

## Subject

2020+ Ford 7.3 L Diesel Engine Cooling System Fill Instructions

### OVERVIEW

In order to prevent overheating due to vapour lock, the following procedure must be used when refilling the coolant system.

### COOLANT FILLING PROCEDURE



**Regardless of whether a vacuum cooling system filler is used or not, the following procedure must be performed.**

- 1) **Optional:** Install the vacuum cooling system filler and follow the manufacturer's instructions to fill and bleed the system.
- 2) Ensure the radiator drain spigot is closed.
- 3) Fill the degas bottle to the "MAX FILL" line.
- 4) Install the degas bottle cap until it contacts the hard stop.
- 5) Turn the climate control system off.
- 6) Start the engine and increase the engine speed to 3,500 rpm and hold it there for 30 seconds.
- 7) Turn the engine off for and wait for 1 minute to purge any large air pockets from the cooling system.



**To prevent injury, ensure the engine is shut off, the engine and coolant have cooled to a safe temperate, and the pressure has dissipated prior to loosening the degas bottle cap.**

- 8) Check the engine coolant level in the degas bottle. If necessary, fill to the:
  - o If the engine is warm, ensure the level is to the "MAX FILL" line on degas bottle.
  - o if the engine is cold, ensure the level is to the MIN FILL LEVEL line on degas bottle.
- 9) Start the engine and let it idle until the cooling fan cycles on at least once.
- 10) Increase the engine speed to 3,500 rpm and hold it there for 30 seconds.
- 11) Allow the engine to idle for 30 seconds.
- 12) Turn the engine off for 1 minute.
- 13) Repeat steps 11 through 13 a total of 10 times to remove any remaining air trapped in the system.



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- 14) Check the engine coolant level in the degas bottle. If necessary, fill to the "MAX FILL" line on degas bottle.
- 15) Install the degas bottle cap until it contacts the hard stop.

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