



TK-180

Portable Tank Cleaning & Fuel Transfer System

Operation and Maintenance

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

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Flow Rate	approx. 3 gpm / 180 gph (12 l/min / 720 l/h)
Outline Dimensions	12" (305mm) x 13" (330mm) x 12.5" (320mm) (L x W x H)
System Weight	12.5 lbs (5.7 kg)
Operating Temperature	32 - 104° F (0 - 40° C)
Electrical	12 V DC, 10 A (standard) - 24 V DC / 5 A – with fuse
Pump	Brass Gear Pump
Suction capability	5 ft (1.5m) vertical lift (lines >1/2", primed)
Max. allowed discharge pressure	28 PSI (1.8 bar)
Inlet / Outlet	1/2" hose barb
Inlet / Outlet ports on pump head	3/8" BSPP
Max. Fluid Viscosity	46 cSt
Fluids	Diesel fuel, hydraulic, engine and lube oil, water, antifreeze
Strainer (40 Mesh / 380 Micron)	TK-070
Fuel Conditioner	LG-X 500
Fuel Filter w/ clear bowl (15 Mic. WB Cartridge)	TK-080 (TK-082 replacement cartridge)
Pressure Gauge.....	CI-12

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

TK systems are equipped with either a 12 V DC or 24 V DC motor. Connect the positive pole of your battery with the red wire connector of the TK first and then the black wire to the negative battery pole. After the initial hook up check system operation to insure the pump is running in the right direction. If the motor is running in the opposite direction or is not running at all, reverse the two electrical leads. Prime the pump and strainer. The TK system is now ready for action.

The TK is an excellent, compact and versatile tank cleaning and fuel polishing system. Step one in fuel polishing is always the removal of water and sludge from the tank bottom straight into an appropriate waste container. Insert the suction hose so that the end reaches the lowest point in the tank (this can also be achieved by using a straight pipe connected to the end of the hose). After that has been accomplished, circulate the fuel through the TK system back to the tank until the appearance of the fuel is "Clear & Bright", the filters elements stay clean and the reading on the pressure gauge will not rise any more.

In most instances, circulating the fuel through a combination of LG-X Fuel Conditioner and fuel filter 2-4 times will do the job. Final polishing should be done with the TK-082 15 micron water blocking filter element. For tanks with heavy sedimentation we recommend to use the cleanable wire mesh TK-083/4 element for initial tank cleaning.

In marine applications, the TK system can be used in connection with the existing onboard primary filter/water-separator. Hooked up in this way, the fuel can flow from the tank to the onboard primary filter, through the TK and then back to the tank, either through the return line, an inspection port or the fill pipe. Please make sure the flow rate of your existing primary filter matches the flow rate of the TK.

Note: The TK-180 is not designed for permanent installation.

The application of a "Water Block" filter element (e.g. TK-082) will remove emulsified water from your fuel. The use of Algae-X Fuel Catalyst, AFC-705, will accelerate the tank cleaning process. AFC-705 should be applied after free water and sludge have first been removed from the tank.

Use proper quality approved fuel line materials with at least 1/2" inner diameter and up to 15 ft in length for the suction hose to connect TK-180 to accessories and/or tanks. For more viscous fluids the hose length should be shortened and ID increased. Fuel lines that are too long, or have an ID that is too small will place excessive load on the pump motor and may shorten its life.

**The TK-180 is designed to meet environmental standards for safe operation.
Larger capacity systems available.**

STABILIZING AND OPTIMIZING FUEL QUALITY

The use of **AFC-705 is an essential part of any tank cleaning procedure**, to more rapidly and efficiently decontaminate and clean the **entire fuel system**. AFC-705 will decontaminate compartments of the tank that are out of reach of the suction line. Depending on the condition of the fuel and the amount of sludge build-up, it is recommended to initially use a double dose of one to twenty-five hundred (1:2500 or 1 oz : 20 gallons of fuel), instead of the normal maintenance ratio of one to five thousand (1:5000 or 1 oz : 40 gallons of fuel). This has proven to be very helpful to enhance and accelerate the tank cleaning process by breaking down and dissolving tank sludge. AFC-705 contains detergent, surfactant, dispersant, corrosion inhibitor, lubricity enhancer, fuel stabilizer and combustion catalyst. It does NOT contain biocides.

AFC-705 should always be used periodically to stabilize fuel stored for 90 days or more.



! WARNING ! DO NOT USE WITH GASOLINE. This System is not meant for use with gasoline nor with other flammable liquids having a flash point less than 100°F (38°C). Use with gasoline or any flammable liquids at a temperature exceeding their flash point, presents explosion and fire hazards. Motor is NOT explosion proof. Do not use within 20 ft (6m) of hazardous locations where explosive vapors may be present.



! WARNING ! Gear pumps are capable of developing extremely high pressure. Care must be taken not to operate the pump with either the suction (inlet) or discharge (outlet) lines closed or obstructed. If the pump is allowed to run without fuel serious damage may occur. Only run the system when you are able to supervise it. Unattended Operating of the TK-180 is NOT recommended.



! WARNING ! Some fuels may have been treated with biocides. Biocides are extremely toxic and may enter the body through the skin. Use adequate protection and avoid contact.

Note: Water, fuel and sediments removed from the tank should be handled and disposed in accordance with Federal, State and Local regulations.

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