

# **TRS21/21E/22/24/26/27/32 and TRX24/26 Walk-Behind Snowthrowers/Snowblowers**

## **TECHNICAL MANUAL**

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# Introduction

## FOREWORD

This manual is written for an experienced technician. Essential tools required in performing certain service work are identified in this manual and are recommended for use.

Live with safety: Read the safety messages in the introduction of this manual and the cautions presented throughout the text of the manual.

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Technical manuals are divided in two parts: repair and diagnostics. Repair sections tell how to repair the components. Diagnostic sections help you identify the majority of routine failures quickly.

Information is organized in groups for the various components requiring service instruction. At the beginning of each group are summary listings of all applicable essential tools, other materials needed to do the job and service parts kits.

Section 10, Group 15—Repair Specifications, consist of all applicable specifications, near tolerances and specific torque values for various components on each individual machine.

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TECHNICAL MANUALS—MACHINE SERVICE

COMPONENT MANUALS—COMPONENT SERVICE

Fundamentals of Service (FOS) Manuals cover basic theory of operation, fundamentals of troubleshooting, general maintenance, and basic type of failures and their causes. FOS Manuals are for training new personnel and for reference by experienced technicians.

Technical Manuals are concise guides for specific machines. Technical manuals are on-the-job guides containing only the vital information needed for diagnosis, analysis, testing, and repair.

Component Technical Manuals are concise service guides for specific components. Component technical manuals are written as stand-alone manuals covering multiple machine applications.

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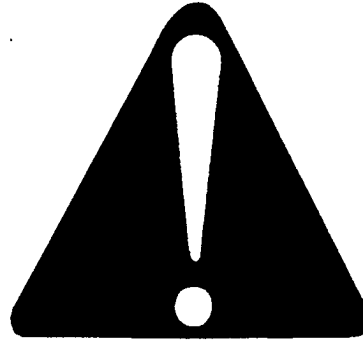
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## RECOGNIZE SAFETY INFORMATION

This is the safety-alert symbol. When you see this symbol on your machine or in this manual, be alert to the potential for personal injury.

Follow recommended precautions and safe operating practices.



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## UNDERSTAND SIGNAL WORDS

A signal word—DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION—is used with the safety-alert symbol. DANGER identifies the most serious hazards.

DANGER or WARNING safety signs are located near specific hazards. General precautions are listed on CAUTION safety signs. CAUTION also calls attention to safety messages in this manual.



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## FOLLOW SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Carefully read all safety messages in this manual and on your machine safety signs. Keep safety signs in good condition. Replace missing or damaged safety signs. Be sure new equipment components and repair parts include the current safety signs. Replacement safety signs are available from your John Deere dealer.

Learn how to operate the machine and how to use controls properly. Do not let anyone operate without instruction.

Keep your machine in proper working condition. Unauthorized modifications to the machine may impair the function and/or safety and affect machine life.

If you do not understand any part of this manual and need assistance, contact your John Deere dealer.



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## HANDLE FLUIDS SAFELY—AVOID FIRES

When you work around fuel, do not smoke or work near heaters or other fire hazards.

Store flammable fluids away from fire hazards. Do not incinerate or puncture pressurized containers.

Make sure machine is clean of trash, grease, and debris.

Do not store oily rags; they can ignite and burn spontaneously.



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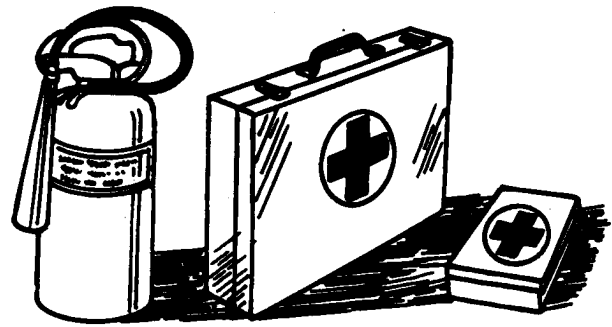
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## PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES

Be prepared if a fire starts.

Keep a first aid kit and fire extinguisher handy.

Keep emergency numbers for doctors, ambulance service, hospital, and fire department near your telephone.



