Operation and Maintenance Manual

247B, 257B, 267B, 277B and 287B Multi Terrain Loaders

MTL1-5074 (247B Machine)
SLK1-7299 (257B Machine)
CYC1-Up (267B Machine)
MDH1-Up (277B Machine)
ZSA1-Up (287B Machine)
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**S/N:** MDH1-Up

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Axle Bearings - Lubricate

SMCS Code: 3282-086-BD

S/N: ZSA1-Up
S/N: SLK1-7299
S/N: MTL1-5074

1. Get into the operator’s seat. Fasten the seat belt and pull the armrest downward.
2. Start the engine.
3. Disengage the parking brake.
4. Move the speed/direction control lever to the REVERSE position.

   The backup alarm (if equipped) should sound immediately. The backup alarm should continue to sound until the speed/direction control lever is returned to the HOLD position or to the FORWARD position.

Battery - Recycle

SMCS Code: 1401-561

Always recycle a battery. Never discard a battery.

Always return used batteries to one of the following locations:

- A battery supplier
- An authorized battery collection facility
- Recycling facility

Battery or Battery Cable - Inspect/Replace

SMCS Code: 1401-040; 1401-510; 1401-561; 1402-040; 1402-510

1. Turn the engine start switch to the OFF position. Turn all switches to the OFF position.
2. Disconnect the negative battery cable from the starter.

   Note: Do not allow the disconnected battery cable to contact the frame of the machine.
3. Disconnect the negative battery cable at the battery.
4. Perform the necessary repairs. Replace the cable or the battery, as needed.
5. Connect the negative battery cable at the battery.
6. Connect the battery cable to the starter of the machine.

Backup Alarm - Test

SMCS Code: 7406-081

To prevent injury, make sure that no people are working on the machine or near the machine. To prevent injury, keep the machine under control at all times.
Belts - Inspect/Adjust/Replace

SMCS Code: 1357-025; 1357-040; 1357-510

If a new belt is installed, check the belt adjustment after 30 minutes of operation. A belt is considered to be used after 30 minutes of operation.

1. Stop the engine in order to inspect the belt.
2. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

3. Remove the guard for the V-belt.

4. Inspect the condition of the belt (1) and the adjustment of the belt. The belt should deflect 10 mm (0.39 inch) under a straight pull of 44 N (10 lb). This measurement should be taken between the alternator pulley and the crankshaft pulley.

5. Loosen the mounting bolt (2). Loosen the adjusting locknut (3).
6. Move the alternator until the correct tension is reached.
7. Tighten the adjusting locknut. Tighten the mounting bolt.
8. Recheck the belt deflection. If the amount of deflection is incorrect, repeat step 4 to step 7.
9. Install the guard for the V-belt.
10. Close the engine access door.

Note: A 144-0235 Borroughs Belt Tension Gauge may be used to measure belt tension. This measurement should be taken between the alternator pulley and the crankshaft pulley. Refer to the following table for belt tension.

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Blade Frame - Adjust

SMCS Code: 6060-025-BG

Height Adjustment

The height of the frame may be adjusted in order to compensate for the wear on the cutting edge. The front portion of the frame needs to be lowered as the cutting edge wears. Remove the bolts (2) and lower the frame (3). Install the bolts. This will keep the blade level with the ground and this will prevent the blade from digging into the ground.

Note: In order to properly adjust the blade, the work tool coupler needs to be vertical. The position of the pivot point of the blade is perpendicular to the ground. Follow this procedure in order to ensure that the cutting edge will remain flat on the ground during operation.

Trunnion Joint

Note: The trunnion is a dry joint. Adding grease to the trunnion simply attracts abrasive particles. The tightness of the joint should be monitored. Shims should be removed when the joint becomes too loose. This may be indicated by excessive movement in the blade.

Illustration 105

Illustration 106

- Remove the four retaining bolts (B) and the cap.
- Remove the necessary shims.
- Replace the cap and bolts.
- The tightening sequence is shown in illustration 106.
- Torque the bolts to 530 ± 70 N·m (391 ± 52 lb ft).

Note: Some noise is typical and the noise does not indicate a problem.
Bogie and Idler - Inspect/Replace

SMCS Code: 4159-040; 4159-510; 4192-040; 4192-510

Clean the undercarriage before inspecting the bogies and the idlers.

Inspect the bogies and idlers for damage and wear.

**Note:** Minor damage to the rubber on the bogies and idlers is acceptable. Minor damage includes nicks, cuts, small pieces that are missing, and small grooves. This minor damage is normal and acceptable. Minor damage will not adversely affect machine performance.

The bogies and the idlers should be replaced when the damage to the rubber wheels adversely affects machine performance. Replace the bogies and the idlers when the rubber is worn beyond the minimum specifications that are listed below.

**Note:** The tubes for the bogies and the tubes for the idlers on the 267B, 277B and 287B contain oil. Inspect the tubes for leaks. If a leak is suspected, the oil level should be checked. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Bogie and Idler Oil Level - Check".

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Replacement for the 247B and 257B

1. Remove the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Remove/Replace”.

2. Remove the retaining ring (1) and the dust cap (2).

3. Remove the nut (3) and the washer (4).

Note: When you reinstall the nut (3), tighten the nut to the following torque 168 ± 30 N·m (124 ± 22 lb ft).

4. Remove the bearing (5).

Note: When you reinstall the bearing (5) lubricate the bearing with 1P-0808 Multipurpose Grease.
Replacement for the 267B and 277B

1. Remove the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Remove/Replace”.

2. In order to remove a bogie group, remove the four bolts, lockwashers, and locknuts (1). In order to remove an idler group, remove the four bolts, lockwashers (3) and the plates. An idler group can be removed at this point.

   **Note:** When you reinstall the four bolts (1) tighten the bolts to the following torque 120 ± 20 N·m (89 ± 15 lb ft). When you reinstall the four bolts (3) tighten the bolts to the following torque 95 ± 10 N·m (70 ± 7 lb ft).

3. Raise the side of the machine so that the bogie group can be removed from the bottom of the undercarriage.

4. Remove the four bolts, lockwashers (2) and the plates that retain the bogies.

   **Note:** When you reinstall the four bolts, tighten the bolts to the following torque 95 ± 10 N·m (70 ± 7 lb ft).

5. Remove the bolts, lockwashers and locknuts (4) that retain the bogie or the idler. Remove the bogie or the idler.

   **Note:** When you reinstall the bolts on the idler, tighten the bolts to the following torque 120 ± 20 N·m (88 ± 15 lb ft). When you reinstall the bolts on the bogie, tighten the bolts to the following torque 50 ± 14 N·m (37 ± 10 lb ft).

6. Reverse steps in order to reassemble the components. Use the special torques that are noted.
Replacement for the 287B

1. In order to remove a bogie group, remove the four bolts, lockwashers, locknuts (1) and plates. In order to remove an idler group, remove the four bolts, lockwashers (2) and plates. An idler group can be removed at this point.

Note: When you reinstall the four bolts (1) and (2) tighten the bolts to the following torque 50 ± 10 N·m (37 ± 7 lb ft).

2. Raise the side of the machine so that the bogie group can be removed from the bottom of the undercarriage.

3. Remove the bolts, lockwashers and locknuts (3) that retain the bogie or the idler. Remove the bogie or the idler.

Note: When you reinstall the bolts on the idler, tighten the bolts to the following torque 120 ± 20 N·m (88 ± 15 lb ft). When you reinstall the bolts on the bogie, tighten the bolts to the following torque 50 ± 14 N·m (37 ± 10 lb ft).

4. Reverse steps in order to reassemble the components. Use the special torques that are noted.

Bogie and Idler Oil Level - Check

SMCS Code: 4159-535-OC; 4192-535-OC
S/N: ZSA1-2204
S/N: CYC1-954
S/N: MDH1-3315

Note: Inspect the seals on the tubes for the bogies and the idlers during the walk around inspection. If a seal is leaking, replace the seal.

