

# service bulletin

MIERCURY Outboards

No. 88-17

### UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEW SHIPPING CARTON USED FOR V-6 MODEL OUTBOARDS

This new carton allows easy access for removal of accessory items included with outboard without unboxing carton. See procedure on page 2.

#### HOW CAN YOU TELL IF YOU HAVE AN OUTBOARD WITH THIS NEW SHIPPING CARTON

The new shipping carton is colored white.

## PROCEDURE FOR UNBOXING THE SHIPPING CARTON FOR REMOVAL OF OUTBOARD

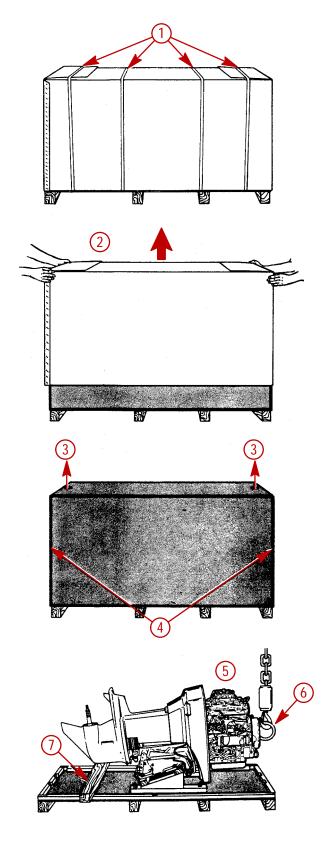
Tools Required:

- (1) Knife
  - (1) 9/16" Wrench

# A WARNING

Do not cut the (4) bands if shipping carton is on its end. This would allow carton to open up and outboard to drop, with possibility of injury to persons and damage to the outboard.

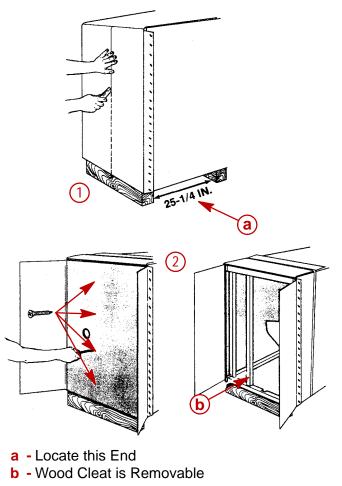
- 1. With the carton assembly on its runners, cut and remove the four (4) bands. DO NOT CUT THE BANDS WHEN THE CARTON IS SETTING ON ITS END!!!
- 2. Remove carton by lifting up.
- 3. Next, remove the top wafer board cover by lifting the cover by using the holes provided on each end.
- 4. Now remove the two sides and end panels.
- 5. Remove outboard cowling.
- 6. Support the powerhead using a hoist and lifting ring or use a strap and pin lifting device. When the powerhead is supported remove the four 9/16" locknuts holding the transom mounting brackets to the skid.
- 7. To assist in lifting the outboard off of the 4 studs place a padded  $4 \times 4$  or equivalent across the skid and below the gearcase. Carefully lift the outboard off of the skid pivoting the gearcase on the  $4 \times 4$ .



#### PROCEDURE FOR REMOVING THE ACCESSORY ITEMS FROM THE OUTBOARD SHIPPING CARTON

Tools Required:

- (1) Knife
- (1) Phillips Screwdriver
- With the carton assembly on its runners, locate the end of the carton assembly that is 25–1/4 inch between runners. Cut the corrugated cover from side to side about 1/2 inch from the top of this end panel. Next, cut this panel in the center from the top to the bottom and pull open the corrugated "doors".
- Now that you have revealed the waferboard end panel, locate four (4) wood screws, spaced vertically in a line. Remove these screws and save them for reassembly. The waferboard end panel can now be removed by placing your fingers through the hole and pulling. You now have access to the accessory items. The vertical wood (2 x 2) cleat is removable.



# PROCEDURE FOR REASSEMBLY

- 1. Position the wood (2 x 2) cleat in the notches inside of the top cover and the skid.
- 2. Position the waferboard against the wood cleat so that the screw holes line up.
- 3. Insert your fingers through the large hole and grab the cleat, now holding onto the cleat reinsert the screws and tighten.
- 4. Reclose the corrugated cover with a suitable tape.

