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**Bulletin No 2016-4 dated 1st July 2016 for the
HONDA GX160 CADET TECHNICAL REGULATIONS:**

Dear Competitor

Please note this bulletin reference item 4 of the Honda GX160 Technical Regulations V11a is amended with the following addition with immediate effect and supersedes Bulletin No 3 issued 16th June 2016:

4 Exhaust (for Honda Cadet DEP001) addition to regulation:

With immediate effect any unmodified exhaust not upgraded to the specification below must have a tether fitted of minimum 2mm diameter wire, fitted between a heat guard mount and a secure point on the engine. The exhaust manufacturer DEP have supplied clubs with suitable tethers to fit to a rocker cover bolt with a supplied tab washer, the use of the DEP supplied tether is not mandatory so long as the tether complies with the above.

With effect from 29th July 2016 all DEP001 exhausts must have been upgraded* by the manufacturer with the following:

1. Additional welding on exhaust support plate
2. Additional support stay from flange to exhaust body (green)
3. Fixed leash/tether from an eyelet on the exhaust to the flange mounting stud
4. Addition support bracket (blue) with vibration washer (red)

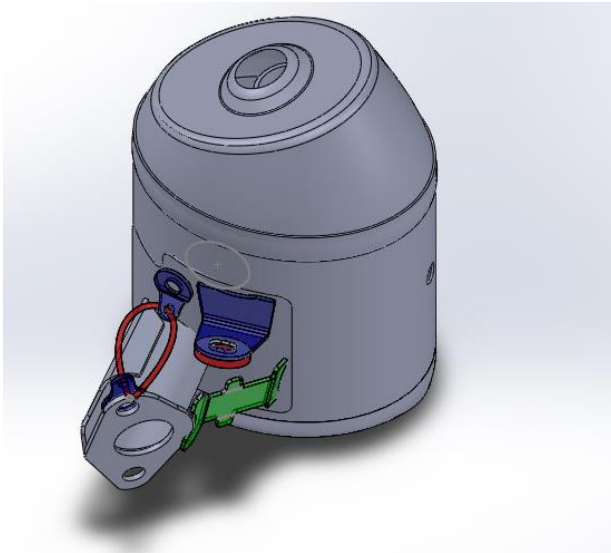
Note concerning Upgrade Item 4

The use of this mounting is not mandatory but is advised. This support bracket is designed to reduce the possibility of exhaust movement and eliminate any distortion to the exhaust flange. If used the vibration washer must be fitted between the exhaust bracket and the rocker cover. It is also advisable to fit a thread recovery procedure in the rocker cover mounting thread. Most engine preparers offer this service. (non-use of this bracket will invalidate any manufacturer's warranty).

The thickness of the flange plate as shown in the Honda GX160 Technical Regulations item 4, currently 4.7mm, is reduced to 4.5mm. (The previous dimension could be marginal on some exhausts).

*All exhausts that are not already upgraded in accordance with the above must be returned to DEP Pipes, Buckland hill, Maidstone, Kent. ME16 0SQ with contact details and a return address for a free of charge upgrade. The upgraded exhaust will be dispatched from DEP Pipes via Royal Mail recorded delivery within 48 hour of receipt. It is recommended to competitors that this upgrade be carried out without delay.

Some images of the upgrades are shown below.



Signed by Graham Smith, Secretary ABkC


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