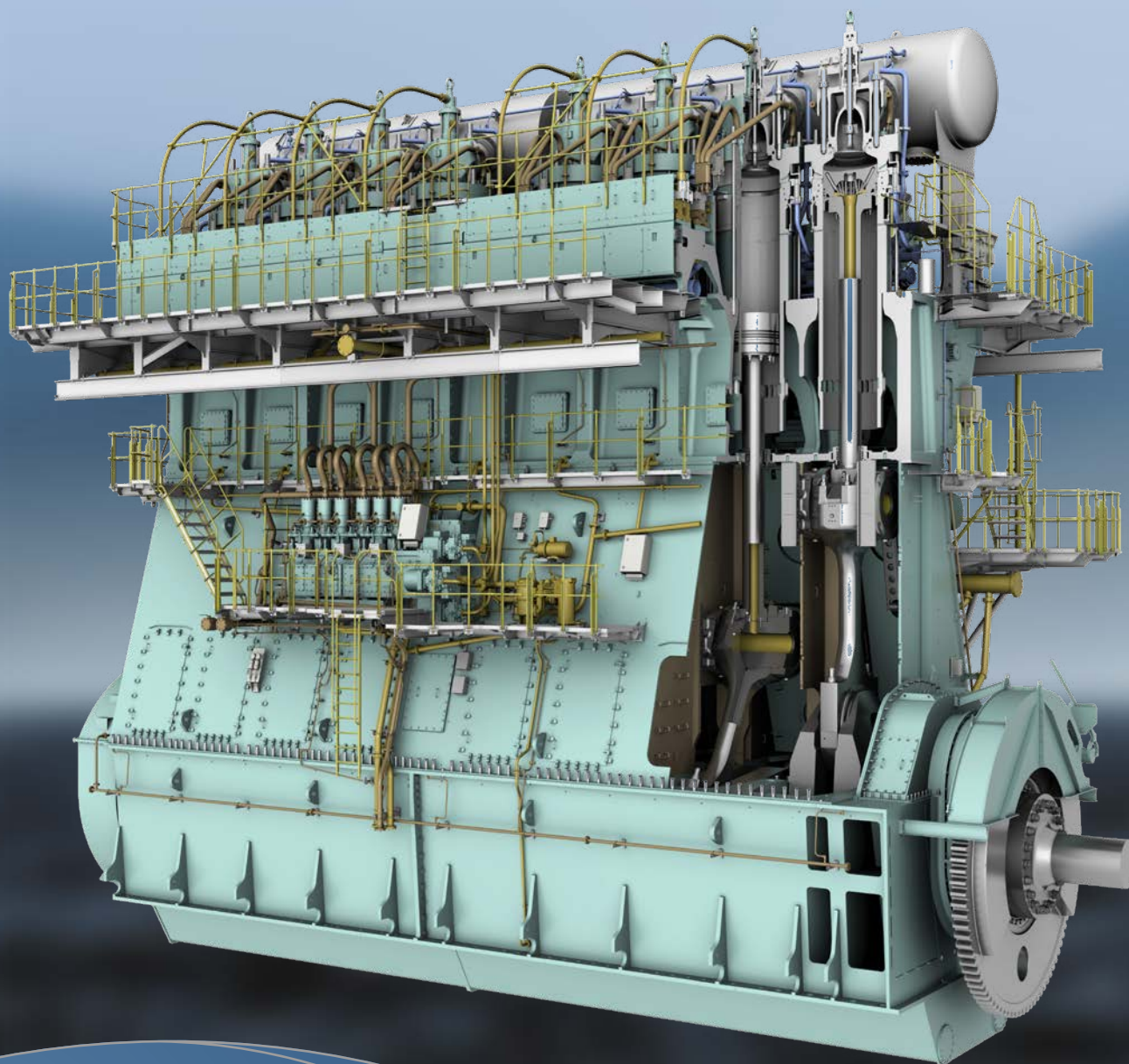


# Guide for judging condition of relevant piston-running components

LINERS, PISTONS AND PISTON RINGS  
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# 1 Purpose of this booklet

**This booklet shall serve as a guide for judging the condition of relevant components (liners, pistons and piston rings) for the condition-based maintenance during piston and liner overhauls of engines with latest piston-running standard with full CC (chromium ceramic) piston ring packages or CC top ring and lower RC (running-in coating) rings for smaller bores.**

Actual wear rates strongly depend on operational factors, such as fuel oil in use, engine load profile, ambient conditions etc.

