

Coolant Heater

# **TSL 17**

Operating Instructions  
Installation Instructions  
~~Spare Parts Manual~~



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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 General Description

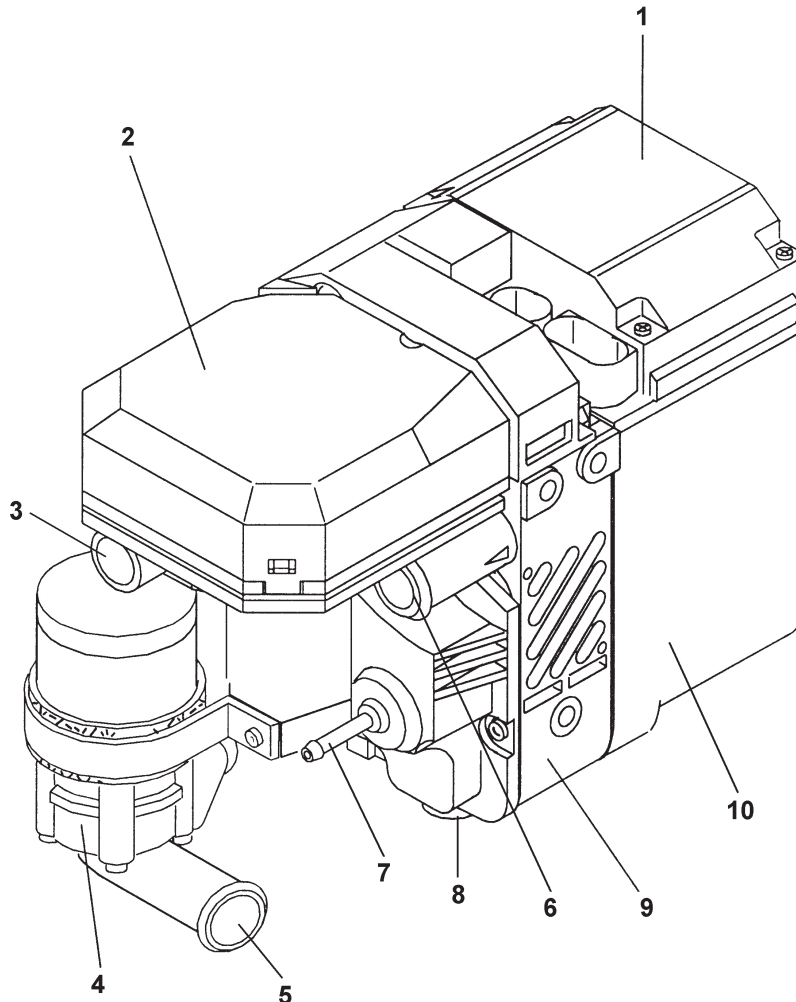


Fig. 101: Webasto TSL 17 Coolant Heater

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|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Control Unit.                        | 6. Coolant Outlet Connection Pipe |
| 2. Combustion Air Fan Assembly          | 7. Fuel Inlet Connection Pipe     |
| 3. Combustion Air Inlet Connection Pipe | 8. Exhaust Outlet Pipe            |
| 4. Coolant Circulating Pump             | 9. Combustion Chamber             |
| 5. Coolant Inlet Connection Pipe        | 10. Heat Exchanger                |

The Webasto TSL 17 is designed for Class 3-7 vehicles. This dynamic system allows you to preheat engines on or offsite. The TSL 17 offers high performance with low power and fuel consumption. Approximately 2-hours of operation eliminates overnight idling for heating and the need for expensive electrical plug-ins. The compact design allows the heater to be frame rail or engine compartment mounted. The TSL 17 is easy to install, maintain and operate. The universal package fits most of today's vehicles.

**1.2 Legal provisions**

Heater installation must be performed in accordance with the manufacturer`s installation instructions.

Any deviation from these instructions are only permitted with the written approval from Webasto Thermosystems Inc.

It is the dealer`s responsibility to approve installations not performed by Webasto trained personnel.

Installation not complying with the installation instructions release Webasto Thermosystems Inc. from any product liability.

OEM installations must be approved by Webasto Thermosystems Inc.

**1.3 Meaning of Warning, Caution and Note****WARNING!**

This heading is used to highlight that noncompliance with instructions or procedures may cause injuries or lethal accidents to personnel.

**CAUTION!**

This heading is used to highlight that noncompliance with instructions or procedures may cause damage to equipment.

**NOTE:**

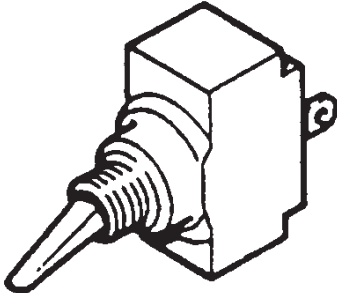
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## 2. Operating the Webasto TSL 17

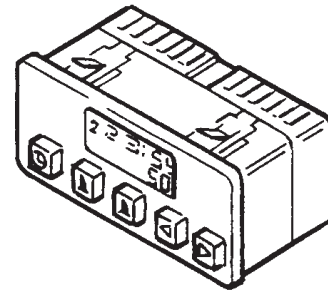
Before switching on the TSL 17, set vehicle heating system to the “heat” position and open any shut off valves. Depending on the type of control installed in the dashboard of the vehicle, the TSL 17 can be operated by the following methods.

### 2.1 Switching On

#### Using a Switch:



#### Using the Optional Digital Timer:



#### Using the Switch:

When the switch is used for turning “ON” the TSL 17, the operation indicator (toggle) lights up. Shortly thereafter, the heater begins operation and delivers heated coolant to the engine.

#### Using the Optional 7-Day Digital Timer:

1. Set the timer up to 2 hr. before you want to start the engine. The heater will start up at set time. (See timer operating instructions.)  
Or switch “instant on” switch on your timer in the vehicle dash to “ON”. The heater will start up.
2. When time is elapsed on your timer or engine preheat is no longer required, switch the TSL 17 heater “OFF”. The TSL 17 will go through the after-run cycle.

Pushing the “instant heat” button or when timer setting reaches desired start time, the “operation indicator” on the timer will light, signaling that the heater is in operation.

See section 2.3 “Operation with 7-Day Digital Timer” for complete instructions.

#### **NOTE:**

If heater is being switched on while the engine is warm only the circulating pump will run, coolant temperature must fall below 86 °F. (30 °C.) before heater starts.

#### Startup Sequence:

The coolant circulating pump, ceramic igniter and combustion air fan start operation and after approximately 60 seconds combustion starts (audible combustion sound).

After the coolant temperature has reached the set point of 170 °F (77 °C) the TSL 17 will automatically adjust its heat output to a lower operating range (part-load heat output).

If the temperature of the coolant continues to rise and climb over 174 °F (79 °C) at the heater outlet, the heater will cycle off.

When the temperature falls below 149 °F (65 °C) the heater will restart and repeat the heating cycle.

**WARNING!**

Due to the danger of poisoning and asphyxiation the heater must not be operated in enclosed spaces such as garages or workshops without adequate exhaust extraction or ventilation.

**The TSL 17 will cycle on and off until:**

1. The toggle switch is switched "OFF".
2. The "instant heat" button is pressed once again, signaling heater to shut off.
3. Time has elapsed on the timer.
4. The vehicle battery voltage drops below 9.6 V or the TSL 17 runs out of fuel.

**WARNING!**

Explosion hazard! The heater must be switched "OFF" while refueling and at fueling stations.

**WARNING!**

Explosion hazard! Do not operate any Webasto heater in an area where toxic or explosive materials or fumes may be present.

## 2.2 Switching Off

Manually: When heating is no longer required, switch the TSL 17 heater off by means of the toggle switch or by pressing the "instant heat" button on the optional timer.

The indicator light turns off, combustion is extinguished followed by an after run cycle of approximately 90 seconds.

Automatically: When the optional timer has reached the end of the timed cycle (up to 2 hours).

**NOTE:**

Restarting the heater during the after-run period is permitted.

## 2.3 Operation with Optional 7-Day Digital Timer

The timer enables you to preset the start time of the heater up to 7 days in advance.

In addition, the timer enables the heater to be switched on and off instantly thereby eliminating the need for a separate switch.

When the heater is in operation, the display and operation buttons of the timer are illuminated.

The timer features a wake up alarm function.

### Programmed Heater Operation

Three memory locations numbered 1 to 3 are available. Each memory location can be assigned a given time together with the day of the week of which only one can be activated at any one time.

### Preselected Starting Times

The preselected starting time is the time at which the timer switches the heater on automatically. We recommend that memory locations 1 and 2 be used for presetting starting times within 24 hours of setting the timer.

Memory location 3 can be used for a starting time within the next 7 days of setting the timer.

### Operating Time

The period of time during which the heater is in operation is referred to as operating time.

The heater remains in operation for as long as the operating time has been preset.

Heater operation can be preselected for any time from as little as 1 minute to a maximum of 120 minutes (factory preset is 60 minutes).



### Remaining Operating Time

The remaining operating time refers to the period of time the heater still continues to remain in operation. It can only be changed while heater is in operation.



### Setting the Digital Timer

After the power has been connected, all symbols on the digital display will be flashing.

The time of the day and the day of the week must be set.

The Timer can be programmed in that all flashing symbols can be adjusted by means of the  and  buttons.

If the buttons are not pressed within 5 seconds, the currently displayed time or function will be stored.

When the  and  buttons are pressed for more than 2 seconds, the quick digit advance mode is activated.

See table 201 on following page for setting reference or full instructions supplied with timer.

