## **MASTERVOLT**

**INSTALLATION MANUAL U.S.A EDITION** 

# WHISPER 6 / 8 / 11

- 3600 RPM -

Marine diesel generating set 120/240V / 60Hz

Digital Diesel Control



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## 1 INSTALLATION

## 1.1 GENERAL

This installation manual is valid for the following models:

Part number	Description
50902055	Whisper 6 / 120/240V 3600rpm
50902056	Whisper 6 / 120/240V 3600rpm –
	ungrounded
50903055	Whisper 8 / 120/240V 3600rpm
50903056	Whisper 8 / 120/240V 3600rpm -
	ungrounded
50604055	Whisper 11 / 120/240V 3600rpm
50604056	Whisper 11 / 120/240V 3600rpm -
	ungrounded

For other models see our website: www.mastervolt.com

To ensure reliability and durability of the equipment, it is very important that the installation is carried out with the utmost care and attention. To avoid problems, such as temperature problems, noise levels, vibration, etc. the instructions set out in this manual must be followed and all installation work must be carried out professionally.

#### 1.2 LOCATION

Since Whisper generating sets have extremely compact dimensions, they can be installed in tight locations. Please consider that even almost maintenance-free machinery must still remain accessible.

When selecting the location area in which to mount the generating set, make sure there is sufficient room to carry out any maintenance work. The unit must be easily accessible on the service side and on the distribution side to have access to the V-belt

Please also note that in spite of the automatic oil pressure sensor it is still essential that the oil level is checked regularly.

## 1.3 INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPTIMAL SOUND AND VIBRATION INSULATION

Position the generating set as low as possible in the vessel. As the generating set is already secured to the base frame by means of flexible engine mountings, the frame can be mounted directly to the vessel's main structure.

#### 1.3.1 Steel base plate

However to keep resonant vibrations at a minimum, it is recommended to mount the generating set on a solid steel base plate, approx. 3/4" (20 mm) weighing approx. 130Lbs (60 kg) or 50% of the weight of the generating set. The engine draws its inlet combustion air through several holes in the capsule base. Therefore the capsule must be fitted with sufficient clearance between the capsule underside and the base plate. For the Whisper 6/8-3600rpm a steel base plate is available from Mastervolt as an optional accessory (ref. fig. 20, page 18)

#### 1.3.2 Further recommendations

Whisper generating sets are standard equipped with a "GRP" (Glass Reinforced Plastic) sound cover. The canopy has been designed to give effective sound insulation. For optimum sound and vibration dampening, the following factors should be considered.

- 1 Avoid mounting the generating set in close proximity to thin walls or floors that may cause resonance.
- Sound dampening is extremely poor if the generating set is mounted on a light weight flimsy surface such as plywood which will only amplify vibrations. If mounting on a thinner surface cannot be avoided, this should at least be reinforced with stiffening struts or ribbing. If possible, holes should be bored or cut through the surface to help reduce the resonance. Covering the surrounding walls and floors with a heavy coating plus foam will certainly improve the situation.

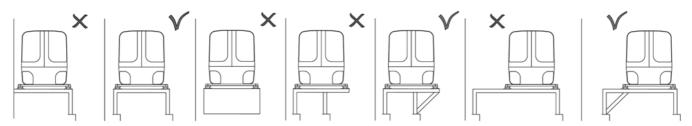


Figure 1: Mounting of the Whisper generating set.

X = wrong, V = OK



Never connect the base of the generating set directly to bulkheads or tanks.

#### 1.4 VENTILATION

The generating set normally draws air from the engine room. Engine rooms with natural ventilation must have vent openings of adequate size and location to enable the generating set to operate without overheating. To allow an ample supply of air within the temperature limits of the generating set an opening of at least 16 sq inch (100 cm2) is required.

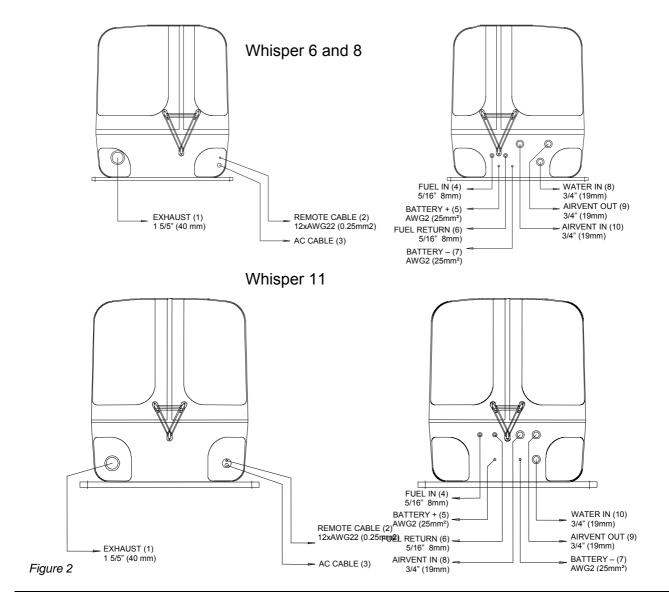
A "sealed" engine compartment must have a good extraction ventilator to maintain reasonable engine room temperatures. High temperature of intake air reduces engine performance and increases engine coolant temperatures. Air temperatures above 104°F (40°C) reduce the engine power by 1% for each 5°F of rise. To minimise these effects the engine room temperature must not be more than 27°F (15 °C) above the outside ambient air temperature.

Apply a combination of ventilators, blowers and air intake

ducting to meet the temperature limit. The air inlet ducts should run to the bottom of the engine room to clear fumes from the bilge and to circulate fresh air. Air outlets should be at the top of the engine room to remove the hottest air. An engine room blower should be used as an extraction ventilator to remove air from the engine room.

In cases where it is impossible to meet the above mentioned temperature limit by using machine room ventilation, connections are to be made for an air inlet directly to the enclosure. With these connections the generating set can be directly connected to an air duct.

Air inlets should be louvered, where appropriate, to protect the engine room and to protect the generating set from water spray. As an extra precaution, the fitting of a cowl ventilator with a cover box located as high as possible, is recommended.





#### 1.5 CONNECTIONS

The generating set comes supplied with all supply lines and output cable (i.e. electric cables, cooling water connections, exhaust, fuel lines etc.) already connected to the engine and generator. The supply lines are fed through the capsule's front base. The connections are marked as shown in fig. 2.

All electrical connections, cable types and sizes must comply with the appropriate national regulations. Supplied cables are rated for ambient temperatures up to 158°F (70°C). If the cables are required to meet higher temperature requirements, they must be run through conduits.



#### ATTENTION!

Before working (installation) on the system read the section safety instructions

#### 1.5.1 Fuel supply

#### 1 FUEL TANK

Fuel tanks should be made of appropriate material such as (stainless) steel or plastic. Steel tanks should not be galvanised or painted inside. Condensation can occur in metal tanks when temperature changes. Therefore, water accumulates at the bottom of the tank and provisions should be made for the drainage of this water.

The tank will need a filling connection, a return connection and an air ventilation connection which will require protection against water entry.

Some official regulations do not allow connection points at the base of the fuel tank; in this instance connections are to be made at the top of the tank with internal tubing down to a few cm above the bottom of the tank.

#### 2 FUEL LIFT PUMP

The generating set itself is equipped with a fuel lift pump; therefore the tank can be installed at a lower level than the generating set. The maximum suction height is 3ft (1m).

If the pump has to lift the fuel higher than 3ft (1m) an external fuel lift pump must be installed. The control board is already prepared to connect an extra fuel pump.

#### 3 FUEL PIPES

When the tank is above the generating set (figure 3)'we recommend ending the return line on the top of the tank. When the return is on the top - in case of a leakage the return line cannot overflow because of siphoning. One will only need a fuel cock in the fuel supply line.

When the tank is below the generating set (figure 4) we recommend ending the return line on the bottom of the tank (A) below the inlet of the supply line to discharge under the lowest fuel level. This prevents air getting into the fuel line. Here also one needs a fuel cock only in the supply line

Both supply and return fuel pipe lines should be appropriate material and 5/16" (8 mm) outer diameter tubing. The quality of the tubing of fuel pipes could be submitted to local regulations depending on the application of the vessel.