Note: The 267B (S/N: CYC 954-1399), 277B (S/N: MDH 3315-4699), and 287B (S/N: ZSA 2205-3999) have sealed bearings. The axles are stamped “Grease filled”. The axles are maintenance free. If maintenance is required on the idler wheels or on the bogie wheels, please refer to your Caterpillar dealer.
New axle groups have been released for the following serial numbers: 267B(S/N: CYC1400-UP) and 277B(S/N: MDH4700-UP). The 267B and the 277B use oil in the idler wheel bearings. The 267B and the 277B use grease in the bogie wheel bearings. The idler wheels have a tag that states “Oil filled”. There is no maintenance interval requirement for these axles. If maintenance is required on the axles, please refer to your Caterpillar dealer.

New axle groups have been released for the 287B(S/N: ZSA4000-UP). The 287B uses oil in the idler wheels and bogie wheels. The axles have a tag that states “Oil filled”. There is no maintenance interval requirement for these axles. If maintenance is required on the axles, please refer to your Caterpillar dealer.

**WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result from servicing the track.

The machine must be on a hard, level surface before the track is removed or personal injury or death could occur.

1. Park the machine on a hard, level surface.

**WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result from improper lifting or blocking.

When a jack is used to lift the machine, stand clear of the area. Use a jack that is rated for the correct capacity to lift the machine. Install blocks or stands before performing any work on the machine.

2. Remove the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Remove/Replace” for the correct procedure.

3. Clean the area around the filler plug for the tube for the bogie or the idler. Remove the filler plug.

4. Rotate the tube so that the filler plug hole is approximately level with the ground. The oil level should show at the bottom of the filler plug hole.

**Note:** The oil level will be low if the seals in the tube are leaking. If the oil level is low, replace the oil seals in the tube and refill the tube. See Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Capacities (Refill)”.

5. Apply 5P-3413 Pipe Sealant to the threads of the filler plug. Install the filler plug.

6. Repeat the procedure on each tube for the bogie and the idler.

**Bucket Cutting Edges - Inspect/Replace**

SMCS Code: 6801-040; 6801-510

**WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result from bucket falling.

Block the bucket before changing bucket cutting edges.

1. Lower the lift arms fully. Tilt back the bucket so that the bucket cutting edge is accessible.

2. Place blocks under the raised edge of the bucket.

3. Remove the bolts. Remove the cutting edge and the end bits.

4. Clean the contact surfaces.

5. Use the opposite side of the cutting edge, if this side is not worn.

6. Install a new cutting edge, if both edges are worn.

7. Install the bolts.

8. Remove the blocks that are under the bucket.

9. After a few hours of operation, check the bolts for proper torque.
Bucket Tips - Inspect/Replace

**SMCS Code:** 6805-040; 6805-510

**WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result from bucket falling.

Block the bucket before changing bucket cutting edges.

1. Lower the lift arms fully. Tilt back the bucket so that the bucket tips are accessible.
2. Place blocks under the raised edge of the bucket.
3. Remove the mounting bolts. Remove the bucket tips.
4. Clean the mounting surface.
5. Replace the bucket tips.
6. Install the bolts.
7. Remove the blocks that are under the bucket.
8. After a few hours of operation, check the bolts for proper torque.

Cab Air Filter - Clean/Replace (If Equipped)

**SMCS Code:** 7342-070; 7342-510

**Fresh Air Filter**

1. Raise the loader lift arms. Install the brace for the loader lift arm. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Loader Lift Arm Brace Operation”.

Recirculation Filter

1. Remove the cover in order to access the air filter element.
2. Remove the air filter element and clean the element with soap and water. Replace the element if the element is damaged.
3. Install the element and replace the cover.
Circuit Breakers and Fuses - Reset/Replace

SMCS Code: 1417-510; 1420-529

Fuses – Fuses protect the electrical system from damage that is caused by overloaded circuits. Replace the fuse if the element separates. If the element of a new fuse separates, check the circuit. Repair the circuit, if necessary.

NOTICE
Replace the fuses with the same type and size only. Otherwise, electrical damage can result.

If it is necessary to replace fuses frequently, an electrical problem may exist. Contact your Caterpillar dealer.

The fuse panel is located behind the cover underneath the seat. Remove the cover in order to access the fuse panel.
**Fuses**

- (2) Finger Trigger for the Work Tool
- (3) Front Work Lights
- (4) Rear Work Lights
- (5) Left Tail Lamp
- (6) Right Tail Lamp
- (7) Spare
- (8) Backup Alarm
- (9) Cold Start
- (10) Radio
- (11) Spare
- (12) Spare
- (13) 12 volt power socket
- (14) Hydraulic Quick Coupler
- (15) Wiper
- (16) Auxiliary Hydraulic ECM
- (17) HVAC Blower Fan and the Solenoid for the Compressor
- (18) Fuel Shutoff solenoid
- (19) Interlock ECM
- (20) Beacon
- (21) Gauges
- (22) The fan for the air conditioner condenser
- (23) Ignition Switch
- (24) Miscellaneous Power
- (25) Horn
- (27) Auxiliary Hydraulic C-
- (28) Auxiliary Hydraulic C+
- (29) Auxiliary Tools
- (30) Auxiliary Electrical Control C1
- (33) Spare
- (34) Auxiliary Electrical Control C2

**Relays**

- (1) Finger Trigger for the Work Tool
- (26) Auxiliary Hydraulic C-Solenoid
- (31) Auxiliary Electric Control C1
- (32) Auxiliary Hydraulic C+Solenoid
• (35) ECM signal for the Auxiliary Hydraulic C+ and the Auxiliary Hydraulic C-

• (36) Auxiliary Electric Control C2

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• (37) C-

• (38) C+

Note: The machine was shipped from the factory with Extended Life Coolant (ELC) in the cooling system.

For information about the addition of Extender to your cooling system, see the Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Cooling System Coolant (ELC) Extender - Add” or consult your Caterpillar dealer.

Drain the coolant whenever the coolant is dirty or whenever the coolant is foaming.

The radiator cap is located under the radiator guard on the top of the engine compartment.

Allow the machine to cool before you change the coolant.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Raise the radiator guard. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Radiator Tilting”.

Note: The radiator cap is located on the left side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3024 engine. The radiator cap is located on the right side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine.

3. Slowly loosen the radiator cap in order to relieve system pressure. Remove the radiator cap.

Illustration 115
Circuit Breaker

The main circuit breaker is located in the engine compartment on the left side. Press the switch and release the switch in order to reset the circuit breaker.

Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change

SMCS Code: 1395-044-NL

WARNING
Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.

NOTICE
Mixing ELC with other products will reduce the effectiveness of the coolant.

This could result in damage to cooling system components.

If Caterpillar products are not available and commercial products must be used, make sure they have passed the Caterpillar EC-1 specification for pre-mixed or concentrate coolants and Caterpillar Extender.

Illustration 116
4. Remove the drain plug and allow the coolant to drain into a suitable container.

5. Install the drain plug.


Note: Premix the coolant solution before filling the cooling system. The coolant solution should contain 50 percent coolant and 50 percent distilled water.

8. Start the engine. Run the engine without the radiator cap until the thermostat opens and the coolant level stabilizes.

Note: Add the coolant solution at a maximum rate of five liters per minute. This will reduce the chance of trapping air inside the engine block. A large amount of trapped air can cause localized heating to occur upon start-up. Localized heating may result in engine damage, which may lead to failure of the engine.

Note: The sight gauge for the coolant level is located on the right side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3024 engine. The sight gauge for the coolant level is located on the left side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine.

9. Maintain the coolant level in the sight gauge.

10. Stop the engine. Inspect the radiator cap and the gasket. Replace the cap if the cap or the gasket is damaged. Install the radiator cap.

11. Pull the radiator guard downward.

12. Close the engine access door.

Cooling System Coolant Extender (ELC) - Add

SMCS Code: 1352-544-NL

WARNING

Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.
When a Caterpillar Extended Life Coolant is used, an extender must be added to the cooling system periodically.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Tilt the radiator guard upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Radiator Tilting”.