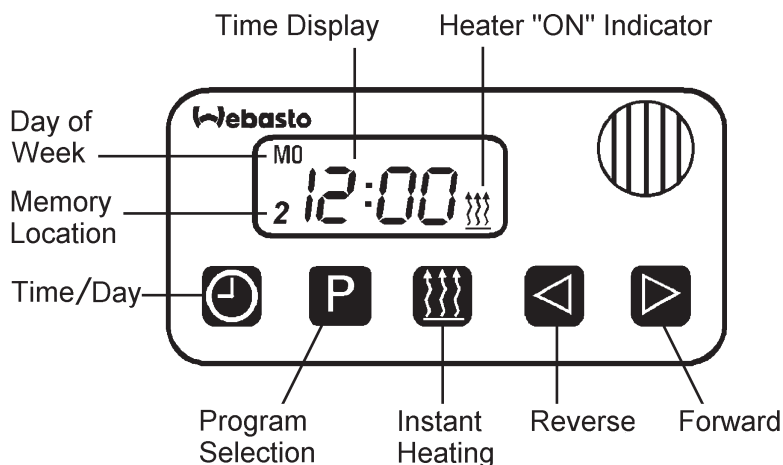


Fig. 201: Optional 7-Day Digital Timer



## 2.4 Digital Timer Setting / Operating Instructions


























Switching the heater on	Manually: by pressing the  button (continuous heating mode) Automatically: by programming the heater starting time
Switching the heater off	Manually: by pressing the  button Automatically: after the programmed operating time has elapsed. With the heater running: by programming the remaining operating time.
Setting time / day of the week	Press the  button for more than 2 seconds - time of the day is flashing - and set the clock using the  and  buttons. After 10 seconds, day of the week begins flashing - set the day of the week in the same manner as the time.
Viewing the time	With the ignition switched off: press the  button (bus wiring only).
Programming heater starting time	Press the  button - the memory location is flashing - using the  and  buttons set start of the heater operating time. After 10 seconds, day of the week begins flashing - set the day of the week on which the heater is to turn on. By repeatedly pressing the  button, memory locations 2 and 3 can be programmed or the time display mode can be reached.
Recalling / erasing preset times	Repeatedly press the  button until the desired memory location is displayed. To erase the preset time, press the  button several times until the time of the day is displayed instead of the memory location.
Programming duration of operating time	The heater must be switched off. Press the  button for 3 seconds - operating time is flashing - and set the desired operating time (10 to 120 minutes) using the  and  buttons.
Setting the remaining operating time (Bus wiring Option)	Set the desired remaining operating time (1 to 120 minutes) using the  and  buttons. The remaining operating time refers to the time the heater still continues to remain in operation after the vehicle ignition is turned off. It can only be changed while the heater is in operation and the ignition switched off.
Setting the wake up time (Digital Comfort Timer Only)	A wake up time can only be programmed on the "1531" comfort digital timer. The wake up time is not bound to a specific day of the week. Repeatedly press the  button until the bell symbol  appears on the display. Set the desired wake up time using  the and  buttons. The alarm clock turns off after 5 minutes or when one of the buttons is pressed.
Recalling / erasing the wake up time	To recall the wake up time, repeatedly press  the button until bell symbol  appears on the display - read off wake up time. To erase the wake up time: press  the button until the bell symbol  is no longer visible on the display.
Remote control	Possible by means of an optional external signal.

Table 201: Digital Timer Setting Instructions

### 3. Technical Data

#### 3.1 Technical Data

The following data is subject to the normal tolerance for heaters, if no tolerance is specified. This is approximately +/-10% in an ambient of 20 °C at nominal voltage.

Heater	TSL 17 Diesel	
Design	Coolant heater with evaporator burner (Ferro-Tech Technology)	
Heat Rating:		
Input	- full load	6.14 kW (20,960 Btu/hr)
	- partial load	3.1 kW (10,480 Btu/hr)
Output	- full load	5.0 kW (17,200 Btu/hr)
	- partial load	2.5 kW (8,600 Btu/hr)
Fuel	Diesel #1 Diesel #2 and Arctic	
Fuel Consumption:		
	- full load	0.61 l/hr (0.16 US gal/hr)
	- partial load	0.30 l/hr (0.08 US gal/hr)
Rated Voltage	12 Volts	
Operating Voltage	9.6... 15 Volts	
Rated Power Consumption Including Circulating Pump:		
	- full load	46 Watts (3.8 Amps)
	- partial load	32 Watts (2.6 Amps)
Maximum Permissible Ambient Temperature:		
Heater:	- operation	- 40... +60 °C (-40... +140 °F)
	- storage	- 40... +120 °C (-40... +248 °F)
Fuel Pump	- operation	- 40... +20 °C (-40... +68 °F)
Maximum Allowable Working Pressure (Coolant System)	0.4... 2.5 bar (6.0... 36 psi)	
Capacity of Heat Exchanger	0.15 Liters (.04 US gal)	
Minimum Capacity of Coolant System	4.0 Liters (1 US gal)	
Minimum Volume of Flow	250 l/hr (66 US gal/hr)	
CO <sub>2</sub> Content in Exhaust Gas	8... 12.0 Vol.-%	
Dimensions of Heater	Length 232 mm (9.1 in) Width 105 mm (4.1 in) Height 163 mm (6.4 in)	
Weight	3.2 kg (7.0 lbs.)	

Table 301: Technical Data – Heater

Circulating Pump	Model U 4847
Volume Flow Against 0.13 bar (1.9 lbs.)	450 l/hr (2.0 US gal/min)
Rated Voltage	12 Volts
Operating Voltage Range	9.6... 15 Volts
Rated Power Consumption	14 Watts (1.16 Amps)
Dimensions of Circulating Pump	L 95 mm x W 61 mm x H 61 mm (3.7" x 2.4" x 2.4")
Weight	0.3 kg (.66 lbs)

Table 302: Technical Data – Circulating Pump

3.2 Heater Dimensions

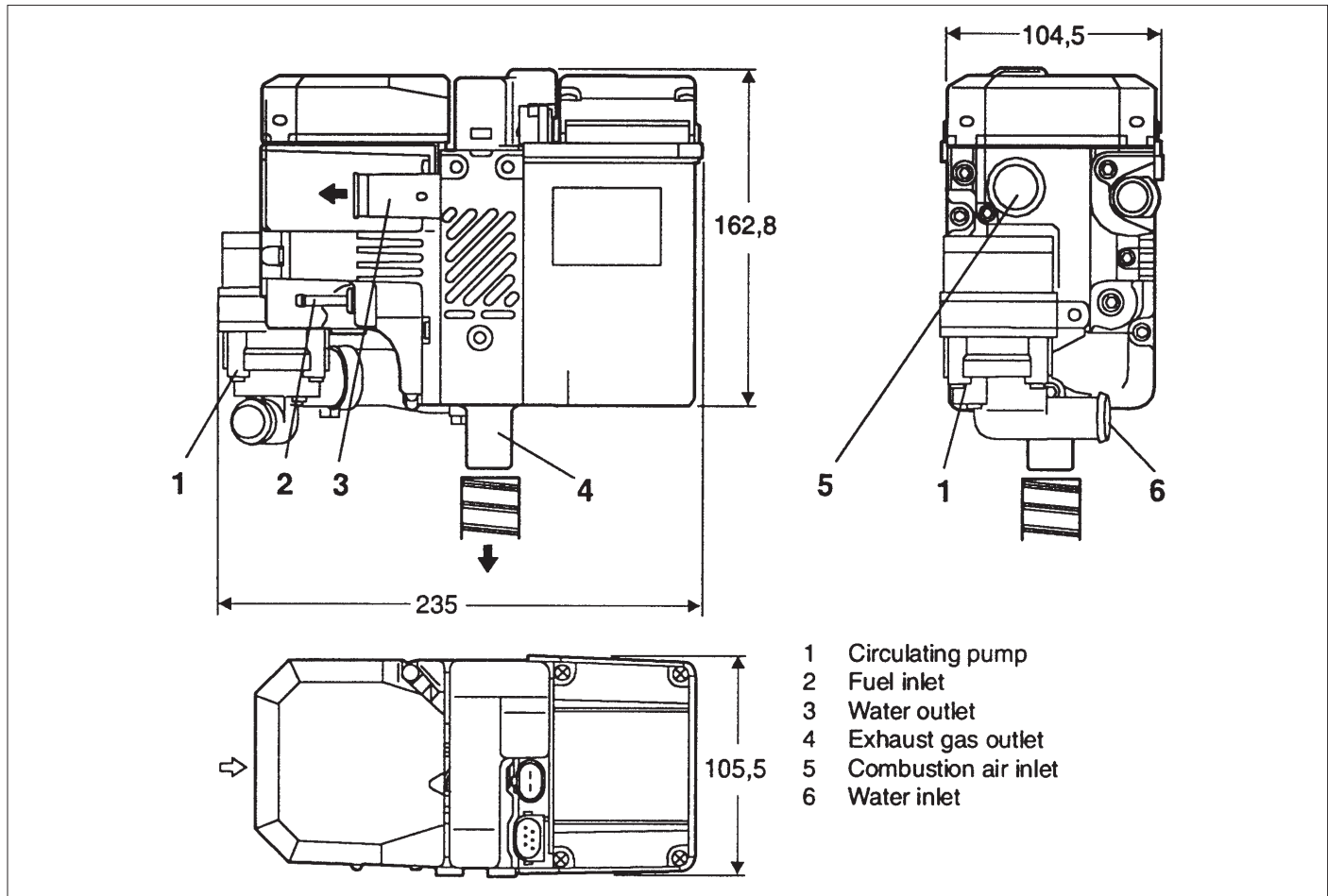


Fig. 301: Heater Dimensions

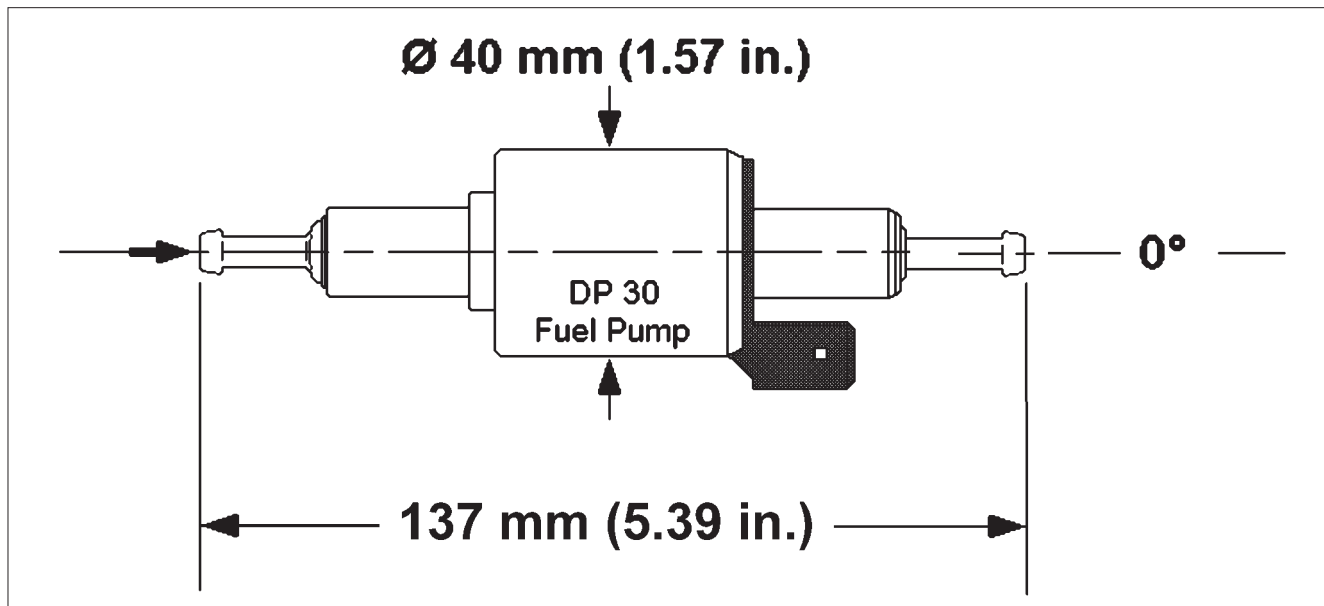


Fig. 302: Fuel Pump Dimensions

## 4. Installation

### 4.1 General Information

Webasto will take you step by step through the installation process to ensure successful operation for years to come. The installation must be performed in accordance with the installation instructions provided in this manual.

