q. Is boat bottom fouled with marine growth?	Q. Is thermostat faulty or clogged?
A. Clean boat bottom.	A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.
Q. Are spark plug(s) fouled or of incorrect type?	Q. Is air vent screw closed?
A. Inspect spark plug(s). Clean or replace with recommended type.	A. Open the air vent screw.
Q. Is fuel pump damaged?	Q. Is fuel pump damaged?
	A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Trouble Recovery

Q. Is fuel joint connection incorrect?
A. Connect correctly.

Q. Is heat range of spark plug incorrect?
A. Inspect spark plug and replace it with recommended type.

Q. Is high pressure fuel pump drive belt broken?

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Q. Is engine not responding properly to shift lever position?

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Engine vibrates excessively.

Q. Is propeller damaged?

A. Have propeller repaired or replaced.

Q. Is propeller shaft damaged?

A. Have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

Q. Are weeds or other foreign matter tangled on propeller?

A. Remove and clean propeller.

Q. Is motor mounting bolt loose?

A. Tighten bolt.

Q. Is steering pivot loose or damaged?

A. Tighten or have serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

EMU29433

Temporary action in emergency

EMU29440

Impact damage

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The outboard motor can be seriously

damaged by a collision while operating or trailering. Damage could make the outboard motor unsafe to operate.

If the outboard motor hits an object in the water, follow the procedure below.



1. Stop the engine immediately.
2. Inspect the control system and all components for damage. Also inspect the boat for damage.
3. Whether damage is found or not, return to the nearest harbor slowly and carefully.
4. Have a Yamaha dealer inspect the outboard motor before operating it again.

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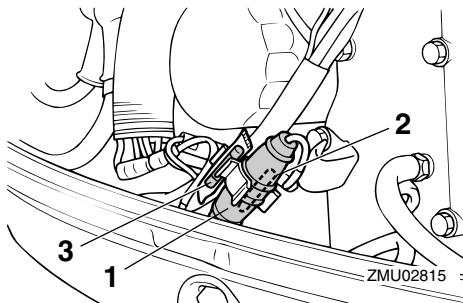
Replacing fuse

If the fuse has blown on an electric start model, open the fuse holder and replace the fuse with a new one of the proper amperage.

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Be sure to use the specified fuse. An incorrect fuse or a piece of wire could allow excessive current flow. This could cause electric system damage and a fire hazard.



1. Fuse holder
2. Fuse (20 A)
3. Spare fuse (20 A)

NOTE:

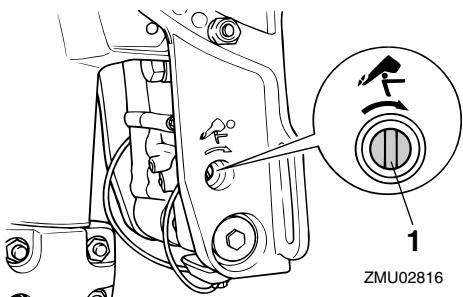
Consult your Yamaha dealer if the new fuse immediately blows again.

EMU29511

Power trim and tilt / power tilt will not operate

If the engine cannot be tilted up or down with the power trim and tilt / the power tilt because of a discharged battery or a failure with the power trim and tilt unit / the power tilt unit, the engine can be tilted manually.

1. Loosen the manual valve screw by turning it clockwise until it stops.



1. Manual valve screw
2. Put the engine in the desired position, then tighten the manual valve screw by

turning it counterclockwise.

EMU29532

Starter will not operate

If the starter mechanism does not operate (the engine cannot be cranked with the starter), the engine can be started with an emergency starter rope.

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WARNING

- Use this procedure only in an emergency to return to the nearest port for repairs.
- When the emergency starter rope is used to start the engine, the start-in-gear protection device does not operate. Make sure the remote control lever is in neutral. Otherwise the boat could unexpectedly start to move, which could result in an accident.
- Attach the engine stop switch lanyard to a secure place on your clothing, or your arm or leg while operating the boat.
- Do not attach the lanyard to clothing that could tear loose. Do not route the cord where it could become entangled, preventing it from functioning.
- Avoid accidentally pulling the lanyard during normal operation. Loss of engine power means the loss of most steering control. Also, without engine power, the boat could slow rapidly. This could cause people and objects in the boat to be thrown forward.
- Make sure no one is standing behind you when pulling the starter rope. It could whip behind you and injure someone.
- An unguarded, rotating flywheel is very dangerous. Keep loose clothing and other objects away when starting the

Trouble Recovery

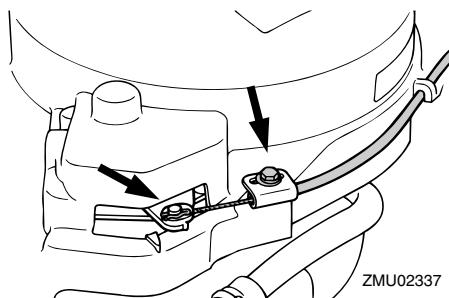
engine. Use the emergency starter rope only as instructed. Do not touch the flywheel or other moving parts when the engine is running. Do not install the starter mechanism or top cowling after the engine is running.