3. Slowly loosen the radiator cap in order to relieve system pressure. Remove the radiator cap.

4. If necessary, drain enough coolant from the radiator in order to allow the addition of the coolant additive.

5. Add 0.17 L (0.18 qt) of cooling system additive.

6. Inspect the radiator cap and the gasket. If the cap or the gasket is damaged, replace the cap. Install the radiator cap.

Note: The sight gauge for the coolant level is located on the right side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3024 engine. The sight gauge for the coolant is located on the left side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine.

7. Check the coolant level in the sight gauge on the radiator. Maintain the coolant level to the top of the sight gauge with the radiator in the LOWERED position.

8. Tilt the radiator guard downward.

9. Close the engine access door.

For additional information on the addition of extender, see Special Publication, SEBU6250, “Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations”.

Cooling System Level - Check

SMCS Code: 1350-040-HX; 1350-535-FLV; 1382-070; 1382-510

WARNING

Pressurized system: Hot coolant can cause serious burn. To open cap, stop engine, wait until radiator is cool. Then loosen cap slowly to relieve the pressure.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Tilt the radiator guard upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Radiator Tilting”.

Illustration 120

Illustration 121

Illustration 122
**Note:** The sight gauge for the coolant level is located on the right side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3024 engine. The sight gauge for the coolant level is located on the left side of the radiator on machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine.

3. Maintain the coolant to the top of the sight gauge with the radiator in the LOWERED position.

7. The coolant reservoir is located on the left side of the engine compartment or the left side of the engine access door. Maintain the coolant level in the coolant reservoir between the “MIN” and “MAX” lines.

8. Close the engine access door.

### Cooling System Water Temperature Regulator - Replace

**SMCS Code:** 1355-510; 1393-010

Replace the thermostat on a regular basis in order to reduce the chance of unscheduled downtime and of problems with the cooling system. Failure to replace the engine’s thermostat on a regularly scheduled basis could cause severe engine damage.

The thermostat should be replaced after the cooling system has been cleaned. Replace the thermostat while the cooling system is completely drained or while the cooling system coolant is drained to a level that is below the thermostat housing.

Caterpillar engines incorporate a shunt design cooling system. It is mandatory to always operate the engine with a thermostat.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Drain the coolant from the machine. See Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Cooling System Coolant (ELC) - Change” for the procedure to drain the cooling system.
3. Loosen the hose clamp (1) and remove the hose from the thermostat housing assembly (2).

4. Remove the two bolts (3) from the thermostat housing assembly. Remove the thermostat housing assembly.

5. Remove the seal and the thermostat from the thermostat housing assembly.

6. Install a new thermostat and a new seal. Install the thermostat housing assembly on the engine cylinder head.

7. Install the hose. Tighten the hose clamp.


9. Close the engine access door.

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**NOTICE**

Caterpillar recommends certified air filter cleaning services that are available at Caterpillar dealers. The Caterpillar cleaning process uses proven procedures to assure consistent quality and sufficient filter life.

Observe the following recommendations if you attempt to clean the filter element:

Never tap or strike the filter element in order to remove dust.

Never wash the filter element.

Use low pressure compressed air in order to remove the dust from the filter element. Air pressure must not exceed 206 kPa (30 psi). Direct the air flow up the pleats and down the pleats from the inside of the filter element. Take extreme care in order to avoid tearing or voiding the pleats.

Service the air filter elements when the alert indicator for air filter restriction lights. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Alert Indicators".

1. Open the engine access door.

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2. The air filter housing is located on the left side of the engine compartment on machines that are equipped with the 3024 engine. The air filter housing is located on the right side of the engine compartment on machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine.
3. Unlatch the air cleaner housing cover (1). Rotate the cover and remove the cover.

4. Remove the primary filter element (2).

5. Install a clean filter element into the filter housing and install the cover for the filter housing.

6. Close the engine access door.

7. Start the engine. The alert indicator for air filter restriction should turn off. If the alert indicator continues to light, replace the secondary air filter. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Engine Air Filter Secondary Element - Replace".

Engine Air Filter Secondary Element - Replace

SMCS Code: 1054-510-SE

NOTICE

Always replace the secondary air filter element. Never attempt to reuse it by cleaning. The secondary air filter element should be replaced at the time the primary element is serviced for the third time. The secondary filter element should also be replaced if the alert indicator for air filter restriction lights.

1. Open the engine access door.

2. The air filter housing is located on the left side of the engine compartment on machines that are equipped with the 3024 engine. The air filter housing is located on the right side of the engine compartment on machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine.

3. Unlatch the air cleaner housing cover (1). Rotate the cover and remove the cover.

4. Remove the primary filter element (2).
5. Remove the secondary filter element.

6. Cover the air inlet opening. Clean the inside of the air cleaner housing.

7. Inspect the gasket between the air inlet pipe and the air cleaner housing. Replace the gasket if the gasket is damaged.

8. Uncover the air inlet opening. Install a new secondary element.

9. Install the primary element and the air cleaner housing cover.

10. Close the engine access door.

The breather is located on the right side of the 3044 engine.

**NOTICE**
Ensure that the breather pipe connections are tight. Do not overfill the engine crankcase. If there is too much oil in the crankcase oil may enter the breather. Oil entering the breather may cause the engine speed to increase rapidly without control.

1. Firmly grasp the breather and pull up on the breather in order to remove the breather.

2. Remove the breather hoses. Clean the hoses with nonflammable solvent.

3. Install a new breather. Ensure that the breather is properly seated in the base.

4. Install the breather hoses. Ensure that the connections are tight.
Engine Crankcase Breather - Clean

SMCS Code: 1317-070
S/N: SLK1-7299
S/N: MTL1-5074

Note: Ensure that the area around the vent hole on the breather cover is clean and that the vent hole is not restricted. Ensure that the components of the breather assembly are seated in the correct positions. Otherwise, engine damage could result.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Tilt the radiator upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Radiator Tilting”.

3. The breather is located on top of the valve cover on the 3024 engine. Remove the screws (1). Remove the breather cover (2).

4. Remove the diaphragm assembly (4). Remove the spring (3). The diaphragm assembly consists of the diaphragm and the locating ring.

5. Clean the cavity for the breather (5).

6. Remove the gauze that is located below the cavity for the breather.

7. Clean the following items with a clean diesel fuel:
   - Breather
   - Breather cover
   - Diaphragm assembly
   - Location ring assembly
   - Spring
   - Gauze

8. Allow the parts to dry. Pressure air may be used to dry the parts.

9. Install the gauze and install the components of the breather. Install the breather cover.

10. Tilt the radiator downward.

11. Close the engine access door.

Engine Oil Level - Check

SMCS Code: 1348-535-FLV

NOTICE
Do not overfill the crankcase. Engine damage can result.

1. Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain back into the oil pan.

2. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

3. Tilt the radiator upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Radiator Tilting”.
4. Maintain the oil level to the “FULL” mark (3) on the dipstick (1).

5. If necessary, remove the oil filler cap (2) and add oil.

6. Clean the oil filler cap and install the oil filler cap.

7. Tilt the radiator downward.

8. Close the engine access door.

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**Engine Oil Sample - Obtain**

**SMCS Code:** 1348-554-SM; 7542-008

The sampling port for the engine oil is located on the left side of the engine block.
Engine Oil and Filter - Change

SMCS Code: 1308-510; 1348-044
S/N: ZSA1-Up
S/N: CYC1-Up
S/N: MDH1-Up

NOTICE
Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, “Caterpillar Dealer Service Tool Catalog” for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Caterpillar products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

The normal oil change interval for the machine is Every 500 Service Hours or every year when the following conditions are met:

- Caterpillar oil, API Specification CI-4, CH-4 or CG-4 multigrade oil is used.
- Caterpillar filters are used.
- The altitude does not exceed 2300 m (7545 ft).
- Sulfur content in the fuel is between 0.05% and 0.50%.