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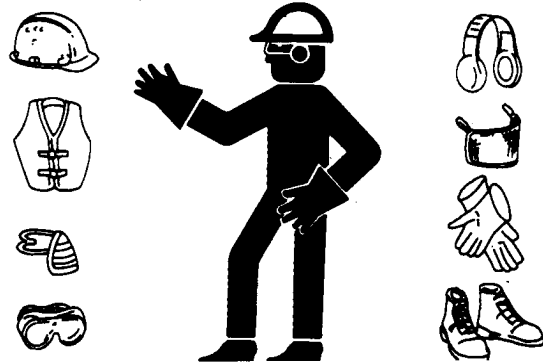
## WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

Wear close fitting clothing and safety equipment appropriate to the job.

Prolonged exposure to loud noise can cause impairment or loss of hearing.

Wear a suitable hearing protective device such as earmuffs or earplugs to protect against objectionable or uncomfortable loud noises.

Operating equipment safely requires the full attention of the operator. Do not wear radio or music headphones while operating machine.



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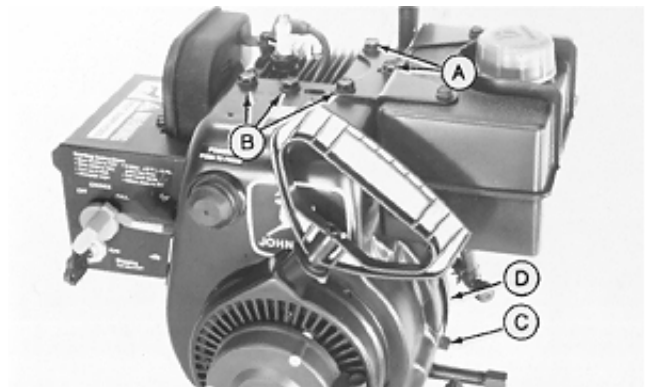
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	SCOTCH-BRITE abrasive pads	Remove carbon deposits from combustion chamber

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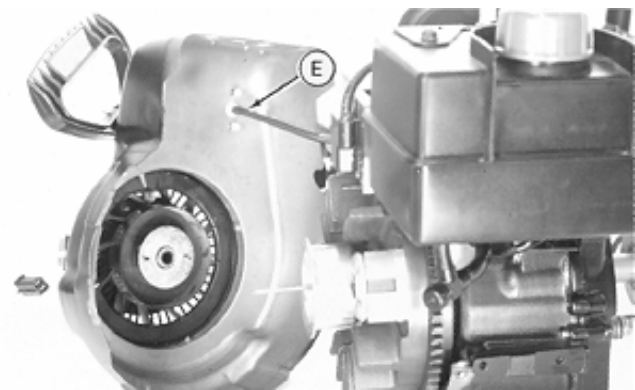
## REMOVE AND INSTALL BLOWER HOUSING

**IMPORTANT:** Remove blower housing when engine is cold to prevent cylinder head warpage.

1. Loosen cap screws (A).
2. Remove cap screws (B) and (C).
3. Remove plate (D).
4. Remove blower housing.
5. Disconnect hose (E) from primer bulb.
6. Inspect blower housing.
7. Connect hose (E) to primer bulb.
8. Install blower housing.
9. Install plate (D).
10. Tighten cap screws (A) and (B) to 200 lb-in. (20.3 N·m).



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- A—Cylinder Head Cap Screw
- B—Cylinder Head Cap Screw
- C—Blower Housing Cap Screw
- D—Inspection Plate
- E—Primer Hose

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## REMOVE AND INSTALL CYLINDER HEAD

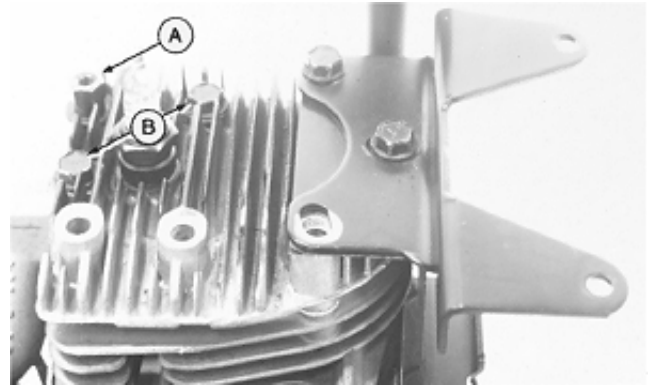
1. Remove blower housing. (See this group.)
2. Remove fuel tank. (See Group 05 in this section.)
3. Remove muffler. (See Group 05 in this section.)
4. Remove spark plug.