- Do not touch the ignition coil, spark plug wire, spark plug cap, or other electrical components when starting or operating the motor. You could get an electrical shock.

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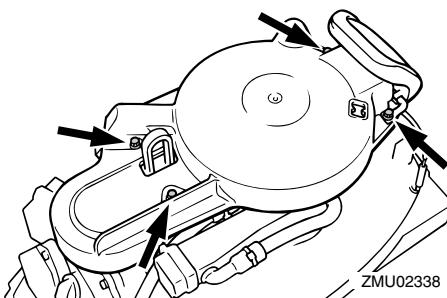
Emergency starting engine

1. Remove the top cowling.
2. Remove the start-in-gear protection cable from the starter after removing the clip and the screw, if the cable is equipped.

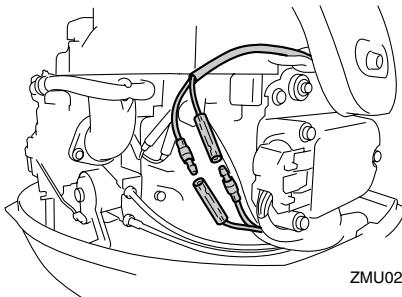


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3. Remove the starter/flywheel cover after removing the 4 bolts. Disconnect the leads for the warning indicator.

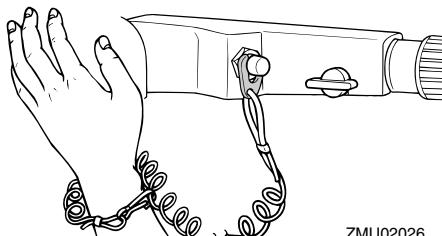


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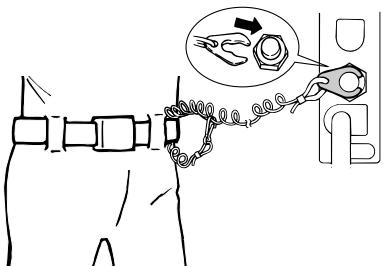


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4. Prepare the engine for starting. For further information, see page 25. Be sure the engine is in neutral and that the engine stop switch lanyard lock plate is attached to the engine stop switch. The main switch must be "ON" (on), if equipped.



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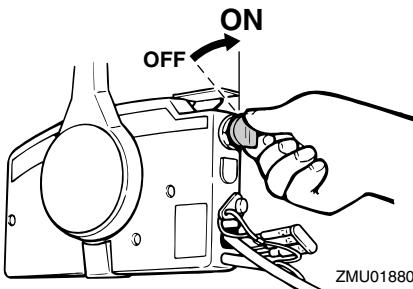


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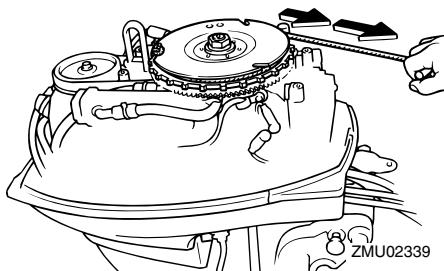
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Procedure

1. Thoroughly wash away mud, salt, seaweed, and so on, with fresh water.
2. Remove the spark plug(s), then face the spark plug holes downward to allow any water, mud, or contaminants to drain.
3. Drain the fuel from the carburetor, fuel filter, and fuel line. Drain the engine oil completely.
4. Fill the sump with the fresh engine oil.



5. Insert the knotted end of the emergency starter rope into the notch in the flywheel rotor and wind the rope around the flywheel several turns clockwise.
6. Pull the rope slowly until resistance is felt.
7. Give a strong pull straight out to crank and start the engine. Repeat if necessary.



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Treatment of submerged motor

If the outboard motor is submerged, immediately take it to a Yamaha dealer. Otherwise some corrosion may begin almost immediately.

If you cannot immediately take the outboard motor to a Yamaha dealer, follow the procedure below in order to minimize engine damage.

Engine oil capacity:

F20AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50

Imp.qt)

F25AE 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50 Imp.qt)

F25AET 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50

Imp.qt)

F25AMH 1.7 L (1.80 US qt) (1.50

Imp.qt)

FT25BET 1.9 L (2.01 US qt) (1.67

Imp.qt)

5. Feed engine fogging oil or engine oil through the carburetor(s) and spark plug holes while cranking the engine with the manual starter or emergency starter rope.
6. Take the outboard motor to a Yamaha dealer as soon as possible.

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CAUTION:

Do not attempt to run the outboard motor until it has been completely inspected.



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