# HOME POWER®

**OWNERS MANUAL** 

TRI-FUEL PORTABLE GENERATORS

# MODELS HPS6000HE/E HPS9000VE/C HPS12000HE/A





# HPS6000HE

# HPS9000VE



# HPS12000HE

INSTALLATION, OPERATION, and MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS



# Read and understand all instructions in the manual before starting and operating the generator set.

# **USING THIS MANUAL**

Congratulations on your choice of a WINCO HOME POWER generator set. You have selected a highquality, precision-engineered generator set designed and tested to give you years of satisfactory portable service.

To get the best performance from your new engine generator set, it is important that you carefully read and follow the operating instructions in this manual.

Should you experience a problem please follow the "Things To Check" section near the end of this manual. The warranty listed in this manual describes what you can expect from WINCO, Inc should you need service assistance in the future.

# PROPER USE AND INSTALLATION

You must be sure your new engine generator set is:

- \* Properly serviced before starting
- \* Operated in a well ventilated area
- \* Operated so that exhaust gases are dispersed safely
- \* Wired by a qualified electrician
- \* Operated only for its designed purposes
- \* Used only by operators who understand its operation
- \* Properly maintained

# COPY YOUR MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBER HERE

No other HOME POWER generator has the same serial number as yours. It is important that you record the number and other vital information here. If you should ever need to contact us on this unit it will help us to respond to your needs faster.

MODEL\_\_\_\_\_

#### SERIAL NUMBER

PURCHASE DATE\_\_\_\_\_

DEALER\_\_\_\_\_

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# **GUIDE TO PRODUCT SAFETY**

This engine generator set has been designed and manufactured to allow safe, reliable performance. Poor maintenance, improper or careless use can result in potential deadly hazards; from electrical shock, exhaust gas asphyxiation, or fire. Please read all safety instructions carefully before installation or use. Keep these instructions handy for future reference. Take special note and follow all warnings on the unit labels and in the manuals.

#### ANSI SAFETY DEFINITIONS

#### DANGER:

DANGER indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury. This signal word is to be limited to the most extreme situations.

#### WARNING:

WARNING indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

#### CAUTION:

CAUTION indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

#### NOTE:

CAUTION is also used on the unit labels and in this manual to indicate a situation that could result in serious damage or destruction of the equipment and possible personal injury.

1. **ELECTRIC SHOCK-** The output voltage present in this equipment can cause a fatal electric shock. This equipment must be operated by a responsible person.

a. Do not allow anyone to operate the generator without proper instruction.

- b. Guard against electric shock.
- c. Avoid contact with live terminals or receptacles.
- d. Use extreme care if operating this unit in rain or snow.
- e. Be sure the unit is properly grounded to an external ground rod driven into the earth.

2. **FIRE HAZARD-** Gasoline and other fuels always present a hazard of possible explosion and/or fire.

a. Do not refuel when the engine is running or hot. Allow the engine to cool at least two minutes before refueling.

b. Keep fuel containers out of reach of children.

c. Do not smoke or use open flame near the generator set or fuel tank.

d. Keep a fire extinguisher nearby and know its proper use. Fire extinguishers rated ABC by NFPA are appropriate.

e. Store fuel only in an approved container, and only in a well-ventilated area.

3. **DEADLY EXHAUST GAS** - Exhaust fumes from any gasoline engine contain carbon monoxide, an invisible, odorless and deadly gas that must be mixed with fresh air.

- a. Operate only in well ventilated areas.
- b. Never operate indoors.
- c. Never operate the unit in such a way as to allow exhaust gases to seep back into closed rooms (i.e. through windows, walls or floors).

4. **NOISE HAZARD** - Excessive noise is not only tiring, but continual exposure can lead to loss of hearing.

a. Use hearing protection equipment when working around this equipment for long periods of time.b. Keep your neighbors in mind when permanently installing this equipment.

5. **CLEANLINESS-** Keep the generator and surrounding area clean.

a. Remove all grease, ice, snow or materials that create slippery conditions around the unit.

b. Remove any rags or other material that could create potential fire hazards.

c. Carefully wipe up any gas or oil spills before starting the unit.

d. Never allow leaves or other flammable material to build up around the engine exhaust area.

6. **SERVICING EQUIPMENT-** All service, including the installation or replacement of service parts, should be performed only by a qualified technician.

- a. Use only factory approved repair parts.
- b. Do not work on this equipment when fatigued.
- c. Never remove the protective guards, cover, or
- receptacle panels while the engine is running.

d. Use extreme caution when working on electrical components. High output voltages from this equipment can cause serious injury or death.

e. Always avoid hot mufflers, exhaust manifolds, and engine parts. They all can cause severe burns instantly.

f. Installing a home-standby generator is not a "do-ityourself" project. Consult a qualified, licensed electrician or contractor. The installation must comply with all national, state, and local codes.

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

MODEL	CSAHPS6000HE		
Generator			
Surge Watts*	6000		
Continuous Watts*	5500		
Volts	120/240		
AMPs @ 240 Volts	22.9		
AMPs @ 120 Volts	45.8		
* Derate 10% for LP a	nd 20% for NG		
Engine	Honda		
Size	11 HP		
Model	GX340K1WE2		
Type -	See Engine Shroud For Type		
Fuel Capacity-	4.5 gal		
Fuel Consumption			
Gasoline	1.0 gal/hr		
LP	1.6 gal/hr		
NG	160 cu ft/hr		
Starting System	Recoil/12V Electric		
Stop System	Key		
Complete Unit			
Weight (dry)	212 LBS		
Dimensions LxWxH	30 X 22 X 22		
Owner Must Provide			
Fuel	Gasoline/LP/NG		
Oil Type	SG SF/CC CD		
Oil Weight (for genera	l use) 10W -30		
See engine manual for additional information			
Oil Capacity	1.2 Quarts		
Battery 12 Volt	U1/235CCA		