Engines operated under controlled conditions (e.g. piston underside drain oil analysis and visual inspection), piston overhauls can be extended, and piston TBO beyond 30'000 hours is achievable.

By visual inspections, critical conditions of liners and piston rings can be detected at an early stage and if appropriate countermeasures are taken, sudden severe wear (scuffing), losing liners and piston rings, can be avoided and the reliability enhanced.

Other measures such as analysis of piston underside drain or scrape oil sample will provide further information to monitor the liner and piston ring conditions.

We recommend carrying out visual piston underside inspections every four to eight weeks.

Inspections with measurements of piston ring coating thickness, ring groove clearance and loss of material on top of piston should be carried out two to three times per year.

By no means can guides such as these cover all possible conditions and in case of questions we suggest contacting Winterthur Gas & Diesel Ltd. For contact details, see chapter 16.

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## 2 Requirements to extend piston TBO

**The TBO can be extended based on the following requirements:**

- Visual conditions as shown in chapter 6.1
- Remaining CC coating for top piston rings greater than 50 µm and for lower CC coated rings greater than 20 µm. (Below those limits, piston ring replacement should be planned)
- Ring groove clearances within acceptable limit see maintenance manual
- Loss of material on top of piston within limits
- No water or oil leakages from liners, valves or pistons inside of combustion space and piston underside

**As guidance the following specific guide wear rates can be considered:**

- Liner specific wear rates (diametrical) from 0.03 to 0.10 mm/1000 hours are considered as acceptable
- Top ring specific wear rates (radial) of ~0.01 mm/1000 hours are to be considered as acceptable
- Ring groove specific wear rates of ~0.01 mm/1000 hours are to be considered as acceptable

### 3 Way of working for piston underside inspection

#### **Before entering the piston underside make sure that the necessary safety precautions are met:**

- Inspection to be done with another person
  - Open air spring drain valve 35.36HA to open the exhaust valves during the inspection for air circulation and to check for oil leakage through valve spindle
  - Engage turning gear and make sure that indicator cocks are open, if not done already
  - Starting-air shut off valve 2.03 / 30-4325\_E0\_1 to be closed and starting air pipe drain valve 2.27 / 30-8605\_E0\_6 & 30-8605\_E0\_7 to be opened
  - Protect yourself with adequate equipment such as oil resistant gloves and protecting overalls. Do not enter piston underside without protection equipment. Fuel oil residues in piston underside may be harmful to the skin!
  - Install adequate air blowers for ventilation of piston underside and to provide fresh air during the inspection
  - After inspection, before closing inspection doors make sure that nothing is left inside
  - For DF engines, specific safety precautions can be found under the following link: [www.wingd.com/media/1998/gas-safety-concept\\_wingd-2s.pdf](http://www.wingd.com/media/1998/gas-safety-concept_wingd-2s.pdf)
- Before entering piston underside for inspection, review previous reports and check previous liner and piston measurement sheets for reference.
  - For the inspection, the jacket cooling water system should run to detect possible water leakages due to leaking O-rings or cracked parts. Lowering of the cylinder cooling water temperature may reduce the temperature in the piston underside.
  - Keep also the main lubricating oil pumps running, avoiding dry turning of bearings and to check for possible oil leakage from pistons and valve spindles.
  - To get a clear picture of the piston ring condition, it is recommended that all piston rings are checked around their full circumference, if space in piston underside permits it. If space is limited use a mirror for visual inspection.
- Scorings / initial scuffing marks are often first found on the lower rings. Hence all piston rings are always to be checked visually.
  - Designation of piston rings is normally A for the top ring B for the 2nd, C and D for third and fourth ring
  - Use expression as per OM for designating positions e.g. EXH (exhaust side), DE (driving end), FP (fuel pump side) and FE (free end)
  - For correct piston ring designations please refer to engine manual and markings on piston rings
  - Mark the unit number and piston rings properly with paint marker
  - Be aware of the condition in which the engine was operated before the inspection:
    - Extended period of low load
    - Sulphur content of fuel oil in use
    - A long period of manoeuvring which would result in a high lubricating oil consumption
    - If the engine was changed over to MDO
    - Type and grade of cylinder oil in use (Base number)

Check cylinder block and receiver structure, water separators and non-return flaps for abnormalities.

