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To: All Teleflex Marine Distributors, Sales Professionals & Professional Marine Installers

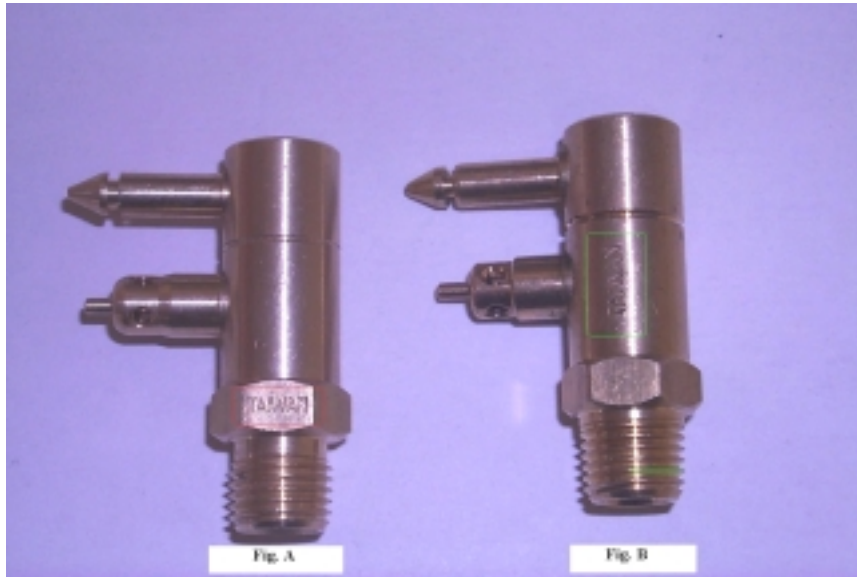
Subject: 18-8077 Fuel Connectors

Models Affected: Mercury / Yamaha Outboards

Sierra has identified an issue with the 18-8077 male tank fuel connectors. The flag on the male tank end connector is slightly shorter and will not allow the female hose connector to “lock” into the groove on the flag pin. The connectors that are affected are of a limited amount and are easily identified by the location of the country of origin location on the part.

If you have a male tank end connector part number 18-8077 and the country of origin “Taiwan” is stamped on the hex portion of the fitting (see Figure A), these fittings need to be returned for credit or replacement.

If you have a male tank end connector part number 18-8077 and the country of origin “Taiwan” is stamped on the body of the fitting (see Figure B). This fitting is NOT affected and will work in all intended applications.



Current action to be taken is as follows:

Distributors: Please inspect fitting for country of origin location and contact Sierra’s Technical Service Dept. at 217-324-9428 to obtain a Return Goods Authorization #.

Dealers: Please inspect fitting for country of origin location and contact distributor for return instructions.

In-Service Parts: No action. Unless returned by customer with complaint of fuel line not locking into position on the tank fitting.

If you have further questions concerning this bulletin contact Sierra Technical Service at 217-324-9428.