EPR Repair Kit Instructions
PPI-122 (Rev-C)

A. Introduction:

This document covers the repair of the Electronic Pressure Regulator (EPR) used on Spectrum III series fuel systems. These instructions will provide the technician with the information necessary to successfully repair an EPR. It is important to read and understand the entire document before starting any work to familiarize yourself with all steps in the procedures.

Electronic Pressure Regulator (EPR)

There are three EPR repair kits available:

1) RK-EPR-3 (Repair Kit-Minor) contains the components required to rebuild the EPR regulator and the clamp plate seal (o-ring installed between the regulator and actuator).

- 1) Seal, Clamp Plate
- 2) Seat, Secondary
- 3) Gasket, Body Secondary
- 4) Pin, Primary
- 5) Spring, Primary
- 6) Clip, Primary
- 7) Diaphragm, Primary
- 8) O-ring (Coolant Hose Fittings)
- 9) O-Ring (LPG Hose Fitting & LPG Temperature Sensor)

IMPCO EPR Minor Overhaul Kit
Part Number: RK-EPR-3
2) RK-EPR-4 (Repair Kit-Major) contains a new EPR regulator completely assembled and ready to install onto the EPR actuator and includes the Clamp Plate Seal.

   1) Regulator, EPR
   2) Seal, Clamp Plate
   3) O-ring (Coolant Hose Fittings)
   4) O-Ring (LPG Hose Fitting & LPG Temperature Sensor)

3) RK-EPR-5 (Repair Kit-EPR Diaphragm) contains the components necessary to replace the EPR actuator diaphragm.

   1) Diaphragm, EPR
   2) Screw, EPR Diaphragm
   3) Seal, EPR Balance Port

B. Important Notices, Notes, Cautions & Warnings:

READ ALL IMPORTANT NOTICES, NOTES, CAUTIONS AND WARNINGS BEFORE STARTING ANY PROCEDURE

⚠️ IMPORTANT

Always inspect the major casting pieces for damage, leaks, corrosion or cracks before attempting a service repair. Replace the EPR as an assembly if any conditions with the actuator portion are found.

⚠️ CAUTION!

Always wear approved eye and face protection, protective clothing and gloves when working on fuel and coolant systems and on or around batteries. Failure to heed this caution may result in blindness or bodily injury.
Always wear approved eye and face protection when using aerosol cleaning or lubricating products and only use the products in a well ventilated area away from sparks, flames and heat sources. Failure to heed this caution may result in eye injury or a fire.

⚠️ WARNING!

Any maintenance, service or repair should be performed by trained and experienced service technicians. Proper tools and equipment should be used to prevent injury to the servicing technician or damage to property or system components. Service repairs should always be performed in a safe environment and the technician should always wear protective clothing and eyewear to prevent injury. Failure to heed this warning could result in serious bodily injury, death and/or severe property damage.

⚠️ WARNING!

Do not use Teflon tape to seal any fuel fittings. Fragments of the tape may enter into the fuel system, causing damage or malfunctions of critical fuel system components that may result in serious bodily injury and/or property damage.

⚠️ WARNING!

The Repair Kits consist of the only serviceable components for the Spectrum III EPR. Do not use any other components or regulator repair kits to service the Spectrum III EPR. The Kits are specifically designed for the Spectrum III EPR and are not compatible with other regulators. Failure to heed this warning could result in serious bodily injury, death or severe property damage.

⚠️ WARNING!

Even after releasing pressure in fuel lines, residual vapor pressure will be present in the fuel system. Ensure the work area is well ventilated away from sparks, flames and heat sources before disconnecting any fuel line or fitting.

⚠️ CAUTION!

Care must be taken when removing the regulator from the actuator to prevent damage to the lever, the actuator diaphragm and the diaphragm plate. The lever and the diaphragm plate are not serviceable and (if damaged) the entire EPR must be replaced.

⚠️ CAUTION!

