

## Freezing weather preparation

With the coming freezing weather, those diesel engines are going to be harder to turn over and start. On those units without glow plugs or grid heaters, you should check out the ether injectors and be sure they are working and you have a supply of ether. Some brands of ether are hotter than other brands so be careful how much you use in the starting procedure. You should have the engine turning over before injecting the ether.

If you have glow plugs you should check to be sure they are heating. When you preheat the engine with glow plugs or grid heaters, **do not use ether**. If the combustion chamber is heated and ether is injected you can have an explosive reaction and damage the engine.

If your engine does not have glow plugs or a grid heater, you may want to check now to see if the block heater is working or have a block heater installed. Now would be a good time to check the battery, battery cables and starter before we reach those single digit temperatures which require so many amps to start the engines.

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