

Education Safety

Engine-Driven Pumps



- 1. Normal heat and fumes from an internal combustion engine can be hazardous. Always pipe exhaust fumes outside when operating an internal combustion engine in an enclosed area.
- 2. Do not overfill fuel tank.
- 3. Disconnect spark plug before performing any maintenance to engine or pump.
- 4. Never refuel a hot or running engine.
- 5. Be sure that only experienced personnel operate machinery.
- 6. Never tamper with the governor setting on an engine to gain more power. The governor establishes safe operating limits.
- 7. Always store gasoline in an approved container and in a safe location.
- 8. Make sure all fuel lines are secure.
- 9. Follow engine manufacturer's recommended operation and maintenance instructions.
- 10. Always use correct type of fuel for engine.
- 11. Do not jump-start engine battery.
- 12. Do not shut down high-head pumps quickly:
 - A. Throttle back slowly.
 - B. Open bypass line.
 - C. Be sure system has a check valve.
 - D. Slowly close gate valve on discharge, if one has been installed.