OPERATION MANUAL

BFX-3

Brake Fluid Exchanger



IMPORTANT

Test drive vehicle after service to verify proper brake system performance.



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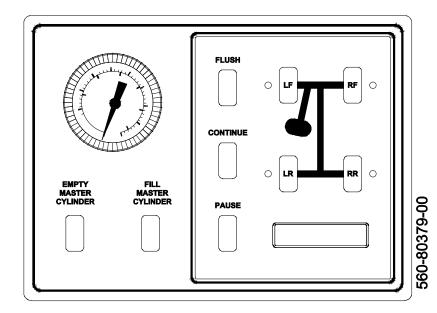
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Safety Precautions

WARNING: Failure to follow these precautions can result in serious injury or death.

- Read and understand the Operation Manual completely before operating this unit.
- Always wear proper eye and skin protection when operating and maintaining this equipment.
- Only disassemble or reassemble unit parts when directed by an MAHLE representative.
- Clean any spills that may occur immediately. Brake fluid is corrosive and is a high slip hazard.
- Avoid exposure with painted surfaces. Brake fluid is corrosive and will damage the finish on most painted surfaces. Use of fender covers is recommended.
- Always use vehicle specified brake fluid. Failure to do so may cause brake system damage. The BFX is designed to use DOT 3 or 4 brake fluid. Use of any other fluid type is not recommended and may void warranty.
- Comply with local, state and federal regulations for fluid disposal.
- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) must be obtained on all chemicals and placed in a shop file for reference. Note: MSDS can be found on the MAHLE web site www.servicesolutions.mahle.com.
- It is important to test drive every vehicle after the service to verify proper brake system operation. Failure to do so could result in undetected brake system failure.
- CAUTION: Failure to follow the precautions as outlined in the Operation Manual can result in damage to the engine, vehicle or equipment which will not be supported or covered under warranty.

Components





System Priming (First Time Use Only)

Note: System Priming is only necessary before the first time use of the BFX-2.

Connect red (positive) clamp on power cable to red (positive) terminal on vehicle battery. Connect the black (negative) clamp to a **good** ground. A good ground can be located by following the negative cable from the battery to where it is connected to the chassis.

Warning: Handle battery connection cable with extreme caution. Batteries generate explosive gases during normal operation. Working in the vicinity of a lead-acid or other automotive battery is dangerous. Wear eye protection. Never smoke or allow a spark or flame in the vicinity of the battery. Do not connect the black power clip to the negative post of the battery to avoid a spark.

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Buzzer will beep once. All LED's will blink on briefly.

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Connect Fill Gun to Fill Hose.

Disconnect coupler on Used Fluid Tank and remove cap.

Press FILL MASTER CYLINDER.

Buzzer will beep three times.

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Use RR key to select size of new fluid container.

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Install New Fluid Float Switch in bottle of brake fluid.

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Place nozzle of fill gun into the Used Fluid tank and squeeze trigger.

Remaining ounces will be displayed and when zero will stop the process.

Press FILL MASTER CYLINDER to stop the process.

Release trigger. Replace cap on Used Fluid Tank and connect coupler.

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Exchange Brake Fluid

BEFORE SERVICE: Verify that the brake system does not have any malfunctions. If the system is found to be malfunctioning verify that the malfunction will not interfere with the exchange process. Perform all necessary repairs prior to fluid exchange.

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Buzzer will beep once. All LED's will blink on briefly.

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Press EMPTY MASTER CYLINDER.

IMPORTANT

Verify that the vehicle brake system is capable of operating with a maximum working pressure of **30 PSI** by referring to a bleeding sequence guide. Failure to comply could result in reservoir or brake system damage.

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Use Vacuum Hose to remove all fluid from the master cylinder.

Press EMPTY MASTER CYLINDER to end the process.

IMPORTANT: Place end of Vacuum Hose on Parking Stud before proceeding to next step.

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Connect Fill Gun to Fill Hose.

Press FILL MASTER CYLINDER.

Buzzer will beep 3 times.

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3	2	0	Z		4	8	0	Z		6	4	0	Z		

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Press CONTINUE.

←This will display.

Use RR key to select size of new fluid container.

Fluid amount entered controls amount of fluid dispensed through bleeders (see Chart Below).

Press CONTINUE.

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Install New Fluid Float Switch in bottle of brake fluid.

Press CONTINUE.

←This will display.

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Amount	LF	RF	LR	RR
64 oz	6	6	7	7
48 oz	5	5	6	6
32 oz	4	4	5	5

Place nozzle of fill gun into the Master Cylinder and squeeze trigger. Remaining ounces will be displayed.