#### MODEL CSAHPS9000E C S

Generator Surge Watts* Continuous Watts* Volts 120/240 AMPs @ 240 Volts AMPs @ 120 Volts * Derate 10% for LP at	9000 8000 33.3 66.7
Engine Size Model Type - Fuel Capacity- Fuel Consumption	Briggs & Stratton 16 HP 303447 See Engine Shroud For Type 4.5 gal
Gasoline LP NG Starting System Stop System	1.3 gal/hr 1.9 gal/hr 180 cu ft/hr Recoil/12V Electric Key
Complete Unit Weight (dry) Dimensions LxWxH	274 LBS 32 X 22 X 22
Fuel Oil Type Oil Weight	Gasoline/LP/NG SE SG SF See Engine Manual specific information
Oil Capacity Battery 12 Volt	1.75 Quarts U1/235CCA

MODEL	HPS12000HE	
Generator Surge Watts* Continuous Watts* Volts 120/240 AMPs @ 240 Volts AMPs @ 120 Volts * Derate 10% for LP an	12000 10800 45.0 90.0 d 20% for NG	
Engine Size Model Type - Fuel Capacity- Fuel Consumption Gasoline LP NG Starting System Stop System	Honda 20 HP GX620K1VXE2 See Engine Shroud For Type 15 gal 1.67 gal/hr 2.2 gal/hr 200 cu ft/hr 12V Electric Key	
Complete Unit Weight (dry) Dimensions LxWxH Fuel Oil Type Oil Weight (for general See engine manual for Oil Capacity	274 LBS 32 X 22 X 22 Gasoline/LP/NG SG SF/CC CD use) 10W -30 additional information 1.3 Quarts	

# **INTENDED USES**

These engine generator sets have been designed primarily for portable use. Both 120 and 240 Volt AC receptacles are provided in the 'control panel' to plug in your loads (lights, portable tools, and small appliances). These units are dual wound generators, therefore the 120 Volt loads must be equally split with 1/2 of the rated capacity available on each of the two 120 Volt circuits. See unit capabilities for further explanation.

These portable units require large quantities of fresh air for cooling of both the engine and the generator. Fresh air is drawn from both the engine end and the generator end and is exhausted at the center of the unit. For safety, long life and adequate performance, these units should never be run in small compartments or enclosed areas without positive fresh air flow.

# **RESTRICTED USES**

DO NOT remove from the cradle assembly. Removal of the generator from the cradle assembly may cause excessive vibration and damage to the engine generator set.

**DO NOT** install and operate these portable generators in a small compartment., i.e. generator compartment of vehicles, motor homes or travel trailers. These compartments will not allow enough free flow fresh air to reach the engine generator set for cooling and will cause the unit to overheat, damaging both the engine and the generator. Small compartments will also develop hot spots where there is very little air flow and may cause a fire.

DO NOT attempt to operate at 50 cycles. These units are designed and governed to operate at 60 Cycles only.

# UNIT CAPABILITIES

**Generator Connections** - The diagram below represents a typical 5500 watt generator. Receptacles A and B are the two 120 Volt duplex receptacles. Up to 2750 watts at 120 volts (22.9 Amps) can be taken from the generator at each of the receptacles. This generator produces 120 and 240 volt, 60 Hz (Hertz), AC (Alternating Current).

#### CAUTION: EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED TO PREVENT OVERLOADING EITHER OF THE GENERATORS 120 VOLT OUTPUT CIRCUITS (A OR B).



Check the appliance or tool nameplates for the current and voltage to insure compatibility. Remember that power taken from receptacle C reduces the power available at both A and B. Any remaining 120 volt loads should be equally divided between A and B. Failure to split the load will cause permanent damage to the stator. Although circuit breakers are provided, damage due to overloading constitutes abuse and will not be warranted. Refer to the generator nameplate for your unit's capabilities.

**Starting Electric Motors** - Electric motors require much more current (amps) to start them than to run them. Some motors, particularly low cost <u>split-phase</u> motors, are very hard to start and require 5 to 7 times as much current to start them as to run them. <u>Capacitor</u> motors are easier to start and usually require 2 to 4 times as much current to start them as to run them. <u>Repulsion Induction</u> motors are the easiest to start and usually require 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 times as much to start them as to run them.

Most fractional horsepower motors take about the same amount of current to run them whether they are of Repulsion-Induction (RI), Capacitor (Cap), or Split-Phase (SP) type. The chart below shows the approximate current required to start and run various types and sizes of 120 volt 60 cycle electric motors under average load conditions.

	RUNNING	G ST/	ARTING AM	PS
ΗP	AMPS	SP	CAP	RI
1/6	3.2	16 TO 22	6 TO 13	5 TO 8
1/4	4.5	22 TO 32	9 TO 18	7 TO 12
1/3	5.2	26 TO 35	10 TO 21	8 TO 17
1/2	7.2	NOT MAD	E 14 TO 29	11 TO 18
1	13.0	NOT MAD	E 26 TO 52	20 TO 33

The figures given above are for an average load such as a blower or fan. If the electric motor is connected to a hard starting load such as an air compressor, it will require more starting current. If it is connected to a light load, or no load such as a power saw, it will require less starting current. The exact requirement will also vary with the brand or design of the motor.

Self-excited generators respond to severe overloading differently than the power line. When overloaded, the engine is not able to supply enough power to bring the electric motor up to operating speed. The generator responds with high initial starting current, but the engine speed drops sharply. The overload may stall the engine. If allowed to operate at very low speeds, the electric motor starting winding will burn out in a short time. The generator winding might also be damaged.

#### **CAUTION: EQUIPMENT DAMAGE**

RUNNING THE GENERATOR SET UNDER THESE CONDITIONS MAY RESULT IN DAMAGING THE GENERATOR STATOR AS WELL AS THE MOTOR WINDING.