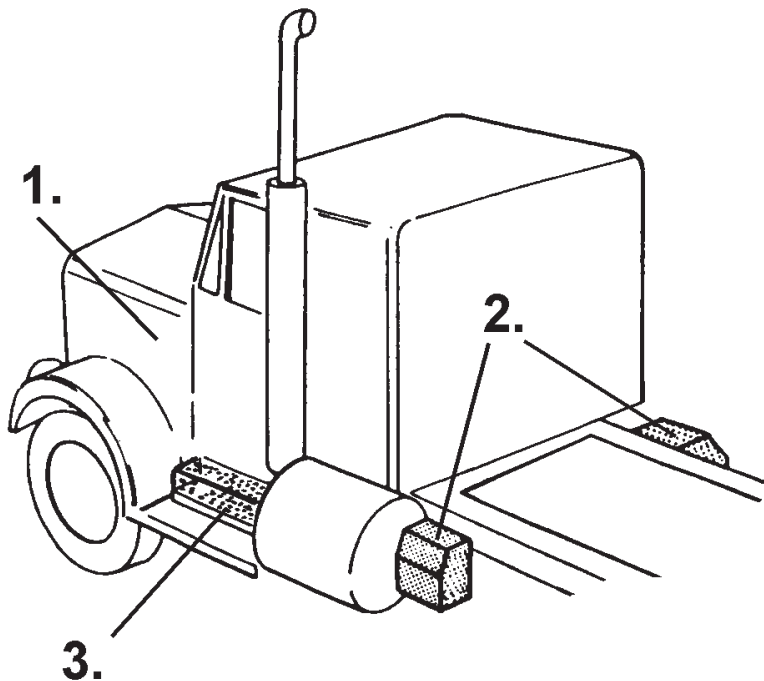
#### WARNING!

Asphyxiation risk! The heater must not be installed in either the driver's compartment or in the passenger area of the vehicle.

#### NOTE:

This manual does not cover all possible installations. For special applications use this manual as a general guideline only. Contact an authorized Webasto dealer or Webasto Thermosystems directly at USA: 1-800-555-4518 Canada: 1-800-667-8900

### 4.2 Installation Locations



#### CAUTION!

Do not mount the heater directly to the engine! Heavy, constant vibration produced by the engine may interfere with the proper operation of the heater and lead to heater component damage.

Fig. 401: Installation Locations

1. Inside of the engine compartment in a splash protected area (Preferred).
2. On left/right side of the frame.
3. Inside under-step compartment.

## 4.3 Mounting the Heater

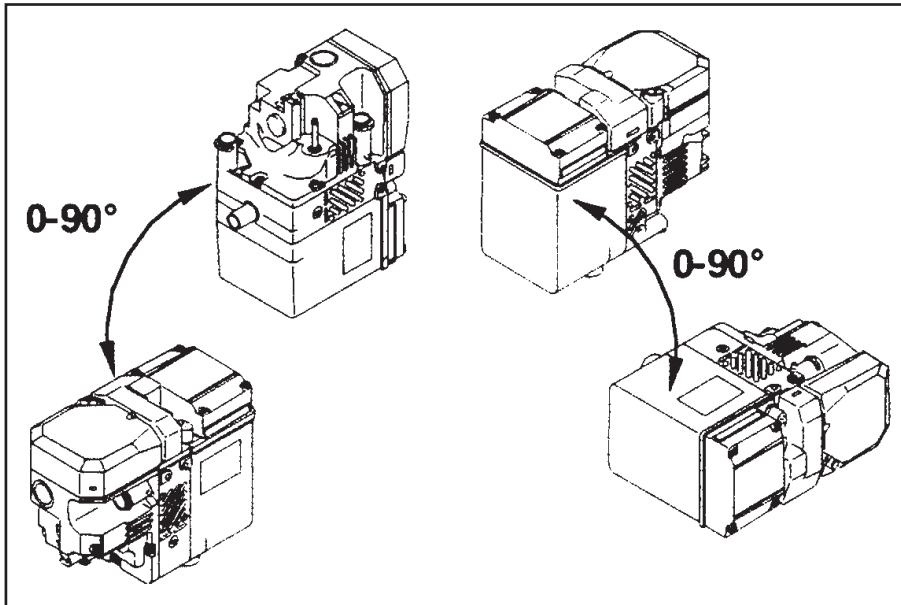


Fig. 402: Permissible Heater Installation Positions

**WARNING!**

Asphyxiation risk! DO NOT mount heater inside passenger, sleeper or storage areas.

**CAUTION!**

The openings of the water connecting pipes must never point in a downward direction in any installation position. Damage to heater will result due to trapped air in heat exchanger.

**CAUTION!**

The heater must not be installed in the immediate vicinity of or above hot vehicle parts.  
The heater must not be installed in the direct splash water area of the wheels.

The heater should be mounted as low as possible in the vehicle to assure automatic purging of air from circulating pump and coolant lines. The coolant pump is not self-priming. Preferably, the heater should be mounted in the engine compartment.

1. Ensure adequate clearance for heater and components in existing enclosure or mounting area.
2. Carefully layout proposed heater mounting position and mark all holes for drilling keeping in mind location for exhaust, coolant lines and wiring access. Once all requirements are met, drill holes.
3. Mount heater and components according to your plan, fasteners for mounting heater are provided.

**NOTE:**

Heavy Duty frame rail bracket is available. Order under part number 901088.

#### 4.4 Exhaust Pipe Connection

**WARNING!**

Asphyxiation risk! Exhaust pipes must be so routed that the possibility of exhaust fumes entering the vehicle is unlikely.

**CAUTION!**

Route the exhaust pipe in such a way as to prevent touching or being directed toward any part of the vehicle that may be damaged by heat (i.e., brake lines, electrical wiring, hoses).

**NOTE:**

Additional flexible exhaust tubing is available from your Webasto Distributor or Dealer under part number 900126.

One meter (39 inches) of flexible exhaust tubing has been supplied with the heater. Attach tube to the heater with exhaust clamp supplied.

The exhaust tube should be routed in a gradual downward slope away from heater allowing condensation to drain.

Secure exhaust tube to vehicle with "P" clip supplied. Keep exhaust tube at least 2 in. (50 mm) away from heat sensitive materials.

The outlet opening of the exhaust tube must not point in the direction of travel to avoid any possible clogging caused by snow, mud or foreign materials.

#### 4.5 Combustion Air Supply

**WARNING!**

Never draw combustion air from inside the vehicle, or from areas where fumes or gases can accumulate. Drawing of combustion air from areas where people are present is strictly prohibited!

A combustion air tube has been supplied with the heater. Looking at the tube, you will see one end has a staple holding the inner liner and outer casing together.

The stapled end is the inlet end of the tube, the other end is to be attached to the heater.

To attach tube to the heater, stretch the outer casing about an inch further than the inner liner.

This will then slip over the inlet pipe of the heater and clamped in place.

Do not make any bends immediately after the attachment point to the heater. Doing so may cause a restriction where the inner liner of the tube begins. Make all bends at least 3 inches away or further from heater connection point.

The combustion air tube should be routed in a gradual downward slope away from heater allowing moisture to drain.

The intake opening of the combustion air tube must not point in the direction of travel to avoid any possible clogging caused by snow, mud or foreign materials.

Combustion air should always be taken from a clean area protected from road splash.

**4.6 Plumbing the System****4.6.1 General Information**

The TSL 17 with coolant circulating pump must be mounted at least 6" (15 cm) below the lowest permissible coolant level of the vehicles cooling system.

Minimum amount of coolant in the cooling system should be at least 1.0 US gal. (4.0 l). Independent heating systems require a minimum of 3.0 US gal. (12.0 l). A minimum of 10% of a good quality antifreeze should be maintained in the cooling system at all times.

Heater and water pump fit 3/4" (19 mm) I.D. heater hose meeting SAE 20 R3 specifications. Silicone hose requires special hose clamps.

**WARNING!**

Burn risk! When working on the coolant system, allow the engine to cool down and open the radiator cap

**NOTE:**

Heater hose must meet SAE 20 R3 specifications.

**NOTE:**

Hose clamps must be tightened to 45 in/LB. (5 Nm) torque. Silicone hose requires special hose clamps.

### 4.6.2 Plumbing the TSL 17 into The Coolant System

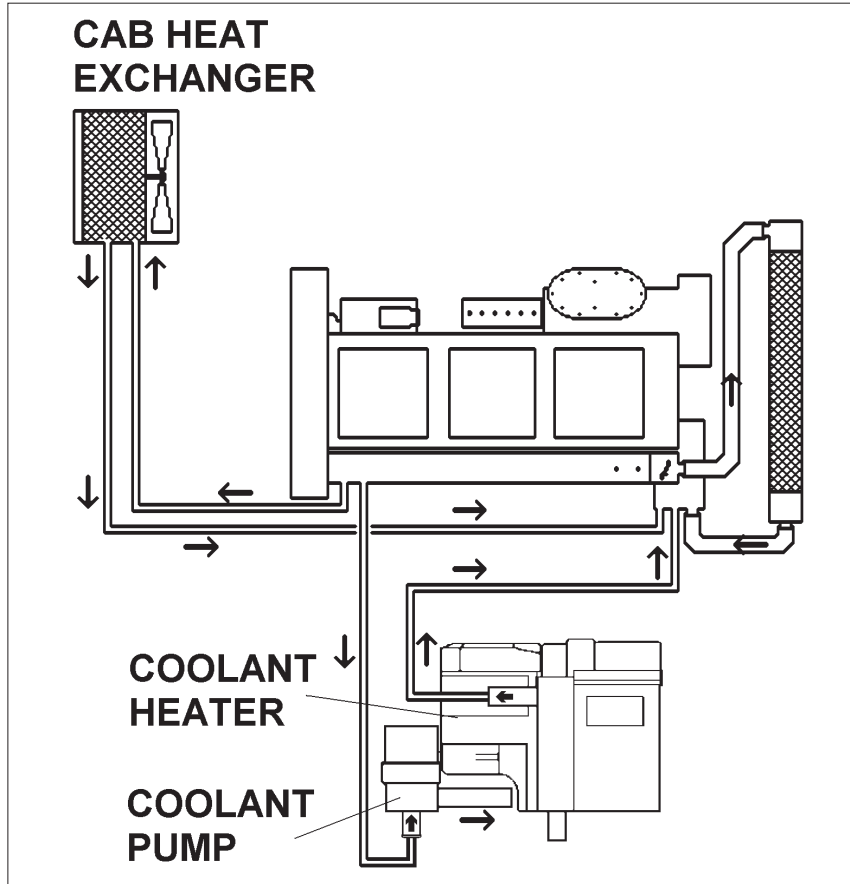


Fig. 403: Engine Block Preheating

#### Engine Block Preheating:

1. Remove radiator pressure cap and release system pressure.
2. Drain coolant from engine.
3. Plumb the Webasto system as shown above.
4. Refill engine coolant as per engine manufacturer's recommendations and reinstall the radiator pressure cap.

