

# Installation and Troubleshooting Guide



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# CDI P/N: 194-8736K 1 Voltage Regulator Kit 6 Cylinder

This kit will replace all of the 18736 series regulator/rectifiers. **NOTE: This conversion kit requires a 174-9610K2 or 398-9610 stator with 4 yellow wires.** 

## **WARNINGS:**

This product is designed for installation by a professional marine mechanic. CDI cannot be held liable for injury or damage resulting from improper installation, abuse, neglect or misuse of this product.

DO NOT USE A MAINTAINENCE FREE, AGM OR DRY CELL BATTERY WITH THIS TYPE REGULATOR/RECTIFIER!!!

NEVER DISCONNECT THE BATTERY WHILE THE ENGINE IS RUNNING AS THIS MAY BURN OUT THE REGULATOR/RECTIFIERS. If the boat is equipped with a battery switch, make sure that it is a make before break type.

#### INSTALLATION

NOTE: This conversion kit requires a stator with 4 yellow wires. Connecting a 2 yellow wire stator to one of the regulators will burn out the regulator (NOT covered under warranty).

- 1. Disconnect the battery negative post.
- 2. Disconnect the green wires from the ignition coils and the high tension leads from the spark plugs.
- 3. Disconnect the old regulator/rectifier.
- Remove the coil plate covering the regulator/rectifier.
- 5. Remove the old regulator/rectifier.
- 6. Clean the gasket area where the o-ring sealed the old regulator/rectifier.
- 7. Connect the top new regulator/rectifier to the stator's short Yellow wires (please verify the two Yellow stator wires are from the same winding by checking the resistance between the two wires approximately 0.5 ohms).
- 8. Connect the Bottom new regulator/rectifier to the stator's long Yellow wires (please verify the two Yellow stator wires are from the same winding by checking the resistance between the two wires approximately 0.5 ohms).
- 9. Connect the Grey tachometer lead from the top regulator/rectifier to the terminal strips Grey terminal.
- NOTE: The small red wire and the purple wire are not used in this application.
   SERVICE NOTE: It is recommended that dielectric grease (i.e. CDI P/N 991-9705) be used in the bullet nose connectors to help prevent corrosion.
- 11. Using the new spacers and bolts, mount the new regulator/rectifier plate assembly with the coil plate. (Wires up).
- 12. Re-install the coil plate assembly.
- 13. Reconnect the green wires to the ignition coils and the high tension leads to the spark plugs.

INSTALLATION NOTE: These regulator/rectifiers will cause a small spark when you reconnect the battery and will draw a very small amount of current from the battery (Less than 0.01 amp).

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

# **Tachometer**

- At 800-1000 RPM, check output on the gray wire, reading should be at least 8 volts with a DVA meter. A low reading usually indicates a bad regulator if the system is charging the battery. Try connecting the Grey tach lead to the other regulator/rectifier
- 2. Check the resistance between the Grey wire and engine ground. You should read above 100K (100,000) ohms. Grey to Red, and Grey to the yellow wires should be a high reading, usually in the M range.

#### **Maximum Output Test**

- 1. Install an ammeter capable of reading at least 40 amps in-line on the Red wire connected to the starter solenoid.
- 2. Connect a load bank to the battery.
- 3. In the water or on a Dynometer, start the engine and allow it to warm up.
- 4. Bring the engine RPM up to approximately 4500 in GEAR.
- 5. Turn on the load bank switches to increase the battery load to equal 40 Amps.
- 6. Check the ammeter.
- 7. If the amperage is low,
  - A) Check the load bank for battery draw.
  - B) Reconnect the ammeter between the Red wire from one of the regulator/rectifiers and the terminal strip. Retest. You should show about 20 Amps from each regulator/rectifier.

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C) If the output is still low, check and clean all connections between the battery and the regulator/rectifier plate.

8. If the amperage is correct, but the battery voltage remains low, replace the battery.

# **Bench Test**

### Diode plate check:

Test the forward diodes between the two yellow wires and the red wire. You should get a reading of about 45K (45,000) on one and a high reading on the other. Check the resistance from each of the yellow wires to case ground, you should get a reading of about 56K (56,000) on one and a high reading on the other. The red wire should read about 14K (14,000) ohms to ground.

#### **Tachometer Circuit**

Check the resistance between the gray wire and engine ground. You should read above 100K (100,000) ohms. Grey to Red, and Grey to the Yellow wires should be a high reading, usually in the M range.