The fuel pipes can be plumbed to the flexible hoses which are on the generating set and have a connection to fit to 5/16" (8 mm) pipe. This fuel lines fulfils CE standards and are according to ISO 7840 A2.

It is important to avoid bends in the pipes, as they could trap air bubbles. The return pipe should never be connected to the suction pipe. Other consumers of diesel fuel, such as the propulsion engine and heaters, have to be connected to separate suction and return pipes.

#### 4 FUEL FILTERS

A fine fuel filter is installed which requires maintenance. Mastervolt advises to install an extra fuel filter/ water fuel separator near the fuel tank.

Before starting your generating set for the first time follow the fuel system bleeding procedure in the users manual.



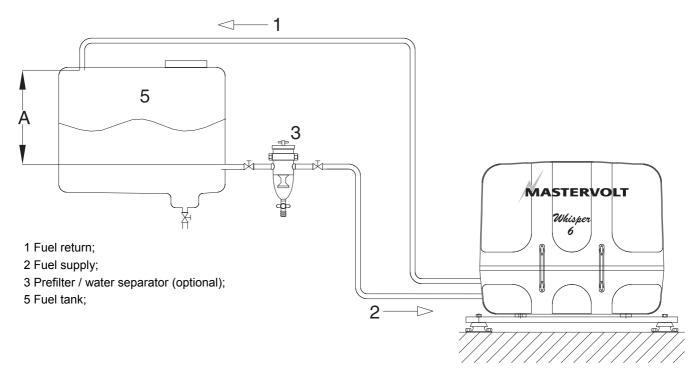


Fig. 3: Fuel supply (fuel tank is above the generating set)

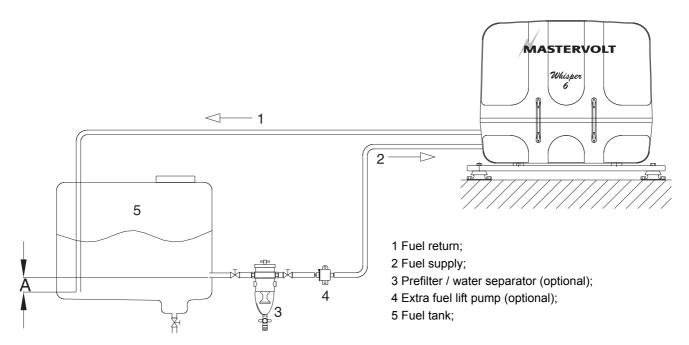


Fig. 4: Fuel supply (fuel tank is above the generating set)



#### 1.5.2 Cooling

Intercooling is based on a raw water pump, heat exchanger and water-injected exhaust. Cooling liquid in the internal cooling system is cooled in a heatexchanger by outboard water (raw water or seawater). After the raw water is warmed up in the heatexchanger it is dumped overboard by injecting it in the exhaust.

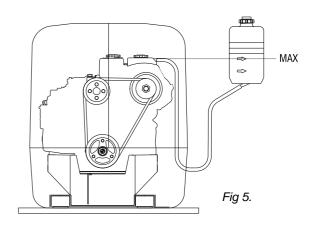
The generating set should have its own sea water (coolant water) inlet and should not be connected to any other engine systems. A properly installed cooling system is critical to keep engine temperatures within an acceptable range. Ensure that the installation complies to the following installation instructions.

#### 1 THE INTERNAL COOLING SYSTEM

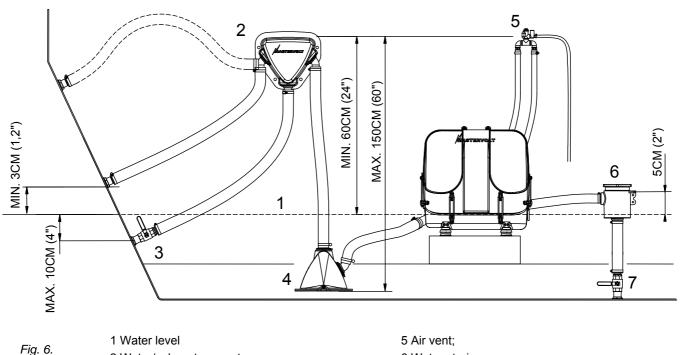
The internal cooling system should be filled with cooling liquid. (Refer to the users manual 2.5.12) When the engine becomes hot the liquid expands and the system is pressurised. After the pressure becomes too high the release valve in the filling cap on the manifold opens and the expanding liquid is pressed into the expansion tank that is in the delivery. Also the air in the system that is collected at the top of the manifold is released in this way. When the liquid cools down there will be under-pressure. Another valve opens and the liquid is sucked into the manifold again. This system works only when there is enough liquid initially. This has to be checked when commissioning the generator set. By filling up the expansion tank when necessary there will always be

enough liquid in the system. The hose that is in the delivery has to be connected to the connection on the side of the filling cap. This hose is made of heat resistant plastic and is not sensitive for kinks.

The hose goes through a hole that has to be drilled in the lower part of the canopy close to the place where the tank is mounted.



See figure 5. The tank has to be placed close to the generator. When it is mounted above the top of the manifold the liquid in the tank will be drained when the cap on the manifold is taken off. When keel cooling or radiator cooling is applied the system will not be pressurised. A



2 Water/exhaust separator

- 3 Seacock
- 4 Waterlock

6 Water strainer;

7 Seacock.



cap without release valve should be applied. Refer to the special manual for these applications.

#### 2 RAW WATER SUPPLY

For raw water supply the following installation materials are required: -a skin fitting - a sea cock - a water strainer - hoses and clamps. In order to keep the suction resistance in the line at a minimum, the sea water intake system (i.e. sea cock, tru-hull fitting, inlet filter, etc.) must have the following inner diameter at least

Model	Minimum inner diameter
Whisper 6 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)
Whisper 8 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)
Whisper 11 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)

The suction hose should be kept as short as possible. Raw water plumbing should avoid bends as much as possible.

Restriction of raw water flow, caused by kinked hoses, undersized pipes or connections, will reduce the engine cooling capability. This is the main cause for overheating of an engine.

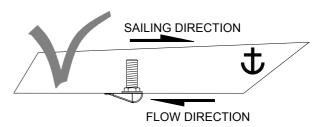
After running the generating set for the first time, check the coolant flow rate using a stopwatch and by holding a pail of a known volume under the wet-exhaust outlet. The flow rate should be according to the data in the users manual

#### 3 INSTALLATION OF THROUGH HULL FITTING

It is good practice for yachts to use a hull inlet fitting with an integrated strainer (water scoop). For propulsion engines in motorboats the water scoop is often mounted against the sailing direction to induce more water intake for cooling.



This should not be done in the case of a generating set! When sailing at higher speeds, water will be forced into the inlet and your generating set will overflow!



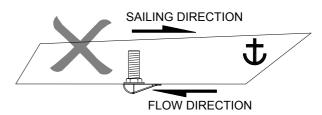


Fig. 7 Installing water intake

On motorboats and on sailing boats the water scoop for a generating set should be fitted with the opening faced backwards to prevent water being forced in during sailing. Use a sealant when mounting the skin fitting.

#### 4 WATER STRAINER

Use an appropriate water strainer with connections of the following dimensions:

Model	Inner dimensions
Whisper 6 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)
Whisper 8 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)
Whisper 11 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)

Install the water strainer in a well accessible position, (refer to fig. 6-6) 5 cm above the waterline.



#### 5 SIPHON BREAKER (AIR VENT)

When the point of water injection is below the waterline, then -when the engine is stopped -there is a risk that the cooling water may enter the engine as a result of siphoning. To avoid this happening, the generating set is designed to accommodate a siphon breaker (air vent). In the standard delivery the connections are bypassed.