**IMPORTANT: Remove cylinder head when engine is cold to prevent cylinder head warpage.**

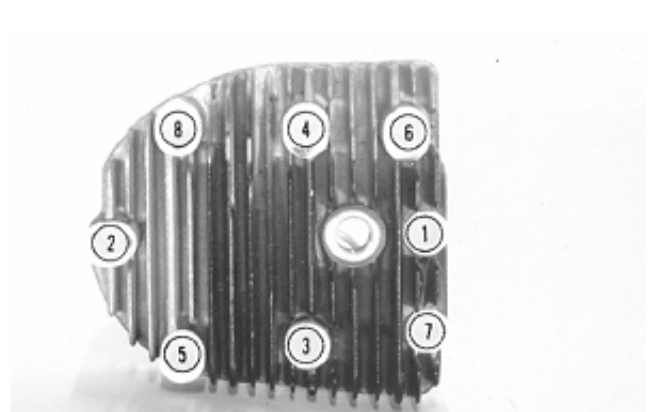
5. Remove cylinder head, gasket and fuel tank bracket.
6. Inspect cylinder head. (See this group.)
7. Install new cylinder head gasket.
8. Install cylinder head and fuel tank bracket.

*NOTE: Install special cap screw (A) and short cap screws (B) in locations shown.*

9. Tighten cylinder head cap screws in sequence shown to 180 lb-in. (20.3 N·m) in 50 lb-in. (5.5 N·m) increments.
10. Install muffler and fuel tank. (See Group 05 in this section.)
11. Install spark plug. Tighten to 21 lb-ft. (28 N·m).



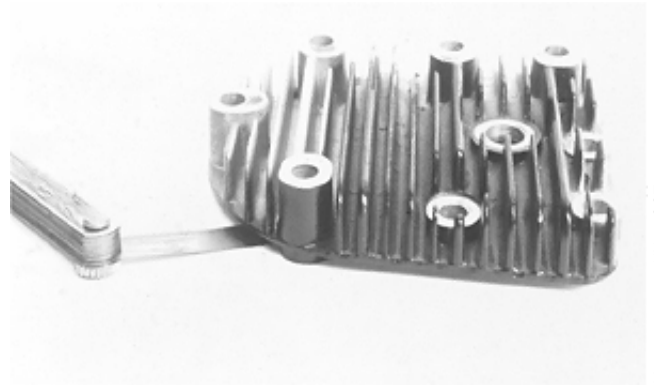
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## INSPECT CYLINDER HEAD

1. Remove carbon deposits from combustion chamber and gasket surface using SCOTCH-BRITE abrasive pads or equivalent.
2. Clean head with solvent.
3. Inspect for cracks or broken cooling fins.
4. Inspect gasket surface for burrs and nicks.
5. Check cylinder head for distortion on a surface plate. Check at several points around the head. Replace head if distortion is more than 0.002 in. (0.05 mm).



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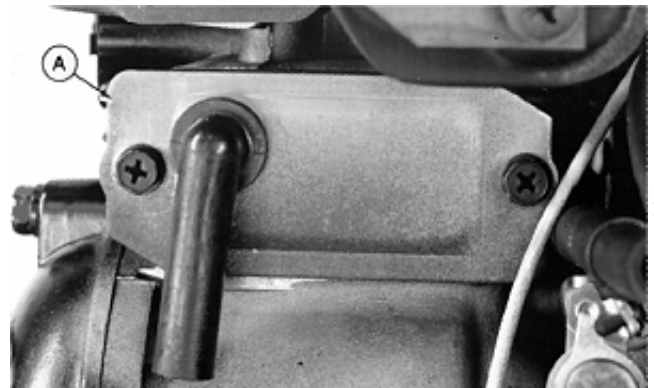
## REMOVE AND INSTALL BREATHER