Because the heavy surge of current required for starting motors is required for only an instant, the generator will not be damaged if it can bring the motor up to speed in a few seconds of time. If difficulty is experienced in starting motors, turn all other electrical loads off and if possible reduce the load on the electric motor.

### UNPACKING

#### CAUTION: EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

THIS UNIT HAS BEEN SHIPPED WITHOUT OIL. Failure to maintain the engine oil at the proper level will result in serious engine damage.

When you unpack your new ENGINE GENERATOR be sure to remove all the information sheets and manuals from the carton.

- This power plant was in good order when shipped. Inspect the power plant promptly after receiving it. If damage is noted, notify the transportation company immediately; request proper procedures for filing a "concealed damage" claim. Title to the equipment and responsibility for filing a claim rests with you when a generator is sent F.O.B. shipping point. Only you can legally file a claim.
- 2. Before proceeding with the preparation of your new engine generator set for operation, take a couple of minutes to insure that the unit you have received is the correct model and review the specification pages in this manual to insure that this unit fits your job requirements.
- After removing the engine generator from the carton locate and remove the shipping strap attached to the generator shock mount. See attached tag for removal instructions.

# **UNIT PREPARATION**

Before your engine generator was shipped from our factory it was fully checked for performance. The generator was load tested to its full capacity, and the voltage and frequency were carefully checked and adjusted.

#### **OPERATING LOCATION**

#### DANGER: DEATH AND DISABILITY

<u>DO NOT</u> operate or install these units inside any building or structure. These units produce carbon monoxide on all three of the operating fuels. Carbon monoxide can kill or disable a person in a very short time. In addition, never operate these units in a location that will allow the carbon monoxide (exhaust) to seep into a building that is occupied.

The engine-generator models covered in this manual were designed for portable use. The unit should be stored in a dry location. During a power outage move the unit outdoors to a flat dry location such as a driveway, concrete pad or sidewalk for use. We recommend installing the optional dolly kit or equivalent for ease of handling.

#### LUBRICATION

Before starting the engine, fill the crankcase to the proper level with a good quality oil. When filling the crankcase with oil use the dipstick, there is some trapped oil in the engine. The recommended grade of oil and quantity of oil required is listed in the engine operator's manual. The necessity of using the correct oil, and keeping the crankcase full cannot be overemphasized. Engine failures resulting from inadequate or improper lubricant are considered abuse and are not covered by the generator or the engine manufacturer's warranty.

**WARNING** - Never overfill the crankcase with oil. If the crankcase is overfilled with oil the excess oil will be push out through the breather resulting in oil in the carburetor and air filter.

#### **BATTERY INSTALLATION**

If you intend to use the power plant's electric start system, (required if you are intending to use either LP or NG Fuel) you will need to purchase a battery to operate it. Units equipped with a recoil or rope start will operate satisfactorily without a battery on gasoline only.

Installation and servicing of batteries must be performed or supervised only by personnel knowledgeable of batteries and the required precautions. Keep unauthorized personnel away from batteries.

When installing or replacing batteries, use the proper group/ size **starting** battery. The battery should be a Maintenance Free lead acid design. Deep cycle batteries will <u>not work</u> for this application.

Model	BCI Group	Capability (minimum)
HPS6000HE	U1	275 CCA
HPS9000E	U1	275 CCA
HPS12000H	E U1	300 CCA

#### **CAUTION – PERSONAL DANGER**

**NEVER** dispose of a battery in a fire. The battery is capable of exploding.

**DO NOT** open or mutilate the battery. Released electrolyte is known to be harmful to the skin and eyes and to be very toxic.

These engine generator sets are all **NEGATIVE** ground. Be very careful not to connect the battery in reverse polarity, as this may short circuit the battery charging system on the engine.

**CAUTION** – A battery presents a risk of electrical shock and high short circuit current. The following precautions must be observed when working with batteries.

- 1. Remove watches, rings and other metal objects.
- 2. Use tools with insulated handles.
- 3. Check both the battery cable ends and the battery posts to be sure they are free of corrosion.
- 3. Always connect the battery positive cable first and then connect the battery negative cable. When removing the battery cables from the battery reverse the procedure, disconnect the negative cable first and then the positive cable.
- 4. Be sure all connections are tight and coat the terminals and cable end with dialectic grease.

**WARNING** – The electrolyte is a diluted sulfuric acid that is harmful to the skin and eyes. It is electrically conductive and corrosive. The following precautions must always be taken.

- \* Always wear full eye protection and protective clothing
- \* Where electrolyte contacts the skin, wash off immediately with water.
- \* If electrolyte contacts the eyes, flush thoroughly and immediately with water and seek immediate medical attention.
- \* Spilled electrolyte is to be washed down with an acid neutralizing agent. A common practice is to use a solution of one pound of bicarbonate of soda (baking soda) to one gallon of water. The bicarbonate of soda solution is to be added until the evidence of reaction, foaming, has ceased. The resulting liquid is to be flushed with water and the area dried.

#### **DANGER** – Explosive Fire Risk

- \* Never smoke when near batteries
- \* Do not cause a flame or spark in the battery area
- \* Always discharge static electricity from your body before touching batteries by first touching a grounded metal surface.

#### SERVICING BATTERIES

Batteries used on these units may over time lose water. This is especially true if you are using a trickle charger to maintain your battery. When refilling the battery with water use only distilled water. Tap water will shorten the service life of the battery.

Never fill the battery above the fill line. Over filling above the upper level line may cause the electrolyte to overflow, resulting in corrosion to the engine or nearby parts. Immediately wash off any spilled electrolyte following the procedure above.