Hoses with the following inner diameter should be used:

Model	Inner dimensions
Whisper 6 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)
Whisper 8 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)
Whisper 11 – 3600 rpm	3/4" (19 mm)

If the generating set cannot be mounted such that the bottom of the generating set is placed above the waterline, an air vent must be installed.

Extend the water hose of the by-pass 24" (60 cm) above waterline and install an air vent. Ideally, the air vent should be mounted above the yacht keel center line (i.e. to minimize the influence of swaying on the water intake). The hose of the drain should go downwards. Water must flow out freely and air has to flow in freely as well.

Fast motorboats will lay deeper when sailing at large speed and can cause pressure on the waterinlet. This should be avoided to prevent fleeding the engine.



If the air vent is clogged the water hoses will not be vented when the generating set has stopped and water can be forced into the engine. This leads to immediate engine problems and eventually severe damage!

DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE INGRESS OF WATER IN THE ENGINE IS NOT COVERED BY WARRANTEE

On the valve is a little hose to drain a little water that could be spilled from the valve. This hose should go down and may not end under water, because it should ventilate air into the valve to break the siphoning (figure 8).

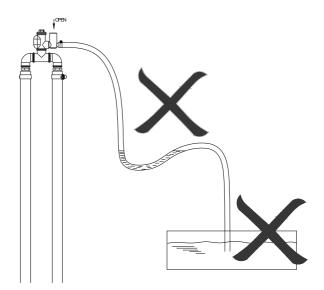


Fig 8: Wrong siphon breaker hose routing

Check the air vent at regular intervals. Open, clean and lubricate the valve as required.

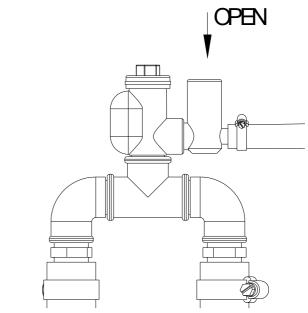


Fig. 9 Mastervolt siphon breaker



## 1.5.3 Exhaust system

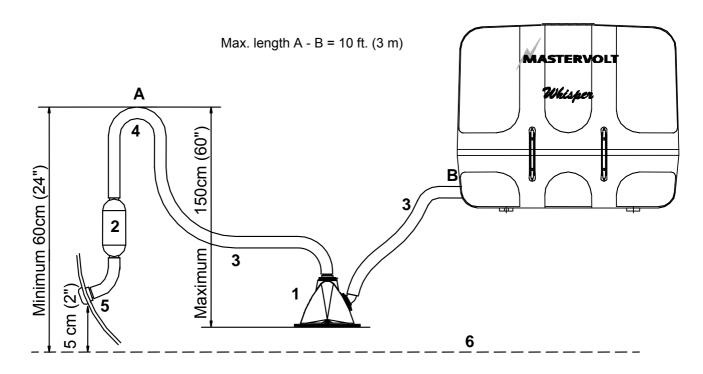
Water is injected in the exhaust system of the generating set. In this way the cooling water that has passed the heat exchanger is mixed with the exhaust gases. Temperature and volume of the gases are thereby reduced considerably, so that a rubber exhaust hose can be used and the level of noise is reduced as well.

#### 1 STANDARD EXHAUST SYSTEM INSTALLATION

The generating set exhaust system must remain completely independent and separate from the exhaust system of any other engine on board. A water lock prevents the generating set from being flooded by cooling water and should be installed as close to the generating set as possible. The lock must be large enough to hold the entire water volume held in the hose from the top of the goose neck to the water lock. The water lock must be installed at the lowest point of the exhaust system (ref. to fig. 10-1). The exhaust hose must have an inner diameter

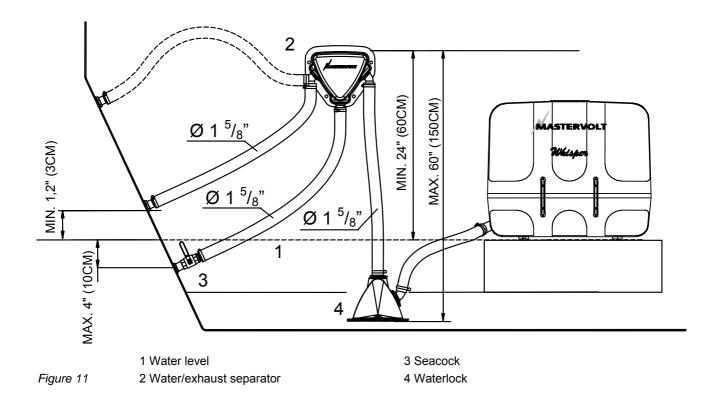
of 1  $^{5}/_{8}$ " (40mm), no less, no more. The exhaust system must be installed so that the back pressure inside the exhaust does not exceed 1psi (2 inches mercury, 27 inches – 70 cm watercolumn) and total length from the genearot to the top of the goose neck or or water/separator does not exceed 10ft (3m). (Refer to paragraph 5.4.3 of the users manual).

The exhaust hose descends from the capsule to the water lock. Then the hose rises via the "goose neck" to the through-hull exhaust outlet, situated minimum 2" (5 cm) above the water line (ref. to fig. 10-5.) The "goose neck" must be vertical and situated preferable along the ship's keel center line. If the generating set is mounted less than 24" (60 cm) above the waterline, a "goose neck" must be installed to prevent the engine from overflowing. It is recommended to install an extra muffler close to the through-hull fitting.



- 1 Exhaust water lock;
- 2 Exhaust outlet muffler;
- Fig 10 3 Exhaust line Ø 1  $^{5}/_{8}$ " (40mm)
- 4 Goose neck;
- 5 Through-hull exhaust outlet Ø 1 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" (40mm);
- 6 Water level.





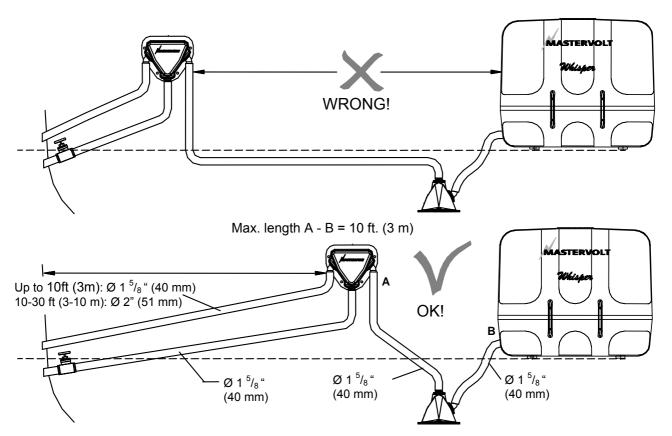


Figure 12: Only after the exhaust / water separator the exhaust hose may have a length of over 24 feet (7.5 meter)



#### 2 "SUPER SILENT" EXHAUST SYSTEM

See figure 11. In order to reduce the noise level of the generating set to a minimum, an option to reduce the exhaust noise further (especially exhaust water splashing) is an exhaust/water separator. The exhaust/water separator allows the cooling water to be ejected through a line separate from the exhaust fumes and also functions as a goose neck to prevent water from flooding the engine. If the exhaust/water separator is mounted more than 60 cm above the water level an additional goose neck is not required.

If the through-hull exhaust outlet has to be mounted far from the generating set (Total length of the exhaust piping from generator to top of goose neck (water separator) is more than 10ft / 3m.), an exhaust/water separator must definitely be installed. The sea water from the separator must then run down along the shortest possible path to the through-hull outlet.