*NOTE: Intake manifold removed for clarity.*

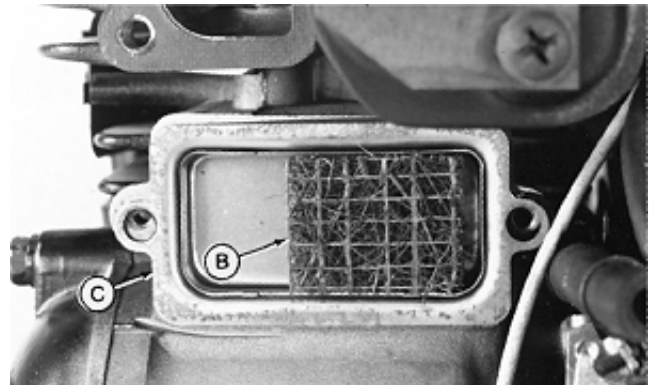
1. Remove carburetor cover. (See Group 05 in this section.)
2. Remove cover (A) and gasket.
3. Remove element (B), bowl (C), and gasket.
4. Clean and inspect breather. (See this group.)

*NOTE: Install bowl with drain hole on bottom.*

5. Install gasket, bowl, and element.
6. Install gasket and cover.
7. Install carburetor cover.



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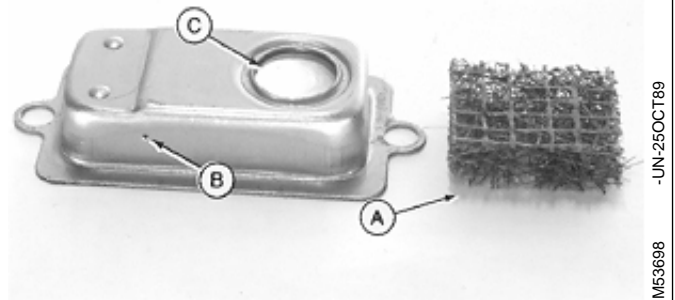


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## INSPECT BREATHER

1. Clean element (A) and bowl with solvent. Blow dry.
2. Check that drain hole (B) is open.
3. Check that reed valve (C) moves freely and closes when released.

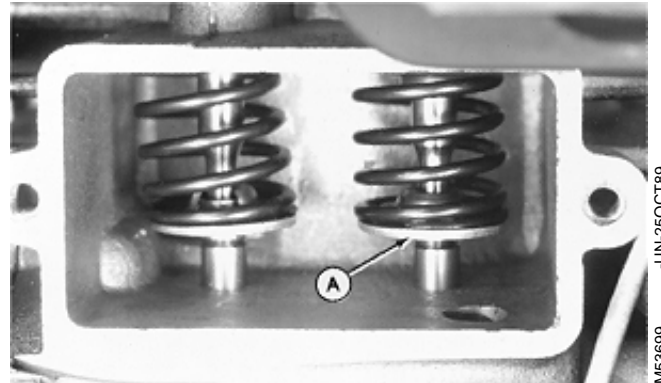


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## REMOVE AND INSTALL VALVE ASSEMBLY

1. Remove cylinder head. (See this group.)
2. Remove intake manifold. (See this group.)
3. Remove breather assembly. (See this group.)
4. Compress valve spring and remove retainer (A).
5. Remove and inspect valve and spring. (See this group.)
6. Install spring and retainer (A).
7. Install valves.
8. Compress valve spring. Seat retainer in groove in valve stem.

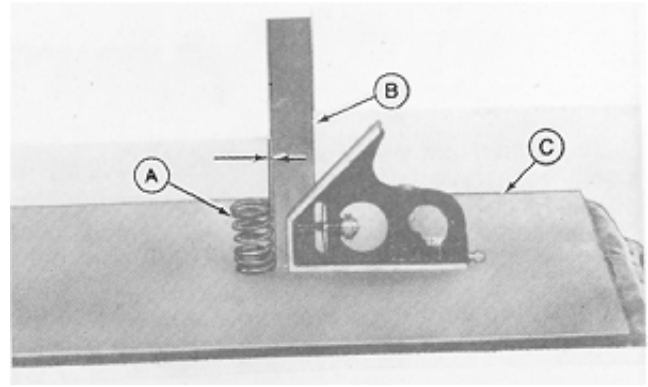


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## INSPECT VALVE SPRINGS

1. Clean and inspect valve springs. Replace if cracked or broken.
2. Inspect valve spring (A) for squareness on a surface plate (C). Turn spring and measure space between top spring coil and square (B).
3. Measure free length of valve spring.
4. Compress valve spring. Measure compressed tension and length.



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Replace valve spring if not within specifications.