An oil change interval of Every 250 Service Hours or every six months is required when the following conditions occur:

- Caterpillar oil, API Specification CI-4, CH-4 or CG-4 multigrade oil is not used.
- The altitude exceeds 2300 m (7545 ft).
- Sulfur content in the fuel is between 0.50% and 1.00%.

An oil change interval of Every 125 Service Hours is required when the following condition occurs:

- Sulfur content in the fuel is above 1.00%.

Refer to the results of the S-O-S oil analysis in order to determine if the oil change interval should be decreased. Consult your Caterpillar Dealer for detailed information regarding the optimum oil change interval.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.
2. Tilt the radiator upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Radiator Tilting”.
3. Remove the access panel that is located below the drain plug. Remove the drain plug and allow the oil to drain into a suitable container. Install the drain plug and install the access panel.
5. Apply a thin film of clean engine oil to the sealing surface of the new filter element.

6. Install a new engine oil filter hand tight until the seal of the engine oil filter contacts the base. Note the position of the index marks on the filter in relation to a fixed point on the filter base.

Note: There are rotation index marks on the engine oil filter that are spaced 90 degrees or 1/4 of a turn away from each other. When you tighten the engine oil filter, use the rotation index marks as a guide.

7. Tighten the filter according to the instructions that are printed on the filter. Use the index marks as a guide.

Note: You may need to use a Caterpillar strap wrench, or another suitable tool, in order to turn the filter to the amount that is required for final installation. Make sure that the installation tool does not damage the filter.


9. Start the engine and allow the oil to warm. Check for leaks.

10. Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain back into the oil pan. Fill the crankcase to the “FULL” mark on the dipstick (1). Do not exceed the “FULL” mark on the dipstick. Add oil or drain oil if it is necessary.

11. Tilt the radiator downward.

12. Close the engine access door.

Engine Valve Lash - Check

SMCS Code: 1105-025

Refer to the Service Manual for the complete adjustment procedure for the engine valve lash.

A qualified mechanic should adjust the engine valve lash and the fuel injector timing because special tools and training are required.

Fuel Injection Timing - Check

SMCS Code: 1251-531

Note: The correct fuel timing specification is found on the Engine Information Plate. Fuel timing specifications may vary for different engine applications and/or for different power ratings.

A qualified mechanic should adjust the fuel injection timing because special tools and training are required.

Refer to the Service Manual for the complete adjustment procedure for the fuel injection timing. Refer to your Caterpillar dealer for the complete adjustment procedure for the fuel injection timing.
Fuel System Primary Filter (Water Separator) - Drain

SMCS Code: 1263-543

NOTICE
Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, “Caterpillar Dealer Service Tool Catalog” for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Caterpillar products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

The fuel system water separator is located in the left side of the engine compartment.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Loosen the drain valve on the bottom of the water separator. Allow the water and the sediment to drain into a suitable container.

3. Tighten the drain valve by hand. Do not tighten the drain valve with a tool. Damage to the valve or to the seals may occur.

4. Close the engine access door.

Fuel System Primary Filter (Water Separator) Element - Replace

SMCS Code: 1260-510-FQ; 1263-510-FQ

NOTICE
Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, “Caterpillar Dealer Service Tool Catalog” for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Caterpillar products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

Note: This unit has a dual purpose. The element serves as a water separator and a fuel filter.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

Fuel Filter/Water Separator for the 3024 engine that is located on the left side of the engine compartment.
Fuel System Priming Pump - Operate

SMCS Code: 1258-548

3024 Engine

The fuel priming pump is located on top of the fuel filter/water separator.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Push down on the top of the fuel priming pump plunger and release the fuel priming pump plunger in order to operate the fuel priming pump. Operate the fuel priming pump plunger in order to fill the new filter element with fuel. Continue to pump until increased resistance is felt. This resistance will indicate that the filter element is full of fuel.

3. Attempt to start the engine. If the engine starts and the engine runs rough or the engine misfires, operate the engine at low idle until the engine runs smoothly. If the engine fails to start or if the engine continues to misfire or smoke repeat the priming procedure.

4. Close the engine access door.

3044 Engine

Machines that are equipped with the 3044 engine are equipped with a fuel transfer pump that is electric.

1. Momentarily turn the engine start switch to the START position and then return the engine start switch to the ON position.

Note: Do not start the engine. This operation only starts the fuel pump.
2. Leave the engine start switch in the ON position for thirty seconds.

3. Attempt to start the engine. If the engine starts and the engine runs rough or the engine misfires, operate the engine at low idle until the engine runs smoothly. If the engine fails to start or if the engine continues to misfire or smoke, repeat the priming procedure.

Fuel Tank Cap - Clean

**SMCS Code:** 1273-070-Z2

1. Remove the fuel cap.

2. Inspect the cap. Replace the cap if the cap is damaged.

3. Wash the fuel cap in a clean, nonflammable solvent and dry the fuel cap.

4. Put a light coating of fuel on the cap gasket.

5. Install the fuel cap.

Fuel Tank Water and Sediment - Drain

**SMCS Code:** 1273-543-M&S

[S/N: ZSA1-Up](#)

[S/N: SLK1-7299](#)

[S/N: MTL1-5074](#)

**Note:** Drain the water and the sediment from the fuel tank when the tank is almost empty.
Hydraulic Oil Sample - Obtain

SMCS Code: 5050-008; 7542-008

The sampling port for the hydraulic oil is located on the fan motor.

Hydraulic System Oil - Change

SMCS Code: 5095-044

**NOTICE**

Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, “Caterpillar Tools and Shop Products Guide” for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Caterpillar products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

**WARNING**

Personal injury or death can result without releasing all of the hydraulic pressure.

Release all the pressure from the hydraulic system before any lines are disconnected.

The machine should be on level ground. Lower the bucket to the ground and apply slight downward pressure. Engage the parking brake and stop the engine. Keep the armrest lowered. Turn the engine start switch key to the ON position. Push the parking brake switch. Move all of the hydraulic control levers while you press several times on each side of the auxiliary hydraulic control (if equipped) in order to relieve hydraulic pressure. Move the engine start switch key to the OFF position.

1. Remove the hydraulic tank filler cap.
2. Remove the access panel in the belly guard underneath the machine.

3. Remove the plug from the end of the drain hose. Pull the drain hose through the access panel in the belly guard. Open the drain valve and drain the oil into a suitable container.

4. Close the drain valve and pull the drain hose back into the machine. Install the drain plug into the drain hose.


7. Maintain the hydraulic oil level approximately in the middle of the sight gauge.

Check the oil level with the loader arms in the fully lowered position.

**Note:** The oil must be free of bubbles. If bubbles are present in the oil, air is entering the hydraulic system. Inspect the suction hoses and hose clamps.

8. Install the hydraulic tank filler cap.

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**Hydraulic System Oil Filter - Replace**

**SMCS Code:** 5068-510

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**NOTICE**

Care must be taken to ensure that fluids are contained during performance of inspection, maintenance, testing, adjusting and repair of the product. Be prepared to collect the fluid with suitable containers before opening any compartment or disassembling any component containing fluids.

Refer to Special Publication, NENG2500, “Caterpillar Dealer Service Tool Catalog” for tools and supplies suitable to collect and contain fluids on Caterpillar products.

Dispose of all fluids according to local regulations and mandates.

The hydraulic oil filter is located in the engine compartment.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Remove the hydraulic tank filler cap.
1. Park the machine on level ground.

2. Lower the work tool to the ground. Turn off the engine.

3. Wait for about five minutes before checking the level of the hydraulic oil.

4. Maintain the oil level to the middle of the sight gauge. Do not overfill the hydraulic tank.

5. Inspect the gasket on the hydraulic tank filler cap for damage. Replace the hydraulic tank filler cap, if necessary. Install the hydraulic tank filler cap.

6. Apply a light coat of oil to the gasket of the new filter element gasket.

7. Install a new filter hand tight until the seal of the filter contacts the base. Note the position of the index marks on the filter in relation to a fixed point on the filter base.