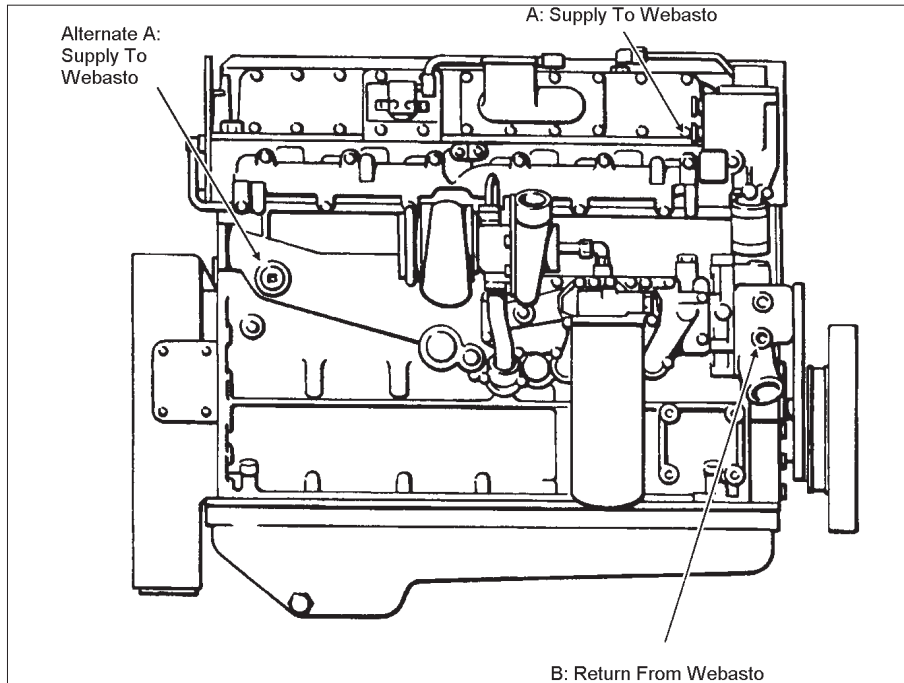




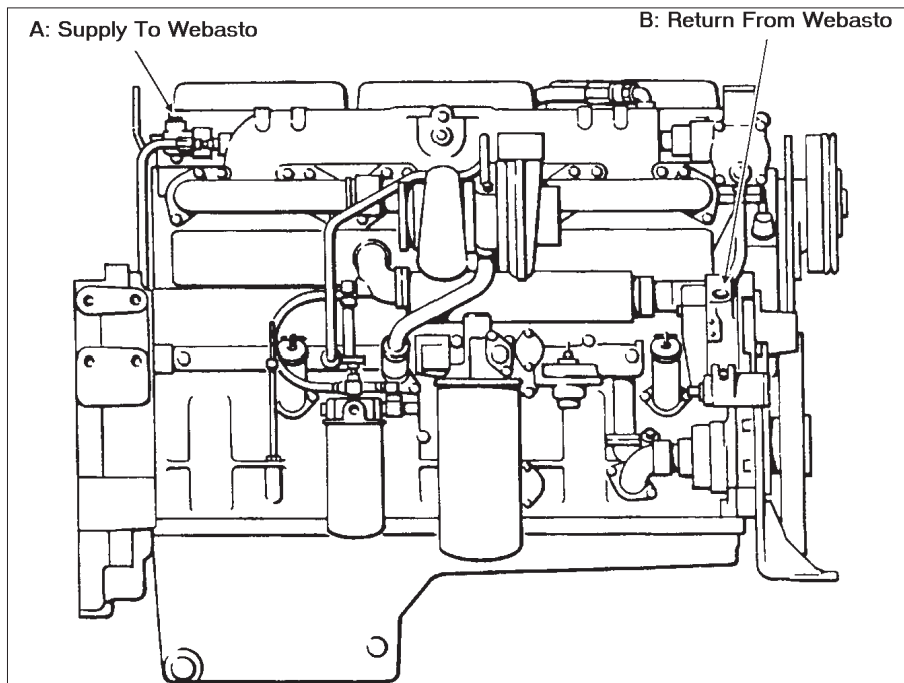
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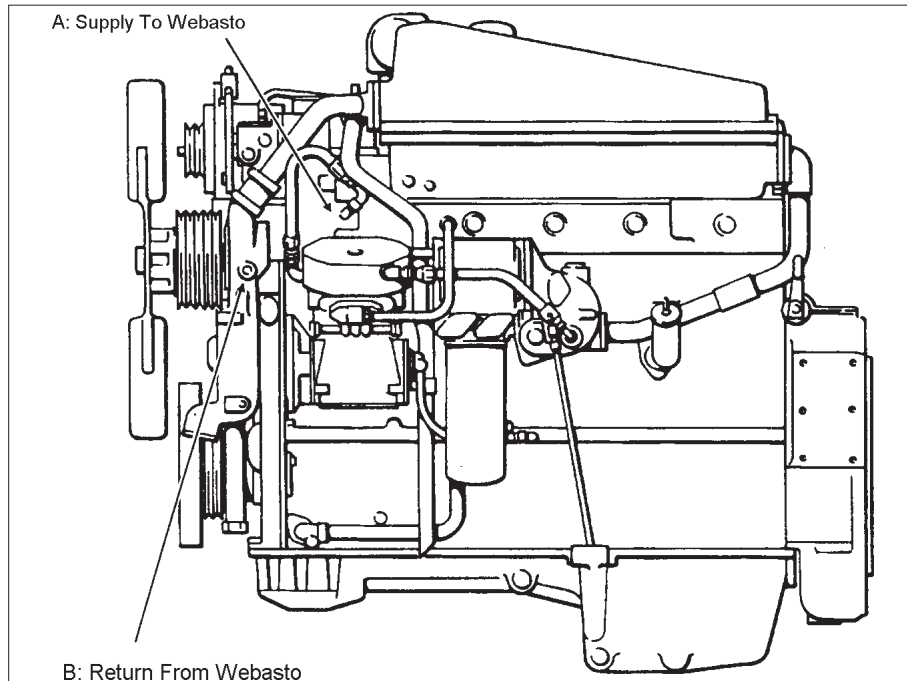


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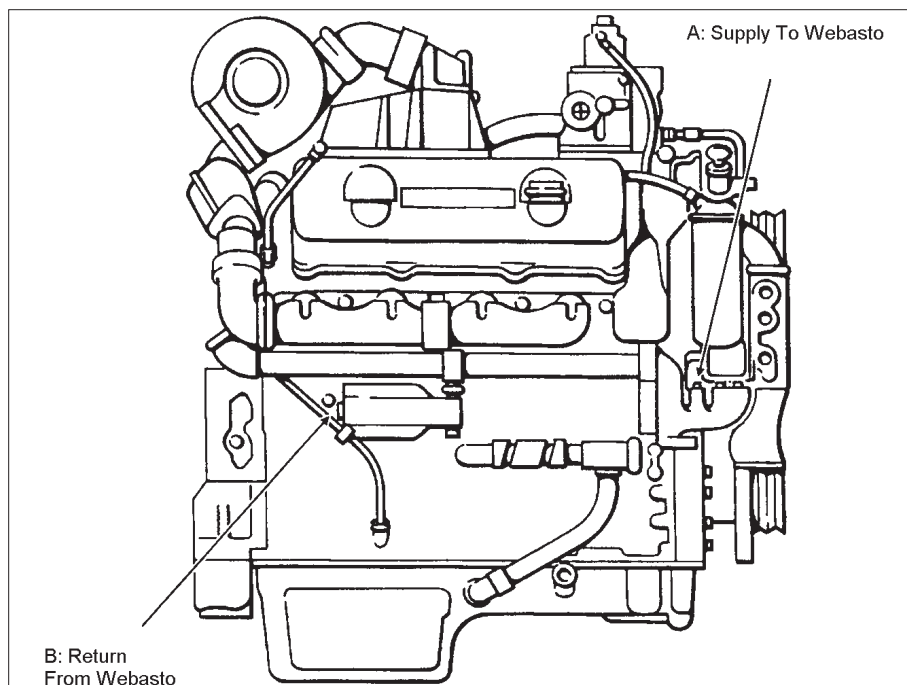


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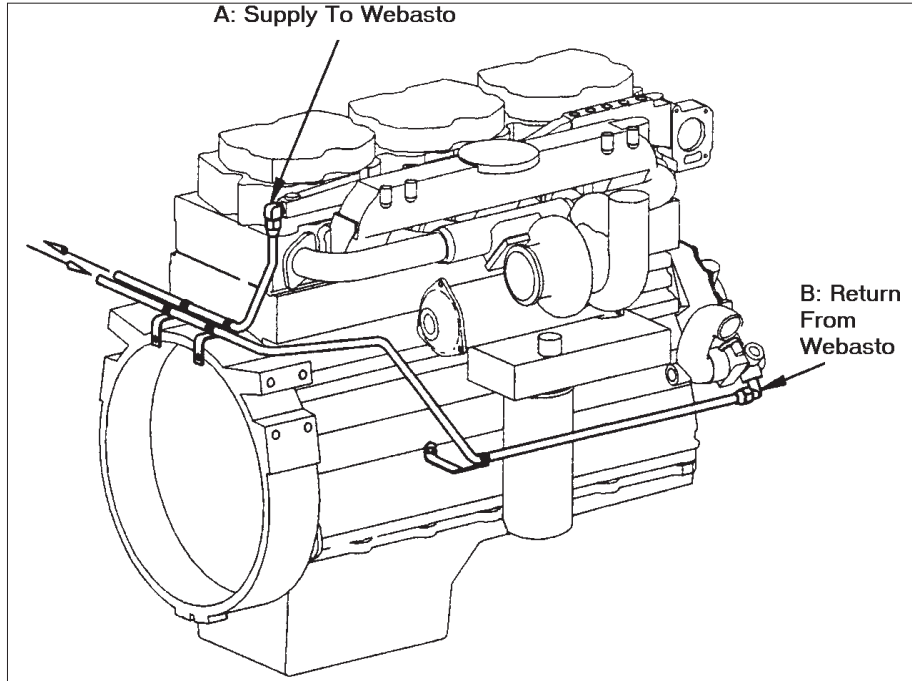