Only after the exhaust/water separator the exhaust hose may have a length of over 7,5 m if the exhaust hose diameter is also increased from Ø 40 mm (1  $^5/_8$ ") to 51 mm (2") in order to reduce the back pressure (ref. to figure 12) However watertraps should be avoided as the fumes still contains water and this should not accumulate in bents (refer to figures 13 and 14). An additional outlet exhaust muffler close to the hull outlet will help further to reduce noise emission

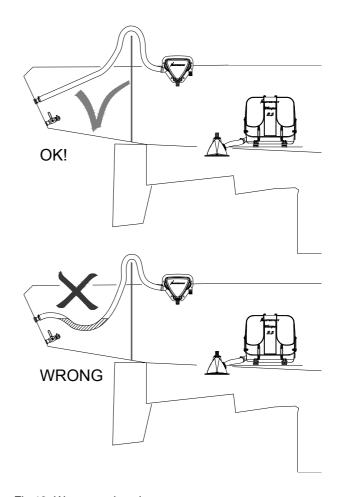


Fig.13: Water trap in exhaust system

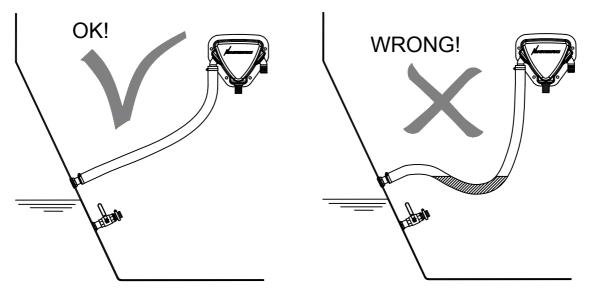


Figure 14: Water will collect in the hanging bend of the exhaust gas hose and will cause back pressure



If the generating set and the exhaust system have been installed correctly, neighbouring boats will not be disturbed by generating set noise, With the "super silent" exhaust system, generating set noises are almost inaudible. For optimal noise reduction, the sea water outlet from the exhaust/water separator (center outlet on the unit) should be installed below the water level to eliminate noisy splashing of the effluent sea water.

The through-hull outlet for the exhaust fumes should not direct the fumes directly toward the water surface as this will cause excessive noise (ref. to fig. 15).



Do not direct the outlet directly toward the water surface.

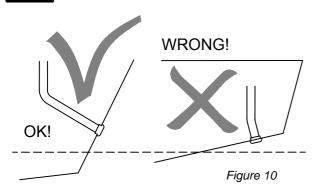


Figure 15

#### 1.5.4 Digital Diesel Control system (12 Volt)

#### 1 DIGITAL DIESEL CONTROL SYSTEM

The electrical control system is standard in 12 Volt with negative earth. Non- earth return is available as an option for aluminium vessels to prevent corrosion.

All electrical wiring has been prepared on the generating set to the control panel prior to despatch from the factory. The engine is controlled by a very advanced microprocessor based system: Digital Diesel Control.

The "black box" containing the microprocessor is located on top of the alternator.

A local control panel is on the generating set.

#### Remote control

A remote control panel also containing a microprocessor is in the delivery. A 50ft (15m) intermediate 8-pole communication cable is in the standard supply as well (refer to fig. 16). If necessary an optional longer (up to 100ft / 30m) intermediate cable can be connected if the standard length does not suit the required distance. When a longer distance than 100ft / 30m is required, consult the Mastervolt service department for advice.

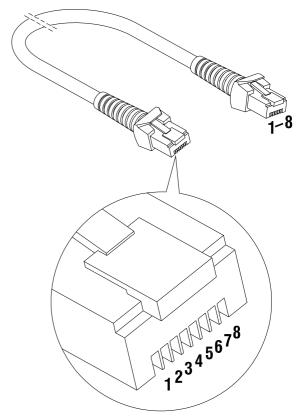


Fig. 16 Remote control cable



One can mount the control panel after drilling a hole in the dashboard using the plastic cover. Refer to the dimensional drawing in paragraph 3.5. The panel without the plastic cover fits the Mastervision modular panel system.

More remote control panels (slave panels) can be put in parallel by using the modular connectors on the back of the units. As a slave one can use the same panel offering all functions again. It is also possible to use an old or new type slave panel only to start and stop the generator.

Old type remote panels and system panels can be connected by means of the green connector.

Pay attention to the colour codes as indicated in fig. 17 when fitting cable to the green connector. Some software versions in old system panels (supplied before May 2004) could conflict with the software in the DDC and an update of the software of the system panel could be necessary. When this is the case consult to the Mastervolt service department for advice.

When using the factory settings, installation is very simple: just plug the remote cable into the remote and the generator is ready to use. Refer to fig. 17.

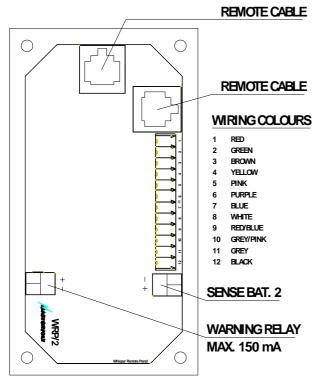


Fig. 17 Remote box terminals

#### Acoustic alarm or warning lamp

One can connect an external max.150 mA relay to generate an acoustic warning or applying a warning lamp etc. Be aware of polarity as some relays has a diode inside and should be connected plus to plus en minus to minus as indicated. Refer to fig. 17.

#### Connection for emergency stop / fire alarm switch

To connect an emergency stop button or to stop the generator automatically in case of a fire alarm, you can use the bypass connection between fastons J7 and J18 on the backside of the local control panel. See fig. 18. To do so, remove this bypass connection and then replace it by an emergency switch or a potential free fire alarm switch with normally closed contacts

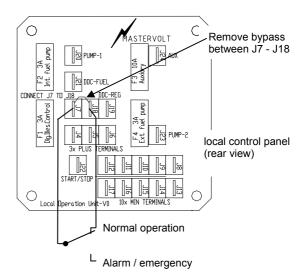


Fig. 18: Connection for emergency stop / fire alarm switch

### Automatic start/stop



Mastervolt cannot be held responsible for damage caused by the unattended running generator using the auto-start/stop mode or interval mode



Using the auto-start/stop (interval) mode the generator can start unexpectedly. When working on the electrical system, the 3 Amp fuse must be removed from the control panel and the battery plus cable must be removed from the battery.

The Mastervolt Digital Diesel Control system offers several options for automatic starting and stopping.

Access to this menu and other menus could be blocked. For blocking and setting up this options refer to the APPENDIX of the DDC users manual.



One of these options is to monitor a second battery (not being the starter battery) to start the generator automatically when the voltage of this battery drops below a certain setting.

Other names for this second battery are "auxiliary battery", "service battery", "users battery" or "consumers battery". We will refer to this battery as "the second battery"(BAT2). In some menus the starter battery could be indicated as "the first battery" (BAT1).

A sense wire to monitor the second battery should be connected (attention polarity!) to the connector on the back of the remote panel. Refer to fig. 17. The sense wires must be connected directly on the second battery before a main switch and be protected by a 3 Amps fuse.

(Monitoring the generator starter battery does not require an extra sense connection)

#### **Settings**

When one want to apply other settings than the factory settings refer to the DDC users manual, especially to the APPENDIX.

#### **2 STARTER BATTERY**

For starting, the Whisper generator requires a battery with a capacity of at least 70Ah. The generating set can be connected with the main engine battery or have its own battery.

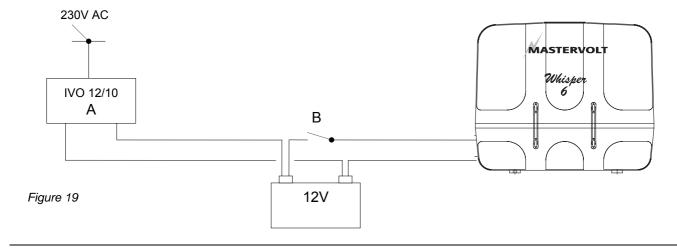
We strongly recommend the use of a separate battery for the generating set and to keep the wiring system for the propulsion engine and the domestic DC supply system completely separate and individually connected to separate batteries.

However, the negative of all the batteries on the vessel should be interconnected (when on earth) to avoid difference in the voltage level of the earth on different places causing trouble to electronic devices which might be in the system.

The above recommendation is not valid for ships having the starter battery of the propulsion engine or other auxiliary equipment positive grounded. When this is the case an expert should be consulted.

A battery switch may be used.