8. Note: There are rotation index marks on the filter that are spaced 90 degrees or 1/4 of a turn away from each other. When you tighten the filter, use the rotation index marks as a guide.

9. Tighten the filter according to the instructions that are printed on the filter. Use the index marks as a guide.

10. Close the engine access door.
Lift Arm and Cylinder Linkage - Lubricate

SMCS Code: 5102-086-BD; 6107-086-BD

1. Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (1) for the lift arm linkage.
2. Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (2) for the lift cylinder bearings.
3. Repeat the process for the opposite side of the machine.

Lower Machine Frame - Clean

SMCS Code: 7050-070

1. Tilt the cab upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Cab Tilting”.
2. Remove the access panel in the frame that is located underneath the machine.
3. Remove any debris or dirt from the inside of the frame.
4. Reinstall the access panel and tilt the cab downward.

Oil Filter - Inspect

SMCS Code: 1308-507; 3067-507; 5068-507

Inspect a Used Filter for Debris

- Use a filter cutter to cut the filter element open.
- Spread apart the pleats and inspect the element for metal and for other debris. An excessive amount of debris in the filter element can indicate a possible failure.
- If metals are found in the filter element, a magnet can be used to differentiate between ferrous metals and nonferrous metals.
Ferrous metals can indicate wear on steel parts and on cast iron parts.

Nonferrous metals can indicate wear on the aluminum parts of the engine such as main bearings, rod bearings, or turbocharger bearings.

Small amounts of debris may be found in the filter element. This could be caused by friction and by normal wear. Consult your Caterpillar dealer in order to arrange for further analysis if an excessive amount of debris is found.

Using an oil filter element that is not recommended by Caterpillar can result in severe engine damage to engine bearings, to the crankshaft, and to other parts. This can result in larger particles in unfiltered oil. The particles could enter the lubricating system and the particles could cause damage.

**Quick Coupler - Inspect**

**SMCS Code:** 6129-040

1. Move the quick coupler levers (1) to the disengaged position. Ensure that the levers are not bent or broken.

2. Check the top edges of the quick coupler assembly (2) for wear or for damage.

3. Move the quick coupler levers (1) to the engaged position. Ensure that the levers move freely without restriction.

4. Make sure that the coupler pins (3) extend through the bottom of the quick coupler assembly. Check the pins for wear and check the pins for damage.

5. Move the quick coupler levers to the disengaged position.

If any wear is suspected or damage is suspected, consult your Caterpillar dealer before you use a work tool.

**Radiator Core - Clean**

**SMCS Code:** 1353-070-KO

The radiator is located at the rear of the machine above the engine compartment.

1. Open the engine access door. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Access Doors and Covers”.

2. Tilt the radiator guard upward. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Radiator Tilting”.

**NOTICE**
When you are using compressed air or high pressure water to clean the radiator fins, ensure that the air or water is directed parallel to the fins. If the compressed air or high pressure water is not directed parallel to the radiator fins, the radiator fins could be bent or damaged.

**Note:** You can use compressed air, high pressure water, or steam to remove dust and other debris from the radiator fins. However, the use of compressed air is preferred.
3. Clean the radiator core.

**NOTICE**

Do not clean a running fan with high pressure water. Fan blade failure can result.

4. Remove any dirt or debris from the fan, the fan hub, the oil cooler, the radiator guard and the fan guard.

**Note:** Dirt or debris on the cooling fan can cause an imbalance.

5. Tilt the radiator guard downward.

6. Close the engine access door.

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**Refrigerant Dryer - Replace (If Equipped)**

**SMCS Code:** 7322-510

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**WARNING**

Personal injury can result from contact with refrigerant.

Contact with refrigerant can cause frost bite. Keep face and hands away to help prevent injury.

Protective goggles must always be worn when refrigerant lines are opened, even if the gauges indicate the system is empty of refrigerant.

Always use precaution when a fitting is removed. Slowly loosen the fitting. If the system is still under pressure, release it slowly in a well ventilated area.

Personal injury or death can result from inhaling refrigerant through a lit cigarette.

Inhaling air conditioner refrigerant gas through a lit cigarette or other smoking method or inhaling fumes released from a flame contacting air conditioner refrigerant gas, can cause bodily harm or death.

Do not smoke when servicing air conditioners or wherever refrigerant gas may be present.

Use a certified recovery and recycling cart to properly remove the refrigerant from the air conditioning system.

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**NOTICE**

If the refrigerant system has been open to the outside air (without being plugged) for more than 30 minutes, the receiver-dryer must be replaced. Moisture will enter an open refrigerant system and cause corrosion which will lead to component failure.

Refer to Service Manual, SENR5664, “Air Conditioning and Heating R-134a For All Caterpillar Machines” for the proper procedure to change the receiver-dryer assembly and for the procedure to reclaim the refrigerant gas.

**Note:** The receiver-dryer must also be replaced when the air conditioning system is evacuated.

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**Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) and Falling Object Protective Structure (FOPS) - Inspect**

**SMCS Code:** 7323-040; 7325-040

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(1) Front ROPS retaining bolt (one bolt per side)
Seat Belt - Inspect

SMCS Code: 7327-040

Always check the condition of the seat belt and the condition of the seat belt mounting hardware before you operate the machine. Replace any parts that are damaged or worn before you operate the machine.

Note: There is a total of four retaining bolts for the ROPS. There is a total of eight retaining bolts for the FOPS 2.

1. Inspect the ROPS and the FOPS for loose bolts. Tighten the bolts (1) to the following torque 125 ± 10 N·m (92 ± 7 lb ft). Tighten the bolts (2) to the following torque 55 ± 5 N·m (41 ± 4 lb ft). Tighten the bolts (3) to the following torque 240 ± 40 N·m (177 ± 30 lb ft). ROPS and the FOPS for damaged bolts or missing bolts. Replace any damaged bolts or missing bolts with original equipment parts only.

2. Operate the machine on a rough surface. Replace the ROPS mounting supports if the ROPS emits a noise. Replace the ROPS mounting supports if the ROPS rattles.

Do not straighten the ROPS or the FOPS. Do not repair the ROPS or the FOPS by welding reinforcement plates to the ROPS or the FOPS.

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for repair of any cracks in the ROPS or the FOPS.

Inspect the Flying Object Guard (if equipped) for damage.

Consult your Caterpillar dealer for repair of any cracks in the Flying Object Guard.

Seat Belt - Replace

SMCS Code: 7327-510

Within three years of the date of installation (2) or within five years of the date of manufacture (1), replace the seat belt. Replace the seat belt at the date which occurs first. A date label for determining the age of the seat belt is attached to each seat belt.
(1) Date of Manufacture
(2) Date of Installation

Contact your Caterpillar dealer for the replacement of the seat belt.

**Sprocket - Inspect**

**SMCS Code:** 4164-040

**Note:** Operating the machine in conditions that are extremely muddy or sandy will cause accelerated wear on the drive sprocket and other undercarriage components. It is important to clean the undercarriage of the machine daily in order to maximize component life.

In order to service the drive sprocket, the tracks must be removed. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Remove/Install”.

The drive sprocket is equipped with two types of sleeves. The inner sleeves (2) are held in position by the rings of the sprocket (4) and (5). The outer sleeves (3) are free to rotate on the inner sleeves.

Measure thickness (A) for the outer sleeves. If the thickness of the outer sleeves measures less than the minimum thickness that is listed in the following table replace the sleeves.

**Note:** When you replace the outer sleeves, rotate the inner sleeves for 180°. If the inner sleeves have already been rotated, replace the inner sleeves.