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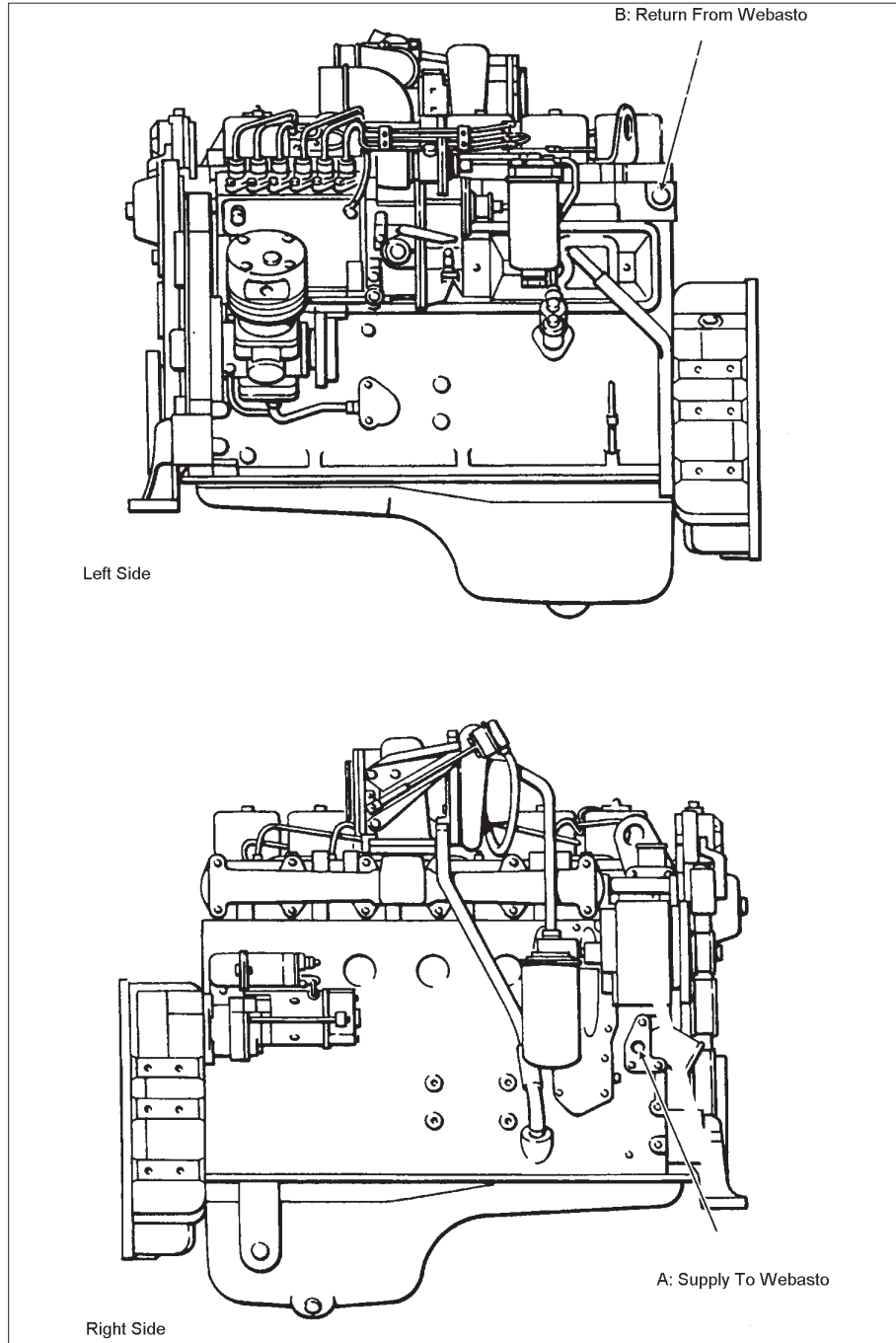
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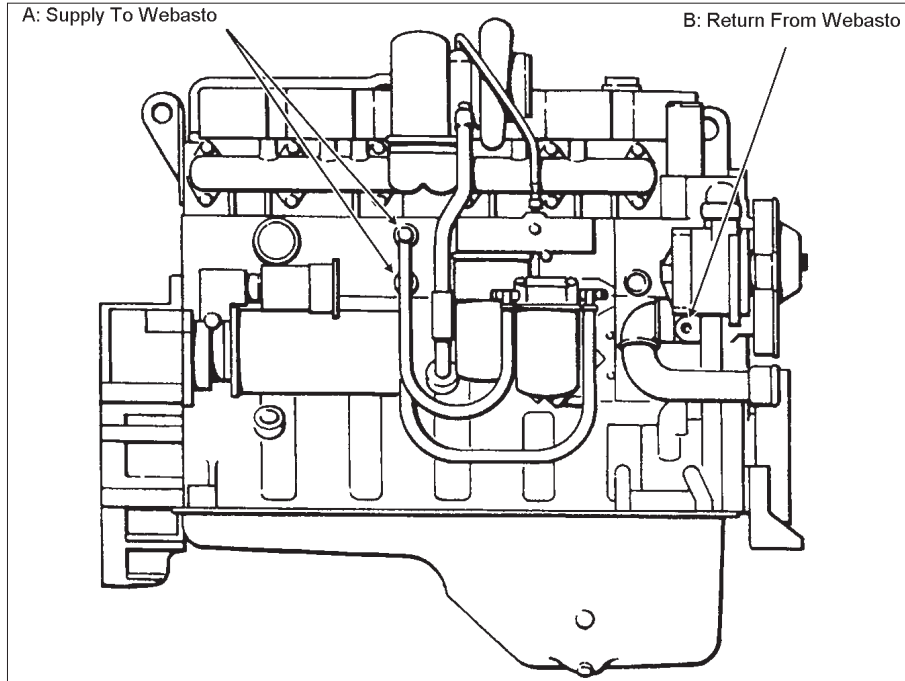
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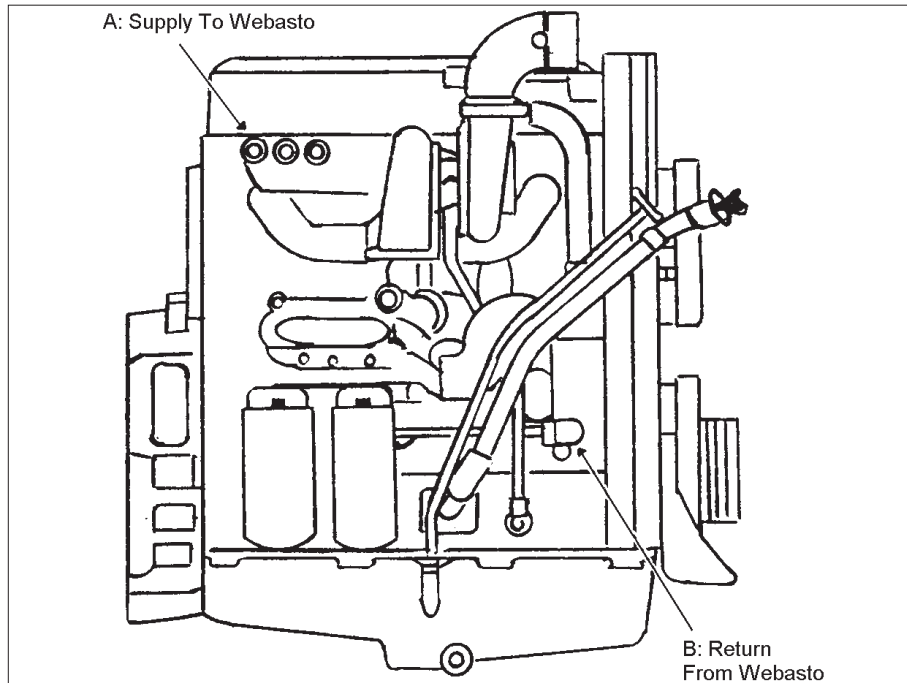
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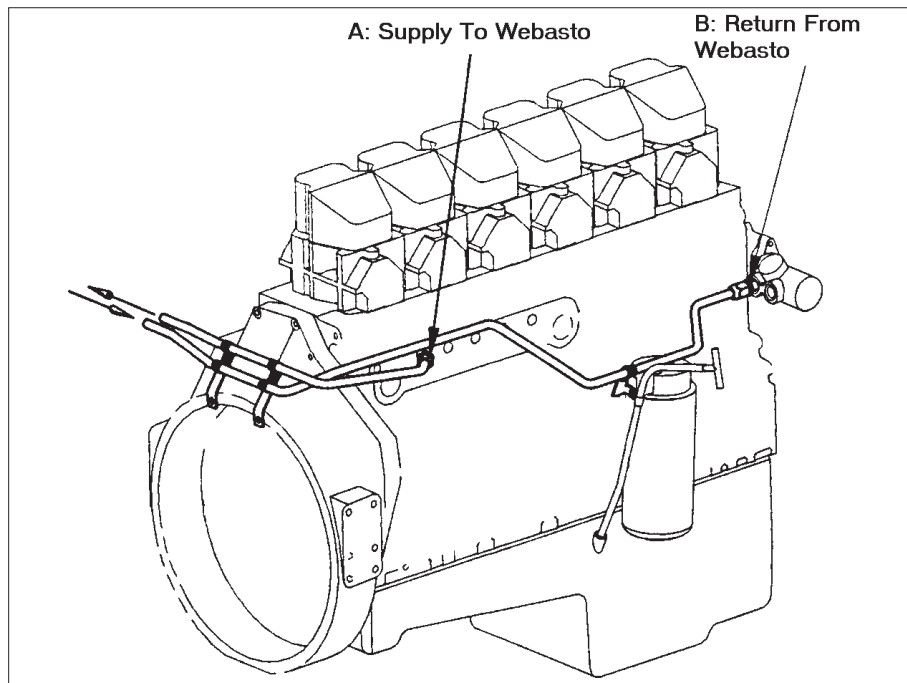


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Detroit Diesel



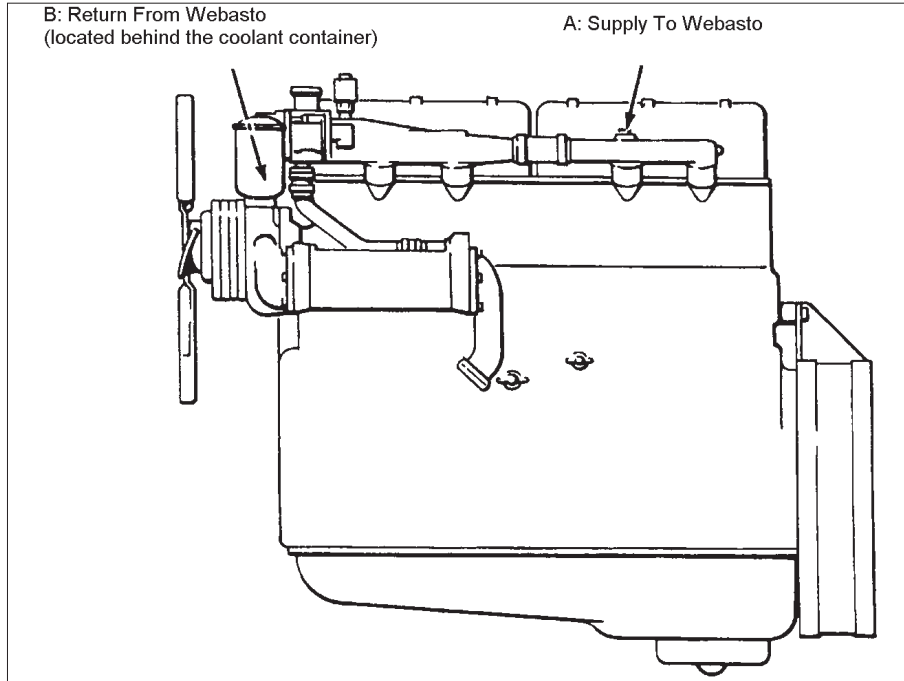
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Mack



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## 4. Installation

### 4.7 Fuel System

#### 4.7.1 General Description

The pump, fuel line and fuel standpipe are integral to the systems reliability and must be installed according to these instructions to ensure proper heater operation.

#### 4.7.2 Fuel System Limitations

##### CAUTION!

If the fuel tank is higher than the fuel pump, the top of the tank may not be more than 20" above the pump.