## 4 Tools and equipment

### For visual inspections:

- Flash or head light
- Mirror
- Digital camera
- Paint marker
- Protective equipment as described above
- Rags
- Turning gear remote control

### For inspection with measurements on piston rings, ring grooves and piston crown, additional equipment is required:

- Coating thickness measuring device (Fischer Dualscope MP0, Order code number: 94356) Make sure, that the device is properly calibrated on piston ring base material (use upper flank of a spare top ring) according to manual.
- Feeler gauge
- Recording templates
- Template 94366a to check loss of material on piston crown

## 5 Wear modes

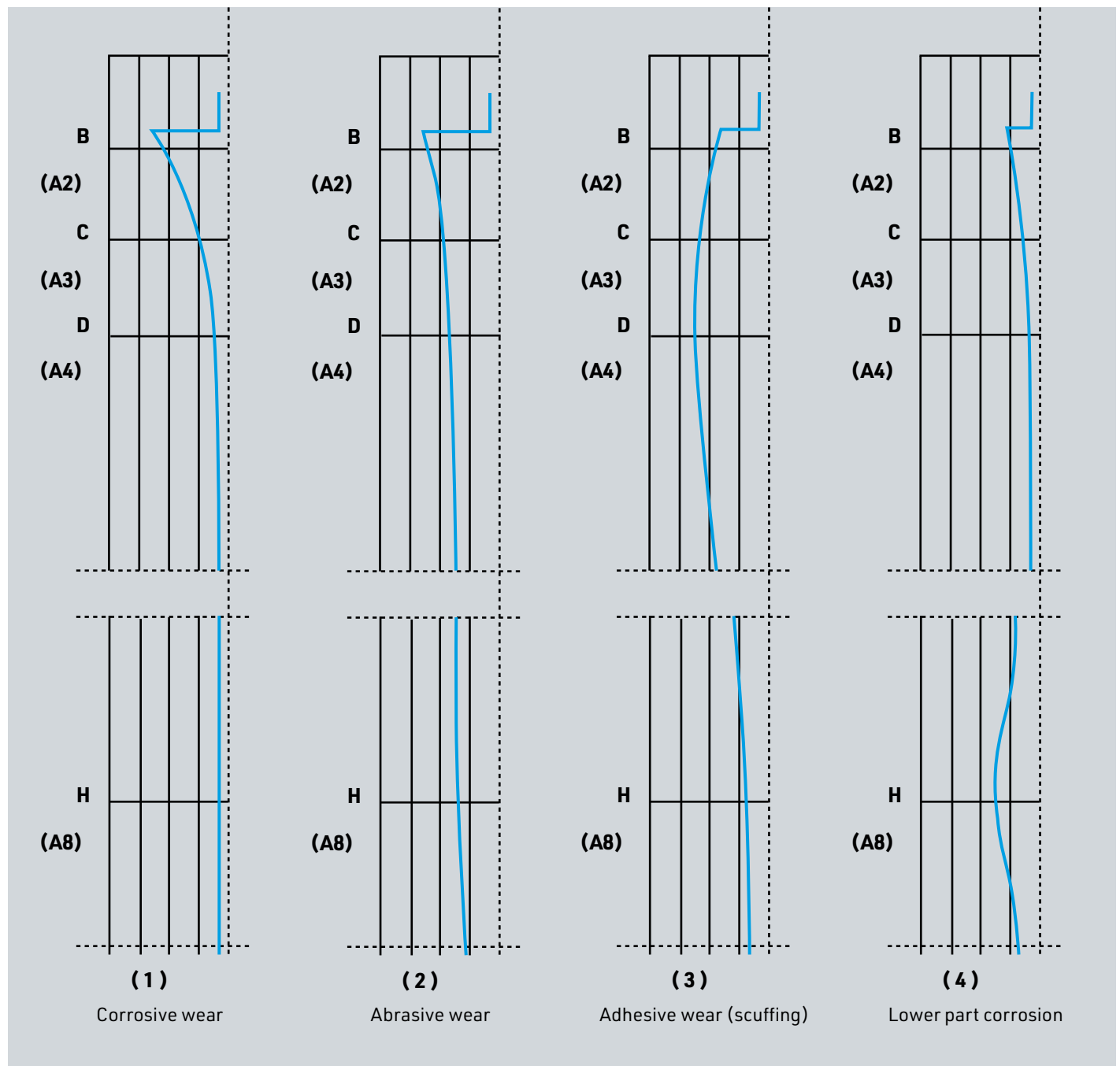
### 5.1 Piston ring

While defining the wear mode that has taken place, one can refer to the following table summarising the typical wear pattern. The proposed flow diagram depicts some typical wear scenarios that may have taken place.

