

# 3.8KW INVERTER GENERATOR MODEL NO: IG4000

PART NO: 8877130

# OPERATION & MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS



ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS

DL1124 Rev 2

# INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing this CLARKE Generator.

Before attempting to operate the machine, it is essential that you read this manual thoroughly and carefully follow all instructions given. In doing so you will ensure the safety of yourself and that of others around you, and you can also look forward to the product giving you long and satisfactory service.

Ensure the generator and its components suffered no damage during transit and that all components are present. Should any loss or damage be apparent, please contact your CLARKE dealer immediately.

# **GUARANTEE**

This CLARKE product is guaranteed against faulty manufacture for a period of 12 months from the date of purchase. Please keep your receipt as proof of purchase.

This guarantee is invalid if the product is found to have been abused or tampered with in any way, or not used for the purpose for which it was intended.

Faulty goods should be returned to their place of purchase, no product can be returned to us without prior permission.

This guarantee does not effect your statutory rights.

# **GENERAL SAFETY RULES & SYMBOLS**



## SAFETY SYMBOLS

| <b>(3)</b> | Read Instruction<br>manual before use                        |               | <b>DANGER</b> - highly flammable liquid.                             |
|------------|--|---------------|--|
|            | Caution - The user<br>should be aware of a<br>general hazard |               | Engine and exhaust<br>become hot during use -<br><b>DO NOT</b> touch |
| 4          | Dangerous voltage.<br>Risk of electric shock                 |               | Poisonous fumes - <b>DO</b><br><b>NOT</b> use in an enclosed space.  |
|            | Wear ear defenders   |               | Wear protective gloves.  |
|            | Wear a protective face-mask.                                 |               | Wear eye protection  |
| Ť          | <b>DO NOT</b> use in rain,<br>snow or damp<br>conditions.    | ) Lva<br>95db | WARNING: Loud noise.   |

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## WORK AREA

- 1. ALWAYS use in a well ventilated area.
- 2. **ALWAYS** position the exhaust outlet away from people.
- 3. **NEVER** use indoors or in a confined space.
- 4. **ALWAYS** keep children away from the generator.

## **POSITIONING THE GENERATOR**

- 1. **ALWAYS** leave a least a 1m gap between the generator and any surrounding building or structures.
- 2. **ALWAYS** ensure the generator is on a dry, solid, level and flat surface.
- 3. **ALWAYS** ensure the surrounding area is free from any material that could burn or be damaged by heat.
- 4. **NEVER** move or tilt the generator whilst it is switched on.

### FIRE PREVENTION

- 1. **ALWAYS** switch the engine OFF when refuelling. Allow generator to cool for at least 2 minutes before removing the fuel cap. Loosen cap slowly to relieve pressure in the tank.
- 2. **ALWAYS** refuel away from any source of heat.
- 3. **ALWAYS** refuel in a well ventilated area.
- 4. **ONLY** use standard unleaded petrol.
- 5. **DO NOT** overfill the fuel tank. **DO NOT** fill to the very top of the tank and leave room for petrol expansion.
- 6. **NEVER** smoke whilst refuelling and avoid smoking or using a naked flame near the generator.
- 7. **DO NOT** operate near an open flame, heat or flammable materials. This generator may emit highly flammable and explosive petrol vapours.
- 8. **NEVER** start the engine if there is spilled fuel. Any spillage must be wiped clean and the generator allowed to dry before attempting to start the engine.

## **PREVENTION OF ELECTRIC SHOCK**

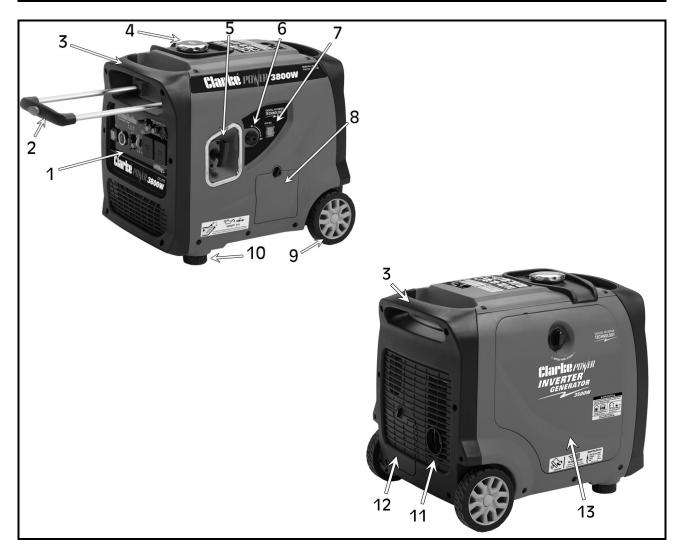
- 1. **NEVER** use the generator in wet conditions unless it is well protected/covered. Under these conditions, adequate ventilation **MUST** be provided.
- 2. **NEVER** operate the generator with wet hands.
- 3. **NEVER** use water or any other liquids to clean the generator.

- 4. **ALWAYS** ground the generator before using it to maximise safety, see 'Ground The Generator' section on pages 15-16.
- 5. **ALWAYS** use a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) in highly conductive areas such as metal decking or steel work. Extension cords with an in-line GFCI are recommended for these operations.

## ADDITIONAL SAFETY RULES FOR GENERATORS

- 1. **ALWAYS** ensure the applied load does not exceed the generator rating. Overloading the generator is dangerous and could cause damage.
- 2. **ALWAYS** disconnect and switch off the generator when carrying out any maintenance.
- 3. **ALWAYS** ensure the generator reaches operating speed before connecting a load.
- 4. **NEVER** allow the generator to run out of fuel when a load is connected.
- 5. **NEVER** transport the generator with fuel in the tank.
- 6. **DO NOT** connect to a commercial or residential power supply; e.g. ring main.
- 7. **DO NOT** touch hot parts. This generator produces heat when running. Temperatures near the exhaust can exceed 150°F/65°C. Allow the generator to cool down after use before touching the engine or areas of the generator that become hot during use.
- 8. If any part of the generator, electrical device or power cable is broken, damaged or defective, make sure it is repaired or replaced before using. Service or repair of the generator should only be performed by a qualified technician.
- 9. **NEVER** modify the generator in any way. Modifying or using the generator for any other purpose for which it is not designed may result in serious injury, machine damage and voiding of the warranty.
- 10. **ALWAYS** turn off all connected electrical devices before stopping the generator.
- 11. **ALWAYS** turn the engine switch to the 'OFF' position when the engine is not running.
- 12. **NEVER** carry or lift the generator using the telescopic handle.