### VALVE SPRING SPECIFICATIONS

Squareness Tolerance	0.09 in. (2.387 mm)
Free Length	1.56 in. (36.690 mm)
Compressed Length	0.70 in. (17.856 mm)
Compressed Tension	48 lbs (21.77 kg)

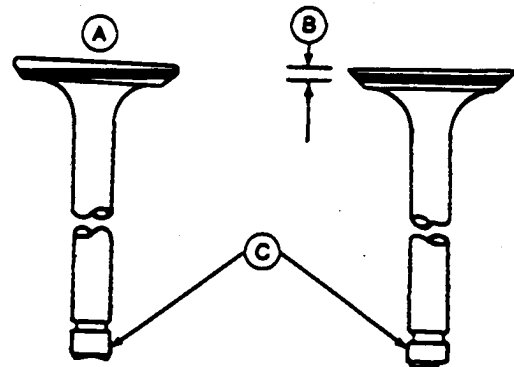


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## INSPECT VALVES

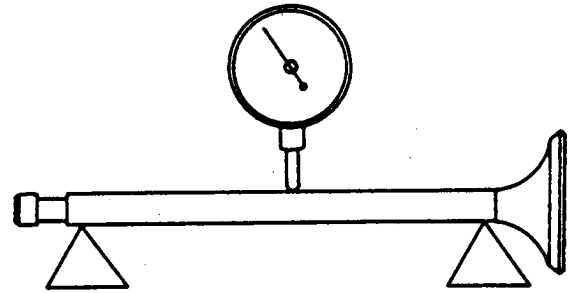
1. Remove carbon from valve head, face and stem with a power-operated wire brush. Be sure carbon is removed, not merely burnished.
2. Check valve for damage. Replace warped valves (A) or valves with less than 0.0312 in. (0.792 mm) margin (B).
3. Grind valve stem ends (C) square before valve-to-tappet clearance is checked.



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4. Inspect valve stem for bend using V-blocks and dial indicator. Turn valve slowly and read variation on indicator. Replace valve if variation is greater than 0.001 in. (0.03 mm).



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### ANALYZE VALVES

Lead deposits on the intake valve are caused by exhaust gas leakage past the valve, when using leaded gasoline.

Grind intake valve and reface seat to correct this condition.

Use unleaded fuel to prevent lead deposits.



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Valve stem corrosion is caused by moisture in the engine which occurs during hot engine cool-down periods or during storage.

Fogging combustion chamber with oil before storage helps prevent corrosion.

Replace badly corroded valves.



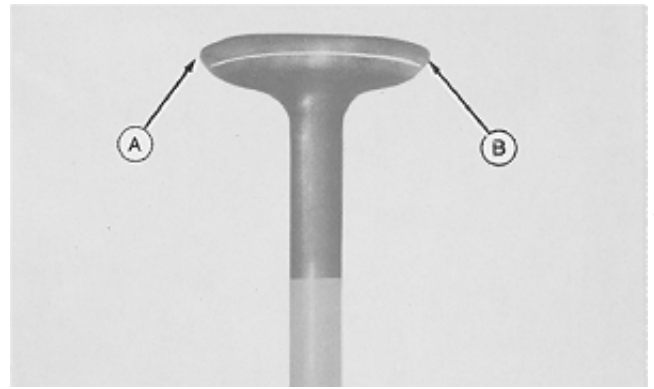
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## Blower Housing, Cylinder Head, and Breather/Valve Assembly

Operating at high temperatures for long periods of time can cause exhaust valve burning. Burned valve will show dark discoloration into the area protected by the valve guide. Another indication is distortion of the margin (A) and face (B). The valve seat may also show erosion.

An overheated engine can cause valve burning. Check for clogged engine cooling fins. Do not run engine with blower housing removed. Also check for worn valve guides, springs or tappets, lean fuel-air mixture or incorrect spark plug.



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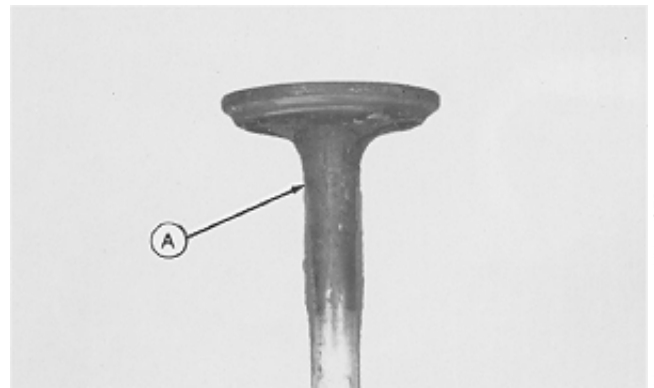
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Use of old or stale gasoline can cause valves to stick.

