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Engine Setup

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to describe the equipment and actions necessary to setup an engine for testing in the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Laboratory Operations Division (LOD), Advanced Testing Group (ATG) test cell.

2. Test Procedure

Equipment and parts necessary to setup the engine are available in the National Vehicle and Fuel Emission Laboratory West Soak area. Only trained operators using appropriate engineering controls and personal protective equipment should attempt perform this procedure.

Obtain a steel palette suitable for the engine to be tested. See Figure 1.



Figure 1 Steel Palette

Select four of the same size mounting feet (Arrow 1 in Figure 2) and T-Bolts (Arrow 2 in Figure 2). Mount the feet to the steel palette using the T-Bolts. Ensure the connections are tight and secure.



Figure 2 Mounting Feet and T-Bolts

Select four support bars (Arrow 1 in Figure 3), rubber bushings (Arrow 2 in Figure 3), and mounting bolts (Arrow 3 in Figure 3).



Figure 3 Support Bars, Rubber Bushings, and Mounting Bolts

Assemble the items described in Step 103 to the four mounting feet. Ensure the connections are tight and secure. See Figure 4.



Figure 4
Mounting Feet Assembly

Inspect the engine palette with the four mounting foot assemblies installed. The configuration should resemble the assembly in Figure 5.



Figure 5
Engine Palette Assembly

Use an engine lift to install an engine cradle (Arrow in Figure 6) to the engine using the appropriate mounting bolts.

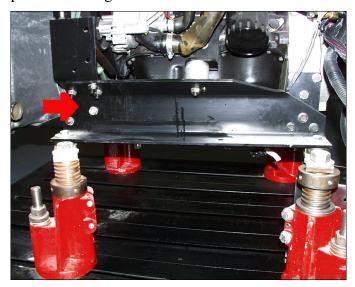


Figure 6 Engine Cradle

Inspect the engine palette with the four mounting foot assemblies installed. The configuration should resemble the assembly in Figure 7. . Ensure the connections are tight and secure.



Figure 7
Mounting Feet Assembly

Use the engine lift to position the engine and cradle assembly (Arrow 1 in Figure 8) on the support bars and bolt the cradle to the support bars (Arrow 2 in Figure 8). The mounting feet are shown attached to the steel palette (Arrow 3 in Figure 8).

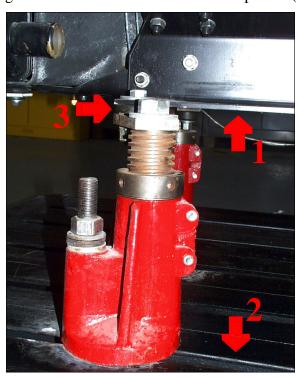


Figure 8
Engine Cradle Bolted to Support Bars

109 Use the mounting assemblies (arrow in Figure 9), to adjust the engine to the appropriate height and angle for attachment to the dyno.



Figure 9 Mounting Feet Assembly

Ensure the engine contains the proper type and quantity of oil.

3. Acceptance Criteria

- 3.1 The four mounting feet must be mounted securely to the steel palette.
- 3.2 The four support bars must be mounted securely to the cradle and mount feet.
- 3.3 The proper configuration of the engine palette and four mounting feet must be ensured before the engine is installed.
- 3.4 The engine must be adjusted to the appropriate height and angle for attachment to the dynamometer.
- 3.5 The engine must be checked for the proper type and quantity of oil.