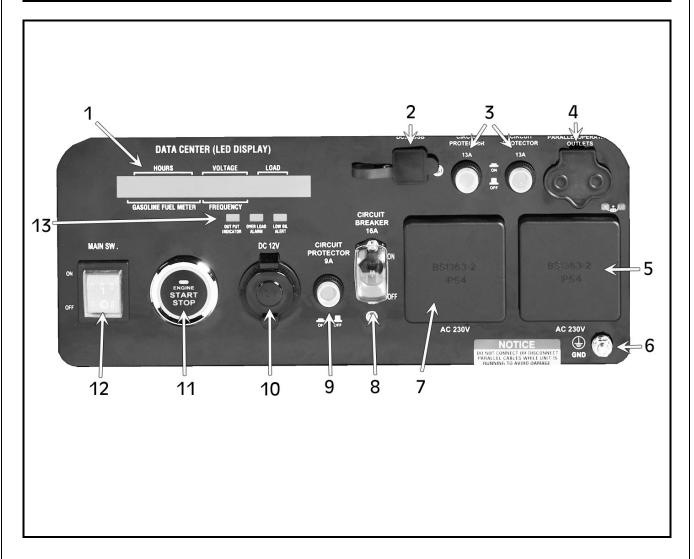
# **GENERATOR OVERVIEW**



| NO | DESCRIPTION          | NO | DESCRIPTION              |
|----|----------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1  | Control Panel        | 8  | Oil Access Cover         |
| 2  | Telescopic Handle    | 9  | Wheel                    |
| 3  | Carrying Handle      | 10 | Foot                     |
| 4  | Fuel Cap             | 11 | Exhaust/Muffler          |
| 5  | Recoil Starter       | 12 | Battery Access Cover     |
| 6  | Low Idle Mode Switch | 13 | Engine Maintenance Cover |
| 7  | Fuel Switch          |    |                          |

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# **CONTROL PANEL OVERVIEW**

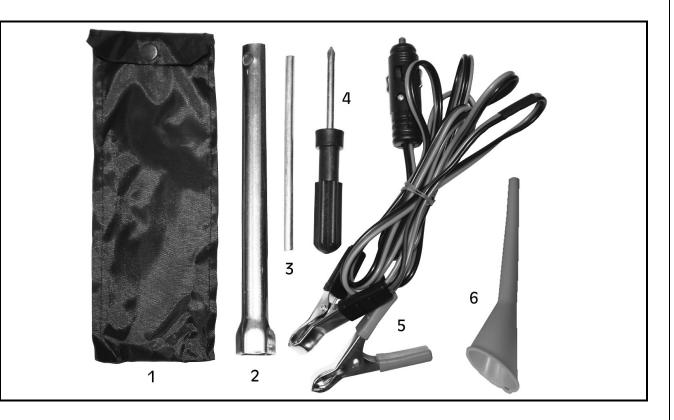


| NO | DESCRIPTION                           | NO | DESCRIPTION   |
|----|---------------------------------------|----|---|
| 1  | Fuel Gauge, Voltage & Load<br>Display | 8  | 16A Circuit Breaker                                 |
| 2  | 5V DC USB Outlet                      | 9  | 9A Circuit Protector                                |
| 3  | 13A Circuit Protectors                | 10 | 12V DC Power Outlet                                 |
| 4  | Parallel Operation Outlet             | 11 | Engine STOP/START Button                            |
| 5  | AC 230V 3 Pin Plug Outlet             | 12 | Main SW Switch ON/OFF Button                        |
| 6  | Ground Earthing Point                 | 13 | Output, Overload Alarm & Low Oil<br>Alert Indictors |
| 7  | AC 230V 3 Pin Plug Outlet             |    |   |

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# UNPACKING

Unpack your generator and check to ensure the following items are present. Should there be any deficiency or damage caused during transit contact your CLARKE dealer immediately.



| NO | DESCRIPTION            | NO | DESCRIPTION   |
|----|------------------------|----|---|
| 1  | Tool Pouch             | 4  | Cross Head Screwdriver  |
| 2  | Spark Plug Spanner     | 5  | 12 Volt D.C. output lead assembly<br>with positive (red, `+') and negative<br>(black `-') crocodile clips |
| 3  | Spark Plug Spanner Arm | 6  | Oil Funnel  |

# **BEFORE USING THE GENERATOR**

Before using your generator check that:

- The generator is in good condition and free from any damage.
- The generator is clean and free from fuel or oil spillage.
- The generator is correctly located for use.

# **KNOW YOUR GENERATOR**

## LOW IDLE

This generator is equipped with a low idle switch. Engaging this switch allows the system to regulate the engine speed and automatically adjust its fuel consumption to match the required load. When the electrical load changes, the generator engine will automatically speed up and slow down as needed. This reduces fuel consumption and noise levels, while extending runtime and the engines lifespan.

Keep this switch engaged (ON) only when the power load requirement is less than 75% of the rated watts. **DO NOT** engage the switch when the total load is more than 75% of rated watts. The generator engine must run at full speed to supply power for anything over 75% of rated watts.

# PARALLEL OPERATION

The parallel operation outlet allows you to connect two of these generators together to increase the total available electrical power. Follow the instructions included with the parallel operation kit (not included) for correct installation and operation.

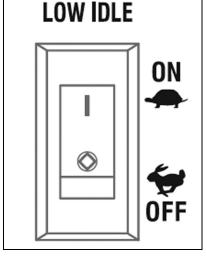
### CIRCUIT BREAKERS

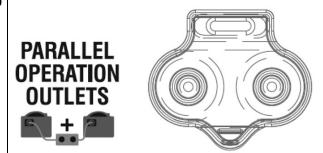
The circuit breakers protect the individual AC and DC circuits. The AC circuit breaker will activate when the AC outlets exceed their maximum current. The DC circuit breaker will activate when the DC 12V and/or USB outlet exceed their maximum current. When the circuit breaker activates, turn off and disconnect the



ON / RUN

device(s) from the respective outlets and press the circuit breaker to reset.





ON / RUN OFF / RESET

## **CONNECTING ELECTRICAL DEVICES**

Follow the steps below to properly connect your device(s) to the generator.

- 1. Before connecting electrical devices, allow the generator to run for a few minutes to stabilise the speed and voltage output.
- 2. Select the device with the highest wattage, and make sure it is turned off. Plug the device into the generator and then turn the device on. Allow the engine to stabilise.
- 3. Repeat step 2 to plug in each additional device. **DO NOT** attempt to plug in and start multiple devices at the same time.

# **GENERATOR CAPACITY**

Make sure the generator can supply enough running (rated) and starting (max.) watts for the items you will power at the same time. Follow these simple steps.

- 1. Select the items you will power at the same time.
- 2. Total the running (rated) watts of these items. This is the amount of power the generator must produce to keep the items running.
- 3. Estimate how many starting (max.) watts you will need. Starting wattage is the short burst of power needed to start electric motor driven tools such as a circular saw or refrigerator. Because not all motors start at the same time, total starting (max.) watts can be estimated by adding only the items with the highest additional starting (max.) to the total rated watts.

| Tool/Appliance        | Running Watts            | Additional Starting Watts   |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Refrigerator          | 700                      | 1350                        |
| Portable Fan          | 40                       | 120                         |
| Laptop                | 250                      | 250                         |
| 46 in. Flat Screen TV | 190                      | 190                         |
| Light (75 Watts)      | 75                       | 75                          |
|                       | 1255 Total Running Watts | 1350 Highest Starting Watts |

#### Example:

| Total Running Watts:          | 1255  |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| Highest Starting Watts:       | +1350 |
| Total Starting Watts Needed = | 2605  |

**NEVER** add more loads than the generator capacity. Take special care to consider surge loads in generator capacity as previously described.

