

DIESEL GENERATOR TEST RUN Safe Operating Procedure

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Hazards	
Tools/Equipment	flashlight
Employee Group(s)	Facilities Management – Central Heating Plant

Required PPE:







Safety Shoes

Eye Protection

Ear Protection

SAFE WORK PRACTICES

- Do not perform the procedure or operate the equipment until you have been appropriately trained and authorized to do so by your supervisor.
- Inspect required personal protective equipment (PPE) and replace if required.

PROCEDURE

- 1. Check that all guards and covers are in place.
- 2. Look for any coolant leaks, loose bolts, cracked hoses, loose belts or bare or worn wiring.
- 3. Ensure that all fuel valves are open.
- 4. Check engine oil level between "ADD" and "FULL".
- 5. Check radiator coolant level should be visible in bottom of sight glass.
- 6. Check fuel oil tank level.
- 7. Do not start engine if flywheel is turning.
- 8. Depress "Run" switch to start engine.
- 9. If engine fails to start within 30 seconds, release "Run" pushbutton and wait two minutes for motor to cool before trying again.
- 10. Once engine has started, do walk around check, looking for any leaks, etc.
- 11. Run engine for approximately 20 minutes. Fuel pressure should be 65-75 psi coolant temperature 170-180° F.
- 12. After 20 minutes running, depress "Stop" pushbutton.
- 13. Engine will go through a "Cool down" period and then will shut down.
- 14. Do final walk around check of engine, ensuring no problems and that oil level is normal.
- 15. Enter note in control room logbook that diesel generator was tested.