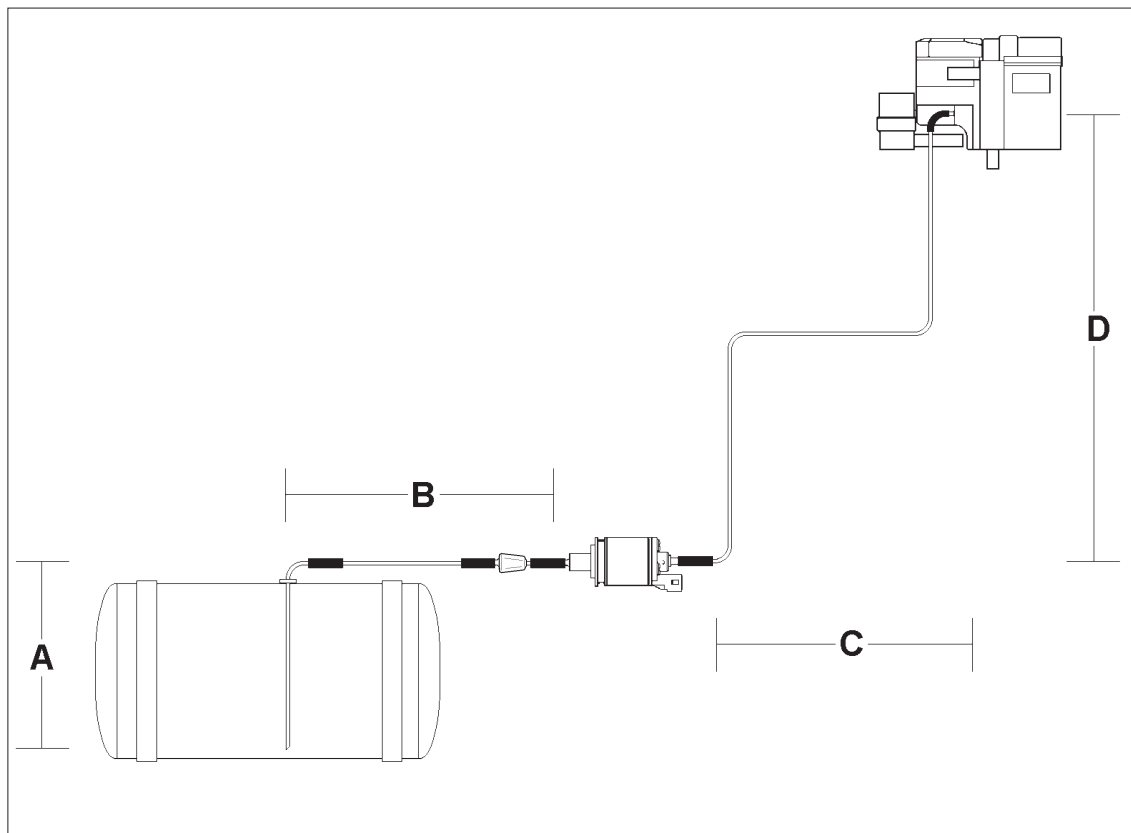


Fig. 404: Fuel System Limitations

Maximum suction height (A) = 3'3" (1m)

Maximum suction length (A + B) = 6'6" (2m)

Maximum delivery length (C + D) = 19'6" (6m)

Maximum delivery height (D) = 9'9" (3m)

### 4.7.3 Fuel Pump

The fuel pump **MUST** be mounted in a horizontal position in order to function correctly and deliver the proper quantity of fuel.

Mount the fuel pump as close to the fuel source as practicable.  
Do not mount fuel pump near heat sources (exhaust pipes, hot coolant lines, etc.)

Pay particular attention to the fuel line and pump limitations as covered in sections 4.7.2. and 4.7.3.

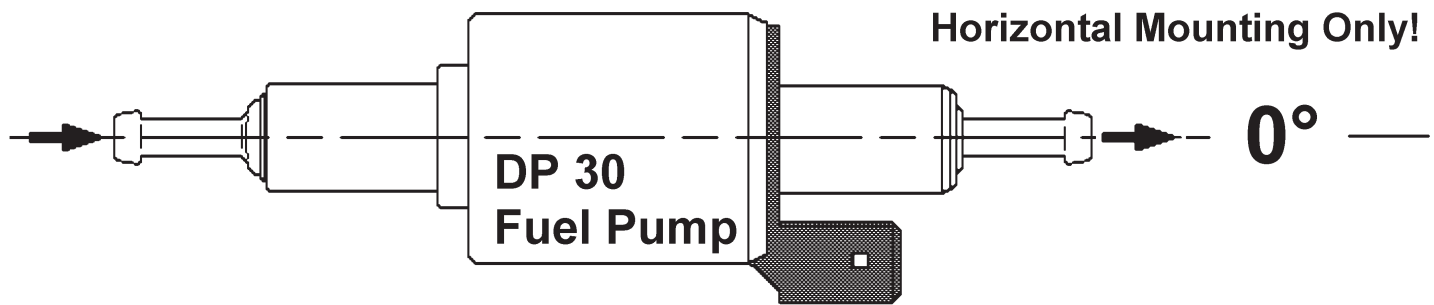


Fig. 405: Fuel Pump Mounting (DP 30)

### 4.7.4 Fuel Standpipe

The fuel is drawn from the vehicles fuel tank through a fuel standpipe. This standpipe can be utilized on vehicles with a spare threaded port, or if no threaded port is available, a 1" hole can be drilled into the tank and the universal tank boss installed as shown in figure 407. Keep the fuel standpipe 2" from the bottom of fuel tank.

#### Fuel standpipe installation:

1. Cut or extend fuel standpipe to length, approx. 2" off fuel tank bottom. Angle the cut to prevent clogging. Remove burrs from cut end.
2. Install the universal fuel standpipe
  - use 1/4" or 1/2" spare port on fuel tank (if available) and install fuel standpipe
  - or
  - drill 1" hole on top of tank (assemble tank-boss and fuel standpipe) and install assembled universal fuel standpipe
3. Connect fuel line from fuel metering pump to fuel standpipe using rubber connectors and clamps.
4. Route and secure fuel line from heater to fuel tank.

#### NOTE:

Fuel standpipe with universal tank boss can be installed from outside of tank. First assemble fuel standpipe and tank-boss and then insert at an angle through the 1" hole previously drilled into tank. Tighten down with nut provided. Do not over-tighten.

## Fuel Standpipe

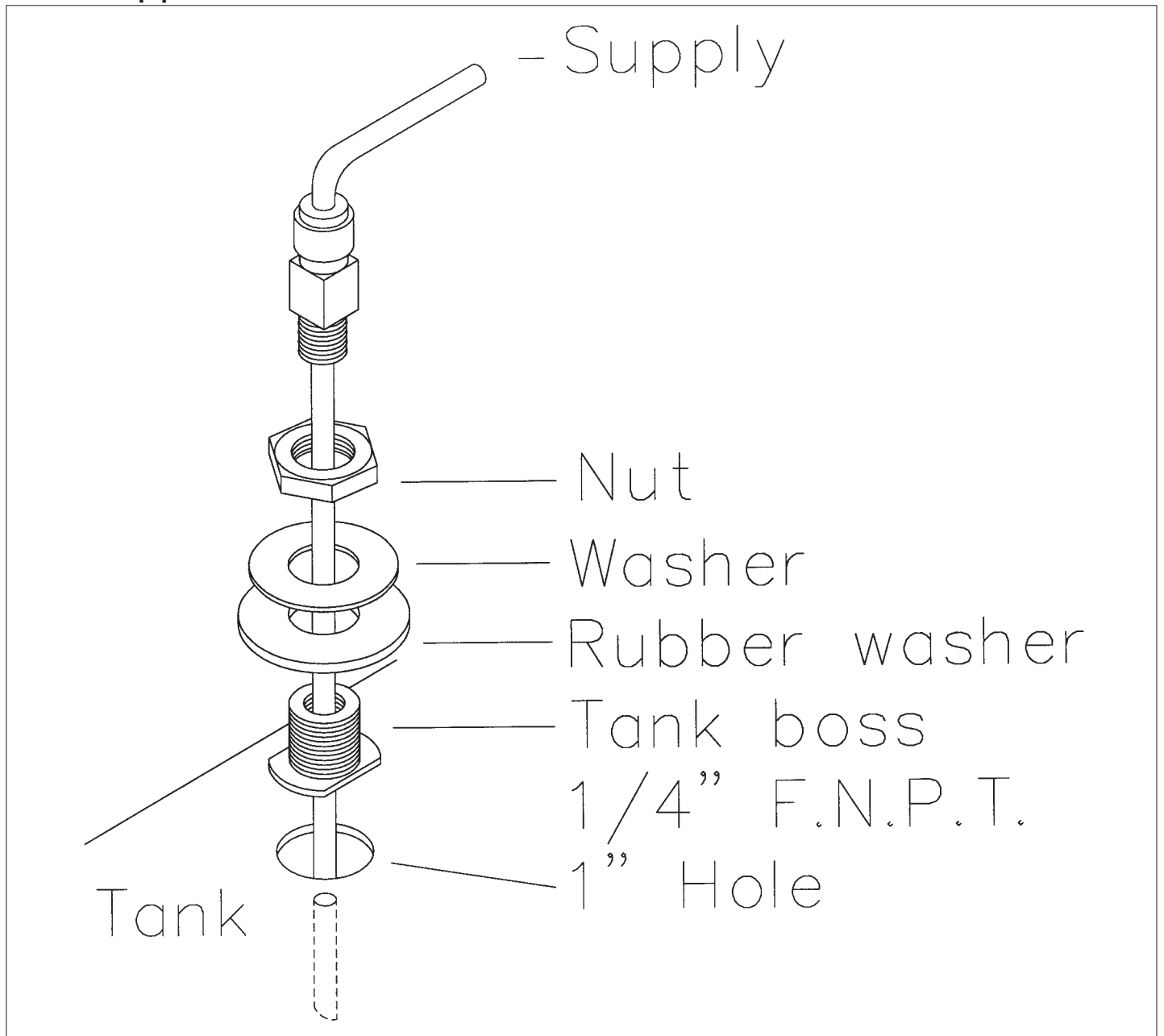


Fig. 406: Fuel Standpipe

### 4.7.5 Fuel Line

Fuel line, couplers and clamps are provided in the installation kit and are required for proper operation.

**CAUTION!**

Fuel line must be secured every 12" (30 cm) and kept away from hot exhaust and moving parts (drive shaft, wheels, etc).

**NOTE:**

Use supplied hose clamps to secure all fuel line connections.

The TSL 17 has been equipped with fuel line meeting the required specifications for proper operation.

The inside diameter of this fuel line is 0.08" (2.0 mm) and must not be substituted for fuel line of a larger diameter. Doing so will result in improper fuel delivery and the formation of air pockets in the fuel system which will interfere with heater operation.

Fuel line connections must be made as shown in figure 407, fuel line connection.