The chart below serves as a reference for the estimated wattage requirements of common electrical devices. however, **DO NOT** solely reply on this chart, all electronics and appliances are built differently, **ALWAYS** check the wattage listed on the electrical device before consulting this chart:

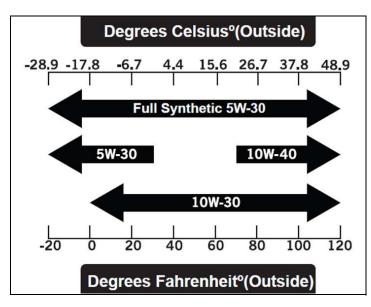
| Tool/Appliance          | Rated (Running) Watts | Surge (Starting) Watts |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Hot Plate               | 2500                  | 0                      |
| Saw - Circular          | 1500                  | 1500                   |
| Saw - Mitre             | 1200                  | 1200                   |
| Microwave               | 1000                  | 0                      |
| Well Water Pump         | 1000                  | 1000                   |
| Sump Pump               | 800                   | 1200                   |
| Refrigerator<br>Freezer | 800                   | 1200                   |
| Computer                | 800                   | 0                      |
| Television              | 500                   | 0                      |
| Box Fan                 | 300                   | 600                    |
| Light Bulb              | 75                    | 0                      |

# **GENERATOR PREPARATION**

# **STEP 1 - ADD/CHECK OIL**

#### NOTE: THE GENERATOR IS SHIPPED WITHOUT OIL ADDED.

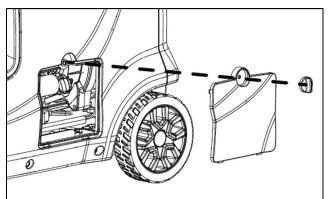
The user must add the proper amount of oil before operating the generator for the first time. The oil capacity of the engine crankcase is **0.6I (20.2 fl.oz)**.



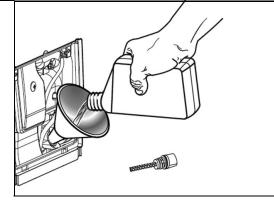
**NOTE:** Depending on outside working temperature, to find out which oil to use, consult the chart shown.

To add oil, follow these steps:

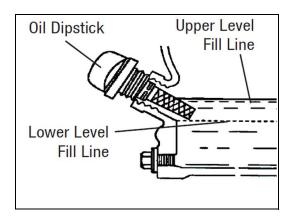
- 1. Place the generator on a level surface. make sure the engine is OFF before adding or checking oil.
- 2. Unscrew the oil access cover knob and remove the cover from the side panel, as shown. Unscrew the yellow oil dipstick from the engine.



- 3. Using the oil funnel or appropriate dispenser, slowly add oil into the oil fill, as shown, being careful not to overfill the unit. Fill the crankcase to the upper fill line so you can visually see the oil coming halfway up the oil fill threads.
- 4. Reinstall the oil dipstick and firmly tighten it. Wipe clean any spilled oil.



**NOTE:** Used engine oil should be disposed of at an approved disposal site. See local authority recycling for more information.



For subsequent operation, the oil level should be checked before each use, or after every 8 hours of operation. The generator is equipped with a low oil sensor and will not start without a sufficient amount of oil.

## TO CHECK OIL LEVEL (BEFORE EVERY SUBSEQUENT START)

- 1. Place the generator on a level surface. Make sure the engine is OFF before adding or checking oil.
- 2. Open the oil access cover. Remove and wipe the dipstick with a clean rag.
- 3. Insert the dipstick into the oil fill without screwing it in. Remove the dipstick and check the oil mark.
- 4. If the oil mark covers less than one half of the dipstick, slowly add oil until the oil mark reaches to the top of the dipstick (or when you can see the oil coming halfway up the oil fill threads).
- 5. Wipe clean any oil leaks and firmly tighten the dipstick. Reinstall the oil access cover.

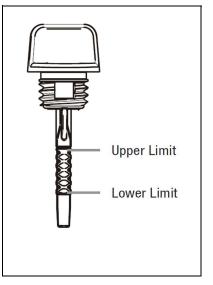
# **STEP 2 - ADD/CHECK FUEL**

Use only fresh (within 30 days from purchase), lead-free petrol with a minimum of 87 octane rating. the generator performs best with ethanol-free petrol. **DO NOT** use petrol with over 10% ethanol. The capacity of the fuel tank is **10Litres** 

#### (2.6 gallons). DO NOT MIX OIL WITH THE PETROL.



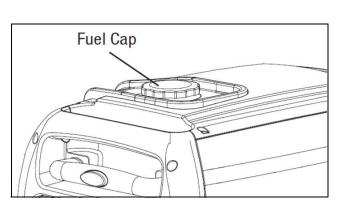
WARNING: KEEP GENERATOR AWAY FROM OPEN FLAME. THIS GENERATOR MAY EMIT HIGHLY FLAMMABLE AND EXPLOSIVE PETROL VAPOUR, WHICH CAN CAUSE SEVERE BURNS OR EVEN DEATH IF IGNITED. A NEARBY OPEN FLAME CAN LEAD TO EXPLOSION EVEN IF NOT DIRECTLY IN CONTACT WITH THE PETROL.



To add petrol, follow these steps:

- 1. Make sure the generator is shut OFF and on a level surface. Unscrew the fuel cap, as shown, and set it aside. The fuel cap may be tight and hard to unscrew.
- 2. Slowly add unleaded petrol to the fuel tank. Be careful not to overfill.

**NOTE: DO NOT** fill the fuel tank to the very top. If you do so,



petrol will expand and spill during use, even with the fuel cap in place.

- 3. Reinstall the fuel cap and wipe clean any spilled petrol with a dry cloth.
  - **NOTE:** During operation, the fuel level will be displayed on the data centre of the control panel, or check the fuel gauge. If the fuel level is low, refill the fuel tank before starting your generator for the next time.



WARNING: ENSURE THERE IS ADEQUATE FUEL IN THE TANK WHEN USING THE GENERATOR. RUNNING OUT OF FUEL OR STOPPING THE ENGINE SUDDENLY WITH A LOAD CONNECTED COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE.

# **STEP 3 - CONNECT THE BATTERY**

The generator is shipped with the lithium-ion battery's connection cables disconnected to maximise safety. To start the generator using the electric start, the battery must be connected.

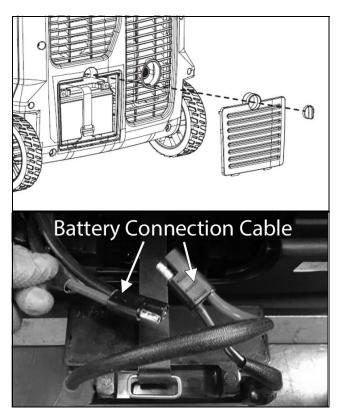


#### CAUTION: ALWAYS USE EYE PROTECTION WHEN HANDLING BATTERIES AND WASH YOURS HANDS AFTER HANDLING.

- Keep battery away from sparks, cigarettes or other sources of flame.
- Connect & disconnect battery only when generator is OFF and in well ventilated areas.
- Keep out of reach of children.

To connect the battery, follow these steps:

- 1. Turn the battery cover knob to the unlocked position, and remove the access cover from the back panel.
- 2. Loosen the rubber belt holding the battery in position and pull out the battery.
- 3. Push the two connectors together, making sure the red and the black cable connectors match up and are a secure fit.
- 4. Return the battery into position and use the rubber belt to fasten the battery in place.
- 5. Reinstall and secure the battery access cover.



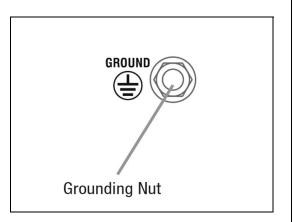
**NOTE:** If you do not plan to use the generator for a long period of time, we recommend to disconnect the battery cable from the battery to protect the battery from losing charge. You may also choose to use a trickle charger (not included) to maintain battery charge.

## **STEP 4 - GROUND THE GENERATOR**

To reduce the risk of electric shock and to maximise safety, the generator should be properly grounded.

Ground the generator by tightening the ground nut on the front control panel, as shown, against a grounding wire. A generally acceptable grounding wire is a No. 14 SWG (Standard Wire Gauge) stranded copper wire.