Never use silicone based lubricants or sealing compounds on any component related to the fuel system. The use of silicone based compounds will contaminate the oxygen sensors and render them useless. Use only lubricants and sealing compounds labeled “O2 sensor safe”.

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C. Required tools and chemicals:

1) Torx 6-point standard bits (TX15 & TX20)
2) Torx 5-point tamper resistant bit (20IPR)
3) #2 Phillips screwdriver & ¼" drive bit
4) Small (toothbrush size) fine bristled brass or bronze brush
5) ¼" drive ratchet
6) ¼" drive torque wrench (in-lb / Nm)
7) ¼" drive 4" extension
8) ¼" drive ¼" socket
9) Needle-nose pliers
10) Coolant hose clamps
11) Small flat-blade screwdriver (pocket style)
12) Safety solvent or aqueous solution cleaning fluid (or equivalent)
13) Electronic or brake parts aerosol cleaner
14) Liquid Wrench aerosol penetrating oil (L112) or equivalent (DO NOT use WD-40 or other water displacement products)
15) Loctite 263 thread locker

D. EPR Removal from Forklift:

Read all Important Notices, Notes, Cautions and Warnings before starting any procedure.

Refer to the manufacturer’s service manual procedures for complete details:

1) Turn the LPG tank manual valve OFF.
2) Start the engine and let it run until it stalls.
3) Restart the engine until it will not restart.
4) Disconnect the battery negative cable.
5) Disconnect the EPR electrical connector.
6) Clamp off the two EPR coolant hoses 2-3 inches from the EPR fittings.
7) Remove the four EPR coolant and fuel hose / temperature sensor retaining clips.
8) Remove the coolant hose fittings from the EPR.
9) Remove the fuel hose fitting and fuel temperature sensor from the EPR.
10) Disconnect the LPG line from the lockoff.
11) Disconnect the lockoff electrical connector.
12) Remove the lockoff from the regulator.
13) Remove the three nuts securing the EPR and remove the EPR from the forklift.
14) Carefully inspect the outside of the EPR assembly for cracks, signs of leakage, corrosion, stripped threads, dents or damage. If any damage is found, the EPR
E. EPR Regulator Removal:

Read all Important Notices, Notes, Cautions and Warnings before starting any procedure.

1) Thoroughly clean the EPR around the actuator / regulator mating surfaces with a brass brush and an aerosol cleaner (brake cleaner, electrical contact cleaner, etc.).

   ▶️ DO NOT use carburetor cleaner.

   ▶️ Tape over the EPR electrical connector and any exposed balance line port to protect them from dirt and debris intrusion.

2) Place the EPR assembly (with the regulator face down) on a flat workbench and remove the six regulator retaining screws with a Torx TX20 tool bit. Retain the 6 screws as they will be needed to use later.
3) Very carefully separate the regulator from the actuator.

![Image of regulator and actuator separation process]

**CAUTION!**

The regulator secondary lever is inserted into a slot in the actuator diaphragm plate. The regulator MUST be moved in the direction illustrated while separating from the actuator to slip the lever out of the plate slot. If the diaphragm plate is damaged, the EPR assembly must be replaced.

4) Thoroughly inspect the diaphragm plate slot for any cracking, distortion or other damage.

5) Replace the EPR assembly if the plate is damaged.

![Image of cracked diaphragm plate slot]

6) Inspect the EPR diaphragm for excessive oil / heavy end contamination and/or deformation.

7) Replace the diaphragm if it is saturated with oil / heavy ends or deformed (refer to sections H & I).

![Image of deformed EPR diaphragm]
1) If the regulator is going to be replaced with a new assembly (RK-EPR-4) AND the EPR diaphragm requires replacing, go to section H (EPR Diaphragm Removal).

2) If the regulator is going to be replaced with a new assembly (RK-EPR-4) AND the EPR diaphragm does not require replacing, go to section J (EPR Regulator Installation).