Gummy deposits (A) build up on valve and can also gum carburetor, requiring cleaning.

Always use fresh gasoline and drain fuel tank, lines and carburetor before storage.



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## MEASURE VALVES AND VALVE GUIDES

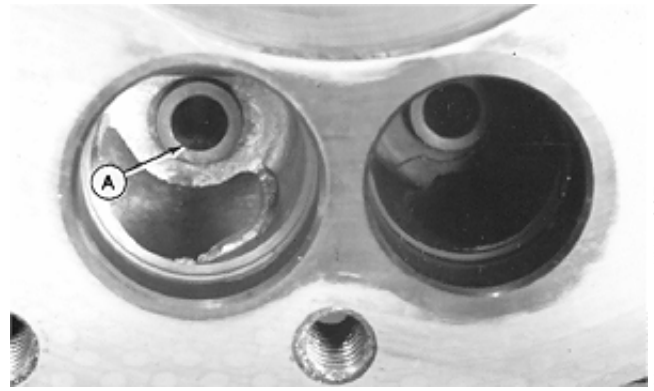
1. Clean inside of valve guide (A).
2. Measure inside diameter of guide with telescoping gauge. Ream guide if not within specifications.
3. Measure outside diameter of valve stem (B). Replace valve if not within specifications.

**IMPORTANT: If guide is reamed oversize, an oversize valve must be installed.**

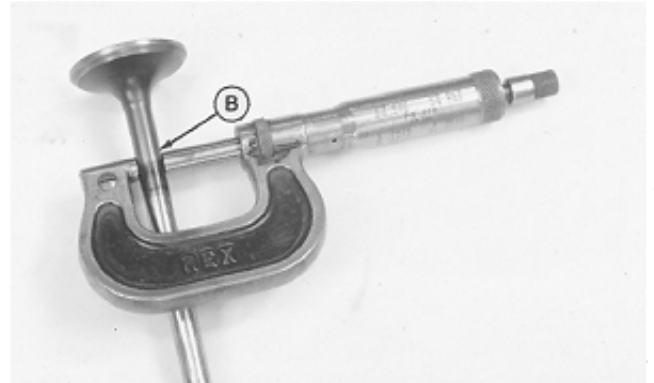
4. Replace cylinder head if guide cannot be reamed to specifications.

### SPECIFICATIONS

Valve Guide (STD)	0.312—0.313 in. (7.924—7.950 mm)
Valve Guide (Oversize)	0.343—0.344 in. (8.712—8.737 mm)
Valve Guide Wear Tolerance	0.0015—0.0020 in. (0.038—0.050 mm)
Intake Valve Stem Diameter (STD)	0.309—0.310 in. (7.848—7.874 mm)
Intake Valve Stem Diameter (Oversize)	0.340—0.341 in. (8.636—8.661 mm)
Exhaust Valve Stem Diameter (STD)	0.308—0.309 in. (7.823—7.848 mm)
Exhaust Valve Stem Diameter (Oversize)	0.339—0.340 in. (8.610—8.636 mm)



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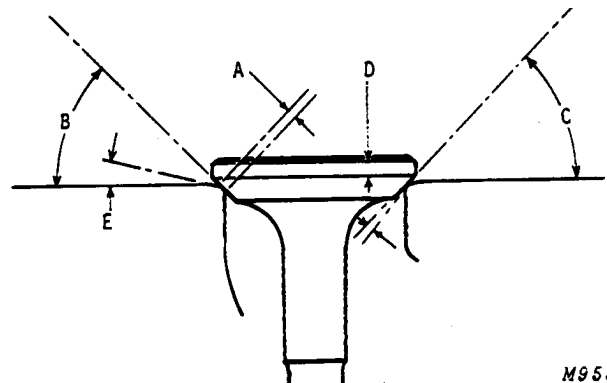
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## RECONDITION VALVE SEATS

1. Hold the valve seating surface (A) as close to 0.0469 in. (1.191 mm) as possible.

A—Valve Seating Surface 0.0469 in. (1.91 mm)	D—Valve Margin 0.0313 in. (1.587 mm)
B—Valve Seat Angle (45°)	E—Valve Narrowing Angle (30°)
C—Valve Face Angle (45°)	



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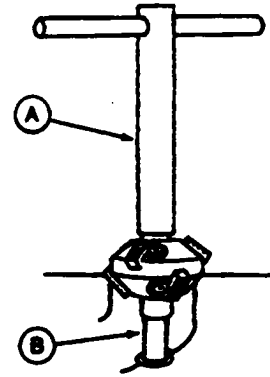
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2. On seats with more than 0.0313 in. (0.795 mm) seating surface, cut back seating surface with a 31° cutter (A).