This grounding wire should be connected at the other end to a copper, brass or steel grounding rod that is driven into the earth. Wire and grounding rods are not included with the generator.



**NOTE:** Grounding codes can vary by location. Contact a local electrician to check the area codes.

# **STARTING YOUR GENERATOR**

Before starting the generator, make sure you have read and performed the steps in the 'Generator Preparation' section (pages 12-15) of this manual.



#### WARNING: GENERATOR EXHAUST EMISSIONS CONTAINS CARBON MONOXIDE (CO). THIS IS A POISONOUS GAS YOU CANNOT SEE OR SMELL. IF YOU CAN SMELL THE GENERATOR EXHAUST, YOU ARE BREATHING IN CO GAS.

**ALWAYS** use a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) in highly conductive areas such as metal decking or steel work. GFCI's are available in-line with some extension cables.

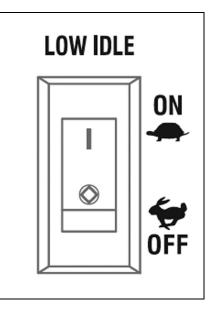
# CAUTION: DISCONNECT ALL ELECTRICAL LOADS FROM THE GENERATOR BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO START.

#### **BEFORE STARTING THE GENERATOR:**

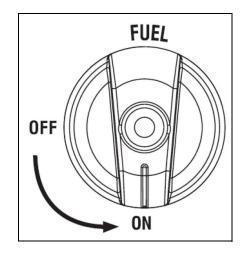
- 1. Verify that the generator is outside on a dry, level surface. Allow at least 1m of clearance on all sides of the generator.
- 2. To maximise safety, check that the generator is properly grounded (see above).
- 3. Check there is sufficient level of oil in the crankcase. Add oil if necessary.
- 4. Make sure there is sufficient level of petrol in the fuel tank. Add fuel if necessary.
- 5. Make sure all electrical devices are unplugged from the generator during ignition. Otherwise it will be difficult for the engine to start.

# TO START THE GENERATOR, PERFORM THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

1. Turn the LOW IDLE MODE switch to 'OFF.'



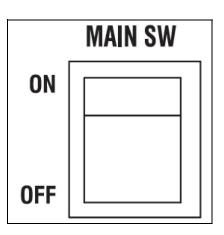
2. Turn the FUEL switch to the 'ON' position.



After completing steps 1 and 2, there are two ways to start the generator, either by Electric One Button Start or Manual Start, as follows:

#### **ELECTRIC ONE BUTTON START**

1. Turn the MAIN SW switch to the 'ON' position.

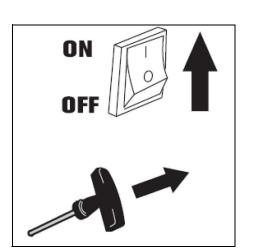


- 2. Hold down the ENGINE START/STOP button for 3 seconds.
  - **NOTE:** If the engine does not start, release the button and try again. Keeping the button compressed for too long can damage the starter.
  - **NOTE:** If you have repeated failed attempts to start the engine, please consult the troubleshooting guide on page 28.
- 3. Allow the generator to run for several minutes before attempting to connect any electrical devices. This allows the generator to stabiles its speed and temperature.



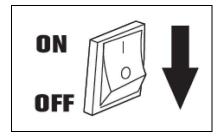
#### MANUAL START

- 1. Turn the ENGINE switch to the 'ON' position.
- 2. Place one hand on the generator to hold it in place, and pull on the recoil starter handle slowly until a slight resistance is felt. Then pull quickly start the engine. Return cord gently into the machine. **NEVER** allow the cord to snap back.
- 3. Allow the generator to run for several minutes before attempting to connect any electrical devices. This allows the generator to stabiles its speed and temperature.

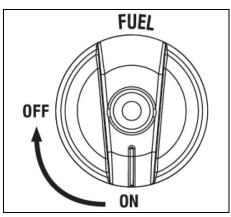


## SHUTTING OFF THE GENERATOR

- 1. Turn off all electrical devices prior to unplugging them from the generator. Unplugging running devices can cause damage to the generator.
- 2. Allow the generator to run at no load for a few minutes to stabilise the internal temperature.
- 3. Turn the ENGINE switch to the 'OFF' position.



4. Turn the FUEL switch to the 'OFF' position.



#### WARNING: ALLOW THE GENERATOR TO COOL DOWN BEFORE TOUCHING AREAS THAT BECOME HOT DURING USE.

CAUTION: ALLOWING PETROL TO SIT IN THE FUEL TANK FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME CAN MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO START THE GENERATOR IN THE FUTURE. NEVER STORE THE GENERATOR FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME (OVER 2 MONTHS) WITH FUEL IN THE TANK. REFER TO 'STORING THE GENERATOR' ON PAGE 25

# MAINTENANCE

Proper routine maintenance of the generator will help prolong the life of the machine. Please perform maintenance checks and operations according to the Maintenance Schedule below.

If there are any questions about the maintenance procedures listed in this manual, please contact the CLARKE service centre.



#### WARNING: NEVER PERFORM MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS WHILE THE GENERATOR IS RUNNING. BEFORE MAINTENANCE OR SERVICING THE GENERATOR, TURN OFF THE GENERATOR, DISCONNECT ALL DEVICES AND ALLOW THE GENERATOR TO COOL DOWN

| MAINT                          | IMENDED<br>TENANCE<br>EDULE | EVERY<br>8HRS<br>OR<br>DAILY | every<br>25hrs | every<br>3mth<br>or<br>50hrs | EVERY<br>6MTH<br>OR<br>100HR<br>S | BEFORE<br>STORAGE | AS<br>NECESSARY |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Engine Oil                     | Check Level                 | Х                            |                |                              |                                   |                   |                 |
| (Page 24)                      | Replace                     |                              | Х*             |                              |                                   | Х                 | Х               |
| Air Filter                     | Check                       |                              |                | Х*                           |                                   |                   |                 |
| (Page 21)                      | Clean                       |                              |                | Х*                           |                                   |                   |                 |
| Spark<br>Plug                  | Check/<br>Clean/Regap       |                              |                |                              | Х                                 |                   |                 |
| (Page 22)                      | Change                      |                              |                |                              |                                   | Х                 | Х               |
| Fuel Tank                      | Check Level                 | Х                            |                |                              |                                   |                   |                 |
| (Page 23)                      | Drain                       |                              |                |                              |                                   | Х                 | Х               |
| Carbureto<br>r<br>(Page 23)    | Drain                       | Х                            |                |                              |                                   | Х                 |                 |
| Spark<br>Arrestor<br>(Page 23) | Check/Clean                 |                              |                |                              | Х                                 |                   |                 |
| Battery<br>(Page 14)           | Disconnect                  |                              |                |                              |                                   | Х                 |                 |

\* = Clean/Change more often under dusty conditions or operating under heavy load.

#### **IMPORTANT GENERATOR MAINTENANCE TIPS:**

- Drain the carburetor after each use and before storage to prevent it from clogging.
- **DO NOT** store the generator with fuel inside the tank for more than 2 months fuel will go bad.
- Run the generator for at least 20 minutes every month to charge the battery and maximise the generators lifespan.

**NOTE:** Failure to properly maintain the generator will void the warranty.

## AIR FILTER MAINTENANCE

Check every 50 hours of operation (refer to recommended maintenance schedule).

Routine maintenance of the air filter helps maintain proper airflow to the carburetor. Occasionally check that the air cleaner is free of excessive dirt.