F. EPR Regulator Disassembly:

Notice!
Read all Important Notices, Notes, Cautions and Warnings before starting any procedure.

1) Using a Torx TX20 tool bit, remove the secondary lever, spring and pin.
2) Remove the secondary seat seal from the lever and discard the seal.

IMPORTANT NOTE
DO NOT discard the lever, spring or pin.

3) Inspect the lever pin holes for deformation or damage.
4) Inspect the pin for wear or damage.
5) If either the lever or the pin is worn or damaged, the regulator will have to be replaced as an assembly (RK-EPR-4).

6) Inspect the secondary seat for wear or damage.
7) If the seat is worn or damaged, the regulator will have to be replaced as an assembly (RK-EPR-4).
8) Using a Torx 20IPR tool bit, remove the seven regulator cover screws. **Retain the 7 screws as they will be needed to use later.**

9) Remove the cover and the primary diaphragm.
10) Discard the diaphragm.
11) Inspect the cover fulcrum for wear, cracks or damage.
12) Replace the regulator as an assembly (RK-EPR-4) if the fulcrum is worn or damaged.

13) Remove the separator plate and gasket.
14) Discard the gasket.
15) Using a small, flat-bladed screw driver, remove and discard the primary seat pin, spring and circlip.

16) Inspect the primary seat for wear, cracks or damage.
17) Replace the regulator as an assembly (RK-EPR-4) if the seat is worn or damaged.
G. EPR Regulator Reassembly:

NOTICE!

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1) Thoroughly clean the regulator parts with safety solvent or aqueous cleaning solution.
2) Remove the gasket material with a fine bristled brass or bronze brush.

CAUTION!

DO NOT use a steel wire brush or heavy bristled brush as they can scratch the aluminum surfaces and may lead to a fuel leak.

3) Inspect all gasket surfaces for scratches, cracks or damage.
4) Replace the regulator as an assembly (RK-EPR-4) if any gasket surface problems are found.
5) Insert the new primary seat pin into the separator plate and set the spring in place.
6) Using a pair of needle nose pliers, depress the spring and set the circlip into the groove as illustrated.

7) Finish installing the circlip with the needle nose pliers.
8) Install the separator gasket onto the separator plate as illustrated.

9) Set the separator plate onto the regulator body being careful not to disturb the gasket.

⚠️ CAUTION!

Check all around the separator plate to ensure the gasket did not get folded under the plate. Failure to heed this caution will result in a gas leak that may cause a fire.
10) Set the primary diaphragm in place as illustrated.

11) Set the primary cover in place and (using a Torx 20IPR tool bit) thread in all seven screws hand tight.

12) While pressing down on the cover with your hand, continue tightening the screws evenly and in the sequence illustrated until each screw is just snug.

NOTE: As the screws are being tightened, the primary diaphragm is depressing the primary seat spring. Therefore, it is important to snug the screws evenly and in the sequence shown to alleviate distorting the cover or diaphragm plate.

13) Torque the screws to 40 in-lbs (4.5 Nm) in sequence.
14) Install the new secondary valve seat seal onto the secondary lever.

15) Install the secondary pin, lever and spring as illustrated and (using a Torx TX20 bit) torque the screw to 40 in-lbs (4.5 Nm).

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

Make sure the spring is seated squarely on the body and lever spring bosses as illustrated.

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**H. EPR Diaphragm Removal (Optional):**

**NOTICE!**

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1) Remove and discard the EPR diaphragm clamp plate o-ring.
2) Using a #2 Phillips screwdriver, remove the four EPR diaphragm plate screws.

**CAUTION!**

The screws are secured with a permanent thread locker and will require the use of a penetrating oil to successfully remove them. If any screw begins to tighten as it is being removed, STOP! Follow the instructions in steps 3 to 8 EXACTLY. If a screw is broken off inside the EPR actuator spring tower, the EPR will have to be replaced as an assembly.
3) With the problem screws loosened to the point where they just began to tighten up, spray a liberal amount of Liquid Wrench aerosol penetrating oil (L112) or equivalent) on each of the screws as illustrated.

