

Installation and Troubleshooting Guide

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SIERRA P/N: 18-5758-1

This unit replaces the following P/N's: 18-5758, 581649, 581924, 581926, 581927, 582452, 582453, 583380, and 583453. (No RPM Limit). This unit supersedes CDI P/N: 113-2453

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

How to test the Engine Stop Circuit (Kill) for DC Voltage:

1. DC voltage present on the kill circuit of the Power Pack due to a faulty key switch, boat harness, or engine harness will severely damage the Power Pack's internal kill circuit. Connect a Digital Multi Meter to the Ignition Stop wire AT THE POWER PACK while disconnected from the Power Pack in reference to a known good engine ground. Turn the Ignition switch on and off several times. If, at any time, you see over 2 VDC on the kill wire, there is a problem with one or both harnesses and/or the Ignition switch. The Ignition Stop wire should not be connected back to the new Power Pack at any point until the problem is corrected OR DAMAGE TO THE POWER PACK WILL OCCUR!

INSTALLATION

- 1. Disconnect the negative battery cable.
- 2. Disconnect the wires going to the old Power Pack.
- 3. Remove Power Pack mounting bolts.
- 4. Connect the wires from the new Power Pack to the Stator, Timer Sensor, and Ignition coils. Connect the Orange/Blue coil lead to the top Ignition coil and the Orange coil lead to the bottom Ignition coil.
- 5. Mount the new Power Pack using the original bolts.
- 6. Reconnect the battery cable.

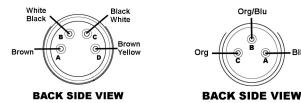
TROUBLESHOOTING

NO SPARK ON ANY CYLINDER:

- 1. Disconnect the Black/Yellow stop wire from the Power Pack and retest. If the engine's ignition has spark, the stop circuit has a fault. Check the key switch, harness, and shift switch (if present).
- 2. Disconnect the Yellow wires from the Regulator/Rectifier and retest. If the engine now has spark, replace the Regulator/Rectifier.
- 3. Check the resistance and DVA of the Stator and Timer Sensor:

Read from	Read to	OEM Ohms	Sierra Ohms	DVA (Connected)
Brown (Stator)	Brown/Yellow (Stator)	500-650 Ω	500-650 Ω	150 V Minimum
Brown (Stator)	Engine Gnd	Open	Open	150 V Minimum
Brown/Yellow (Stator)	Engine Gnd	Open	Open	150 V Minimum
Black/Yellow (Kill)	Engine Gnd	Open	Open	150 V Minimum
Black/White (#1 Sensor)	White/Black (#2 Sensor)	30-50 Ω	45-55 Ω	0.5 V Minimum

- 4. Check the DVA on the Black/Yellow kill wire coming out of the Power Pack. You should have a reading of at least 150 DVA or more. The Stator and Timer Base should be connected to the Power Pack for this test. If you do not, check the DVA on the Stator and Timer Base. If the DVA on the Stator and Timer Base is good but the DVA on the Black/Yellow Kill wire coming out of the Power Pack is low, the Power Pack is likely faulty.
- 5. Check wire pin-out as follows:



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6. Check the Stator input diodes connected inside the Power Pack using a meter set to diode scale. If the readings show a short or open, replace the Power Pack.

Red meter lead	Black meter lead	Diode Reading
Brown (Stator)	Black (Ground)	Reading*
Brown/Yellow (Stator)	Black (Ground)	Reading*
Black/Yellow (Kill)	Brown (Stator)	Reading*
Black/Yellow (Kill)	Brown/Yellow (Stator)	Reading*

^{*} This Measurement is with the meter set to the diode scale. Where you see the term "Reading" represents a reading on the meter. Actual Meter readings will vary depending on type of meter.

7. Check the cranking RPM. A cranking speed of less than 250 RPM may not allow the system to spark properly. This can be caused by a weak battery, dragging starter, bad battery cables, or a mechanical problem inside the engine.