#### TO INSPECT AND CLEAN THE AIR FILTER:

1. Unscrew the maintenance cover knob, and remove the cover from the side panel.

- Take the cover off of the air cleaner (A). Remove the foam air filter element (B) from the casing. Wipe excessive oil and any dirt from inside the air filter casing (C).
- Check and clean the foam air filter element. Good elements can be washed in soapy water. Dry the element with a clean cloth (**DO NOT** twist it). Add a few drops of engine oil to the air filter element and spread it evenly.
- 4. If the air filter element has been damaged, replace it with a new one.
- Maintenance Cover Weintenance Cover White the two provided in tw
- 5. Reinstall the air filter element, air filter cover and maintenance cover.

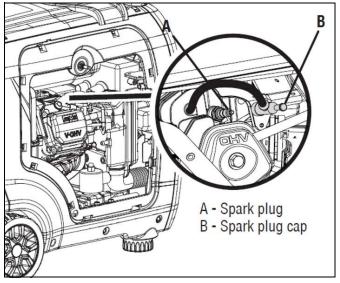
**NOTE:** Running the engine with a dirty, damaged or missing air filter element can result in danger to the operator and cause the engine to wear out prematurely.

## SPARK PLUG MAINTENANCE

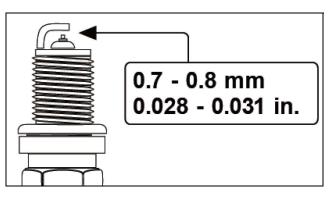
The spark plug must be properly gapped and free of deposits in order to ensure proper engine operation. If the engine is hot, allow it to cool before servicing the spark plug (refer to recommended maintenance schedule).

#### TO INSPECT OR REPLACE THE SPARK PLUG:

- 1. Unscrew the maintenance cover knob and remove the cover from the side panel.
- 2. Remove the spark plug cap.
- 3. Use the included spark plug spanner to unscrew and then carefully remove the spark plug from the engine.
  - **NOTE:** There is limited space for the spanner to turn, use the arm to gain leverage to loosen the plug.



- 4. Visually inspect the spark plug. If it is cracked or chipped, or if the electrodes are worn or burned, discard it and replace with a new spark plug.
- 5. If re-using the spark plug, use a wire brush to clean any dirt from around the spark plug base, then re-gap the spark plug.
- Measure the plug gap with a spark plug gap gauge. The gap should be 0.7 - 0.8mm (0.028 - 0.031in). Carefully adjust the gap if necessary.
- Screw the spark plug back into the spark plug hole using the spark plug spanner. **DO NOT** over-tighten the spark plug. Recommended tightening a spark plug is 1/2 to 4/3 of a turn



(15ft/lb torque/20.33Nm) after the spark plug gasket contacts the spark plug hole.

8. Reinstall the spark plug cap and maintenance cover.

# SPARK ARRESTOR MAINTENANCE

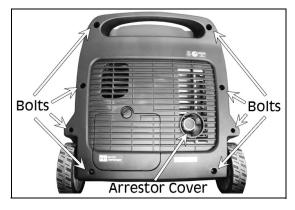
Inspect and clean the spark arrestor every 100 hours of operation (refer to recommended maintenance schedule). The spark arrestor is located outside the

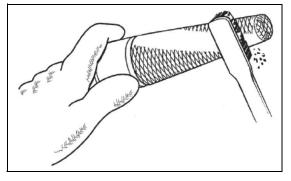
muffler, which gets very hot during operation. Allow the engine and the muffler to cool completely before servicing the spark arrestor.

#### TO INSPECT AND CLEAN THE SPARK ARRESTOR:

1. Loosen the 8 bolts from the rear cover and remove, then loosen the jubilee clip holding the arrestor cover in place and remove the arrestor from its housing.

- 2. Use a brush to remove carbon deposits from the spark arrestor screen. Be careful to avoid damaging the screen. The spark arrestor must be free of breaks and tears. Replace the spark arrestor if it is damaged.
- 3. Install the spark arrestor in the reverse order of removal.





### DRAINING THE FUEL TANK/CAR-BURETTOR

To help prevent gum deposits in the fuel system, drain the fuel from the tank and carburetor before storing.

#### TO DRAIN THE FUEL TANK & CARBURETOR:

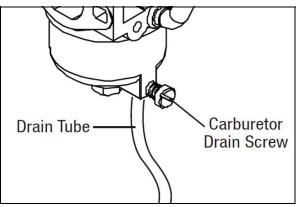
- 1. With the help of another person, place the generator on an elevated platform such as a table or workbench.
- 2. Unscrew the maintenance cover knob, and remove the cover from the side panel.

#### TO DRAIN THE FUEL TANK

**NOTE:** Make sure that the fuel switch is turned to 'ON', as this will let the fuel drain through the carburetor.

### TO DRAIN THE CARBURETOR

- **NOTE:** Make sure that the fuel switch is turned to 'OFF', at this position, the fuel valve is turned OFF so that only the fuel left inside the carburetor will be drained out.
- Maintenance Cover Maintenance Cover Knob Carburetor
- 3. The carburetor can be accessed between the engine and air filter. Locate the transparent tube from the carburetor that extends down through the base plate of the generator.
- 4. Prepare an approved petrol storage container and direct the end of the drain tube into the container.



- Open up the carburetor drain screw with a flat head screwdriver (not included) and drain out any petrol that has built up inside the carburetor through the drain tube into the petrol storage container.
- 6. Once the fuel has been drained, tighten the drain screw with the screwdriver.

**NOTE:** Make sure to drain the carburetor before storing the generator for long periods of time.

7. Reinstall the maintenance cover.

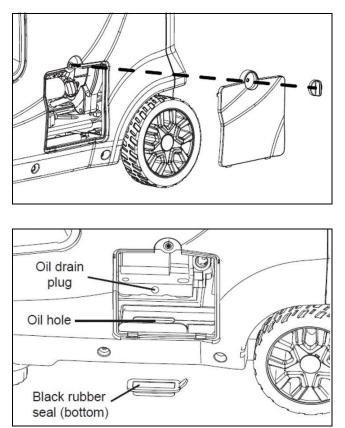
## DRAINING/CHANGING THE OIL

Change the oil more often if operating under heavy load or high ambient temperature. It is also necessary to drain the oil from the crankcase if it has become contaminated with water or dirt. Changing the oil when the engine is warm allows for complete drainage. Change the oil according to the recommended maintenance schedule on page 20.

#### TO CHANGE THE ENGINE OIL:

1. With the help of another person, place the generator on an elevated platform such as a table or workbench.

- 2. Unscrew the oil access cover knob, and remove the cover from the side panel.
- 3. Place a suitable container underneath the generator to catch the used oil.
- 4. Reach under the generator and remove the black rubber seal located below the oil drain plug.
- 5. Remove the oil fill cap/dipstick.
- 6. Use a spanner to remove the oil drain plug and allow the oil to drain completely.
- 7. Reinstall the oil drain plug after the oil has drained.



8. Reinstall the black rubber seal.

**NOTE: NEVER** dispose of used engine oil in general rubbish or down a drain. See local authority recycling for more information.

- 9. With the generator in a level position, refill the the engine with new oil. See section Add/Check Oil on page 12.
- 10. Reinstall the oil dipstick and tighten it securely. Wipe clean any oil spillage and reinstall the oil access cover.

## TRANSPORTING THE GENERATOR

To prevent fuel spillage when transporting, be sure to perform the following:

- 1. Tighten the fuel cap and turn the vacuum relief valve to 'OFF'
- 2. Set the engine switch to 'OFF'.
- 3. Drain the fuel tank if possible, see section Draining the Fuel Tank/Carburetor on page 23.
- 4. Keep the generator upright. **NEVER** place the generator on its side or upside down doing so will make it difficult to start next time.