### BATTERY CHARGING

Units equipped with electric start have a small flywheel charger built into the engine flywheel assembly for recharging the starting battery. This flywheel charger generates a small AC current that passes through a diode at the end of the charging lead to produce a DC charging current of about 1 AMP. This circuit is not designed to be used as a battery charging circuit to recharge dead batteries.

#### LOW OIL LEVEL SHUTDOWN SYSTEM

**Briggs & Stratton powered generators** - Some engine generator sets come equipped standard with the Briggs & Stratton OILGARD warning system.

This low oil warning system will automatically stop the engine before the oil level reaches an operational danger point. This feature is designed to prevent costly repairs and downtime.

The OILGARD system uses a float in the engine crankcase to sense the oil level. If a low oil level condition should occur during operation, the float will ground out the magneto impulse, "killing" the engine. In addition, there is an indicator light mounted on the engine shroud near the recoil starter. This light will blink on and off to indicate a low oil level condition when you are attempting to start the unit. To get the engine started, you must add the required amount of oil to the engine crankcase.

Use of the OILGARD system on applications that are subject to shock, bumping or severe angles of operation (in excess of 15 degrees) should be avoided. This is especially true if an unexpected **shutdown would cause a safety hazard** or serious inconvenience for the operator.

**Honda powered generators** - These engine generator sets come equipped standard with the Honda Oil Alert System.

The Oil Alert system is designed to prevent damage caused by an insufficient amount of oil in the crankcase. Before the

oil level in the crankcase can fall below a safe limit, the Oil Alert system will automatically shut down the engine (the engine switch will remain in the ON position).

#### **GASOLINE FUEL**

When using gasoline always use a good grade of unleaded fuel. Leaded gasoline may be used if unleaded is not available. Gasoline containing alcohol, such as gasohol is not recommended. However, if gasoline with alcohol is used, it must not contain more than 10 percent Ethanol and must be removed from the engine during storage. DO NOT use gasoline containing methanol. Always insure that the fuel is clean and free of all impurities. See your engine manual for addition gasoline requirement and warnings.

#### WARNING: FIRE DANGER

Gasoline and its fumes are VERY explosive when proper precautions are not taken.

Never use gasoline that has been stored for an extended period of time as the fuel will lose its volatile properties and you will be left with only the varnish residue. This varnishlike substance will clog the carburetor and will not burn properly. The use of a fuel additive, such as STA-BIL, or an equivalent will minimize the formation of fuel gum deposits. If a unit has been out of operation for an extended period of time it is best to drain old fuel from the engine and replace with fresh fuel before attempting to start.

**NOTE:** For areas of the country where seasonally blended fuel is used do not keep and use winter blended fuel in the summer time. This may cause your unit to vapor lock during the hot summer use.

# LP/NG FUEL INSTALLATION

The information in this instruction is offered to assist you in providing the proper vapor fuel supply for your engine. This information is only provided to advise you of the engine's requirements and the decisions you must make. In no case should this information be interpreted to conflict with any local, state or national code. If in doubt, always follow local codes.

#### DANGER: FIRE - PERSONAL INJURY -

All fuel lines must be installed by a qualified fuel supplier.

The fuel source should be as close as possible to the outdoor operating location. This will reduce the installation cost of fuel runs. Connect the fuel supply line to the inlet of the fuel demand regulator on the unit using a locally approved flexible fuel line (see table for recommended line size). The pressure supplied to the demand regulator must be FOUR TO SIX OUNCES or 7 to 11 INCHES W.C. (water column). The primary regulator at the fuel supply must be capable of delivering the proper volume of fuel at this pressure.

Have your local fuel supplier install a protected fuel connection at the outside operating location. He should also install a lockable fuel shut off valve at the connection point. Have your fuel supplier permanently install a flexible fuel line to the demand regulator on the engine generator set.

#### **INSTALLING THE FUEL LINE**

#### DANGER: PERSONAL INJURY

Units that are intended to be run unattended MUST have an electric fuel solenoid installed. This solenoid MUST be wired to AUTOMATICALLY turn off the fuel whenever the engine stops.

Unit location will determine the size of fuel line that is required to supply the engine with a constant fuel pressure. Refer to the tables below for fuel line size, and recommended tank size. For distances of 100 feet and over, a two regulator fuel system is recommended. This system consisting of a primary 10-15# regulator at the tank and a 6 ounce secondary regulator installed about 10 feet from the generator. You need to run a 3/4 inch line or larger from the secondary regulator to the engine-generator set. When a two (2) regulator fuel system is used, a fuel line size of 3/8 inch is generally adequate for distances up to 300 feet. The line size from the table below applies to the distance from the second regulator to the demand regulator. A positive fuel shut-off device must be installed in the fuel line close to the engine generator set. This may be either a lockable manual shut-off valve available from your local fuel installer, or a 12 volt DC fuel solenoid valve. This optional 12 volt DC valve is available through your local Winco dealer.

The fuel line used to connect the supply line to the demand regulator must be a locally approved flexible fuel line. Products used will vary in different regions depending on availability and local codes. Consult with your local fuel supplier to insure complete compliance with ALL codes.

- 1. Remove the pipe plug from the demand regulator.
- 2. Connect the flex fuel line to the demand regulator to the optional fuel solenoid..

#### DANGER: PERSONAL INJURY

Do not use galvanized pipe in the fuel line runs. The galvanized coating will become eroded and flake off, causing possible obstruction or damage to the regulator or fuel valve. The obstruction could cause an inoperative engine or an explosive fuel leak.

Size of pipe required for generators operating on natural gas/ LP gas.

Length of Fuel Line\* less than 25 feet 25 to 100 feet over 100 feet \*allow an additional 3 feet for each standard elbow. Do not use 'street ells' (restrictive)

\*\* Consult factory for fuel runs over 100 feet.

#### DANGER! - FIRE - PERSONAL INJURY -

Be careful when sealing gas joints. Excessive sealing compound can be drawn into the solenoid, regulator or carburetor causing an engine malfunction or dangerous fuel leak.

