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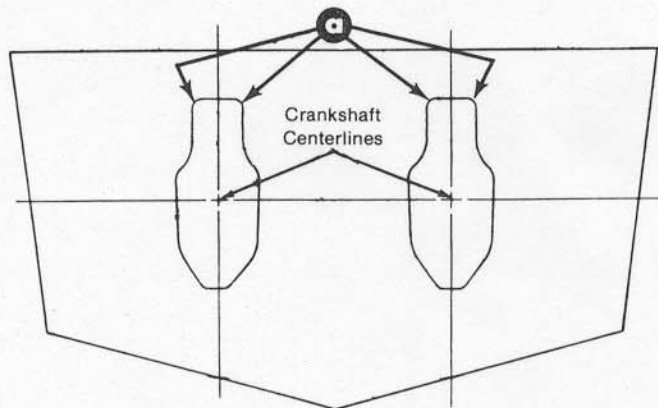
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A. TRANSCOM CUTOUT and STEERING LEVER INTERFERENCE

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to PP 2A-3, 2B-3 and 2C-3 of Your Service Manual.)

The top corners of the transom cutout on all MerCruiser Stern Drives (Figures 1 and 2) must be cut at angle specified in appropriate model "Stern Drive Installation Manual". If cut at other than specified angle, steering lever can contact transom and limit steering and/or cause hard steering.

If Power Steering is used (because drive unit travel stops before Power Steering travel stops), pump lugging in a tight turn possibly could cause damage to Power Steering system and render Power Steering inoperable.



a - Angle Cutout Area

Figure 1. Typical Transom Cutout

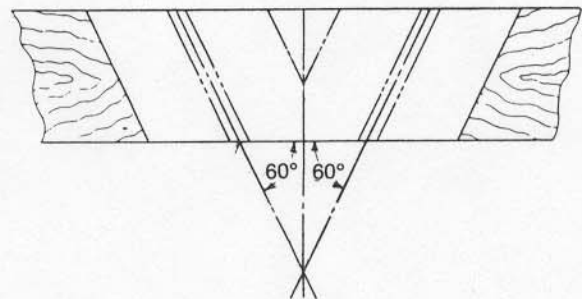


Figure 2. MerCruiser I Drive 60° Angle

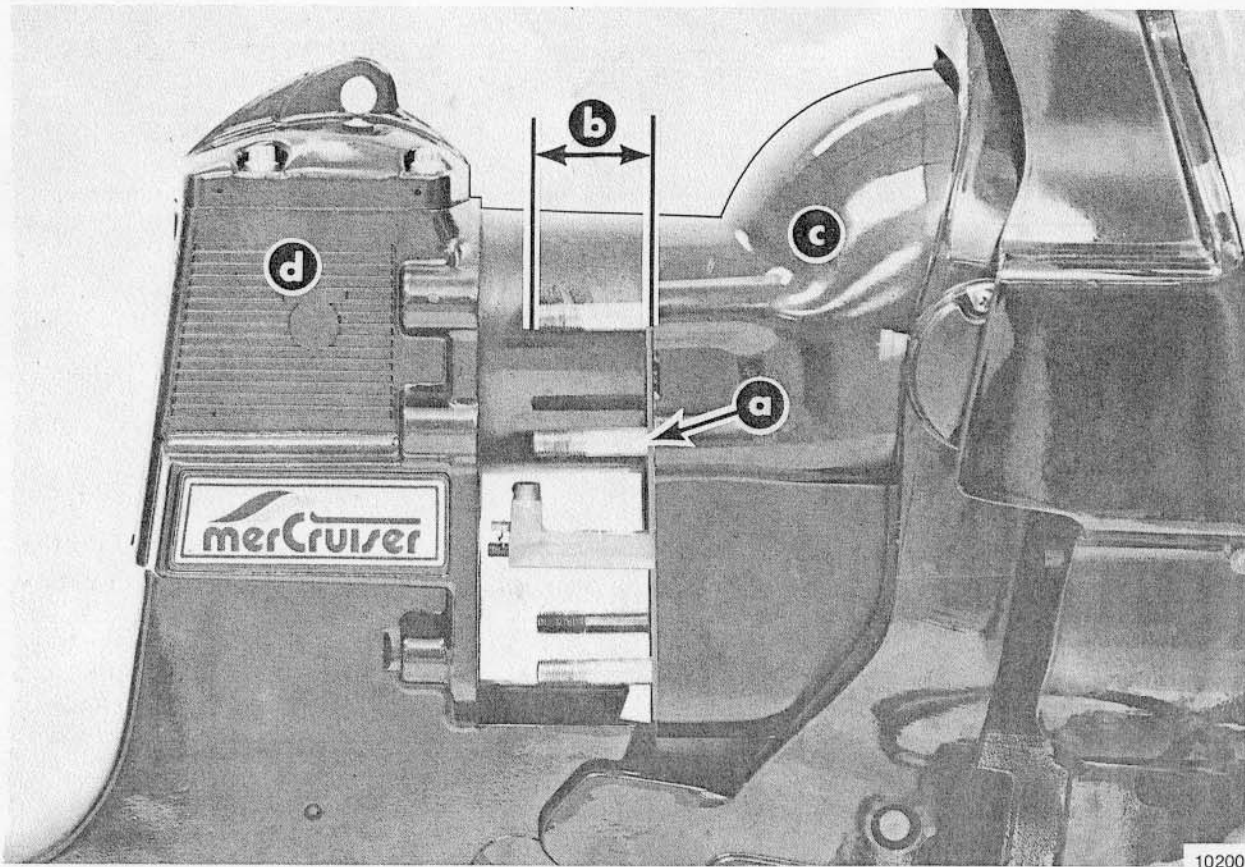
B. BELL HOUSING to DRIVE SHAFT HOUSING STUDS

(Attach Bulletin Reference Sticker to PP 2A-3, 2B-3 and 2C-3 of Your Service Manual.)

There may be some MerCruiser I drive transom assemblies in the field that have short bell housing to drive shaft housing studs. (Figure 3) Studs must protrude from bell housing a minimum of 1-13/16" (46mm) when fully installed, as shown in Figure 3.

Replace short studs with stud C-16-59579. Send short studs along with warranty claim to your local Mercury Branch or Distributor.

(OVER)



a - Stud (3 Each Side)

b - 1-13/16" Min.

c - Bell Housing

d - Drive Shaft Housing

Figure 3. Bell Housing Studs