#### WARNING: AVOID DIRECT SUNLIGHT INSIDE A VEHICLE. IF THE GENERATOR IS LEFT IN AN ENCLOSED VEHICLE FOR MANY HOURS, THE HIGH TEMPERATURE COULD CAUSE THE FUEL TO VAPORISE AND RESULT IN A POSSIBLE EXPLOSION.

## STORING THE GENERATOR

Shut off the generator and allow the unit to cool to room temperature before storing it. **NEVER** place any type of storage cover on the generator while it is still hot. **DO NOT** obstruct any ventilation openings.

Follow the procedures below for properly storing your generator. We highly recommend running your generator once a month for 20 to 30 minutes. Plug in a small load to ensure there is proper power output.

#### FOR SHORT PERIODS (30 TO 60 DAYS)

#### NOTE: DO NOT store fuel for more than 2 months

- Drain the carburetor (see section Draining the Fuel Tank/Carburetor on pages 23 -24).
- Disconnect the negative lead from the battery (see section Connecting the Battery on page 14).
- Add fuel stabiliser. Follow the suggested portions and instructions for your preferred stabiliser. Run the engine for 15 to 20 minutes, allowing the fuel stabiliser to mix with the petrol and circulate through the carburetor, and then top off with fuel. Filling the fuel tank full reduces the amount of air in the tank and helps fight deterioration of the fuel.

#### FOR EXTENDED PERIODS (OVER 60 DAYS)

- Disconnect the negative lead from the battery (see section Connecting the Battery on page 14).
- Drain the fuel tank and carburetor (see section Draining the Fuel Tank/Carburetor on page 23). **NEVER** store the generator with fuel in the tank for more than two months.
- Change the engine oil (see section Draining and Changing the Oil on page 24).



#### WARNING: STORE THE GENERATOR UPRIGHT IN A COOL AND DRY LOCATION, AWAY FROM SOURCES OF HEAT, OPEN FLAMES, SPARKS OR PILOT LIGHTS.

# PRODUCT DISPOSAL

**DO NOT** dispose of used generator or parts with your household waste. This product contains electrical or electronic components that should be recycled under the WEEE regulations. Please take this product to your local recycling facility for responsible disposal to minimise its environmental impact.

**DO NOT** dispose of used oil or fuel in general waste or down a drain. Please see local authority recycling for more information.

# SPECIFICATIONS

| CLARKE part no 8877130 |                                 | IG4000                                   |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Engine                 | Engine Model                    | SV230                                    |
|                        | Fuel Type                       | Unleaded Petrol<br>(87 Octane Rate Min.) |
|                        | Displacement (cm <sup>3</sup> ) | 223                                      |
|                        | Start system                    | Electric & Hand recoil                   |
|                        | Fuel tank capacity (L)          | 10 L                                     |
|                        | Fuel consumption                | 1.6 L/Hr                                 |
|                        | Maximum run time @75% Load      | 6 hours 15 mins                          |
|                        | Engine oil type                 | SAE10W30                                 |
|                        | Engine oil capacity (L)         | 0.6L                                     |
|                        | Battery                         | 7Ah Sealed Lead Acid                     |
|                        | High Temperature Shut Down      | 80°C                                     |
| Generator              | Rated Frequency (Hz)            | 50                                       |
|                        | AC Output Voltage (V)           | 230V x 2                                 |
|                        | DC Output Voltage (V)           | 5V x 1 & 12V x 1                         |
|                        | Rated Running Power (W)         | 3500                                     |
|                        | Max. Starting Power (W)         | 3800                                     |
|                        | IP Rating                       | IP23M                                    |
| Dimensions             | Depth x Width x Height (mm)     | 550 x 650 x 580                          |
|                        | Unpacked Weight (kg)            | 52.8                                     |
| Environmental          | Sound pressure level            | 58 dB                                    |
|                        | Sound power level               | 92 dB                                    |
|                        | Guaranteed sound power level    | 95 dB                                    |
|                        | Uncertainty factor              | 2.9 dB                                   |

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# TROUBLESHOOTING

| PROBLEM               | POSSIBLE CAUSE   | SOLUTION  |
|-----------------------|--|---|
| The generator         | Battery not charged  | Charge battery  |
| fails to start        | Engine switch is in the OFF position   | Turn engine switch to the ON position   |
|                       | No Fuel  | Fill fuel tank (see page 13)  |
|                       | Stale petrol or water in petrol  | Drain entire system and refill<br>with fresh fuel (see page 23)   |
|                       | Engine oil level is low  | Engine is equipped with Low Oil<br>Shutoff. If engine oil level is low,<br>it must be filled before unit will<br>start. Check engine oil level and<br>fill if necessary (see page 12) |
|                       | Fuel switch is in the OFF position   | Turn fuel switch to the ON posi-<br>tion  |
|                       | Spark plug faulty, fouled, or improperly gapped                                      | Replace spark plug (see page 22)  |
|                       | Engine stored without<br>treating or draining petrol, or<br>refueled with bad petrol | Drain fuel. Refuel with fresh pet-<br>rol (see page 23)   |
|                       | Dirty fuel filter  | Replace fuel filter or contact the<br>CLARK service<br>department   |
| Engine lacks<br>power | Dirty air filter   | Check air filter element. Clean<br>or replace as needed (see page<br>21)  |
|                       | Engine stored without<br>treating or draining petrol, or<br>refueled with bad petrol | Drain fuel. refuel with fresh pet-<br>rol (see page 23). If<br>problem continues, contact the<br>CLARK service<br>department  |
| The generator is      | The air filter is dirty.   | Clean the air filter (Page 21).   |

| PROBLEM                        | POSSIBLE CAUSE   | SOLUTION   |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| AC receptacle does<br>not work | OUTPUT indicator is OFF, and<br>OVERLOAD indicator is ON | Check AC load (see page 10).<br>Stop and restart the engine.<br>Check the cooling air inlet. Stop<br>and restart the engine. |
|                                | AC Circuit protector has tripped                         | Check AC load and reset AC cir-<br>cuit protectors (see page 9)  |
|                                | GFCI system has activated (if used)                      | Reset the GFCI   |
|                                | Item plugged in is defective                             | Try a different device.  |

If this does not solve your problem contact the CLARKE service department.