#### FUEL PRESSURE

Correct fuel pressure cannot be stressed enough. The most common cause for inoperative systems is an inadequate or incorrect fuel pressure. Power and performance of the engine is in direct relation to the correctness of the fuel system. Shown below is a block diagram of a typical L.P. or N.G. installation.



Reference numbers 1 through 3 in the block diagrams above are system parts supplied by customer.

Reference number 4 is the engine generator set.

Below is a table of the fuel pressure reading at each reference in the system.

#### Fuel Pressure Table

#### Single Regulator (L.P. Vapor only)

	1	3	4
UNIT OFF	TANK PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in
		4-6 oz	4-6 oz
STARTING	TANK PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in
		4-6 oz	4-6 oz
NO LOAD	TANK PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in
		4-6 oz	4-6 oz
FULL LOAD	TANK PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in
		4-6 oz	4-6 oz

#### Two (2) Regulator System (L.P. Vapor only)

	1	2	3	4
UNIT OFF	TANK PSI	10-15 lbs	7-11 in 4-6 oz	7-11 in 4-6 oz
STARTING	TANK PSI	10-15 lbs	7-11 in 4-6 oz	7-11 in 4-6 oz
NO LOAD	TANK PSI	10-15 lbs	7-11 in 4-6 oz	7-11 in 4-6 oz
FULL LOAD	TANK PSI	10-15 lbs	7-11 in 4-6 oz	7-11 in 4-6 oz

Natural Gas					
1	3	4			
LINE PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in			
	4-6 oz	4-6 oz			
LINE PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in			
	4-6 oz	4-6 oz			
LINE PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in			
	4-6 oz	4-6 oz			
LINE PSI	7-11 in	7-11 in			
	4-6 oz	4-6 oz			
	1 LINE PSI LINE PSI LINE PSI LINE PSI	1 3 LINE PSI 7-11 in 4-6 oz LINE PSI 7-11 in 4-6 oz LINE PSI 7-11 in 4-6 oz LINE PSI 7-11 in 4-6 oz			

Remember that whichever fuel delivery system or type of vapor fuel used, the fuel pressure at the demand regulator installed on the engine generator must be between 4 and 6 oz. (7-11 inches of water column). Any lower pressure and the unit will starve for fuel under load. Any higher and the unit will 'flood' when attempting to start.

#### LP TANK SIZING

Once above the minimum acceptable size, the size of L.P. tank used will generally depend on how long you want the unit to run without refilling. The tank sizes shown below are the smallest recommended tank sizes based on the outside temperature. Keep in mind the colder it gets the slower L.P. will vaporize. This is the reason for the larger tanks at low temperature. Minimum sizing is not based on running time.

<u>Temp</u>	<u>60 deg f.</u>	<u>30 deg f.</u>	<u>0 deg f.</u>	<u>-20 deg f.</u>
HPS6000HE	40 gal	50 gal	125 gal	350 gal
HPS9000E	70 gal	80 gal	200 gal	700 gal
HPS12000HE	150 gal	250 gal	500 gal	1000 gal

#### **CHANGING FUEL TYPES**

These engine generator sets are designed to run on three different fuels; gasoline, natural gas or LP vapor. They may be easily changed from one fuel to another.

# FROM GASOLINE TO LP/NG

- 1. With the engine running turn off the gasoline fuel valve.
- 2. Run the engine until it runs out of fuel.
- 3. Remove the pipe plug from the demand regulator.
- 4. Install locally approved flexible fuel line.
- 5. Connect the LP/NG vapor fuel line.
- 6. All three unit have two different hose fittings on the top of the demand regulator. One is for LP and one is for Natural Gas. Make sure the hose is attached to the proper fitting.
- 7. Turn on the vapor fuel.
- 8. Start the engine.
- 9 . Apply the load to the generator.

#### FROM LP/NG TO GASOLINE

- 1. With the engine running turn off the LP/NG fuel supply.
- 2. Run the engine until it runs out of fuel.
- 3. Remove the flexible fuel line from the demand regulator.
- 4. Reinstall the plastic plug in the regulator.
- 5. Check to be sure the gasoline fuel valve is off.
- 6. Fill the gasoline fuel tank.
- 7. Turn on the gasoline fuel valve.
- 8. Start the engine.

#### Optional Dolly Kit (HPS9000 & HPS6000)

An optional dolly kit is available for these engine generator sets. The dolly kit comes with instructions and parts list. After installing the dolly kit, file the instructions and parts list in the back of this manual for future reference. The HPS12000HE is shipped standard with a dolly kit.

# **INITIAL START UP**

Use the following checklist to verify the correct preparation of the engine generator before starting.

#### Before Starting always Check:

- 1. Engine oil, fill as required with correct grade and quantity. Use the dipstick.
- 2. Fuel level, fill as required with clean fresh fuel.
- 3. If you are using LP or NG besure the fuel is turned on and all connection are tight.
- 3. Visually for loose parts.

#### STARTING

The throttle control on these generators is preset and locked to operate at 3600 RPM (nominal) with no load speed set at 3750 RPM. Only a trained service technician should be allowed to adjust this speed setting. See "Operating Speed" section for additional information.

#### NOTICE: ENGINE START LOCKOUT

This unit **will not start** if it is low on oil. The lubricating oil level must be at the **full** mark before the engine will start.

**MANUAL STARTING** - Refer to the engine manual for additional starting, operating, and stopping instructions.

#### NOTICE: TRI-FUEL STARTING

Tri-Fuel generators operating on vapor fuel, (either LP or NG) must be started using the electric start system provided. You cannot hand crank the unit fast enough to develop the proper vacuum to make the vapor fuel system work. WHEN USING VAPOR FUEL NEVER USE THE CHOKE. Use of the choke will prevent the air and fuel from properly mixing.