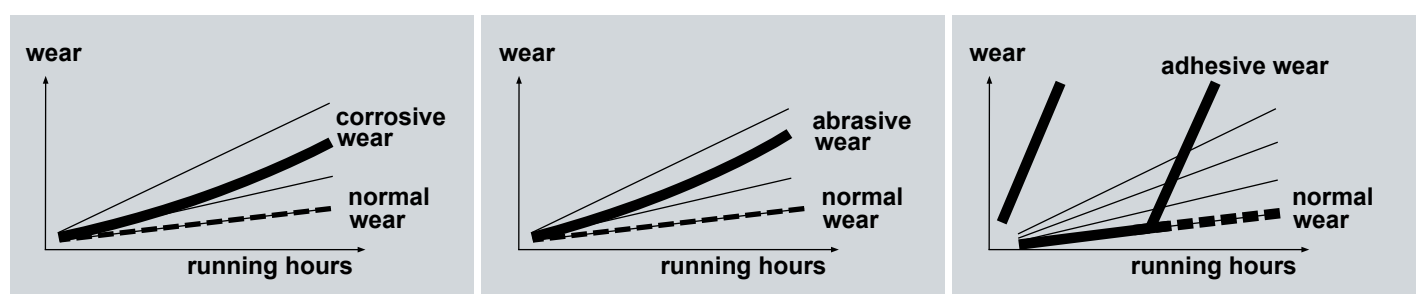
Wear type	Wear characteristic pattern
Adhesion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Material transfer from the softer to the harder material. Brownish deposits on piston rings</li><li>• Plastic deformation</li><li>• Micro marks with irregular border (scores)</li></ul>
2 body abrasion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Micro marks with regular border (scratch)</li></ul>
3 body abrasion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Random orientation grooves</li><li>• Micro marks with regular border (scratch)</li><li>• Indents</li><li>• Plastic deformation</li></ul>
Corrosion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Coloured surface film</li><li>• Non uniform aspect</li><li>• Pits aspect on the liner</li></ul>
Delamination fatigue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fracture parallel to the surface</li><li>• Pits, flakes</li></ul>

## 5.2 Typical liner wear patterns

The wear pattern on the liner itself also gives some indication as to the nature of the cylinder liner wear and may differ from engine type to engine type.



The actual wear on cylinder liners and piston rings is not simply a linear function, but depends on operating conditions and can be a combination of above wear modes.



## 6 Condition assessment for piston rings and cylinder liner

### 6.1 Normal and acceptable conditions

#### 6.1.1 Piston rings



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Normal condition, secondary crack network slightly visible  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Normal condition, regular secondary crack network  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Abrasion (3 body abrasion) can be caused by catalyst fines in fuel oil, or foreign hard particles (e.g. sand in intake air).  
**Acceptance:** Acceptable  
**Action:** See technical bulletin RT-140



**Ring type:** SCP1RC16, B ring  
**Condition:** RC running-in coating in spotless condition  
**Acceptance:** Acceptable  
**Action:** No action required



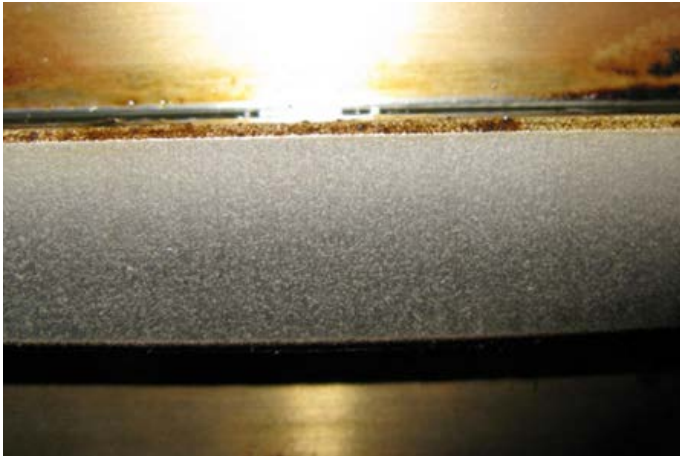
**Ring type:** GTP1CC17  
**Condition:** Abrasive scratches on piston ring running surface by foreign particles  
**Acceptance:** Acceptable  
**Action:** No action required



