Generator Maintenance

Fuel

Add fuel stabilizer to the gasoline to prolong its life. Follow instructions on the additive's container.

Periodic Operation

With the fuel stabilizer, the generator should be run for about 10 minutes every 3 months. This has been scheduled for the early in the months of January, April, July, and October.

Large Generator

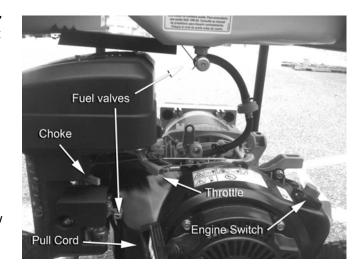
Starting

- 1. Move the generator outside. (Exhaust fumes in a confined space can be deadly.)
- 2. Check the oil level. (Put a rag or cloth underneath in case some oil runs out.)
- 3. Check the fuel level. (The gauge isn't accurate.)
- 4. Open both fuel valves. Rotates the handle on the left down. Turn the one on the fuel tank counterclockwise.
- 5. Close the choke by pushing the handle to the left.
- 6. Move the Engine Switch to ON.
- 7. Pull the Pull Cord multiple times. (It's not unusual to require 10 or more pulls.)
- 8. Once it starts, move the throttle to the left to increase engine speed.
- As it warms up it will begin to run rough. As this happens open the choke. <u>WARNING</u>: Letting it run with the choke closed will foul the spark plug, waste gas, and produce an eye-burning exhaust.

If it won't start, it's either flooded (too much fuel), not enough fuel, or the cord isn't being pulled fast enough. If it's too much fuel, you will smell gas. Open the choke and continue pulling the starter cord. If after another 10 pulls or so it hasn't started, close the choke and start over. (If you have starter fluid, remove the cover on the side and spray some into the carburetor intake.)

Turning Off

- 1. Move the throttle fully to the right to slow the engine to idle.
- 2. Move the Engine Switch to OFF.
- 3. Close the fuel valves.



Small Generator

Starting

- 1. Move the generator outside. (Exhaust fumes in a confined space can be deadly.)
- 2. Check the oil level. (Put a rag or cloth underneath in case some oil runs out.)
- 3. Check the fuel level.
- 4. Close the choke by pulling the knob out.
- 5. Move the Engine Switch to ON. (Knob points upward.)
- 6. Pull the Pull Cord multiple times. (It's not unusual to require 10 or more pulls.)
- 7. As it warms up it will begin to run rough. As this happens open the choke by pushing the knob in. <u>WARNING</u>: Letting it run with the choke closed will foul the spark plug, waste gas, and produce an eye-burning exhaust.

If it won't start, it's either flooded (too much fuel), not enough fuel, or the cord isn't being pulled fast enough. If it's too much fuel, you will smell gas. Open the choke and continue pulling the starter cord. If after another 10 pulls or so it hasn't started, close the choke and start over. (If you have starter fluid, remove the cover on the side and spray some into the carburetor intake.)

Turning Off

1. Move the Engine Switch to OFF.