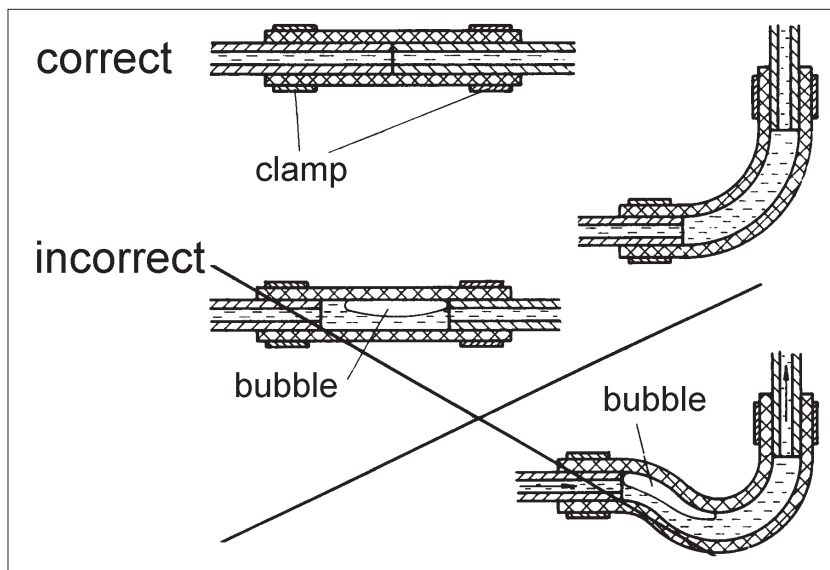


Fig. 407: Fuel Line Connection

### 4.7.6 Fuel Filter

The TSL 17 heater may be equipped with a fuel filter. Fuel filters require changing at least annually and in cases of dirty fuel more often.

**NOTE:**

If heater is equipped with a fuel filter, change filter at least annually.

## 4.8 Wiring Connections

### 4.8.1 General Information

The control unit is equipped with low voltage protection, therefore it is imperative to keep the vehicle's battery connections and battery in good condition.

**NOTE:**

The Webasto heating system will not perform to your satisfaction with a weak battery.

### 4.8.2 Power Connection to Battery

**Power harness connection instructions:**

1. Route and secure wire harness from Webasto heater to battery box and cut harness to length.
2. Strip wires and crimp supplied ring tongue terminals to the positive (red) and negative (brown) wire leads.
3. Clean any corrosion from battery terminals.
4. Connect the leads to the battery terminals.
5. Protect connections with an anticorrosion compound designed for use with electrical connections and battery terminals.

**CAUTION!**

If welding is to be performed on the vehicle, the main battery cables must be disconnected from the battery to protect the electronic control unit.

### 4.8.3 Switch and Timer Connections

**CAUTION!**

When drilling holes on the vehicle, do not drill into existing wiring or other mechanical components.

**Switch Installation:**

1. Select a suitable location in the vehicle dash for the On/Off toggle switch.
2. Drill a 1/2" hole through the dash for the toggle switch.
3. Route harness between heater and dash, secure harness along its length with wire ties. If possible, use existing hole in fire wall or drill in suitable location. Protect the harness with a grommet at the fire wall.
6. Connect the terminals of the harness to the switch. See figure 408 on next page and wiring diagram figure 410 for reference.

**Timer installation instructions:**

1. Select a suitable location in the vehicle dash for the timer.
2. Temporarily affix timer drilling template to dash or see timer dimensions.
3. Cutout hole to dimensions on template or timer dimensions.
4. Mount timer bezel to dash.
5. Route harness between heater and dash, secure harness along its length with wire ties.  
If possible, use existing hole in fire wall or drill in suitable location. Protect the harness with a grommet at the fire wall.
6. Connect the terminals of the harness to the timer. See figure 409 below and wiring diagram figure 411 for reference.
7. Push timer into place in dash bezel.

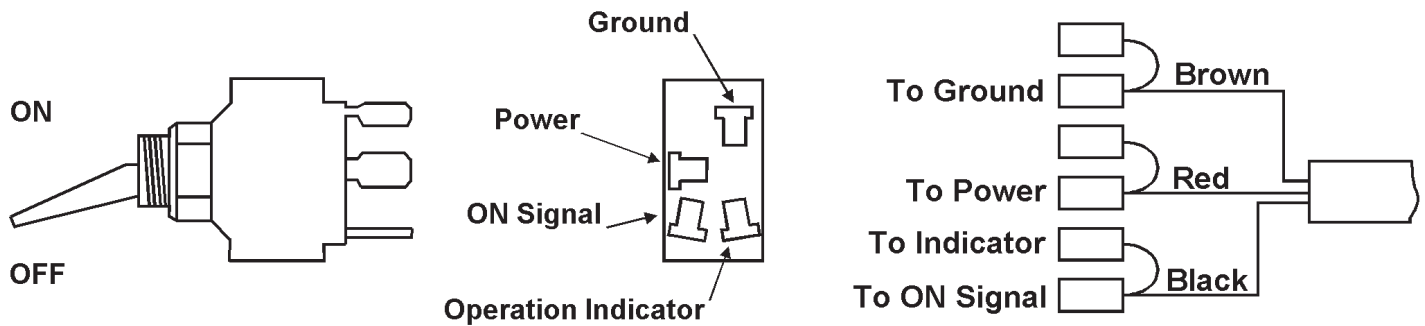


Fig. 408: On/Off Toggle Switch

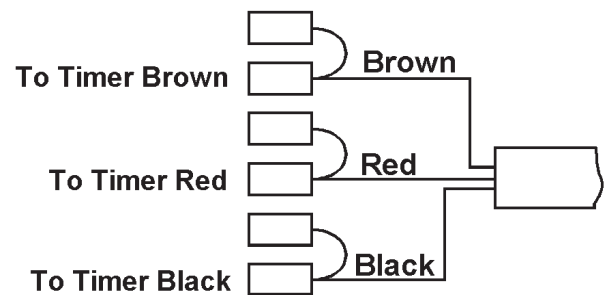
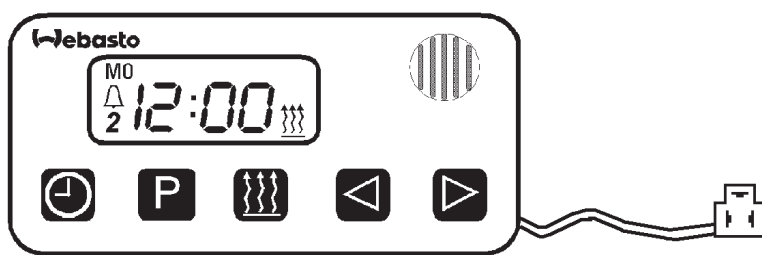
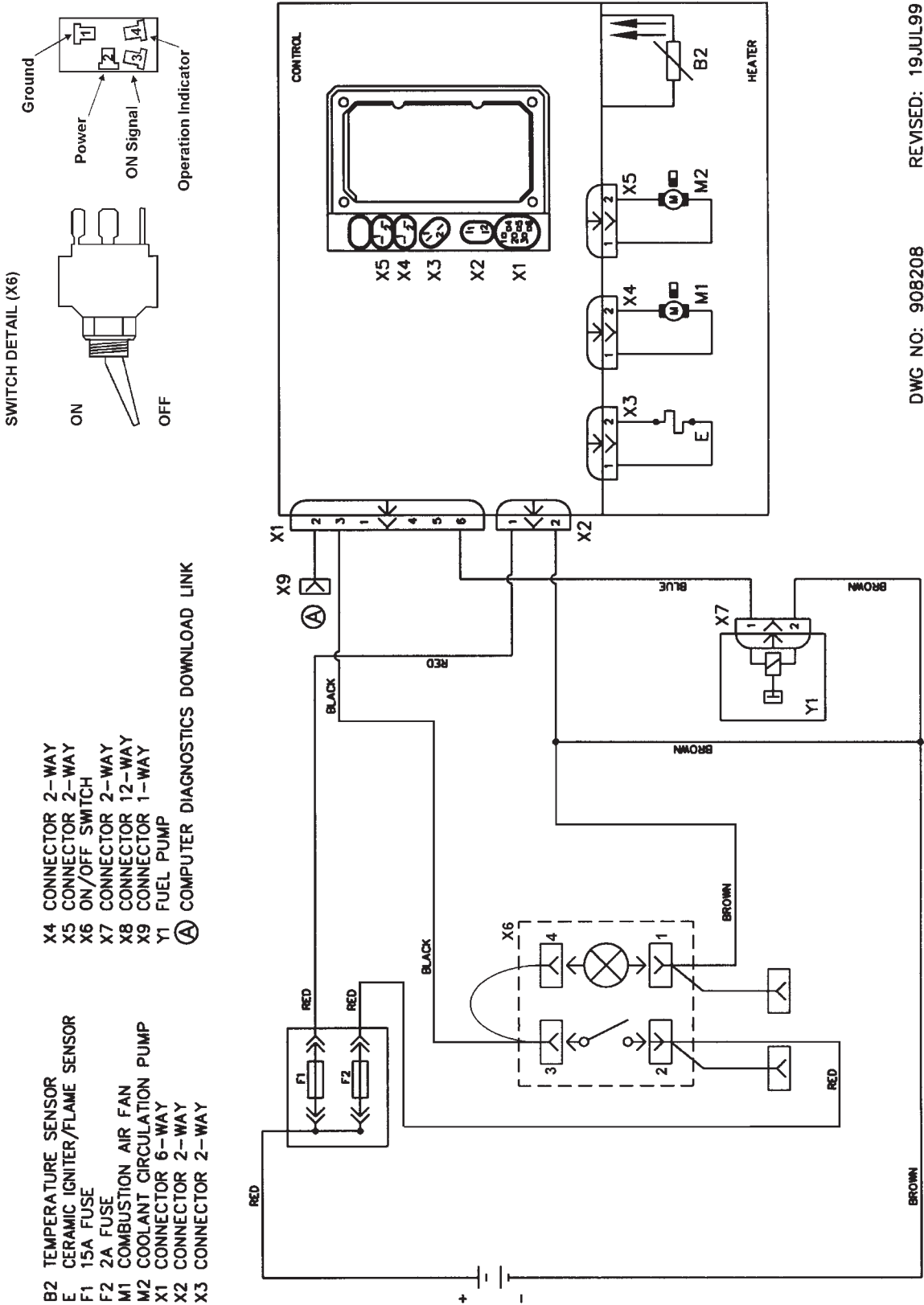


Fig. 409: Optional 7-Day Digital Timer

4.8.4 Wiring Diagram – TSL 17 (12 Volt) with On/Off Toggle Switch

WEBASTO TSL17 ELECTRICAL SCHEMATIC WITH ON/OFF SWITCH



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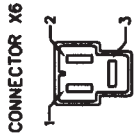
Fig. 410: Wiring Diagram – TSL 17 with On/Off Toggle Switch