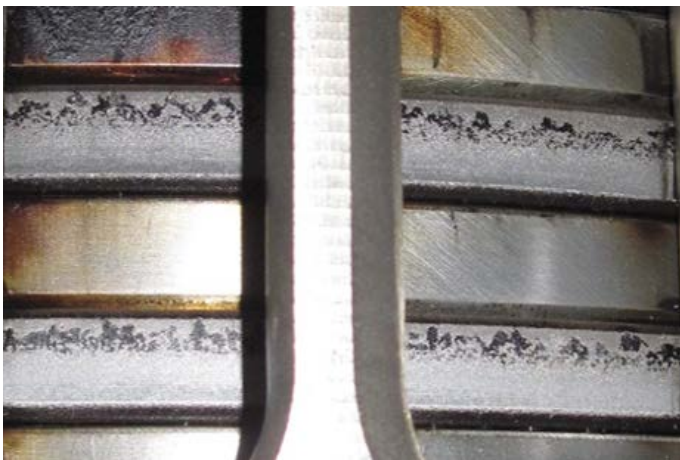
**Ring type:** GTP1CC24  
**Condition:** Erosion at GT ring gap by combustion gases  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required

## 6.1 Normal and acceptable conditions

### 6.1.1 Piston rings



**Ring type:** SCP1RC16, C ring  
**Condition:** RC running-in coating gone, ring running on base material, spotless condition  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required



**Ring type:** SCP1RC15, B and C ring  
**Condition:** Some RC running-in layer spalling  
**Acceptance:** Acceptable  
**Action:** No action required



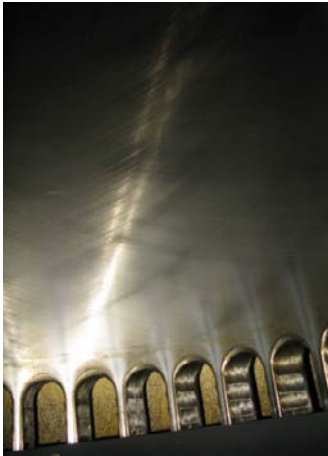
**Ring type:** SCP1RC15, B ring  
**Condition:** Some RC running-in layer spalling  
**Acceptance:** Acceptable  
**Action:** No action required



**Ring type:** GTP1CF24, A ring  
**Condition:** Bottom face Cr coating fretting  
**Acceptance:** Acceptable  
**Action:** No action required

## 6.1 Normal and acceptable conditions

### 6.1.2 Liner



**Condition:** Spotless condition of liner, honing marks clearly visible  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required



**Condition:** Good liner condition, smooth and homogenous liner appearance, honing marks not visible anymore  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required



**Condition:** Cylinder liner with minor cold corrosion (milky spots)  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required



**Condition:** Single scratches on liner surface  
**Acceptance:** Normal  
**Action:** No action required

## 6.2 To be monitored

### 6.2.1 Piston rings



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Hard contact marks  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Piston ring may recover  
**Action:** Check entire ring surface. Temporary increase of set feed rate by 0.2 g/kWh and if possible reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm.



**Ring type:** SCP2CC20, D ring  
**Condition:** Hard contact marks  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Piston ring may recover  
**Action:** Check entire ring surface. Temporary increase of set feed rate by 0.2 g/kWh and if possible reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm.



**Ring type:** GTP1CC22, A ring  
**Condition:** Hard contact marks caused by high contact pressure  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored.  
**Action:** Dressing-up on hard contact spots by hand with 80 grain size emery paper



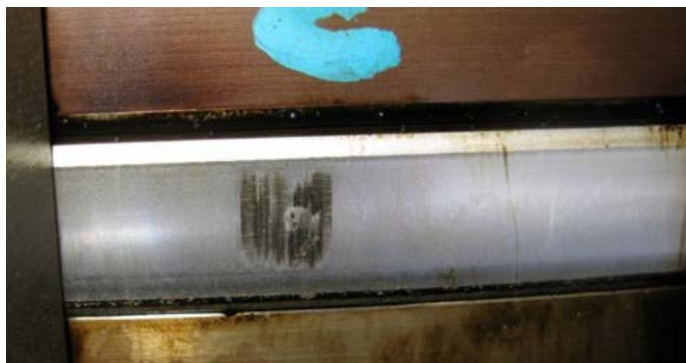
**Ring type:** SCP1RC20, B ring  
**Condition:** Hard contact marks, RC coating gone, ring running on base material  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Piston ring may recover  
**Action:** Check entire ring surface. Temporary increase of set feed rate by 0.2 g/kWh and if possible reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm.