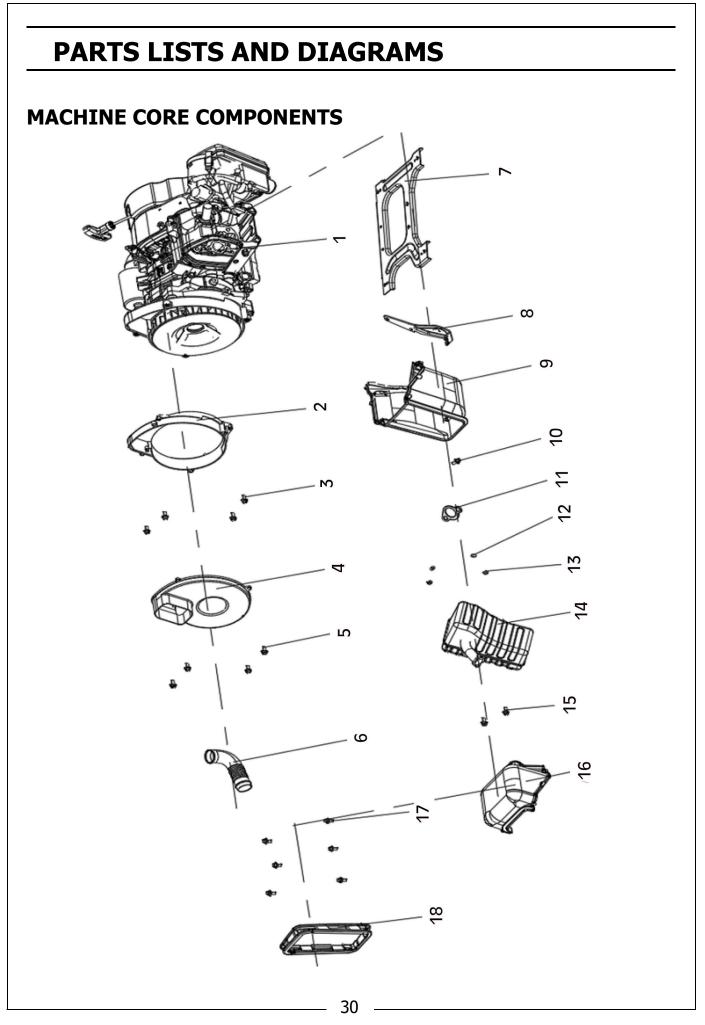
# **ENVIRONMENTAL RECYCLING POLICY**



Through purchase of this product, the customer is taking on the obligation to deal with the WEEE in accordance with the WEEE regulations in relation to the treatment, recycling & recovery and environmentally sound disposal of the WEEE.

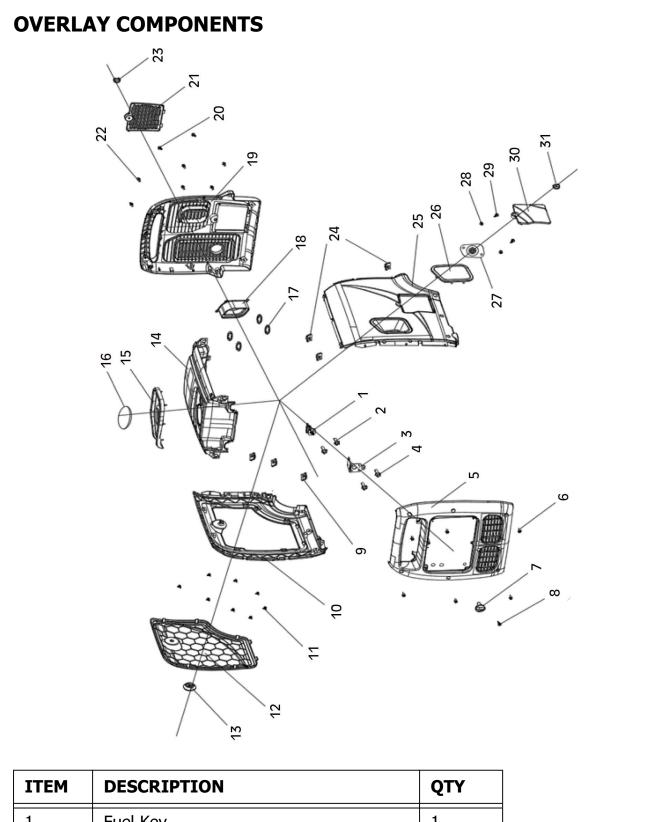
In effect, this means that this product must not be disposed of with general household waste. It must be disposed of according to the laws governing Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) at a recognised disposal facility.

If disposing of this product or any damaged components, do not dispose of with general waste. This product contains valuable raw materials. Metal products should be taken to your local civic amenity site for recycling of metal products.



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| ITEM | DESCRIPTION                             | QTY |
|------|---|-----|
| 1    | Engine SV230, Inverter Generator Engine | 1   |
| 2    | Alternator Hood                         | 1   |
| 3    | Hexagon Flange Bolt                     | 4   |
| 4    | Alternator Back Cover                   | 1   |
| 5    | Hexagon Flange Bolt                     | 4   |
| 6    | Air Inlet Pipe                          | 1   |
| 7    | Engine Support Plate                    | 1   |
| 8    | Support Plate                           | 1   |
| 9    | Muffler Exhaust Hood                    | 1   |
| 10   | Hexagon Flange Bolt                     | 1   |
| 11   | Muffler Gasket                          | 2   |
| 12   | Spring Washer                           | 2   |
| 13   | Hexagon Flange Bolt                     | 2   |
| 14   | Muffle/Exhaust                          | 1   |
| 15   | Hexagon Flange Bolt                     | 2   |
| 16   | Muffler/Exhaust Front Cover             | 1   |
| 17   | Hexagon Flange Bolt                     | 6   |
| 18   | Outlet Rubber Sleeve                    | 1   |