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<th>Component</th>
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<td>Outer Sleeve</td>
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The inner rings (5) and the outer rings (4) of the drive sprocket will wear from the rotation of the outer sleeves. Measure the thickness (B) of the inner rings and outer rings. If the thickness of the inner ring or outer ring measures less than the minimum thickness that is listed in the following table replace the ring.
| Table 28 |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 247, 257, 267, 277, and 287 |
| Component | Minimum Thickness |
| Sprocket Rings | 4.75 mm (0.19 inch) |

**Sprocket Bearings - Lubricate**

**SMCS Code:** 4164-086-BD; 7551-086-JK

**S/N:** ZSA1-3999

**S/N:** CYC1-1399

**S/N:** MDH1-4699

**S/N:** SLK1-7299

**S/N:** MTL1-5074

**NOTICE**

The service interval for the lubrication of the sprocket bearings should be reduced to every 500 service hours if the machine is operated in wet and muddy conditions.

1. Use a mallet in order to pound the housing plug inward until the plug falls out of the housing. If the plug was damaged during removal, replace the plug.

2. Wipe the old grease out of the housing.

3. Pull out the bearing seal. Replace the seal if the seal is damaged.

4. Pack the bearing with clean grease and push the seal into position. Place clean grease on the outside of the seal in order to protect the seal.

5. If the old housing plug is reinstalled, reverse the housing plug and pound the plug into the housing.

**Sprocket Bearings - Lubricate**

**SMCS Code:** 4164-086-BD; 7551-086-JK

**S/N:** ZSA4000-Up

**S/N:** CYC1400-Up

**S/N:** MDH4700-Up

**Note:** The bearing requires no maintenance under normal conditions. If the machine is used in wet conditions or muddy conditions, the bearings should be inspected, cleaned, and repacked at 1000 hours with 8T1808 grease.

1. The housing plug is a rubber plug. Use a screwdriver in order to remove the plug.

2. Wipe the old grease out of the housing.

3. Pull out the bearing seal. Replace the seal if the seal is damaged.

4. Pack the bearing with clean grease and push the seal into position. Place clean grease on the outside of the seal in order to protect the seal.
Sprocket Retaining Nuts - Check

SMCS Code: 4164-535-NT

Check the torque on the nuts for new sprockets or for sprockets that have been reinstalled after every ten service hours until the specified torque is maintained.

Check the nuts on both sprockets. Use a star pattern when you tighten the nuts.

Tighten the nuts for the 247 and 257 to the following torque 175 ± 30 N·m (129 ± 22 lb ft).

Tighten the nuts for the 267, 277 and 287 to the following torque 270 ± 40 N·m (199 ± 30 lb ft).

Tilt Cylinder Bearings and Bucket Linkage Bearings - Lubricate

SMCS Code: 5104-086-BD; 6107-086-BD

Wipe all of the grease fittings before you apply lubricant.

Note: Lubricate the fittings with the loader lift arms in the fully lowered position.

Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (1) for the upper bearings for the tilt cylinders.

Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (2) for the lower bearings for the tilt cylinders.

Apply lubricant to the grease fittings (3) for the coupler engagement pins.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (4) for the pivot pin of the quick coupler assembly.

There are a total of 8 grease fittings.

Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust

SMCS Code: 4197; 4198-025; 4198-040

Periodic adjustment of the track tension is necessary in order to avoid damage to the tracks. Maintaining the tracks at the proper tension will maximize the service life of the undercarriage components. The undercarriage components include the sleeves of the drive sprocket, the rings of the drive sprocket, the wheels, and the track.

Track guides are recommended for the 267B and 277B if the machine will be frequently operated on side slopes or very rough terrain.
NOTICE
Do not overtighten the tracks. Tracks that are too tight can cause premature failure of the tracks. Tracks that are too tight can cause power loss and bearing failures.

Tracks that are too loose increase the possibility of the track derailing or the drive lugs mis-feeding on the drive sprocket. In aggressive operating conditions, occasional mis-feeding is normal. If consistent mis-feeding is observed, ensure that the track tension is set to the recommended specification. If the track tension is set to the recommended specification and mis-feeding is still observed, then your application may require a tighter track tension. Increase the track tension until consistent mis-feeding is no longer observed.

The intervals for track tension vary depending on the following conditions: the machine application, the operator, the soil conditions, the climate, and the condition of the undercarriage components. Operators are responsible for basic visual inspections of the track tension on a daily basis.

Track Adjustment for the 247B and 257B

1. Place approximately 45 kg (100 lb) between the drive sprocket and the idlers. Place a straight edge across the drive sprocket and idlers. Measure the track sag between the bottom of the straight edge and the top of the track. The track sag should be set at 12 mm (0.5 inch). If the track needs adjustment proceed with the following steps.

2. Loosen the jam nut (1).

3. Turn the adjuster (2) in order to raise or lower the drive sprocket.

Note: In order to detension the track for removal, fully lower the drive sprocket.

4. Tighten the jam nut to the following torque 270 ± 40 N·m (199 ± 30 lb ft).

5. Recheck the track tension.

Track Adjustment for the 267B and 277B

1. Place approximately 45 kg (100 lb) between the drive sprocket and the track tensioner. Place a straight edge across the drive sprocket and track tensioner. Measure the track sag between the bottom of the straight edge and the top of the track. The track sag should be set at 12 mm (0.5 inch). If the track needs adjustment proceed with the following steps.
2. Remove the tool that is provided for tensioning the track. The tool is stored inside the engine compartment. The two parts of the tool must be assembled before the tool can be used.

3. Install the tool (3). Ratchet the tool in order to remove any pressure that is being placed on the bolts (2). Remove the two bolts, lockwashers and locknuts (2). Ratchet the tool in order to pivot the idlers (1).

4. Pivot the idlers forward until you are able to reinstall the two bolts in the next available holes. Reinstall the two bolts, lockwashers and locknuts. Tighten the two bolts to the following torque 120 N·m (89 lb ft). Remove the tool.

**Note:** In order to detension the track for removal, pivot the idlers backward.

**Note:** If the idler is already in a vertical position it may be necessary to relocate the mounting bolts for the drive frame into the second set of holes that is provided in order to achieve the proper track tension. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Adjustment of the Drive Frame for the 267 and 277” for the correct procedure.

5. Recheck the tension of the track.

**Adjustment of the Drive Frame for the 267B and 277B**

1. Fully lower the wheels that tension the track so that all tension is removed from the track. Remove the bolts (1), (2) and (3) that secure the drive frame.

**Note:** The bolt (2) is located on the opposite side of the drive frame from bolt (3). It will be necessary to raise the body of the machine in order to gain access to this bolt.
2. Install the tool into the brackets (A). Position the tool so that the fixed end of the tool is positioned inside the hooks. Slide the pin that is located on the other end of the tool through the holes in the undercarriage in order to secure the tool. Ratchet the tool in order to move the drive frame backward. Continue to move the drive frame until the second set of mounting holes are visible and the three bolts can be reinstalled. Tighten the bolts. Adjust the track tension.

**Note:** A pry bar may be needed in order to lift the drive frame upward when you move the drive frame rearward.

**Note:** Ensure that the drive lugs of the track do not contact the front axle.

### Track Adjustment for the 287B ZSA1-544

1. Place approximately 45 kg (100 lb) between the drive sprocket and the idlers. Place a straight edge across the drive sprocket and idlers. Measure the track sag between the bottom of the straight edge and the top of the track. **The track sag should be set at 12 mm (0.5 inch).** If the track needs adjustment proceed with the following steps.

2. Remove the tool that is provided for tensioning the track. The tool is stored inside the engine access door.

3. Install the track tensioner. The square portion of the bracket assembly for the track tensioner fits into the square cutouts on top of the undercarriage.

4. Loosen the jam nut and turn the adjuster in order to align the bore of the track tensioner with the holes in the mounting brackets on the drive frame.

5. Install the retaining pin through the holes and install the lock pin in order to secure the retaining pin.
6. Keep the jam nut loosened and turn the adjuster in order to tighten the turnbuckle. The track tensioner should be tight enough to hold the weight of the drive frame.

7. Remove the four retaining bolts (1).

8. Turn the adjuster in order to move the drive frame rearward. Turn the adjuster until the four bolts can be loosely installed into the next set of mounting holes.