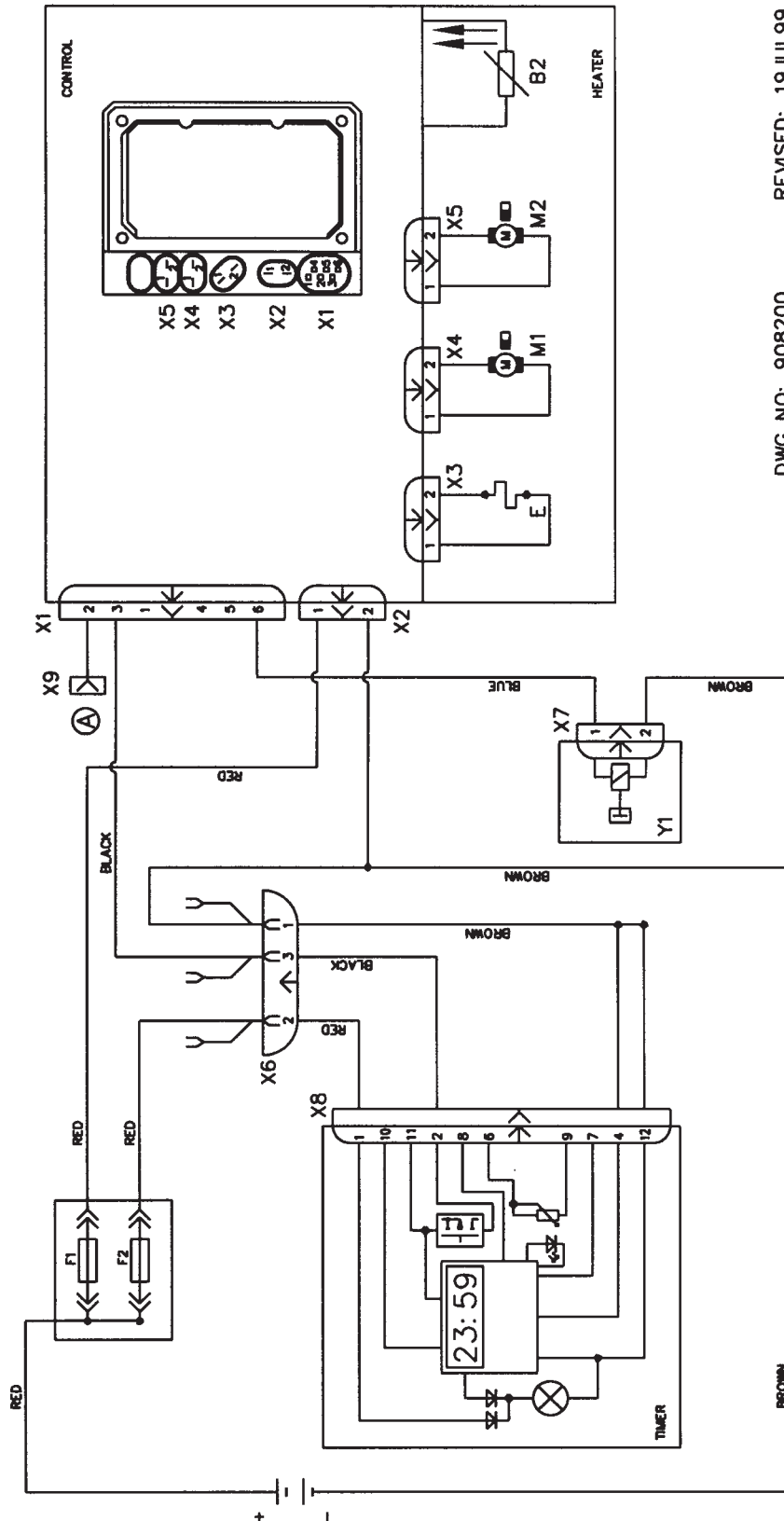
4.8.5 Wiring Diagram – TSL 17 (12 Volt) with Optional Digital Timer

WEBASTO TSL17 ELECTRICAL SCHEMATIC WITH OPTIONAL TIMER

- B2 TEMPERATURE SENSOR
- E CERAMIC IGNITER/FLAME SENSOR
- F1 15A FUSE
- F2 2A FUSE
- M1 COMBUSTION AIR FAN
- M2 COOLANT CIRCULATION PUMP
- X1 CONNECTOR 6-WAY
- X2 CONNECTOR 2-WAY
- X3 CONNECTOR 2-WAY
- X4 CONNECTOR 2-WAY
- X5 CONNECTOR 2-WAY
- X6 CONNECTOR 3-WAY
- X7 CONNECTOR 2-WAY
- X8 CONNECTOR 12-WAY
- X9 CONNECTOR 1-WAY
- Y1 FUEL PUMP



MATING END OF TIMER HARNESS SHOWN



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Fig. 411: Wiring Diagram – TSL 17 with Optional Digital Timer

## 4. Installation

### 4.9 Initial Operation

1. Check your installation for:
  - loose nuts and bolts.
  - exhaust system routing and clamp tightness.
  - loose hose clamps.
  - routing and securing of wiring and heater hoses.
  - kinked or pinched hoses.
  - routing and securing of fuel lines.
  - battery connection and polarity.
2. Top off or refill cooling system with coolant as per engine manufacturers recommendations.
3. Open shutoff valves.
4. Set heater valve to max. heat position and turn off Air Conditioning in cab and sleeper.
5. Start the vehicle engine and run it at a fast idle for 10 minutes to purge air from the TSL 17 and the heat exchanger. While the engine is running check:
  - hose connections for leaks.
  - coolant level in the expansion tank and add coolant as needed.
6. Shut off the engine.
7. Switch on Webasto heater using the toggle switch or the “Instant Heat” button on timer and check:
  - Switch toggle or instant heat button illuminates.
  - circulating pump in operation.
  - initiation of start up sequence.
  - successful start up and operation.
8. Temperature differential between water inlet and outlet should not exceed 10 °C (18 °F).

**NOTE:**

Coolant temperature must be below 86 °F (30 °C) to start up.

**NOTE:**

Installation with long fuel lines may need a second start attempt to prime the fuel lines. Cycle ON/OFF switch to reset control unit.

**NOTE:**

The engine temperature gauge may read lower than actual heater output temperature. This is due to the location of the temperature gauge sensor on the engine.

10. Switch "OFF" TSL 17 heater.
11. Re-tighten hose clamps to 45 in/LB. (5 Nm) and inspect installation for leaks.
12. Complete the warranty card and send to Webasto Thermosystems.

**NOTE:**

Necessary information to complete warranty card and ensure full warranty coverage can be found on the heater name plate.

## 5. Maintenance of the Heater

### 5.1 Annual Maintenance

The TSL 17 heater requires a minimum of maintenance to keep in good operating condition. The following maintenance procedures should be performed annually before each heating season:

#### NOTE

For major repair and spare parts, return to your authorized Webasto Thermosystems Specialist.

#### Enclosure Box and Heater

- Clean the heater and enclosure box from any accumulated debris or dust with compressed air.
- Inspect all components for wear and damage.

#### Electrical System

- Check wiring harnesses for damage, repair or replace if damaged.
- Check the condition of the batteries and the connections.
- Load test the batteries and replace if necessary.

#### NOTE

The heater will not function properly with weak batteries.

#### Combustion Air System

- Check for obstructions at air intake port.
- Check air intake tube carefully for restrictions and damage. Repair or replace if damaged.

#### Exhaust System

- Check the exhaust system carefully for restrictions or corrosion. Replace damaged parts.

#### Fuel System

- Change fuel filter if equipped. Inspect fuel line for damage, restrictions, routing or loose connections. Repair or replace if damaged.

#### Coolant System

- Inspect all coolant lines and clamps for leakage, restrictions or damage. Repair or replace.
- Inspect coolant circulation pump for leakage. Repair or replace if damaged.

#### Operational Test

- Run your heating system for at least 15 minutes.
- Check water and fuel connections for leakage. Re-tighten hose clamps if necessary.

#### NOTE

Operate your Webasto at least once a month for 10 minutes.



## 6. Basic Troubleshooting

### 6.1 General Information

This section describes troubleshooting procedures for the TSL 17 coolant heater. Troubleshooting is normally limited to the isolation of defective components.

#### CAUTION

Troubleshooting requires profound knowledge about structure and theory of operation of the heater components and may only be performed by skilled personnel.

#### Before troubleshooting, check for and eliminate these defects:

- blown fuses
- fuel supply (plugged fuel filter)
- corrosion on battery terminals, electrical wiring, connections and fuses
- loose contact on connectors
- wrong crimping on connectors

#### NOTE

After any correction of a defect a functional test has to be performed in the vehicle.

### 6.2 General Failure Symptoms

The following table lists possible failure symptoms.

Failure Symptom	Probable Cause	Remedy
Coolant heater switches off automatically (Fault lockout)	No combustion after start or automatic repeat start	Switch off heater momentarily and switch on <u>once</u> again
	Flame extinguishes during operation	Switch off heater momentarily and switch on <u>once</u> again
	Heater overheats	Check coolant lines for obstructions, closed valves and kinks. Check coolant level. Allow heater to cool down, reset over heat limiter, switch off heater momentarily and switch on <u>once</u> again
	Vehicle electrical system voltage too low	Charge battery Switch off heater momentarily and switch on <u>once</u> again
Heater expels black fumes from exhaust	Combustion air and/or exhaust ducting blocked	Check combustion and exhaust ducting for obstructions

Table 601: General Failure Symptoms

### 6.3 Heater Lockout Reset Procedure

The TSL 17 is designed with a lockout safety feature built in to the control unit. After 3 consecutive unsuccessful startup attempts, the heater will lock itself out from any further start attempts. The heater may also enter the lockout mode after experiencing an overheat condition.

The following procedure will clear the lockout mode and reset the heater for normal operation:

1. Remove fuse F1 (15 Amp), refer to wiring diagram figure 411 for identification.  
Wait 10 seconds before reinserting. This is done to prepare the control unit for resetting.
2. Wait a further 10 seconds after reinserting fuse F1. Now turn the heater on using the On/Off switch or the “instant on” button of the optional timer.
3. Wait 10 seconds after turning the heater on and remove fuse F1 again.
4. Wait a further 30 seconds and then turn the heater off at the switch or optional timer.
5. Reinsert fuse F1 after waiting 3 to 10 seconds of shutting off the heater.
6. Wait a further 10 seconds and turn the heater back on again.

The lockout mode should now be canceled and the heater operating normally.

### 6.4 PC Diagnostics Kit

**CAUTION**

Diagnostics equipment is intended for use by Webasto trained personnel at authorized Webasto Distributor, Dealer and End User service facilities.

It is possible to read and remove (reset) stored fault codes from the TSL 17 memory. This is achieved through the use of a diagnostic interface kit connected to the TSL 17 and an IBM compatible computer having the necessary software installed.

The PC Diagnostic Interface Kit comes complete with connecting hardware, software and instructions. Also available are several interface connectors for use with Webasto heaters equipped with internal diagnostics capabilities such as the TSL 17.

Order PC Diagnostics Kit under part number 9009064C.

Kit does not include required adapter, please order adapter under part number 92566B.

In addition to working with stored fault codes, the PC Diagnostics Kit allows you to do several other functions such as reading values while the heater is in operation or testing individual components. Printing out of fault codes is also available (User supplied printer required).

For further capabilities and instructions for use with the TSL 17 heater, see instruction manual supplied with the PC Diagnostics Kit.