- 1. Turn on the fuel supply.
- 2. Move the choke to the full "on" position. A warm engine will require less choking than a cold engine.
- Grasp starter grip and pull slowly until starter engages, then pull cord rapidly to overcome compression, prevent kickback and start the engine. Repeat if necessary.
- 4. When the engine starts, open the choke gradually.
- 5. The engine should promptly come up to operating speed.

**Electric Starting** - If the engine is cold and stiff or if the battery is not fully charged, starting can be made easier by slowly hand cranking the engine through the compression stroke before pushing the starter switch. This permits the starter to gain momentum before the heavy load of the compression stroke occurs. This minimizes the drain on the battery and improves the possibility of starting under such adverse conditions. Always keep the battery charged, but especially during cold weather operation.

- 1. Turn on the fuel supply.
- 2. Move the choke to the full "on" position (for gasoline only). A warm engine will require less choking than a cold engine.
- Engage the engine start switch briefly to the START position. The starter life is improved by using shorter starting cycles with time to cool off between cranking cycles. Do not operate the starter more than 15 seconds during each minute. Repeat if necessary.
- 4. When the engine starts, open the choke gradually.
- 5. The engine should promptly come up to operating speed.

#### CAUTION: EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

Never permit the choke to remain on after the engine has run for a short time. It is not necessary to choke the engine when it is warm. Avoid over-choking.

# **STARTING HINTS**

**NOTE:** For areas of the country where seasonally blended fuel is used do not keep and use winter blended fuel in the summer time. This may cause your unit to vapor lock during the hot summer use.

- 1. Cold weather
  - a. Use the proper oil for the temperature expected.
  - b. Use fresh winter grade fuel. Winter grade gasoline is blended to improve starting. Do not use summer gasoline.
  - c. A slightly richer fuel mixture will usually improve cold starting.
- 2. Hot weather

a. Use the proper oil for the temperature expected.b. Use only summer blended gasoline. Using gasoline left over from winter may cause the unit to vapor lock.

c. DO NOT over-choke the unit.

# STOPPING AND STORAGE

- 1. Remove the load.
- 2. Turn off key the on engine to 'ground out' the spark and shut the unit down.
- 3. Before extended storage (over 30 days) certain precautions must be taken to ensure the fuel

doesn't deteriorate and clog the fuel system. Note: The use of a fuel additive, such as STA-BIL, or an equivalent, will minimize the formation of gum deposits during storage. Such an additive may be added to gasoline in the engine's fuel tank or to gasoline in a storage container.

- a. Remove the remaining fuel from the fuel tank.
- b. Start the engine and allow it to run until all the fuel in the carburetor and the fuel lines has been used up and the engine stops.
- c. While the engine is warm, drain the oil and refill with fresh oil.
- Remove the spark plug, pour approximately 1/2 ounce (15 cc) of engine oil into the cylinder and crank slowly to distribute oil. Replace spark plug.
- e. Clean dirt and chaff from cylinder, cylinder head fins, blower housing, rotating screen and muffler areas.
- f. Store in a clean and dry area.

# **OPERATING SPEED**

The engine-generator must be run at the correct speed in order to produce the proper electrical voltage and frequency.

### CAUTION: EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

The output voltage should be checked to insure the generator is working properly prior to connecting a load to the generator. Failure to do so could result in damage to equipment plugged into the unit and possible injury to the individual.

All engines have a tendency to slow down when a load is applied. When the electrical load is connected to the generator, the engine is more heavily loaded, and as a result the speed drops slightly. This slight decrease in speed, together with the voltage drop within the generator itself, results in a slightly lower voltage when the generator is loaded to its full capacity than when running no load. The slight variation in speed also affects the frequency of the output current. This frequency variation has no appreciable effect in the operation of motors, lights and most appliances. However, electronic equipment and clocks will be affected if correct RPM is not maintained. See Load vs. Output chart.

Although individual units and models may vary slightly, the normal voltage and frequency of the engine-generators described in this book are approximately as follows, under varying loads:

#### LOAD vs. OUTPUT

Generator Load	Frequency Speed		Voltage 120V
Applied*	(RPM)	(Hz)	Recpt.
None	3750	62.5	129V
Half	3600	60.0	120V
Full	3540	59.0	115V

\*Portion of plant's rated output current.

The speed of the engine was carefully adjusted at the factory so that the generator produces the proper voltage and frequency. For normal usage, the speed setting

should not be changed. If the generator is being run continuously on a very light load, it is often advisable to lower the operating speed slightly. Whenever making any speed adjustments check the unit with a voltmeter or tachometer and be sure the speed is correct.

Lower voltage may damage both the generator and any load connected to it. Running the engine at excessively high speeds results in high voltage, which may significantly shorten the life of appliances being used.

Output voltage should be checked periodically to ensure continued proper operation of the generating plant and appliances. If the generator is not equipped with a voltmeter, it can be checked with a portable meter. Frequency can be checked by using an electric clock with a sweep second hand. Timed against a wrist watch or a stop watch the clock should be correct within +/- 2 seconds per minute.

# CONNECTING THE LOADS

#### Applying The Load

Allow the engine to warm up for two or three minutes before applying any load. This will allow the engine to reach normal operating temperature and oil to circulate throughout the engine. A short warm-up time will permit the engine to work more efficiently when the load is applied and will reduce the wear in the engine, extending its life.

Receptacles have been provided to allow loads to be connected to the generator. The loads should be added one at a time. If a large motor is being started or multiple motors are being started, they should be started individually and the largest should be started first.

Plug your tools such as drills, saws, blowers, sump pump and other items to be powered directly into the generator receptacles. Before plugging in all the tools and cord sets, recheck the rating of the generator set. Be sure it can handle the intended load and is compatible with the voltage, phase, and current ratings.

