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Models: LTH18542 A - serial # 111303A001001 to 121503A002202
- serial # 010704D002203 to 012204D002837
- serial # 022304C002838 to 022304C003237
LTH18542 B - serial # 030304C001001 to 062204C003220

Hydro-Static Units Only - Gear Drive Units are not Affected

Subject: Fuel Line Clamp Chaffing Fuel Tank

On some LTH18542 tractors, the fuel line clamp (on the lower fuel line to the fuel pump), may be positioned in such a way that it rubs against the fuel tank during operation, causing chaffing of the fuel tank.

For units on the sales floor, raise the hood and check the orientation of the hose clamp. If the tabs of the clamp are near or are touching the fuel tank, use pliers to rotate it so that it's clear of the fuel tank.

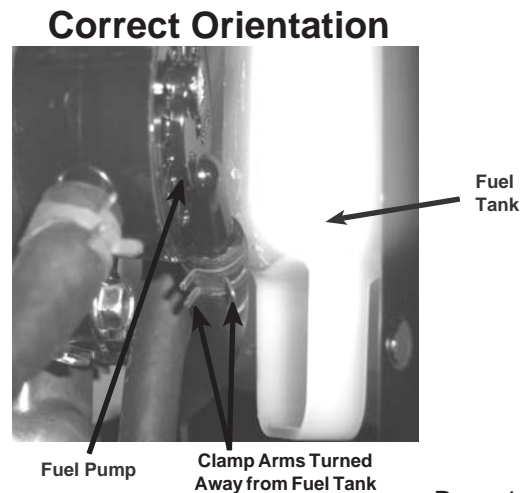
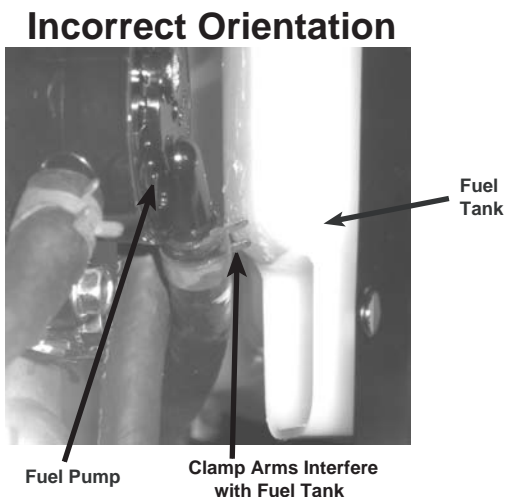
For affected units in inventory that are still in the crate, you can perform the update without removing the unit from the crate. See page 2 for instructions on updating these units.

For affected units brought in for servicing, make the same check as above and adjust the clamp position if necessary. Contact customers who purchased this model from you, to advise them of this issue and to set-up a service visit to ensure the clamp is turned away from the fuel tank.

This procedure is covered under warranty. For a unit already out of the crate, 15 minutes will be allowed. For checking and adjusting a unit that is still in the crate, 30 minutes will be allowed.

Note: If the fuel tank has already been damaged by the clamp arms, please replace it under warranty.

Part No.	Description
532 18 55-34	fuel tank





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Units Still in the Crate

For updating affected units that are still in the crate, you can save time by accessing the fuel tank area without removing the unit from the crate.

Carefully cut a slit in the box to determine the orientation of the unit in the crate. Locate the location of the left-front corner of the tractor. Roughly measure about one-third the length down the side of the box and about one-third down from the top. Using a utility knife, cut a large 12" D-shaped hole in the carton and pull the flap out toward you.

This opening should allow you to access the hood and fuel tank area to perform the update. Lift the hood up a few inches and use a flashlight and pliers to locate and reposition the fuel line clamp away from the fuel tank.

Be sure the clamp is positioned correctly and securely and lower the hood back into position. Push the flap back into the carton. If preferred, you may want to use tape to secure the flap closed.

Note: If the units are stacked two high, you can still perform the update to both of them without repositioning the crates, as long as the left side is accessible.