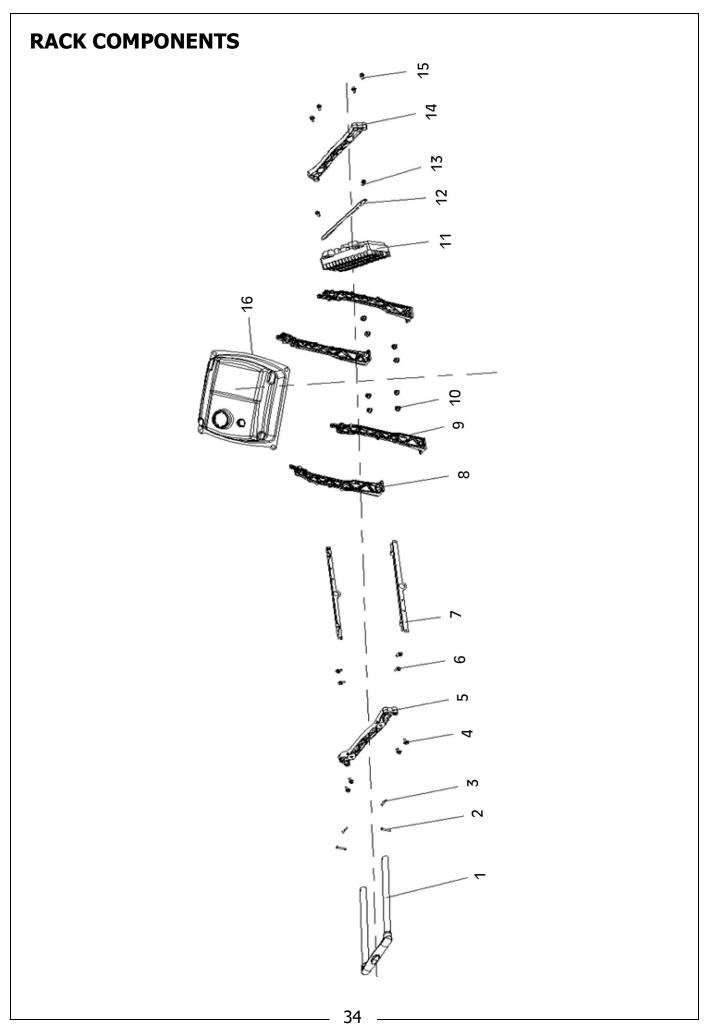


| ITEM | DESCRIPTION            | QTY |  |
|------|------------------------|-----|--|
| 1    | Fuel Key               | 1   |  |
| 2    | Hexagon Flange Bolt    | 2   |  |
| 3    | Locating Plate         | 1   |  |
| 4    | Hexagon Flange Bolt    | 2   |  |
| 5    | Control Panel Assembly | 1   |  |
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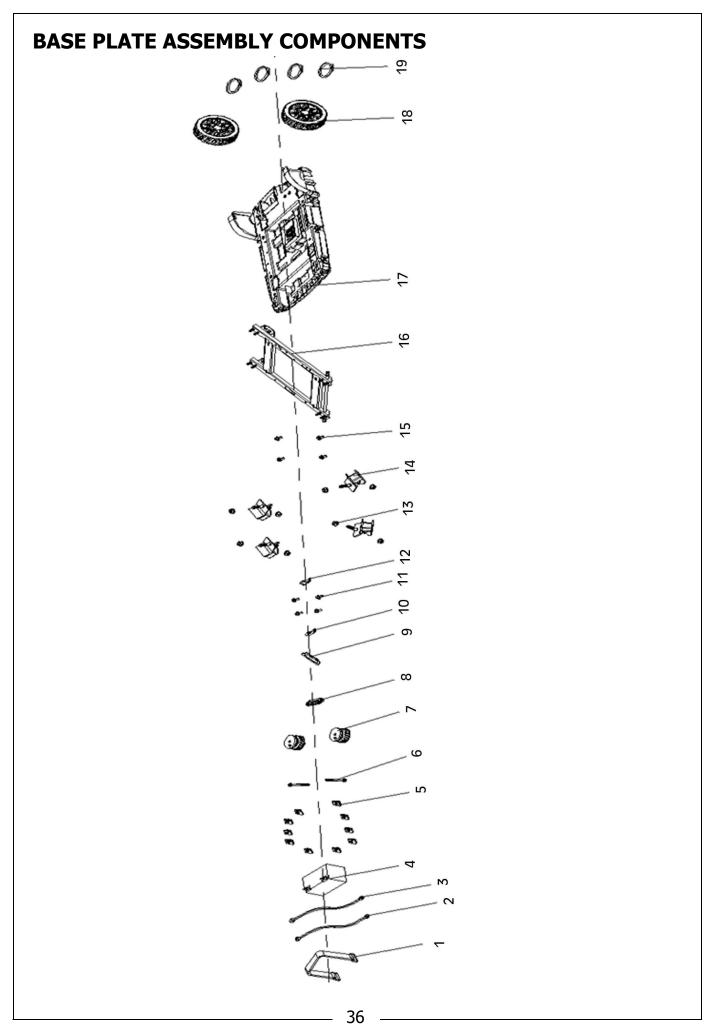
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| ITEM | DESCRIPTION                    | QTY |  |  |  |
|------|--------------------------------|-----|--|--|--|
|      | Hexagon Flange Bolt            | 6   |  |  |  |
| 7    | Fuel Switch                    | 1   |  |  |  |
| 8    | Cross Recessed Pan Head Screw  | 1   |  |  |  |
| 9    | Clamp Nut                      | 3   |  |  |  |
| 10   | Left Shell Assembly            | 1   |  |  |  |
| 11   | Spring Clip                    | 8   |  |  |  |
| 12   | Repair Cover Assembly          | 1   |  |  |  |
| 13   | Switch                         | 1   |  |  |  |
| 14   | Upper Cover                    | 1   |  |  |  |
| 15   | Fuel Tank Rubber Sleeve        | 1   |  |  |  |
| 16   | Fuel Cap                       | 1   |  |  |  |
| 17   | Wire Retaining Ring for Hole   | 4   |  |  |  |
| 18   | Motor Rubber Sleeve            | 1   |  |  |  |
| 19   | Exhaust Cover Assembly         | 1   |  |  |  |
| 20   | Cross Recessed Pan Head Screw  | 2   |  |  |  |
| 21   | Battery Maintenance Cover      | 1   |  |  |  |
| 22   | Hexagon Flange Bolt            | 6   |  |  |  |
| 23   | Thumb Screw                    | 1   |  |  |  |
| 24   | Clamp Nut                      | 3   |  |  |  |
| 25   | Right Shell Assembly           | 1   |  |  |  |
| 26   | Recoil Starter Protective Ring | 1   |  |  |  |
| 27   | Handle Bezel                   | 1   |  |  |  |
| 28   | Hexagon Flange Bolt            | 2   |  |  |  |
| 29   | Hexagon Flange Bolt            | 2   |  |  |  |
| 30   | Oil Window Cover               | 1   |  |  |  |
| 31   | Thumb Screw                    | 1   |  |  |  |

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| ITEM | DESCRIPTION                | QTY |
|------|----------------------------|-----|
| 1    | Telescopic Handle Assembly | 1   |
| 2    | Positioning Latch          | 2   |
| 3    | Locating Pin Locking Clip  | 2   |
| 4    | Hexagon Flange Bolt        | 4   |
| 5    | Handle Mounting Plate      | 1   |
| 6    | Hexagon Flange Bolt        | 4   |
| 7    | Fuel Tank Beam             | 2   |
| 8    | Support Frame              | 2   |
| 9    | Support Frame              | 2   |
| 10   | Hexagon Flange Bolt        | 8   |
| 11   | Inverter Parts             | 1   |
| 12   | Inverter Fixing Bracket    | 1   |
| 13   | Hexagon Flange Bolt        | 2   |
| 14   | Handle Mounting Plate      | 1   |
| 15   | Hexagon Flange Bolt        | 4   |
| 16   | Fuel Tank Assembly         | 1   |



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| ITEM | DESCRIPTION                   | QTY |
|------|-------------------------------|-----|
| 1    | Battery Band                  | 1   |
| 2    | Harness Part                  | 1   |
| 3    | Harness Part                  | 1   |
| 4    | Battery                       | 1   |
| 5    | Clamp Nut                     | 10  |
| 6    | Hexagon Flange Bolt           | 2   |
| 7    | Shock Absorber                | 2   |
| 8    | Sealing Rubber Sleeve         | 1   |
| 9    | Engine Oil Port Rubber Sleeve | 1   |
| 10   | Fixed Plate                   | 1   |
| 11   | Hexagon Flange Bolt           | 4   |
| 12   | Fixed Plate                   | 1   |
| 13   | Hexagon Flange Bolt           | 8   |
| 14   | Shock Absorber                | 4   |
| 15   | Hexagon Flange Bolt           | 4   |
| 16   | Floor Bracket                 | 1   |
| 17   | Engine Plate                  | 1   |
| 18   | Wheel Assembly                | 2   |
| 19   | Retaining Ring for Shaft      | 4   |

# **DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY - UKCA**

| Document Holder: Alar<br>Date of Issue 05/ | Serial/Batch Number: Ref         | Model Number(s): IG4 | Product Description: Ger            | Manufacturer:<br>Ess  |  | The technical documentation require   | The Restriction of the Use of Certain He<br>Equipment Regulations 2012  | The Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008 | The Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016                        | The Batteries and Accumulators (Placing on the Market) Regulations 2008             | Noise Emission in the Environment by Ł   | We hereby declare that this produ   |   |                           | <b>D</b> ×     |
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| Alan Pond<br>05/09/2024                    | Refer to product/packaging label | IG4000               | Generator                           | Clarke International Ltd, Hemnall Street, Epping,<br>Essex, CM16 4LG, United Kingdom                    | The UKCA mark wa                         | ed to demonstrate that the product(s) meet(s) the inspection by the releval   | The Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic<br>Equipment Regulations 2012 | lations 2008                                      | ulations 2016   | ng on the Market) Regulations 2008  | Noise Emission in the Environment by Equipment for use Outdoors Regulations 2001 | We hereby declare that this product(s) complies with the following legislation: | This is an important docu                             | DECLARATION               | INTERN         |
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