

Kohler v-twin acts like it's running out of horsepower

Heads up on a Kohler specific issue..

On most of their v-twins..

the key-switch is mounted inside the fan housing..

this exposes the switch to pressurized "ambient air"..

and if the machine has enough hours on it.. the key switch **corrodes** on the inside..

that makes the ignition coils finicky.. so it acts like it's running out of horsepower.

If it acts up when it's cold and humid,

but seems to run better later in the day..

replace the switch, and you're back to work !

..I guess Kohler likes to sell key-switches. Eh?

..Also.. because of the same reason..

if you have an older Kohler or Onan

..with the voltage regulator mounted on the fan-housing..

you will need to coat the connections with grease to protect them from corrosion..

Moisture is attracted to the aluminum housing and the terminals.

Note: Fuel injected version engines doNOT run well on a low battery..

Check battery voltage !

Remember.. 1st Rule in Troubleshooting..

“Do the Easy Test First !”