The starter battery is charged by the standard internal charger in the alternator. An additional battery charger will help to keep the battery in good condition when the generating set is not used. A battery charger is not included in the standard supply. A high efficiency battery charging unit can be ordered from Mastervolt which is able to charge both the ship's main battery and the starter battery. Also a small charger can be used to charge the starter battery only, such as the IVO SMART 12/10. A battery switch and a charger are included in the battery installation kit, art. no. 50230210 (70Ah)





#### 3 OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS AND WARNINGS

The battery should be secured for seagoing conditions and the terminals should be insulated. For extra safety the battery can be enclosed in a wooden, plastic, Fiberglas etc. (non metal) box. Even when the earth return system is applied a negative battery cable should be used and the vessel should not to be used as a conductor.

In the negative battery cable a 250 Amp starter battery switch could be applied to switch off the battery. The battery cables are supplied in a standard length of 1.5 m, if longer cables are required a larger cross sectional area should be considered to compensate for voltage reduction. When two batteries are used in series to provide a 24 Volt supply system, never take off 12 Volt (starting) power from one of these batteries. This will result in severe damage to the batteries within a short time.

Disconnect the battery leads if electrical welding is to be carried out, otherwise damage will be caused to the diodes of the alternator.



As explosive hydrogen gases are discharged during charging, the battery should be located in a well ventilated room. Ensure that the supplied battery cable connectors are properly fitted and never remove during or shortly after charging as sparking can occur, which may ignite the hydrogen gasses.

#### 1.5.5 AC power system (120 - 240 Volt)



Before working (installation) on the system read the sections on safety in the users manual.

Be sure that all electrical installations (including all safety systems) comply with all required regulations of the local authorities. All electrical safety/shutdown and circuit breaking systems have to be installed onboard as the generating set itself cannot be equipped with such equipment for every possible variation.

The vessel's power supply system should be suitable and safe for the AC voltage which is applied and the power that will be generated. Special attention has to be paid on dividing the system in branches which are fused individually.

It is absolutely essential that each and every circuit in the on-board electrical system is properly installed by a qualified electrician.

#### 1 FUSE

An output fuse (from the generating set to the system) should be installed to protect the installed electrical system. The following maximum output current applies for each separate phase:

Model	Maximum single phase output current		
	120V	240V	
Whisper 6 – 3600 rpm	48 Amps	24 Amps	
Whisper 8 – 3600 rpm	61 Amps	30 Amps	
Whisper 11 – 3600 rpm	90 Amps	45 Amps	

The fuses must be of the slow reacting type. For electrical motors connected to the system, a motor protection switch must be installed



#### 2 GROUNDING



With the U.S.A. models neutral of the AC alternator is grounded. The housing of the alternator and all other metal parts are grounded as well.

The connection between "neutral" and "ground" is necessary as part of a insulation failure protection system as commonly used in the U.S.A.



#### **WARNING**

In all situations the transfer switches between shore, inverter and generator should switch all connections, the phase line(s) (L) as wel as neutral (N). Off course this is the case when using a Mastervolt Masterswitch

For safety reasons connect the main ships ground to negative point of the generating set start battery. When a ungrounded DC system or positive grounded DC system is applied the battery negative should not be connected to the main ships ground.

#### 3 CABLE

For the power cable we recommend the oil resistant cable with the following cross sectional area:

Model	cross sectional area
Whisper 6 – 120-240V	4xAWG12 / 4 mm²
3600 rpm	(15ft / 5m. included)
Whisper 6 – 120V	3xAWG6 / 10 mm²
3600 rpm	(not included)
Whisper 8 – 120-240V	4xAWG12 / 4 mm²
3600 rpm	(15ft / 5m. included)
Whisper 8 – 120V	3xAWG6 / 10 mm²
3600 rpm	(not included)
Whisper 11 – 120-240V	4xAWG6 / 10 mm2
3600 rpm	(not included)
Whisper 11 – 120V	3xAWG4 / 16 mm2
3600 rpm	(not included)

One wire for earth is included. For longer cables it is recommended to apply cables with a larger cross section (refer to ISO 13297 annex A).

#### 4 TRANSFER SWITCH

A power source selector switch much be installed between the generating set and the ship's electrical supply system. This switch must ensure that all AC consumers can be switched off at once. This switch should also be installed to keep the generating set and shore (grid) power systems separate.

Transfer switches - to switch over from shore to ship or from generating set to inverter - should be well designed to switch over all wires including neutral (and not only phases or line) and there should be provisions with the aid of timers to prevent relays from clattering.

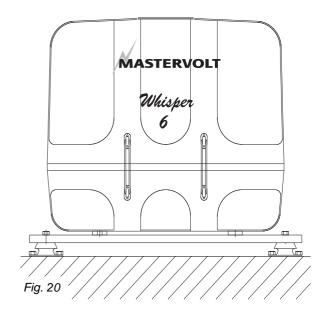
Mastervolt recommends the installation of a Mass Systemswitch as the power source selector. This works automatically when the generating set is not running the input remains in the shore position and as soon as the generating set is running the Mass Systemswitch switches automatically after 10 seconds delay time over to the generating set position.



## 2 INSTALLATION SPECIFICATIONS

#### 2.1 INSTALLATION TABLE

- Install a steel foundation plate between ship's hull and generating set, with 4 shock mounts (ref. to fig. 20) 'foundation plate' (optional for Whisper 6 and 8).
- 2 Mount the generating set directly to the foundation plate.
- 3 Connect the (sea) water inlet to the strainer.
- 4 Connect exhaust system.
- 5 Connect a siphon breaker or 'air vent' into the cooling circuit, if necessary.
- 6 Connect 'fuel supply line' to the water separator/ fuel filter.
- 7 Connect 'fuel return line' to the fuel tank.
- 8 Connect remote panel (just plug in).
- 9 Connect the AC cable from the AC box to the power source selector or Mass Systemswitch.
- 10 Connect plus and minus from the 12V starter battery to the battery cables.
- 11 Install a Mastervolt battery charger. (optional)





#### 2.2 COMMISSION TABLE

- 1 Check if a siphon breaker (air vent) is necessary and has been installed
- 2 Open the seawater inlet valve and check all water connections. Check if the strainer is installed above the seawater level.
- 3 Check if the exhaust system is properly installed. Check maximum length of exhaust hose, diameter of exhaust hose, position of the waterlock, maximum lift. Also check the minimum required height of 24" (60 cm) above sea level of the exhaust loop (goose neck).
- 4 Open the seawater outlet valve and check all water connections.
- 5 Check the AC cables and the grounding.
- 6 Check if an AC breaker is installed before or after the power source selector. When there is only a circuit breaker, use it to disconnect the generating set from the grid.
- 7 Check all DC connections, check if the battery switch/ circuit breaker is closed.
- 8 Open the fuel valve and bleed the fuel system. Check if there are no air leaks in the fuel supply line, and check if the lift of the fuel is less than 3 ft (1 meter). Check if there is no air in the water fuel separator.
- 9 Check if the air intake in the canopy is not blocked.

- 10 Check the oil level and color of the oil. Check the coolant level
- 11 To bleed the fuel system push the startbutton on the local control (not on the remote panel) and hold at least 5 seconds and as long as necessary to bleed the system.
- 12 Start the engine by pushing the start button.
- 13 Check when the generating set is running, the delay of 5 to 10 seconds in the power source selector transfer.
- 14 Check voltage and frequency under 'no load' conditions.
- 15 Check voltage and frequency under 'full load' conditions.
- 16 Check if the battery charger of the generating set is working (max. 14.5 Volt).
- 17 Close the sound shield and check the noise level.
- 18 Stop the generating set and check the engine again for leakages of oil, fuel or water.

Installation checklist available on our website: www.mastervolt.com.

Commissioning form available on our website:

www.mastervolt.com.