Release trigger when master cylinder is filled to proper level.

Press FILL MASTER CYLINDER to stop the process.

Hold Fill Gun over Master Cylinder and squeeze trigger to relieve pressure.

Replace Master Cylinder cap and disconnect Fill Gun.

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Select correct Master Cylinder Adapter and install on the Master Cylinder.

Connect Fill Hose to Master Cylinder Adapter.

Press Fill Master Cylinder and check that adapter is sealed and there are no leaks.

Press Fill Master Cylinder to stop the process.

Raise vehicle to comfortable level to access the brake bleeder valves. Use caution to not disconnect power cable from battery or put strain on the Fill Hose connected to the Master Cylinder.

Connect a Bleeder Hose to each brake bleeder valve. Match colors on Bleeder Hoses to the control panel graphic.

Press FLUSH.

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Press LF, RF, LR, and RR in sequence desired during the sequential brake fluid exchange. The order pressed should be according to the recommended sequence as specified by the manufacturer for the particular vehicle.

The order entered will be displayed.

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Open all bleeder valves.

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←This will display.

This display will show each bleeder as fluid is exchanged.

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←This will display.

Buzzer will beep every 20 seconds to indicate procedure is complete.

Press CONTINUE.

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←This will display.

Close all bleeders.

P R E S S > F L U S H <	←5 seconds later, this will display.
WHEN FINISHED	When all bleeders have been closed press
	FLUSH.
DRAIN FLUID Y/N	←This will display.
	. ,
PRESS CONTINUE	Use RR key to select Y or N to drain remaining new fluid into the used fluid tank.
	Press continue.
CLEARING PROCESS	←This will display if Y is selected.
RUNNING, WAIT	
P L E A S E W A I T	←This will display if N is selected.
	When complete the next screen will be displayed.
N E W T A N K = # # O Z	←This will display.
SELECT PROCESS	Remove Master Cylinder Adapter and check fluid level.
	Press EMPTY MASTER CYLINDER to remove

TechALERT Demo

fluid if required.

Disconnect POWER to exit.

Pour in fluid from new fluid bottle if required.

N E S E	W L	E	T C	A T	N		R	0	= C			S	Ο	Z	←Press and hold EMPTY MASTER CYLINDER and FILL MASTER CYLINDER pushbutton simultaneously for 3 seconds.
D I T O	S	C E	O X	N I	N T	Ε	C T	T A		P D)	W	E O	R	←This will display for one second and all four LEDs will be ON.
T A	-	D F	E A	M U	O L	Т	L	F	- R	R -	U	N O	N	E	←Display will automatically show text to left. Press LF pushbutton for run mode, RF for fault mode, LR for complete and RR for clear.

Displays Indicating Action Required

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←This will display if the tank which holds used fluid fills to capacity.

Refer to instructions for emptying the Used Fluid Tank in the next section.

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←This will display if the level of fluid is too low in the bottle of new fluid.

A new bottle must be selected and installed on unit.

Empty Used Fluid Tank

- 1. Disconnect the fluid line coupler and the electrical float switch cable on the Used Fluid Tank.
- 2. Remove cap on Used Fluid Tank (turn counterclockwise).
- 3. Empty used fluid into an appropriate bulk waste container.
- 4. Replace cap on Used Fluid Tank (turn clockwise).
- 5. Connect fluid line coupler and the electrical float switch cable.

Follow all federal and local laws and regulations when disposing of hazardous material.

Filter Maintenance

The BFX-2 has six filters to prevent debris from entering internal components.

New Fluid Filter: Filters fluid from the New Fluid Bottle. If the fluid flow seems slow while trying to fill the master

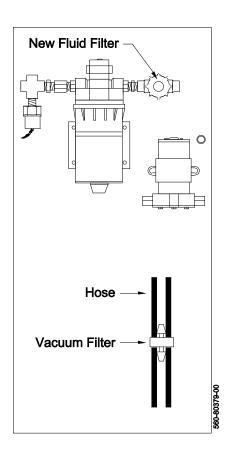
cylinder - check and clean this filter.

This filter can be accessed through the front door on the top of the BFX-2. Remove screws and gently raise the door to access the filter.