#### CAUTION: EQUIPMENT OVERLOAD

Keep the generator load within the generator and receptacle nameplate rating. Overloading may cause damage to the generator and/or the loads .

Most electric tools and appliances will have the voltage and amperage requirements on their individual nameplates. When in doubt consult the manufacturer or a local electrician. The nameplate amperage rating for electric motors can be misleading. See "Starting Electric Motors" in Unit Capabilities (page 3).

These engine generator sets are inherently self regulating based on engine speed. The engine governor will automatically adjust itself to the load. No harm to the generator will result if it is operated with no load connected.

Proper utilization of the receptacles located on the control panel is necessary to prevent damage to either the receptacles or the generator. The generator is a limited source of electrical power, therefore pay special attention to the receptacle and generator ratings.

#### WIRING

'Hard Wiring' this unit directly into a temporary construction site electrical system or into a home as a back up is NOT A SIMPLE DO-IT-YOURSELF JOB. For your safety all wiring must be done by a qualified electrician and conform to the National Electric Code and comply with all state and local codes and regulations. Check with local authorities before proceeding.

These generators come equipped with a 4 wire 120/240 volt receptacle designed to power both 120 and 240 volt loads. There are 2 hots, a neutral, and a ground wire connection in the 4 wire 120/240 volt receptacle (L14-30R). This receptacle is protected by a double pole circuit breaker rated for generator output. Below is a table of the matching plugs for each of the models, note the 12 kW has two 4-wire plugs.

MODEL	NEMA SPEC	SIZE	WINCO
	FOR PLUG		PART #
HPS6000HE	L14-30P	30 AMP	64492-000
HPS9000E	L14-30P	30 AMP	64492-000
HPS12000HE	L14-30P	30 AMP	64492-000
AND	14-60P	60 AMP	300137

#### CAUTION: EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

Caution must be used when loading the generator, overloading either of the 120 volt sides will cause the breaker to trip, disconnecting all the loads

#### TEMPORARY SITE'S ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

To connect these units directly to an un-powered, isolated construction site TemPower panel, have your electrician connect to the control panel using a 120/240 volt, four wire twist-lock plug (L14-30P). The use of locking receptacles and locking plugs provides the convenience of quick disconnect, for moving, while allowing non electrical workers to safely reconnect the power. In addition they prevent the plug from being accidentally removed by bumping or vibration.

#### EXISTING ELECTRICAL SYSTEM (Home Standby)

#### WARNING: PERSONAL DANGER

**NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE REQUIRES** a fully isolated, double pole double throw manual transfer switch be installed any time a generator is being connected to an existing distribution system.

#### NEVER BACK FEED A DRYER OR RANGE 240 VOLT RECEPTACLE

If the generator set is connected to existing (electrical) wiring circuits it is permitted only through a fully isolated manual transfer switch. The transfer switch prevents damage to the generator and other circuit components if main line power is restored while the generator is connected. Installing a transfer switch also permits the use of normal fusing. Many homes and construction sites are wired for at least 60 to 100 Amp entrance service, much greater than the capacity of these portable generators. When installing the generator at these sites, a secondary emergency distribution panel may have to be installed, such as the Emergency Transfer/Service (ET/S) system available through your Winco dealer. The emergency distribution panel must be installed by a licensed electrician according to all applicable codes. The electrician will move the critical circuits to be powered during the outage to the emergency panel. Keep in mind only a limited amount of amperage is available from the generator set. Some circuit breakers may still have to be turned off to prevent an overload on the generator during the initial start up. See the nameplate on your generator for the amperage capabilities of your unit.

#### CAUTION: EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

Failure to properly limit and balance the load applied to the generator will cause the generator to produce low voltage and may damage the engine generator set. It may also cause severe damage to the loads connected to the generator at that time. Improper loading of the generator set constitutes abuse and will not be covered by warranty.

#### Grounding

**NOTE -** These generators sets are shipped with the ground bonded to neutral. For an isolated ground system remove the neutral to ground bond in the receptacle panel. Be sure to reinstall before using the generator as a stand alone unit.

All units must be grounded. Drive a 3/4 or 1" copper pipe or rod into the ground close to the engine-generator set. The pipe must penetrate moist earth. Connect an approved ground clamp to the pipe. Run a No. 10 Awg wire from clamp to the generator ground lug on the "end cover". Do not connect to a water pipe or to a ground used by a radio system.

# **ENGINE CARE**

If major engine service or repair is required contact an authorized engine service center. The manufacturer of these engines has established an excellent world-wide engine service organization. Engine service is very likely available from a nearby authorized dealer or distributor. Check the yellow pages of your local telephone directory under "Engines-Gasoline" for the closest engine repair center or ask the dealer from whom you purchased the power plant.

- Change the oil after the first five hours of operation and every 50 hours thereafter under normal operating conditions. Change engine oil every 25 hours of operation if the engine is operated under heavy load, or in high ambient temperatures.
  - a. Remove oil drain plug at base of the engine and drain the oil with the engine warm.
  - b. Replace oil drain plug.
  - c. Remove oil filler plug and refill with new oil. Refer to the table in the engine manual for the proper grade of oil based on your operating temperature.
  - d. Replace filler plug.

- Checking the Oil Level: The oil level must always be checked before the engine is started. Take care to remove any dirt or debris from around the oil fill plug before removing. Be sure the oil level is maintained. to the "FULL" mark on the dipstick, DO NOT OVER FILL
- 3. **Cartridge Air Cleaner** Remove and clean cartridge yearly or after every 25 hours, whichever occurs first. Service more often if necessary. Clean by tapping gently on flat surface. If very dirty, replace the cartridge using only original equipment parts available at any engine service center.

Do not use petroleum solvents, such as kerosene, to attempt to clean the cartridge. They may cause deterioration of the cartridge. DO NOT OIL CARTRIDGE, DO NOT USE PRESSURIZED AIR TO CLEAN OR DRY CARTRIDGE.