## 2.3 INSTALLATION SPECIFICATIONS WHISPER 6, 8 AND 11 – 3600RPM

## **TECHNICAL DATA**

	Whisper 6	Whisper 8	Whisper 11		
Dimensions wxdxh.	26" x 19.5" x 21.7"	26" x 19.5" x 21.7"	31.9" x 20.7" x 24.2"		
	660 x 495 x 550 mm	660 x 495 x 550 mm	810 x 525 x 615 mm		
Weight including sound shield	392 Lbs / 178 kg	392 Lbs / 178 kg	463 Lbs / 210 kg		
Max. operation angle	25°	25°	25°		
Remote panel 15 m cable	Digital Diesel Control Syster	n			
Battery capacity min.	12V, 60 Ah	12V, 60 Ah	12V, 60 Ah		
Fuel consumption	0.5 – 1 gl/h (1,5 – 4 l/hr), loa	d dependent			
Lift fuel pump	electric driven 12 V DC, max	electric driven 12 V DC, max. lift 3ft (1 m)			
Cooling	indirect cooling				
Cooling pump	raw water Mastervolt self priming impeller pump, PTO driven, type M				
Minimum water supply	3-4 gl/min (9-15 l/min)	3-4 gl/min (9-15 l/min)	3-4 gl/min (9-15 l/min)		
Crank case lube oil capacity	2.5 US qts + 0.5 US qts oil	2.5 US qts + 0.5 US qts oil	3.7 US qts + 0.5 US qts oil		
	filter; total: 3 US qts	filter; total: 3 US qts	filter; total: 4.2 US qts		
	(2.4l.+ 0.5l oil filter, total	(2.41.+ 0.5l oil filter, total	(3.6l. + 0.5l oil filter, total		
	2.91.)	2.91.)	4.11)		
Alternator	synchronous brushless, mai	synchronous brushless, maintenance free water cooled			
Voltage regulation	Capacitor	Capacitor	capacitor + AVR		
Output power at	6 kW, 120-240V 60 Hz	8 kW, 120-240V 60 Hz	11 kW, 120-240V 60 Hz		
power factor cos phi = 1					
Battery charger	alternator including regulato	r (40 Amps)			

## 2.4 SPECIFICATION OF THE ACCESSORIES

Water scoop	3/4" = 19 mm
Inlet valve	3/4" = 19 mm
Water strainer	3/4" (19 mm) in, 3/4" (19 mm) out
Air vent	3/4" (19 mm)
Inlet suction hose	3/4" (19 mm)
Fuel filter/water separator	30 micron
Fuel inlet and return	<sup>5</sup> / <sub>16</sub> " (8 mm)
Exhaust hose in/out	Ø 1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " (40 mm)
Water lock	Ø 1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " (40 mm)
Water/gas separator	Ø 1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " (40 mm)
Anti shock mounts	art. nr. 50230552
Foundation plate	min. 60 kg (only for the Whisper 6 and 8)
Battery charger (optional)	IVO SMART 12/10; 12V / 10 Amps, 230V/50-60Hz



## 2.5 INSTALLATION MATERIALS WHISPER 6/8/11

WATER	INLET	KIT 3/4	ł" (20	mm)

no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
1	1	50230052	Intake strainer	3/4
2	1	50230042	Lever operated ball valve FF	3/4
3	1	50221004	Male hose connection	3/4x20
4	4	50221502	Hose clamps	19-29 mm
5	3	50220056	Outboard cooling water hose	20x28 mm
6	2	50221007	Male hose connection	1/2x20
7	1	50230060	Nickel plated brass intake strainer	1/2
8	1	50230067	Mounting bracket waterstrainer	
TOTAL		50230211	WATER INLET KIT 3/4" (20 mm)	

## AIR VENT KIT 3/4" (20 mm)

no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
4	7	50221502	Hose clamps	19-29 mm
5	3	50220056	Outboard cooling water hose	20x28 mm
11	2	50221031	Bend male type with hose connection	1/2x20
12	1	50221042	TEE fittings	1/2
13	1	50230001	Syphon breaker valve	1/2
14	1	50221001	Male hose connection	3/8x13
15	1	50221521	Hose clamps	12-20 mm
16	1,5	50220055	Outboard cooling water hose	12x18.2 mm
TOTAL		50230212	AIR VENT KIT 3/4" (20 mm)	

## "DELTA" EXHAUST KIT Ø 1 5/8" (40 mm)

no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
22	8	50221504	Hose clamps, stainless	35-50 mm
23	3	50220033	Marine exhaust hose (per meter)	40 mm / 15% inner
24	1	50230093	Delta Waterlock	1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " (40 mm)
25	1	50230038	Brass through hull fitting hose connection	1¼" x 40mm
TOTAL		50230251	"DELTA" EXHAUST KIT Ø 1 5/8" (40 mm)	

#### **OPTIONAL INSTALLATION MATERIALS**

no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
21	1	50201830	Elbow 90° adapter exhaust hose	1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " (40 mm)
22	2	50221504	Hose clamps, stainless	35-50 mm

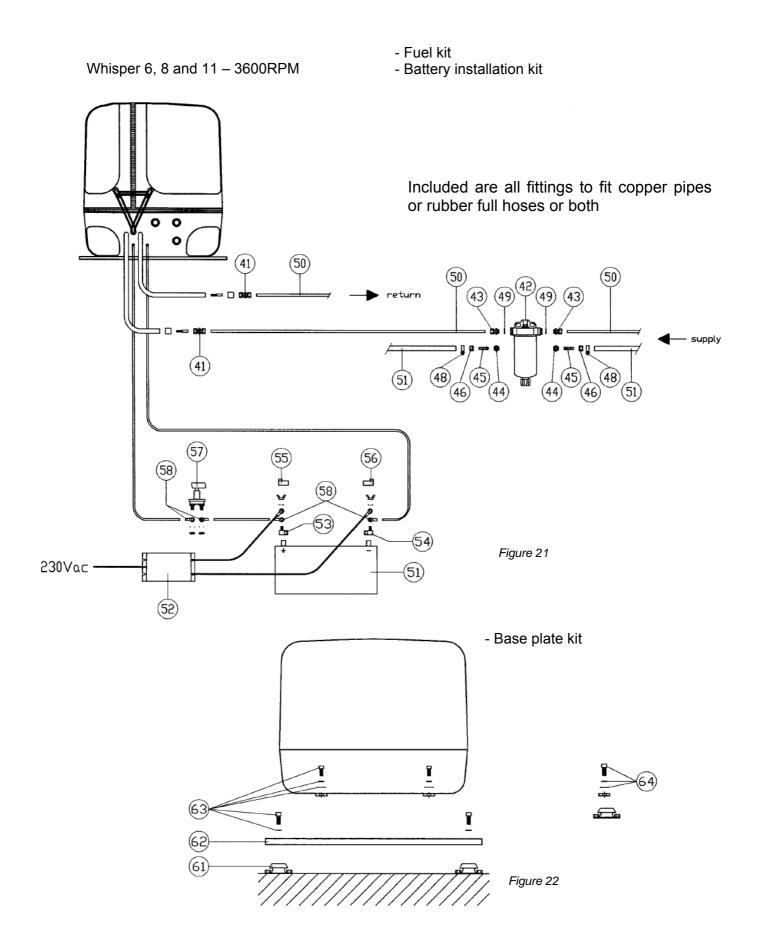
## "DELTA" WATER SEPARATOR KIT 1 5/8" (40 mm)

TOTAL		50230261	"DELTA" WATER SEPERATOR KIT 1 5/8" (40 mm)	
33	1	50230033	Brass through hull fitting	1¼" x 70
32	1	50230044	Lever operated ball valve FF	11/4"
31	1	50221015	Male hose connection	1¼" x 40mm
26	1	50230080	Delta water / exhaust fumes separator	1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "- 1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "- 1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " (40-40-40)
23	2.5	50220033	Marine exhaust hose (per meter)	1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " (40 mm) inner
22	4	50221504	Hose clamps, stainless	35-50 mm
no	qty	article no	description	dimensions