9. Recheck the tension per Step 1.

   If the sag that is measured is 12 mm (0.5 inch), tighten the bolts to a torque of 215 ± 40 N·m (159 ± 30 lb ft).

   If the sag that is measured is NOT 12 mm (0.5 inch), repeat Step 6 through Step 6.

10. Turn the adjuster slightly in order to relieve tension.

   Note: Maintain a tension that is sufficient for retaining the track tensioner in the stored position on the undercarriage.

11. Tighten the jam nut to a torque of 270 ± 40 N·m (199 ± 30 lb ft).

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Track Adjustment for the 287B ZSA545-up

1. Place approximately 45 kg (100 lb) between the drive sprocket and the idlers. Place a straight edge across the drive sprocket and idlers. Measure the track sag between the bottom of the straight edge and the top of the track. The track sag should be set at 12 mm (0.5 inch). If the track needs adjustment proceed with the following steps.

2. Locate the track tensioner on the undercarriage frame.
3. Remove the two retaining bolts (1) in the front of the drive assembly.

4. Loosen the jam nut and turn the adjuster in order to move the drive assembly in the required direction.

5. Keep the jam nut loosened. The track tensioner should be tight enough to hold the weight of the drive frame.

6. Recheck the tension per Step 1.

   If the sag that is measured is 12 mm (0.5 inch), reinstall the two retaining bolts into the undercarriage. Tighten the bolts to a torque of 240 ± 40 N·m (177 ± 30 lb ft).

   If the sag that is measured is NOT 12 mm (0.5 inch), repeat Step 4 through Step 6.

7. Tighten the jam nut to a torque of 270 ± 40 N·m (199 ± 30 lb ft).

Additional Adjustment for the 287

In certain situations, the tracks are in usable condition but the normal adjustment procedure will not tension the track to the recommended specification. By reversing the position of the 238-7709 Bracket, additional track tension can be achieved. This is possible because the slot for the brackets is offset. Reversing the brackets will increase the distance between the idler wheels, which results in additional tension on the track. See Illustration 192.

Note: In order to access the brackets, refer to the procedure for removing the idler wheels in the Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Bogie and Idler - Inspect/Replace”.

Reversing the four 238-7709 Bracket will increase the distance between the idler wheels by 24 mm (0.94 inch). After you reverse the brackets and after you reassemble the components for the undercarriage frame, check for proper track tension. Refer to the procedure “Track Adjustment for the 287”.

Illustration 191
Reverse the four brackets (1) by rotating each bracket by 180°. See Detail A.
**Track (Rubber) - Remove/Replace**

**SMCS Code:** 4197; 4198-011; 4198-510

### Removing the Track 247B and 257B

**Note:** Refer to the table for the tooling that is needed in order to remove the tracks and install the tracks.

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(1) The Kit includes the Cap, the insert, and the Installation Tool.

1. Position the machine on firm, level ground.

2. Remove any work tool that is attached to the quick coupler.

3. Raise the loader arms and install the brace for the loader lift arm. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Loader Lift Arm Brace Operation”.

4. Use an appropriate floor jack in order to lift the machine off the ground. Use appropriate jack stands in order to block up the machine.

5. Detension the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust”.

6. Remove the snap ring (1) and the dust cover (2).

7. Remove the nut (3) and the washer (4).

8. Thread the cap onto the end of the axle shaft.

**Note:** If the cap is not installed, the seal on the wheel will be damaged.
9. Use a large mallet in order to strike the inside of the track. This will cause the wheel bearing to pop out of the wheel. The bearing must come out of the wheel in order for the wheel to be removed. A pry bar may be needed in order to remove the wheel completely.

10. Remove the track.

**Installing the Track 247B and 257B**

1. Install the cap.

2. Lubricate the wheel and the inside of the track in order to ease the installation of the track. Pull the track onto the wheels.

3. Inspect the seal on the wheel. Replace the seal if the seal is damaged.

4. Use the installation tool for the track in order to install the wheel onto the shaft. Remove the cap.

5. Use a mallet in order to seat the wheel on the shaft.
6. Install the washer (1) and the nut (2). Torque the nut to the following torque 168 ± 30 N·m (124 ± 22 lb ft).

7. Install the dust cap (3) and the snap ring (4).

8. Tension the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust”.

Removing the Track 267B and 277B

1. Position the machine on firm, level ground.

2. Remove any work tool that is attached to the quick coupler. The quick coupler is mounted to the front of the loader arms.

3. Raise the loader arms and install the brace for the loader lift arm. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Loader Lift Arm Brace Operation”.

4. Detension the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust”.

5. Use an appropriate floor jack to lift the machine so that the track is nearly off of the ground. Use appropriate jack stands in order to block up the machine.

6. Remove the three bolts (1),(2) and (3) that secure the drive frame.

Note: The bolt (2) is located on the opposite side of the drive frame from bolt (3). It will be necessary to raise the body of the machine in order to gain access to this bolt.

Note: When you reinstall the three bolts, tighten bolts (2) and (3) to the following torque 120 ± 20 N·m (89 ± 15 lb ft). When you reinstall the bolt (1) tighten the bolt to the following torque 430 ± 60 N·m (317 ± 44 lb ft).

7. Install the track adjusting tool into the brackets (A). Ratchet the tool in order to slide the drive frame forward.

Note: When you reinstall the track you must slide the drive frame rearward into the original position. A pry bar may be needed in order to pry the drive frame upward when you slide the drive frame rearward.
8. Remove the two bolts and the locknuts (7). Remove the four bolts and lockwashers (5). Remove the support plate for the drive sprocket (6).

**Note:** When you reinstall the bolts (6) tighten the bolts to the following torque \(120 \pm 20 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} (89 \pm 15 \text{ lb ft})\). When you reinstall the bolts (7) tighten the bolts to the following torque \(105 \pm 20 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} (77 \pm 15 \text{ lb ft})\).

9. Remove the twelve bolts (4) that retain the drive sprocket to the drive motor.

**Note:** When you reinstall the bolts (4) tighten the bolts to the following torque \(270 \pm 40 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} (199 \pm 30 \text{ lb ft})\).

10. Use a lifting device that is suitable in order to lift the track. Lift the track in order to remove the drive sprocket. It may be necessary to insert a chock in front of the rear idler in order to prevent the track from spinning as you lift the track.

11. Remove the drive sprocket.

12. Remove the lifting device from the track. The lifting device is not required for removing the track from the machine.

13. Grasp the track on top of the drive sprocket. Pull the top of the track upward and pull the track to the outside. Slide the track past the bogies. Lift the track off the front idlers.

### Installing the Track 267B and 277B

1. Follow the steps in reverse order in order to replace the track.

2. Tighten the track to the proper tension. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust".

### Removing the Track 287B (S/N: ZSA1-544)

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1. Use Tooling (A) to support the machine.
2. Remove bolts (3) on both sides of the undercarriage.

3. Release the tension on the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust”.

4. Remove pins (1). Remove track tensioner (2).

5. Use a suitable lifting device to support track (4). The weight of track (4) is approximately 136 kg (300 lb).

6. Use the track tensioner and slide the drive frame forward into the bracket.

7. Fully insert one of the bolts (5) for the drive frame through the bracket and the drive frame. Remove the track tensioner. Use a suitable pry bar to swing track drive (6) away from the machine.

8. Lubricate front idler wheels (7) with a solution of soap and water. Use a suitable pry bar to remove track (4).
Installing the Track 287B (S/N: ZSA1-544)

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1. Use a suitable lifting device to support track (4). The weight of track (4) is approximately 136 kg (300 lb).

2. Install the track loosely onto the undercarriage. The first row of drive lugs at the rear portion of the track should be installed between the rear idler wheels.

3. Remove bolts (9) in order to install Tooling (B). Removal of bolts (9), which are the retaining bolts for the bogie axle group, will release the axle’s retainer plate.

4. Install Tooling (B).

5. Lubricate the wheels and the track’s drive lugs with a solution of soap and water in order to facilitate installation of the track.
6. Pull the handle of Tooling (B) away from the machine in order to push the track over the front idler wheel.