3. The valve seat angle (B) depends on valve face angle (C). New valves have a 45° face. Recondition valve seats with 56° cutter (A), to 0.0469 in. (1.19 mm).

4. Lap valves to seats after refacing.



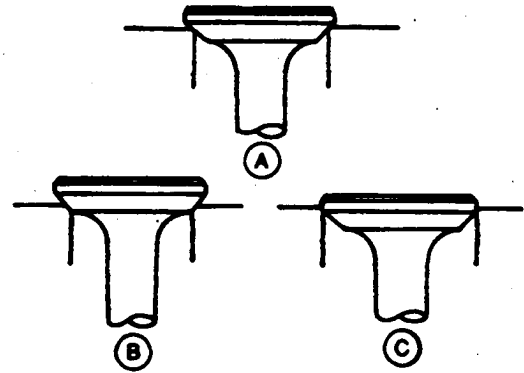
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5. Match valve to seat. Be sure valve seat is centered on valve face. The position of valve in seat is evident after lapping valve.

- A—Right
- B—Wrong
- C—Wrong



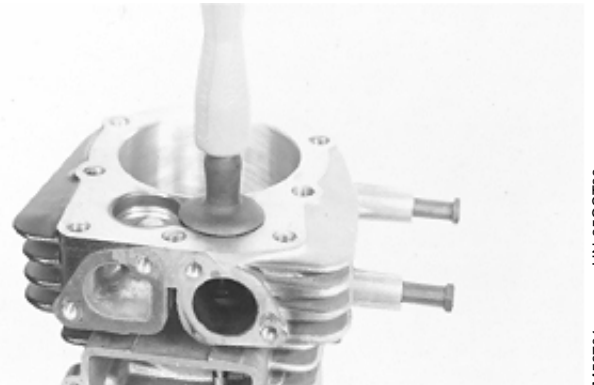
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## LAP VALVES

Lap valve and seat if they do not make good contact.

1. Apply a small amount of lapping compound to valve face.
2. Turn valve in seat using vacuum cup tool.
3. Check valve every eight strokes until a uniform ring appears around surface of valve face.
4. Wash parts in solvent to remove lapping compound.
5. Check position of lap mark on face. Lap mark must be on or near center of valve face.
6. Check valve-to-tappet clearance. (See Section 220, Group 15.)



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**OTHER MATERIAL**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Use</b>
T43512	Thread Lock and Sealer (Medium Strength)	Apply to governor shaft.
PT569	John Deere NEVER-SEEZ <sup>®</sup> Lubricant	Apply to crankshaft end.

*NEVER-SEEZ is a trademark of the Emhart Chemical Group.*

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## REMOVE CRANKCASE COVER—TRS/TRX24 (S.N. —120000)

1. Drain oil.

**IMPORTANT:** Camshaft is a tight fit in crankcase cover and can come out of crankcase with cover removal. To prevent damage to camshaft lobes or tappets, rotate camshaft so sheave key (E) is at 12 o'clock position (facing cylinder head end of engine).

2. Remove cap screw (A), lock washer, and washer.

3. Remove crankshaft sheave, spacer (B), and washers.

4. Loosen set screw (C). Remove camshaft sheave and key.

5. Remove cap screw (D). Dipstick tube can be removed from crankcase, if necessary, by turning tube counterclockwise.

**IMPORTANT:** Camshaft sheave set screw can cause burrs on camshaft surface. Remove burrs before removing crankcase cover, to prevent damage to seal or camshaft bearing surface.

6. Remove crankcase cover.



A—Crankshaft Sheave Cap Screw  
B—Sheave Spacer  
C—Camshaft Sheave Set Screw  
D—Cap Screw  
E—Camshaft Sheave Key

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