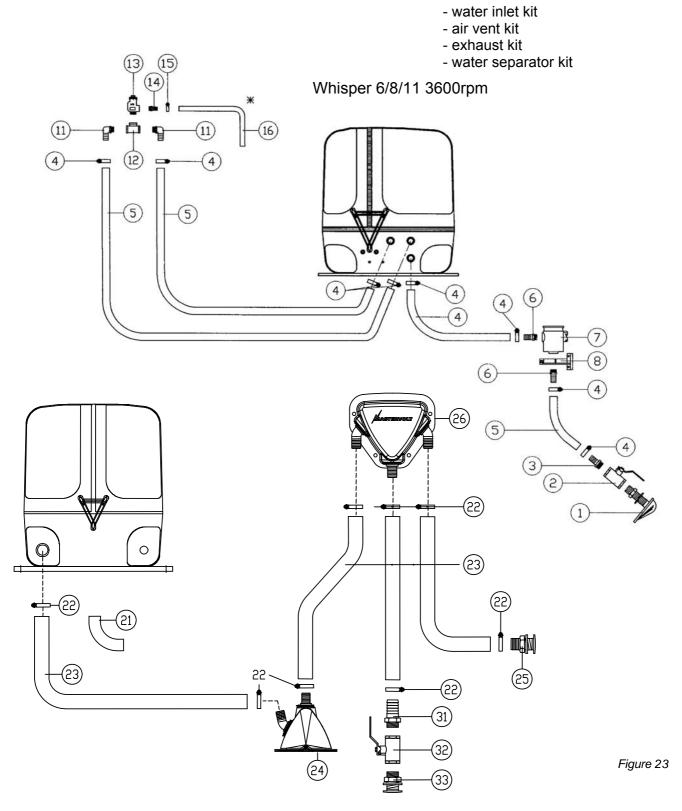


FUEL KI	T USA			
no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
42	1	50230090	Fuel strainer/water separator	M14x1.5 mm
44	2	50221644	Reducing male nipple	M14-M16 60 gr.
45	2	50221615	Hose connection	5/16" (8 mm)
46	2	50221616	Nut coupling	M16x1.5 mm
48	4	50221522	Hose clamps	10-16 mm
TOTAL		50230206	FUEL KIT USA	
OPTION	AI INST	TALLATION MATI	FRIALS	
no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
51	1	50220063	fuel hose	5/16" (8x16 mm)
<b>BATTER</b> no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
51	<u> </u>	62000700	Mastervolt AGM Battery 12V/70Ah	70Ah
51 52	<u>'</u> 1	43011000	battery charger IVO SMART 12/10	7 OAII
52 53	<u>'</u> 1	68060100		M8
53 54			battery terminal +	
	1	68060200	battery terminal –	M8
55 50	1	68456902	isolation cap	
56 	1	68456914	isolation cap	050.4
57 	1	79009005	battery switch	250 Amp
58	4	6503002508	cable connectors	M8x25
TOTAL		50230210	BATTERY INSTALLATION KIT 70 Ah	
BASE PI	LATE K	IT for Whisper 6 a	and 8 (3600 rpm)	
no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
61	4	50230552	rubber mountings	M12
62	1	50230014	base plate Whisper 6/8	
63	1	50230011	fastener kit base plate	
TOTAL		50230217	BASE PLATE KIT for Whisper 6 and 8	
RUBBEF	R MOUN	ITING KIT	·	
no	qty	article no	description	dimensions
64	1	50230015	Fastener kit rubber mountings	
61	4	50230552	rubber mountings	M12
TOTAL		50230217	RUBBER MOUNTING KIT	









Hose drain should go downwards. Water must flow out freely. Refer to installation manual for proper installation of the air vent kit. Faulty installation can cause serious damage.



## 3 DIAGRAMS & DRAWINGS

## 3.1 DC WIRING DIAGRAM

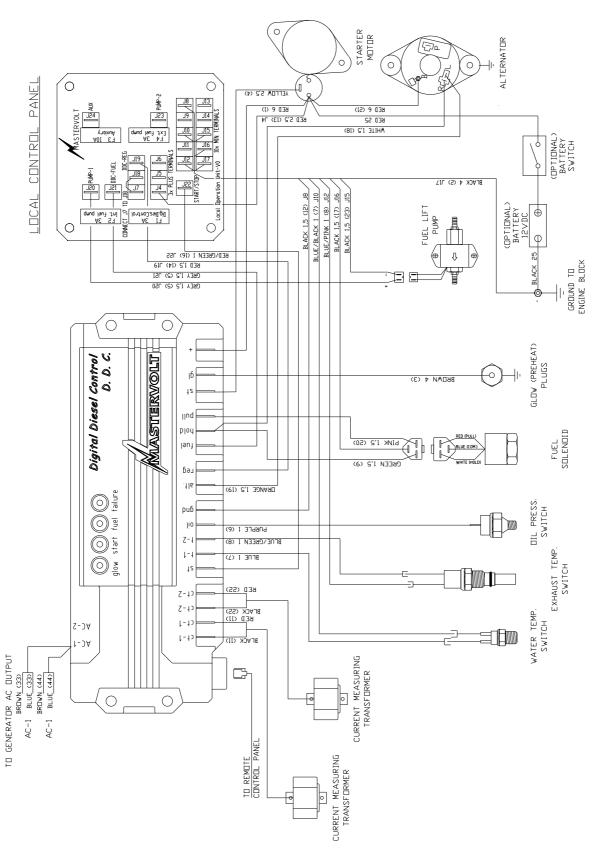


Figure 24: DC wiring diagram.



## 3.2 WIRING CODES AND COLOURS

	number	colour	AWG	cross section
battery > starter motor		red	2	25 mm2
starter motor > DDC	1	red	10	6 mm2
starter motor > LCP	13	red	14	2.5 mm2
battery > ground		black	2	25 mm2
ground > LCP ground (GND)	2	black	14	2.5 mm2
DDC > glow plug	3	brown	12	4 mm2
DDC > starter solenoid	4	yellow	14	2.5 mm2
LCP > fuel lift pump +	5	grey	16	1.5 mm2
LCP > fuel lift pump -	15	black	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > LCD	5	grey	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > oil pressure switch	6	purple	17	1 mm2
LCP > oil pressure switch	6	purple/black	17	1 mm2
DDC > water temperature switch	7	blue	17	1 mm2
LCP > water temperature switch	7	blue/black	17	1 mm2
DDC > exhaust temperature switch	8	blue/green	17	1 mm2
DDC > fuel solenoid (hold)	9	green	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > fuel solenoid (pull)	20	pink	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > fuel solenoid (com.)	17	black	16	1.5 mm2
B+ terminal alternator > starter motor	21	red	10	6 mm2
DDC >R terminal alternator	18	white	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > L terminal alternator	19	orange	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > current measuring transformer	11	black	17	1 mm2
DDC > current measuring transformer	11	red	17	1 mm2
DDC > current measuring transformer	22	black	17	1 mm2
DDC > current measuring transformer	22	red	17	1 mm2
DDC > LCP	12	black	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > LCP	14	red	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > LCP	16	red/green	16	1.5 mm2
DDC > generator AC output	33	brown	17	1 mm2
DDC > generator AC output	33	blue	17	1 mm2
DDC > generator AC output	44	brown	17	1 mm2
DDC > generator AC output	44	blue	17	1 mm2
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DDC=Digital Diesel Control Unit LCP=Local Control Panel



#### 3.3 DIAGRAM ELECTRONIC GOVERNOR WHISPER 8 AND 11 3600 RPM

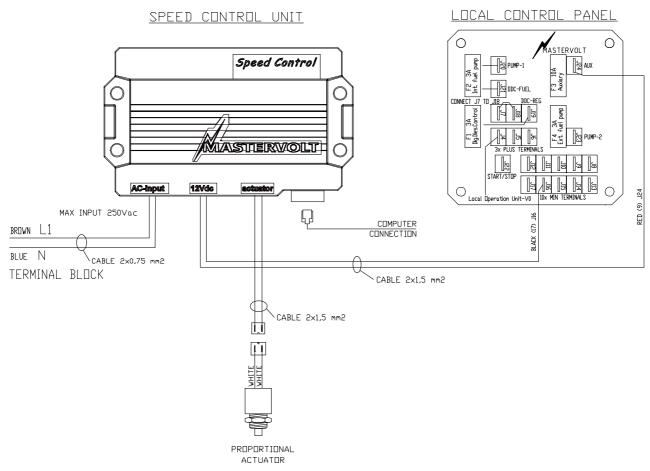


Figure 25. Electronic governer.