**Note:** Multiple repositioning of Tooling (B) on the track may be required in order to completely install the track.

7. Remove Tooling (B). Place the axle’s retaining plate in position and install bolts (9). Tighten bolts to a torque of 50 ± 10 N·m (37 ± 7 lb ft).

8. In order to use Tooling (B) for installation of the track on the rear idler wheels, remove mounting plate (C) by removing bolt (E) that installs handle (D) to mounting plate (C). Then, rotate mounting plate (C) for 180° and reinstall handle (D) with bolt (E). Tighten bolt (E) to a torque of 47 ± 9 N·m (35 ± 7 lb ft).

9. Remove bolts (9) in order to install Tooling (B). Removal of bolts (9), which are the retaining bolts for the bogie axle group, will release the axle’s retainer plate.

10. Install Tooling (B).
11. Lubricate the wheels and the track's drive lugs with a solution of soap and water in order to facilitate installation of the track.

12. Pull the handle of Tooling (B) away from the machine in order to push the track over the rear idler wheels.

**Note:** Multiple repositionings of Tooling (B) on the track may be required in order to completely install the track.

13. Remove Tooling (B). Place the axle's retainer plate in position and reinstall bolts (9). Tighten bolts to a torque of 50 ± 10 N·m (37 ± 7 lb ft).

14. Use a suitable pry bar in order to reposition track drive (6). Remove bolt (5).

15. Use a suitable lifting device to support the track. Install track (4) onto the track drive.

16. Place track tensioner (2) in position and install pins (1).

17. Install bolts (3) on both sides of the undercarriage.

18. Adjust the tension on the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, "Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust".
19. Remove Tooling (A) from the machine.

Removing the Track 287B (S/N: ZSA545-Up)

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1. Use Tooling (A) to support the machine.

2. Remove bolt (3) and spacer (8) on both sides of the undercarriage.

Note: The track drive may need to be moved forward in order to provide access to bolt (3) on the inside of the track drive. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust”.

3. Remove bolt (5) on both sides of the undercarriage.

4. Loosen the jam nut and turn the adjuster in order to move the drive assembly.
5. Use the track tensioner (2) in order to move the track drive forward onto the flat portion of the undercarriage. Remove pins (1). Remove track tensioner (2).

6. Use a suitable lifting device to support track (4). The weight of track (4) is approximately 136 kg (300 lb).

7. Align the drive frame and the bracket on the undercarriage. Install bolt (5). Use a suitable pry bar to reposition track drive (6) away from the machine.

8. Lubricate front idler wheels (7) with a solution of soap and water. Use a suitable pry bar to remove track (4).
Installing the Track 287B (S/N: ZSA545-up)

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1. Use a suitable lifting device to support track (4). The weight of track (4) is approximately 136 kg (300 lb).

2. Install the track loosely onto the undercarriage. Position the first row of the drive lugs at the rear portion of the track between the rear idler wheels.

3. Remove bolts (9) in order to install Tooling (B). Removal of bolts (9), which are the retaining bolts for the bogie axle group, will release the axle’s retainer plate.

4. Install Tooling (B).

5. To facilitate installation of the track, lubricate the wheels and the track’s drive lugs with a solution of soap and water.
6. Pull the handle of Tooling (B) away from the machine in order to push the track over the front idler wheel.

**Note:** Multiple repositioning of Tooling (B) on the track may be required in order to completely install the track.

7. Remove Tooling (B). Place the axle’s retaining plate in position and reinstall bolts (9). Tighten the bolts to a torque of 50 ± 10 N·m (39 ± 7 lb ft).

8. In order to use Tooling (B) for installation of the track on the rear idler wheels, remove mounting plate (C) by removing bolt (E) that installs handle (D) to mounting plate (C). Then, rotate mounting plate (C) for 180° and reinstall handle (D) with bolt (E). Tighten bolt (E) to a torque of 47 ± 9 N·m (35 ± 7 lb ft).

9. Remove bolts (9) in order to install Tooling (B). Removal of bolts (9), which are the retaining bolts for the bogie axle group, will release the axle’s retainer plate.

10. Install Tooling (B).

11. Lubricate the wheels and the track’s drive lugs with a solution of soap and water in order to facilitate installation of the track.

12. Pull the handle of Tooling (B) away from the machine in order to push the track over the rear idler wheels.

**Note:** Multiple repositionings of Tooling (B) on the track may be required in order to completely install the track.

13. Remove Tooling (B). Place the axle’s retainer plate in position and reinstall bolts (9). Tighten the bolts to a torque of 50 ± 10 N·m (39 ± 7 lb ft).
14. Use a suitable pry bar in order to reposition track drive (6). Remove bolt (5).

15. Use a suitable lifting device to support the track. Install track (4) onto the track drive.

16. Place track tensioner (2) in position and install pins (1).

17. Move the drive frame rearward until the rear bolts (3) and spacers (8) can be installed in the drive frame. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust”. Install bolt (3) and spacer (8) on both sides of the undercarriage. Tighten bolts to a torque of 215 ± 40 N·m (159 ± 30 lb ft).

18. Adjust the tension of the track. Refer to Operation and Maintenance Manual, “Track (Rubber) - Inspect/Adjust”.
19. Install bolt (5) on both sides of the undercarriage. Tighten bolts to a torque of 240 ± 40 N·m (177 ± 30 lb ft).

**Note:** For detailed instructions about track installation, refer to Disassembly and Assembly, RENR4884, “Track (Rubber) - Remove and Install”.

20. Remove Tooling (A) from the machine.

**Window Washer Reservoir - Fill (If Equipped)**

**SMCS Code:** 7305-040; 7305-510

**NOTICE**
When operating in freezing temperatures, use Caterpillar nonfreezing window washer solvent or equivalent. System damage can result from freezing.

The reservoir for the window washer solvent is located inside the cab on the left side.

Fill the reservoir with window washer solvent.

**Window Wiper - Inspect/Replace (If Equipped)**

**SMCS Code:** 7306-544-KE

Inspect the condition of the front window wiper blade. Replace the window wiper blade if the window wiper blade is worn or damaged. If the window wiper blade streaks the window, replace the window wiper blade.

**Windows - Clean**

**SMCS Code:** 7310-070

Use commercially available window cleaning solutions in order to clean the windows. The side windows of the cab can be removed for cleaning. Refer to the following procedure in order to remove the side windows.
1. Release the latch (2) in order to remove the window (1). Pull downward on the window in order to remove the window. Pull outward on the window in order to remove the window.

2. Release the latch (4) in order to remove the window (3). Pivot the channel for the window downward. Pull the window outward in order to remove the window.

3. Slide the window (5) forward. Pull the window outward in order to remove the window.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (1) for the pivot pin of the apron.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (2) for the rod end of the multipurpose bucket cylinder.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting (3) for the head end of the multipurpose bucket cylinder.

Repeat for the other side of the bucket.

There are six grease fittings.

**Utility Grapple Tools**

Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the grapples.

Apply lubricant to the two fittings for the grapple cylinder.

There are six grease fittings.
Industrial Grapple Tools

Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the fork cylinders.

Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the two forks.

There are eight grease fittings.

Grapple Rake

Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the grapple cylinders.

Apply lubricant to the four grease fittings for the two grapples.

There are eight grease fittings.

Angle Blade

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the rod end of the angle cylinder.
Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the horizontal pivot point of the blade.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the vertical pivot point of the blade. Repeat for opposite side of the blade.

This is a bottom view of the angle blade.

Apply lubricant to the grease fitting on the pivot point of the cylinder.

There are five grease fittings.

SMCS Code: 6700-040-BK
Inspect upper angled plate (1) and ensure that the plate is not bent or otherwise damaged. Inspect holes (2) for wear and for damage. Inspect lower angled plate (3) and ensure that the plate is not bent or otherwise damaged. If any wear is suspected or any damage is suspected, consult your Caterpillar dealer before you use the work tool.