- 4. **Dual Element Air Cleaner** Clean and re-oil foam precleaner at three month intervals or every 25 hours, whichever occurs first. Service more often under dusty conditions.
  - a. Remove knob and cover.
  - b. Remove foam pre-cleaner by sliding it off the paper cartridge.
  - c. Wash foam pre-cleaner in kerosene or liquid detergent and water
  - d. Wrap foam pre-cleaner in cloth and squeeze dry.
  - e. Saturate foam pre-cleaner in engine oil. Squeeze to remove excess oil.
  - f. Install foam pre-cleaner over paper cartridge. Reassemble cover and screw down tight.

Replace the cartridge included with Dual Element Air Cleaner yearly or every 100 hours. Service more often if necessary.

5. **Spark Plug** - Clean and reset gap to the proper gap every 100 hours of operation. Do not blast clean spark plug. Clean by scraping or wire brushing and washing with a commercial solvent. Poor spark will occur if terminal does not fit firmly on spark plug. If this happensreform the terminal to fit firmly on spark plug tip.

# **GENERATOR CARE**

Proper care and maintenance of the generator is necessary to insure a long trouble free life.

1. Exercising The Generator - The generator should be operated every three to four weeks. It should be operated for a period of time sufficient to warm the unit up and to dry out any moisture that has accumulated in the windings. If left, this moisture can cause corrosion in the winding. Frequent operation of the engine generator set will also insure that the set is operating properly should it be needed in an emergency.

- Generator Maintenance Any major generator service including the installation or replacement of parts should be performed only by a qualified electrical service technician. USE ONLY FACTORY APPROVED REPAIR PARTS.
  - a. Bearing The bearing used in these generators is a heavy duty double sealed ball bearing. They require no maintenance or lubrication.
  - b. Receptacles Quality receptacles have been utilized. If a receptacle should become cracked or otherwise damaged, replace it. Using damaged or cracked receptacles can be both dangerous to the operator and destructive to the equipment.

### CLEANING

Remove dirt and debris with a cloth or brush. DO NOT use high pressure spray to clean either the engine or the generator. This high pressure spray could contaminate the fuel system and the generator components.

- Keep the air inlet screen on both the engine and generator free of any dirt or debris to insure proper cooling. At least yearly remove the blower housing on the engine and clean the chaff and dirt out of the engine cooling fins and flywheel. Clean more often if necessary. Failure to keep these areas clean may cause overheating and permanent damage to the unit.
- 2. Periodically clean muffler area to remove all grass, dirt and combustible debris to prevent a fire.
- 3. On engine mufflers equipped with spark arresters, the spark arrester must be removed every 50 hours for cleaning and inspection. Replace if damaged.

# TROUBLESHOOTING HINTS

PROBLEM (SYMPTOMS) POSSIBLE CAUSES

Won't Start	*Low Oil Level. *Fouled spark plug. *Out of fuel. *Stop switch in stop position. *Wrong fuel pressure. *Fuel is shut off		
Runs rough	*Wrong fuel pressure. *Not enough fuel volume. *Fuel mixture not properly adjusted. *Gasoline carburetor gummed up *Fuel filter plugged.		
Voltage too low	*Engine speed is too low. *Generator overloaded. *Defective diode. *Defective stator. *Defective rotor (field). *Defective capacitor		
Circuit Breaker Trips breaker.	*Over loaded. *Defective receptacle. *Weak or defective circuit		
Voltage too high	*Engine speed is too high.		
Generator overheating	*Overloaded. *Insufficient ventilation.		
No output voltage	<ul> <li>*Short in load (disconnect).</li> <li>*Broken or loose wire.</li> <li>*Defective receptacle.</li> <li>*No residual magnetism (in generator).</li> <li>*Defective stator.</li> <li>*Defective rotor (field).</li> <li>*Shorted capacitor.</li> <li>*Shorted Diodes</li> <li>*Circuit beaker is defective.</li> </ul>		

DATE	ITEM	WORK PERFORMED

# 24 MONTH Limited Warranty

**WINCO** warrants to the original purchaser that the alternator is free from defects in workmanship and material for a period of **two years**\*, provided it is installed, operated and maintained in accordance with **WINCO** written instructions.

\*NOTE: Units used for rental, demonstrations, commercial or prime power applications such as construction or utility, are warranted for 90 days. Units that are resold are not covered under this warranty. Any further warranty, whether expressed or implied, rests solely with the reseller.

**WINCO's** sole liability, and Purchaser's sole remedy for a failure under this warranty, shall be limited to the repair of the product. At **WINCO's** option, material found to be defective in material or workmanship under normal use and service will be repaired or replaced. This warranty does not include circuit breakers, receptacles or ENGINES. Engines are covered exclusively by the warranties of their respective manufacturers.

#### THERE IS NO OTHER EXPRESS WARRANTY.

To the extent permitted by law, any and all warranties are limited to 24 months from date of purchase. The user shall determine the suitability of the product for its intended use prior to placing the unit in service. The user shall assume all risks and liability in connection with determining the suitability of the unit for its particular use. Neither the manufacturer nor the seller shall be liable for any injury, loss or damage arising out of improper use or operation of this unit. In no event is **WINCO** liable for incidental or consequential damages.

Some states do not allow limitation on the duration of implied warranty and some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations may not apply in every instance. This warranty gives you specific legal rights which may vary state to state.

**WINCO** reserves the right to change or improve its products without incurring any obligations to make such changes or improvements on products previously purchased.

**WINCO** does not warrant products which have been subjected to misuse, negligence, modified or altered in any way or have been involved in an accident.

For warranty service, return the product, transportation charges prepaid, to your nearest **WINCO** Authorized Service Center or to **WINCO** at Le Center Minnesota. When requesting warranty service, evidence of original purchase date must be presented.



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