The Whisper 8 and 11 are equipped with an electronic governor in addition to the mechanical governor that is on other Whisper models. A governor keeps the speed (RPM=Rotations Per Minute) of the engine at a fixed value. The RPM of the engine correlates with the frequency of the electrical output (3600 RPM =60 Hz) of the alternator.

Under full load the RPM of the Whisper models that has only a mechanical governor can drop 75 RPM (=2.5 Hz) at full load and will go further down or collapse when further loaded. However the engines with the electronic governor will keep the RPM and frequency at the set value. As the voltage is related to the frequency, the voltage will be more stable as well.

The RPM represents power and the alternator performs better as well on a higher speed. Whisper models with an electronic governor will bring more power.

So the electronic governor offers three advantages: a more stable frequency and voltage and more power.

The electronic governor system contains 2 parts:

- The actuator controls the engine speed. This actuator replaces the standard hold solenoid that is on all other mechanical controlled Whisper engines. The actuator controls the RPM directly on the fuel rack inside the fuel pump without levers and other mechanical transmissions.
- 2 A microprocessor keeps the speed at the set value by controlling the actuator. The microprocessor is programmed at the Mastervolt factory and many parameters are set to perform well. It should not be necessary to make adjustments. When adjustments are necessary this can only be done with the help of an interface to a computer and special software to get access to the microprocessor.

The Mastervolt electronic governor does not need a pickup device in the flywheel housing that counts the passing tooth of the flywheel and determines the exact RPM of the engine, because the processor uses the 60 Hz of the AC output voltage as a reference.



## 3.4 AC WIRING DIAGRAM 120 - 240V / 60HZ

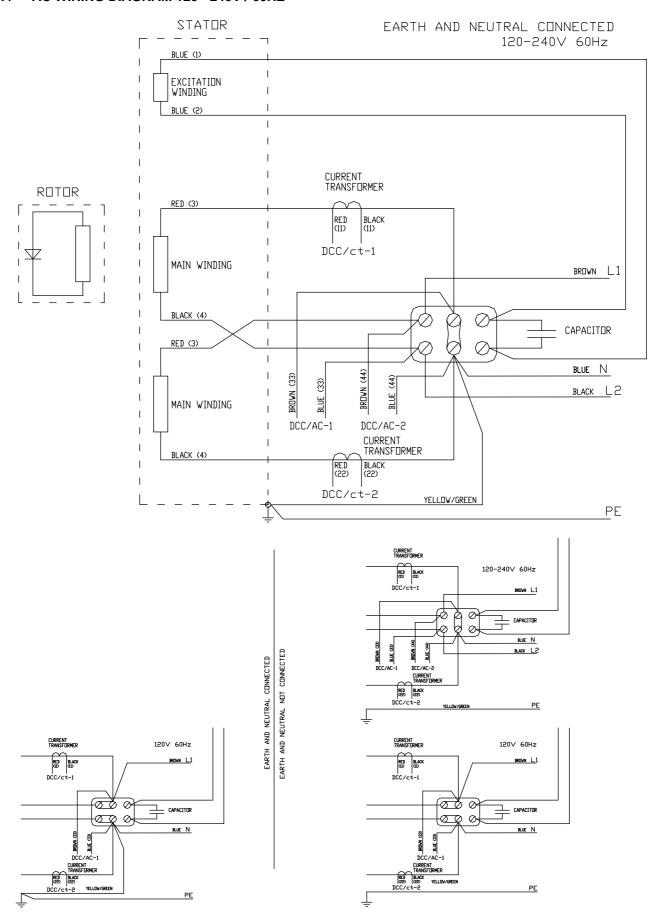


Figure 26: Electrical diagram 120 - 240V



## 3.5 REMOTE CONTROL PANEL DRAWINGS

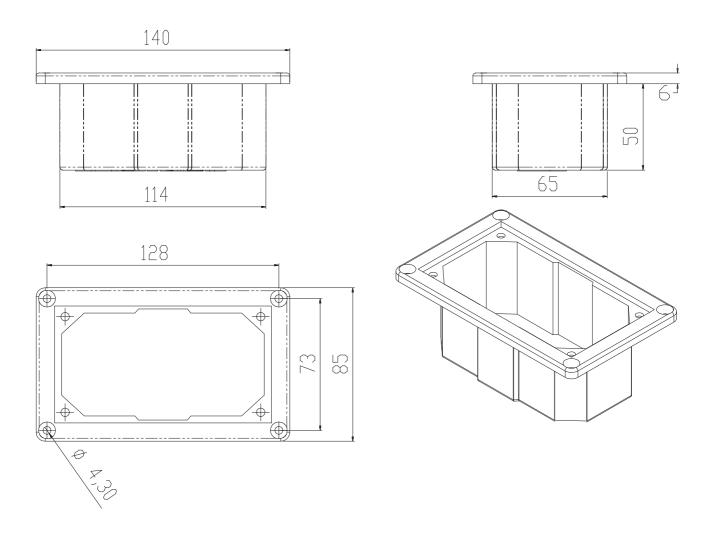
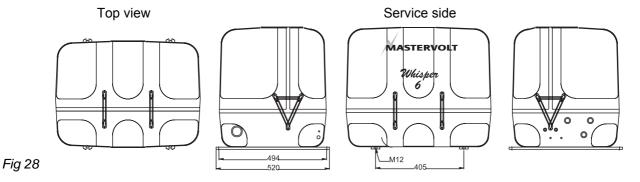


Figure 27:
The remote panel comes in a carton that can be used as a template to drill the mounting hole.

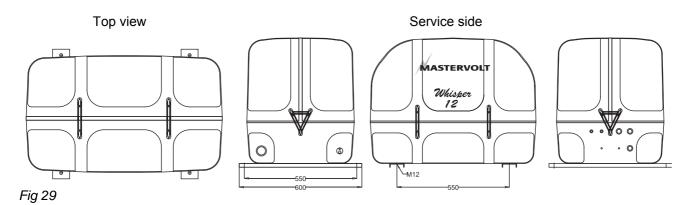


#### 3.6 **DIMENSIONS WHISPER 6, 8 AND 11**

## WHISPER 6/8



## WHISPER 11



#### **CONNECTIONS WHISPER 6/8:**

1 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" (40 mm) exhaust: · fuel hose: 5/16" (8 mm) • sea water in: 3/4" (19 mm) · air vent connection: 3/4" (19 mm) AWG2 (25 mm2) battery positive +: • battery negative -: AWG2 (25 mm2) · remote control: 30ft (10 mtr)

#### **POWERCABLES ISO 13297 annex A**

Whisper 6 – 120-240V: 4xAWG12 / 4 mm<sup>2</sup> (15ft / 5m. included) Whisper 6 – 120V: 3xAWG6 / 10 mm<sup>2</sup> (not included)

Whisper 8 - 120-240V: 4xAWG12 / 4 mm² (15ft / 5m. included)

Whisper 8 - 120V: 3xAWG6 / 10 mm<sup>2</sup> (not included) Whisper 11 – 120-240V: 4xAWG6 / 10 mm2 (not included) Whisper 11 – 120V:3xAWG4 / 16 mm2 (not included)

#### **REMOTE CONTROL:**

• 15 meter 8 wire communication cable (included)

## BOX DIMENSIONS WHISPER 6 and 8 - 3600rpm

26" (660mm) length • width 19.5" (495mm) • height 21.7" (550mm) • weight Whisper 6 / 8 392Lbs (178 kg)

#### **BOX DIMENSIONS WHISPER 11 – 3600rpm**

 length 31.9" (810 mm) • width 20.7" (525 mm) 24.2" (615 mm) height • weight Whisper 11 463Lbs (210kg)



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