



service bulletin

No. 88-3A

V6 Model, XR4, Mag II, 175, 200, 220 Outboards – Serial Number 0B231429 thru 0B277582

NOTICE

This is a revision of Outboard Service Bulletin 88-3. Destroy Bulletin 88-3 and file 88-3A in its place.

V6 outboards within the above serial number range have a thin area in the exhaust divider plate. It will be necessary to replace the exhaust divider plate to prevent the thin area from corroding through.

The following has been initiated to assure the V6 outboard owners receive the reliability and satisfaction they rightfully expect.

1. A letter will be sent to every registered owner of a XR4, Mag II, 175, 200, 220 outboard, within the above serial number range, advising them to return their outboard to a Mariner/Mercury dealer for a no-charge replacement of the exhaust divider plate. (A copy of the letter is printed on this bulletin.)

2. Order a quantity of exhaust divider plates (P/N 99169A1) to cover the V6 outboards you have sold or have in inventory within the serial numbers.
3. Upon return of owners V6 outboards or for those in your inventory:
 - a. Replace the exhaust divider plate following instructions in the V6 Outboard Service Manual.
 - b. Submit a warranty claim for the plate and one hour labor for each outboard on which you replaced the exhaust divider plate. Return the plates with the warranty claims to your distribution center.
 - c. More than one outboard can be listed on a claim, but it is essential that all serial numbers are listed.

We sincerely regret any inconvenience this may cause you. We appreciate all dealer efforts to correct this problem and ensure boating satisfaction to our mutual customers.



Dear Mercury Owner:

Mercury Marine has determined that the V-6 model outboard you recently purchased requires replacement of the exhaust divider plate. The casting has a thin area that could corrode through.

This letter is your authorization to return the outboard to your dealer for replacement of this plate at no charge to you. Please contact your dealer immediately to make an appointment.

We are sorry to cause you this inconvenience, however, we have taken this action in the interest of your personal boating enjoyment and continued satisfaction with our product. Please take care of this immediately.

Thank you for your understanding.

Mercury Marine Outboard Service Department