NO SPARK OR INTERMITTENT ON ONE OR MORE CYLINDERS:

1. Check the resistance and DVA of the Stator and Timer Sensor:

Read from	Read to	OEM Ohms	Sierra Ohms	DVA (Connected)
Brown (Stator)	Brown/Yellow (Stator)	500-650 Ω	500-650 Ω	150 V Minimum
Brown (Stator)	Engine Gnd	Open	Open	150 V Minimum
Brown/Yellow (Stator)	Engine Gnd	Open	Open	150 V Minimum
Black/Yellow (Kill)	Engine Gnd	Open	Open	150 V Minimum
Black/White (#1 Sensor)	White/Black (#2 Sensor)	30-50 Ω	45-55 Ω	0.5 V Minimum

2. Check the DVA on the Orange wires from the Power Pack while connected to the Ignition coils. You should have a reading of at least 150 V or more. If the reading is low on one cylinder, disconnect the Orange wire from the Ignition coil for that cylinder and reconnect it to a Pack Load resistor. Retest. If the reading is now good, the Ignition coil is likely bad. A continued low reading usually indicates a bad Power Pack.

ENGINE WILL NOT STOP (KILL):

1. Disconnect the Black/Yellow wire at the Power Pack. Connect a jumper wire to the stop wire from the Power Pack and short it to engine ground. If this stops the Power Pack from sparking, the stop circuit has a fault. Check the key switch, harness, and shift switch (if present). If this does not stop the Power Pack from sparking, replace the Power Pack.

WILL NOT ACCELERATE BEYOND 3000 RPM (Runs smooth below that RPM):

- 1. Disconnect the Yellow wires from the Stator to the Regulator/Rectifier and retest. If the engine now has good spark, replace the Regulator/Rectifier.
- 2. Connect a DVA meter between the Stator's Brown and Brown/Yellow wires. Run the engine up to the RPM where the problem is occurring. The DVA should increase with RPM. A sharp drop in DVA right before the problem occurs usually indicates a bad Stator.
- 3. Connect an inductive tachometer to each cylinder in turn and try to isolate the problem. A single cylinder dropping spark will likely be a bad Power Pack or Ignition coil. All cylinders not sparking properly usually indicates a bad Stator.
- 4. Perform a high-speed shutdown and read the spark plugs. Check for water. A crack in the block can cause a miss at high speed when the water pressure gets high, but a normal shutdown will mask the problem because the water will evaporate off the spark plug before you can identify it.
- 5. Check the Stator coil flywheel magnets for cracked, broken, or loose magnets.

NO SPARK ON ONE CYLINDER:

- 1. Check the Timer Sensor resistance and DVA (see NO SPARK ON ANY CYLINDER).
- 2. Swap the Sensor wires and see if the problem follows the Sensor wire.
- 3. Check the DVA on the Orange wires from the Power Pack while connected to the Ignition coils. You should have a reading of at least 150 V or more while connected.
- 4. Visually inspect the Ignition coils for burned, discolored areas, or cracks in the casing (indicating arcing inside the coil).
- 5. Swap the Ignition coil with one that is sparking correctly.
- 6. Rare causes include a weak Trigger magnet. If possible, try another flywheel.

NOTE: If the Orange Primary DVA reading is low on one cylinder, disconnect the wire from the Ignition coil for that cylinder and reconnect it to a Pack Load resistor (P/N 511-9775). Retest. If the reading is now within specifications, the Ignition coil is likely defective. If it still measures low, it indicates a bad Power Pack if Timer Sensor test good.



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MISS AT ANY RPM:

- 1. Disconnect the Yellow wires from the Stator to the Rectifier and retest. If the miss clears, replace the Rectifier.
- 2. In the water or on a Dynamometer, check the DVA on the Orange wires from the Power Pack while connected to the Ignition coils. You should have a reading of at least 150 DVA or more, increasing with engine RPM until it reaches 300-400 DVA maximum. A sharp drop in DVA right before the miss becomes apparent on all cylinders will normally be caused by a bad Stator. A sharp drop in DVA on less than all cylinders will normally be the Power Pack or Timer Sensor.
- 3. Connect an inductive tachometer to each cylinder in turn and try to isolate the problem. A high variance in RPM on one cylinder usually indicates a problem in the Power Pack or Ignition coil. Occasionally a Timer Sensor will cause this same problem. Check the Timer Sensor DVA (see **NO SPARK ON ANY CYLINDER**).
- 4. Perform a high-speed shutdown and read the spark plugs. Check for water. A crack in the block can cause a miss at high speed when the water pressure gets high, but a normal shutdown will mask the problem.
- 5. Check the Trigger and Charge coil flywheel magnets for cracked, broken, or loose magnets.