# Oil Filter-Basics

# Filters - Device for separating solid particles from a fluid

#### Real World Contamination (See below photomicrograph)

# **Wear Causing Agent**

Wear Metal Soot

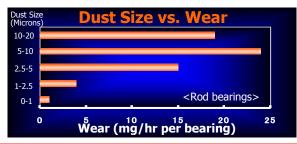
## **Filter Plugging Agent**



- Fuel
- Solvents
- Sludge...etc

Water

# What causes damages to engine?

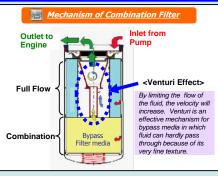


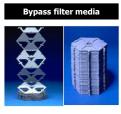
- Most damage is caused by particles in the 5 to 15 micron\* range
- Removal of these particles greatly reduces engine wear
- \*Micron: 0.000001 meter

# Mechanism & Tips

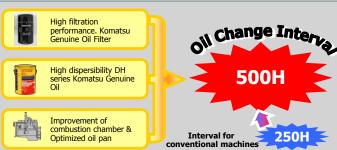


 Komatsu adapted combination filter to all engine for all size above  $\sigma$ 114 since Tier 2.





Bypass filter media could capture very fine particles by which full flow filter media



Oil change interval has been extended from conventional every 250 hours to every 500 hours, thanks to the adoption of high quality Komatsu genuine oil and oil filter, and improvement in engine.

The oil change interval is not ecessarily applied to all machine models uniformly. Carry out oil change according to the Operation and Maintenance Manual.

## Genuine vs. Imitation



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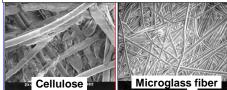
Model	PC200-7 and after
Engine Size	Ф107
Filter Type	Full Flow
Filter Media	Blending of Polyester & Adhesive Polymers

#### Full-Flow Filter

Its function is to get rid of wear metal and soot that are contained in the oil.

Same function as conventional filter except for its media (Cellulose→Polyester & Polymers)

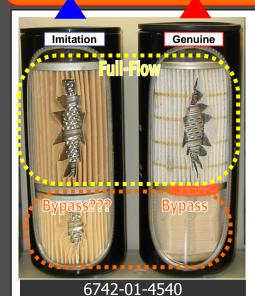
## **Full Flow Filter Media**



### Media makes the differences!!

Efficiency*	Cellulose	Polyester & Polymers
30µm	98.7%	98.7%
10µm	30.0% 📧	60.0%

\*Microglass is more efficient to capture smaller particles than cellulose



Model	PC400-7
Engine Size	Ф114
Filter Type	Combination
Filter Media	Blending of Polyester Adhesive Polymers Bypass filter

#### Combination Filter

Integrated filter of full-flow filter and bypass filter.

Bypass filter portion through which 3 to 5% of the oil passes has filter papers with finer mesh than that of full-flow to increase filtration performance filtering carbon particles (Soot) mainly.