![Image of screws with Liquid Wrench applied]

**CAUTION!**

DO NOT use WD-40 or other water displacement solvent / penetrate. These products will not work as efficiently as products specifically designed for this purpose.

4) Allow the penetrating oil to soak for at least two minutes.

5) Turn one of the affected screws clockwise until it is just snug.

6) Turn the screw counterclockwise 1/8 turn past where the screw first began to tighten up.

7) Turn the screw clockwise 1/2 turn (or until just snug) and spray some more penetrate and allow it to soak in for another minute or two.

8) Repeat this procedure until the screw is removed.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES should any screw be forced.

9) Repeat these steps for any additional screws.

10) Using a Torx TX15 tool bit, remove the three screws securing the EPR clamp plate.
11) Remove and discard the EPR diaphragm and balance port seal (arrow).

⚠️ CAUTION!

DO NOT allow any dirt or debris to enter the EPR actuator interior.
I. EPR Diaphragm Installation (Optional):

**NOTICE!**

Read all Important Notices, Notes, Cautions and Warnings before starting any procedure.

1) Using an aerosol electronic cleaner with a tube inserted into the nozzle, turn the EPR actuator face down and spray a little of the product in each of the four screw holes as illustrated.

2) Set the EPR diaphragm in place (gray, fabric side down) and install the balance port seal.

**NOTICE!**

The EPR diaphragm screw holes are asymmetrical and the diaphragm can only be installed one way (as illustrated in the left photo). Improper installation of the diaphragm (as illustrated below) will cause the diaphragm to distort and not function as designed.
3) Install the clamp plate over the diaphragm and (using a Torx TX15 tool bit) hand-tighten the three screws.

4) Torque the screws to 10-13 in-lbs (1.1-1.5 Nm).

![IMPORTANT NOTE]

Make sure the diaphragm is seated in its groove completely before installing the clamp plate.

5) Set the diaphragm plate on top of the diaphragm making sure all four of the screw holes are aligned.

![NOTICE!]

As with the diaphragm, the diaphragm plate is asymmetrical and can only be installed one way.

6) Apply a little Loctite 263 thread locker to the four diaphragm screws and install them.

7) Torque the screws to 5-9 in-lbs (0.6-1.0 Nm) in a cross pattern as illustrated.
J. EPR Regulator Installation:

**NOTICE!**
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1) Install the clamp plate / regulator o-ring (arrow).

2) Slide the regulator in place ensuring the secondary lever slips into the diaphragm plate slot as illustrated.

**CAUTION!**
DO NOT pull the regulator away from the actuator as illustrated. The photo is for illustration purposes only and any excessive force may damage the plate slot or actuator.

**NOTE:** If installing a NEW RK-EPR-4 Regulator, these 6 holes are not threaded and require the self-forming screws that were originally removed from the existing part.
3) Install the six original regulator screws and (using a Torx TX20 tool bit) hand-tighten the screws.
4) Torque the screws to 44-46 in-lbs (5.0-5.2 Nm) in the sequence illustrated.

K. EPR Installation:

NOTICE!

Read all Important Notices, Notes, Cautions and Warnings before starting any procedure.

1) Referring to the manufacturer’s service manual procedures, installation of the EPR is the reverse order of the removal.
2) Leak test the entire fuel system (in a well ventilated area away from sparks, flames or heat sources) with approved electronic leak test equipment and/or snoop before starting the engine.
3) After test running the engine, let it cool down and check the coolant level. (Top-off the coolant if necessary).

IMPORTANT NOTE

The coolant hose fittings, fuel hose fittings and LPG temperature sensor retainer pins have a turned-in nose that must be securely installed into the holes in the regulator body as illustrated.