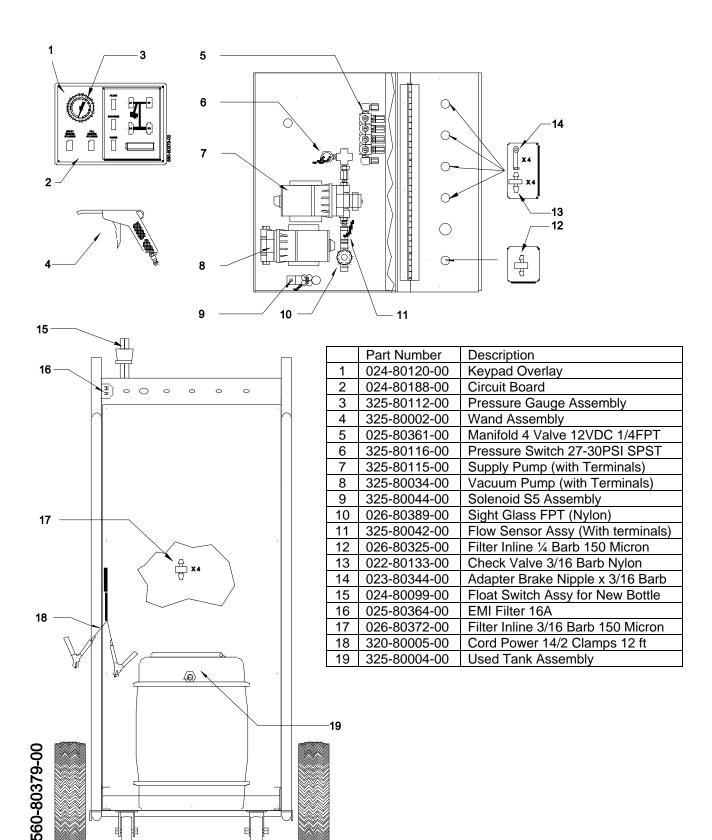
Unscrew the filter cover and clean the screen as required.

Vacuum Filter: Filters fluid in the five vacuum hoses. A filter is mounted in-line on each of the hoses. If the fluid flow seems slow from the bleeders - check and clean these filters.

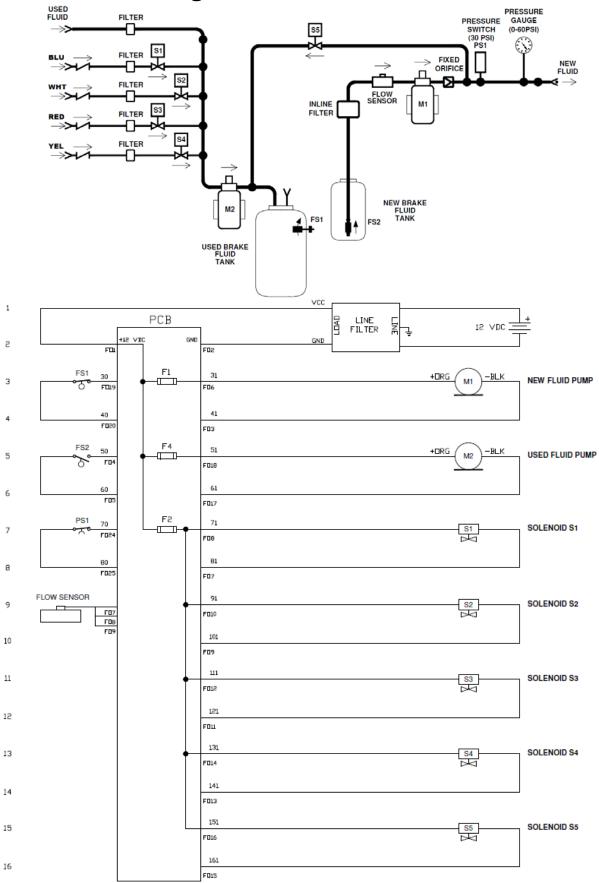
These filters can be accessed through the rear door on the top of the BFX-2. Remove the two thumb screws and lift the door. The filters will be seen about 12 inches below where the hoses go through the panel inside. Remove hoses from both ends of the filter and try clearing the filter with compressed air.



Parts Identification



Flow Diagrams & Electrical Schematic



EC Declaration of Conformity for Machinery

Directive 98/37/EC

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Herewith declares that:

-BFX-3 Brake Fluid Exchanger

-is in conformity with the provisions of the Machinery Directive (directive 98/37/EC) and with the national implementing legislation

-is in conformity with the provisions of the following other EC directives:

Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Directive 89/336/EEC
Electromagnetic Emissions EN 61000-6-4: 2001
Electromagnetic Immunity EN 61000-6-2: 1999

The BFX-3 is certified to the EMC Directive like the ATX-2 tested by:

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Notes