

Hints for Trouble-Shooting

Before starting work on the carburetor, check spark plugs (electrode gap), distributor (breaker point gap), ignition timing, valves (valve play, compression) etc., as rather frequently the carburetor is blamed for trouble where these parts are responsible.

If in the course of time the carburetor develops trouble, this is mostly caused by the accumulation of dirt or gummed particles, dried-out or defective gaskets. In these cases the carburetor can be restored to working condition by carefully cleaning the float chamber, all jets, valves, injection pipes, ports and passages and blowing them out with compressed air and by replacing unserviceable gaskets and jets. If the trouble cannot be remedied by simply cleaning the carburetor, it is recommended to disassemble the carburetor and to clean and check all parts (see Section "disassembly of Carburetor"). Without checking all parts it is often not possible to trace down the cause of the trouble, as one trouble may have quite different causes.

To facilitate trouble-shooting of the carburetor, some possible troubles and their causes are described in the following.

Trouble	Cause	Remedy
High fuel consumption	Leaking float needle valve	Clean valve or replace, if necessary
	Defective gasket of float needle valve	Replace gasket
	Too high fuel level	Correct level
	Too high delivery pressure of fuel pump	Correct pressure
	Loose idle jets or main jet	Tighten jets
	Clogged idle suction pipes or air compensating jets	Clean jets and pipes
	Clogged mixing tubes	Clean mixing tubes (also bores on side)
	Starter slide not closing completely	a) Check whether starter slide sticks b) Test starter housing for leaks c) Check whether linkage moves easily
Loose carburetor cover	Tighten cover and check gasket	

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<p>Idling is poor Note: The idling performance can only be judged when engine is at operating temperature</p>	<p>Clogged idle fuel jet or idle suction pipes</p> <p>Loose mixing tube carrier</p> <p>Clogged idle ports and by-pass slots (by-pass ports)</p> <p>Contaminated suction passages</p> <p>Incorrect fuel level</p> <p>Too high delivery pressure of fuel pump</p> <p>Leaking float needle valve</p> <p>Damaged or broken idle mixture adjusting screw</p> <p>Worn-out throttle stem</p> <p>Dripping injection pipes</p>	<p>Clean jets or pipes, resp.</p> <p>Tin carrier carefully in recess and press in anew</p> <p>Clean ports</p> <p>Clean passages</p> <p>Correct level</p> <p>Correct pressure</p> <p>Replace valve or gasket, resp.</p> <p>Replace screw</p> <p>Replace throttle stem and throttle housing</p> <p>Set fuel level to lowest permissible limit</p>
<p>Idle mixture adjusting screw does not respond</p>	<p>Leaking throttle housing, suction pipe flange or pneumatic ignition control</p>	<p>Test seals with soap and water</p>
<p>Increased idling speed</p>	<p>Starting system not cut out completely</p> <p>Sticking throttle stem</p>	<p>Check starting system as described before</p> <p>Check stem</p>
<p>Carburetor is flooded</p>	<p>Leaking float needle valve</p> <p>Leaking float</p> <p>Defective float needle valve gasket</p>	<p>Replace valve</p> <p>Replace float</p> <p>Replace gasket</p>

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Transition is poor	Clogged idle jet Clogged by-pass slots (ports) Leaking injection pipe gasket Clogged or leaking injection pipes Incorrect injection volume Defective pump diaphragm	Clean jet Clean slots (ports) Replace gasket Replace pipes Correct volume Replace diaphragm
Engine starts poorly in cold condition	Starter slide not in starting position	Check starting system as described before
Engine runs poorly after cold starts	Clogged starter fuel jet Throttle valve not closing	Clean jet Free throttle valve
Engine starts poorly in hot condition	Starter slide not closing completely Too high fuel level	Check starting system as described before, free control cable Clean or replace float needle valve, replace gasket, check and correct pump pressure, correct fuel level
	Infiltrated air	See under poor idling