



RECALL Bulletin 007
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Velke Hydro Fuel Tank Protector Plate Recall

Subject: **MANDATORY INSTALL:** FUEL TANK PROTECTOR PLATE, WV & WVP. (PN91420014)

Units

Affected: Velke Quad Lever and Pistol Grip Hydro drive mowers serial numbers 20162 thru 49112.

Situation: The high pressure hydraulic lines are wearing into the fuel tanks. Each affected unit will be required to have this recall performed. This is a **mandatory** recall and must be performed by Feb. 1, 2010.

Incidents

Injuries: WMI has received two reports of fuel tank rupture due to wear. WMI has **not** received any reports of fires or injuries, however, WMI strongly recommends any and all applicable WV / WVP's be in compliance by Feb. 1 2010 to avoid potential hazards.

The Fix: Immediately install protector plate on ANY applicable Velke mower. Follow installation instructions and use parts provided. Only if fuel tank is leaking should it be replaced.

Claim

Procedure: File an on-line warranty claim. Select "Service Recall" for Claim Type. For "Service Recall #", type RB007, "Scenario #", type n/a. The claim must be filled out completely, including part number of the protector plate (91420014). This information is very important for tracking purposes. 1.0 hr of labor allowed per machine for this bulletin.

Velke Fuel Tank Protector Plate Installation Instructions Part # 91420014

These instructions will cover both bolt-on and strap style fuel tanks

1. Turn off fuel shut off valve.
2. It may be necessary to remove the fuel line from the fuel tank. The tank will need to be lifted approx. 6" to install the protector plate.
3. a) Strap style fuel tank - Remove tank strap bolts and pull straps forward. (Fig.1) If tank is leaking, replace tank with new bolt-on tank kit # 95410004.
b) Bolt-on style fuel tank – Remove 4 mounting bolts. (Fig. 2) If tank is leaking, replace tank with part # 41410022.



Figure 1

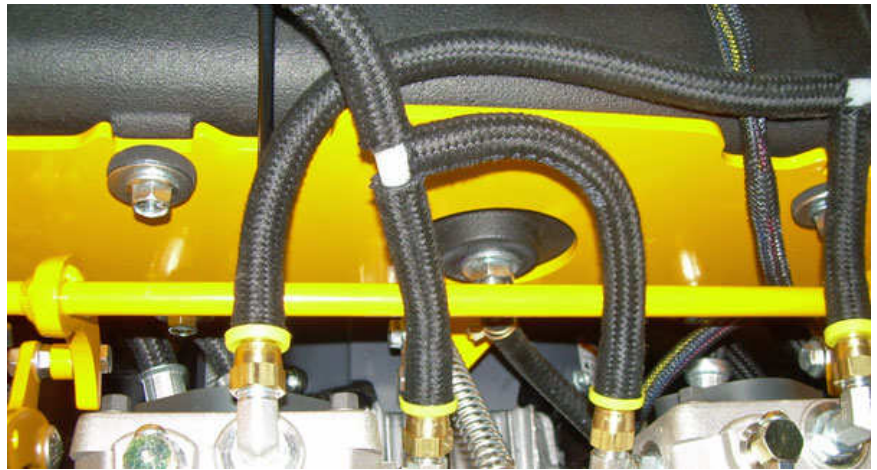


Figure 2

4. Lift the fuel tank enough for the protector plate to slide under the tank and install the plate. *The protector plate needs to be installed from the left side of the Velke.*



5. a) Strap style tanks - slide the plate forward slightly and install the straps into the slots on the protector plate. (Figures 3) Re-install strap hardware and tighten. (Zip tie above the bolt hole aids in re-installing strap bolts)



Figures 3



- b) Bolt-on tanks - line up tank mounting holes and holes in protector plate, install and tighten fuel tank bolts.

6. Connect fuel line if disconnected.
7. Turn on fuel valve.

