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Expansion Tank Markup



Some operators forget to check the coolant level in the SEE's expansion tank because the tank is under the doghouse inside the vehicle's cab. Out of sight, out of mind!

When coolant gets low, the engine overheats. Eventually, it will seize up.

To keep that from happening, TM 5-2420-224-10's PMCS says to keep the expansion tank at least half full, but no more than three-quarters full. Problem is, there are no markings on the tank that show half full.

So mark the tank yourself. Use a permanent marker and label the expansion tank at one-half and three-quarters full.

Then there's no more guesswork. Just add coolant when the tank's below half full.

MW24C Scoop Loader ...

Air Out the Brakes

Operators, make sure you bleed your scoop loader's brakes when warm days start turning into cool nights.

That's the time of year when condensation forms in the vehicle's air brake system. Not draining that condensation leads to corrosion. Corrosion leads to brake failure.

So drain the water from the air tank before and after the day's run. Leave the valve open until no more water comes out. Close the valve tightly when you're done.