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, B ring  
**Condition:** Scoring marks  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Piston rings may recover  
**Action:** Check entire ring surface. Temporary increase of set feed rate by 0.2 g/kWh and if possible reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm.

## 6.2 To be monitored

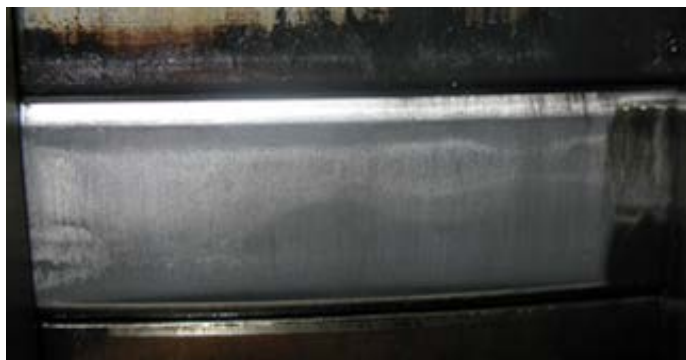
### 6.2.1 Piston rings



**Ring type:** SCP2CC20, C ring  
**Condition:** Hard contact marks, scoring marks and initial coating spalling  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Piston rings may recover  
**Action:** Check entire ring surface. Temporary increase of set feed rate by 0.2 g/kWh and if possible reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm. Dressing-up on hard contact spots by hand with 80 grain size emery paper.



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Cracked CC coating and spalling  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Limited size of spalling  
**Action:** Check entire ring surface. In case spalling is less than 20 mm in length and less than half of the ring height the condition is still acceptable



**Ring type:** GTP1CC24, A ring  
**Condition:** Corrosive attack of CC coating  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Corrosion may result in high wear on ring and liner  
**Action:** Check correct cylinder oil feed rate setting. Check residual base number (BN) in piston underside drain oil.



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Ring with severe corrosion spots  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored. Corrosion may result in high wear on ring and liner  
**Action:** Check correct cylinder oil feed rate setting. Check residual BN in piston underside drain oil. Check remaining CC coating thickness.

## 6.2 To be monitored

### 6.2.2 Liner



**Condition:** Cylinder liner with quite some cold corrosion and some black lacquer  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored  
**Action:** Check correct cylinder oil feed rate setting.  
Check residual BN in piston underside drain oil.

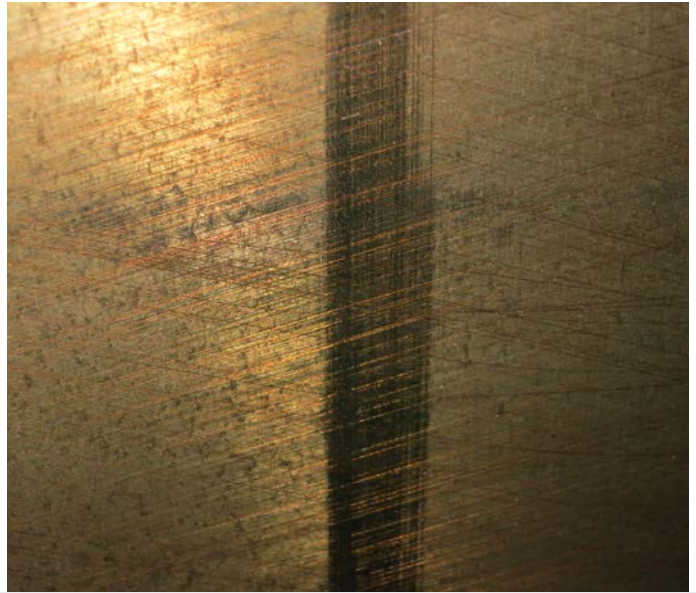
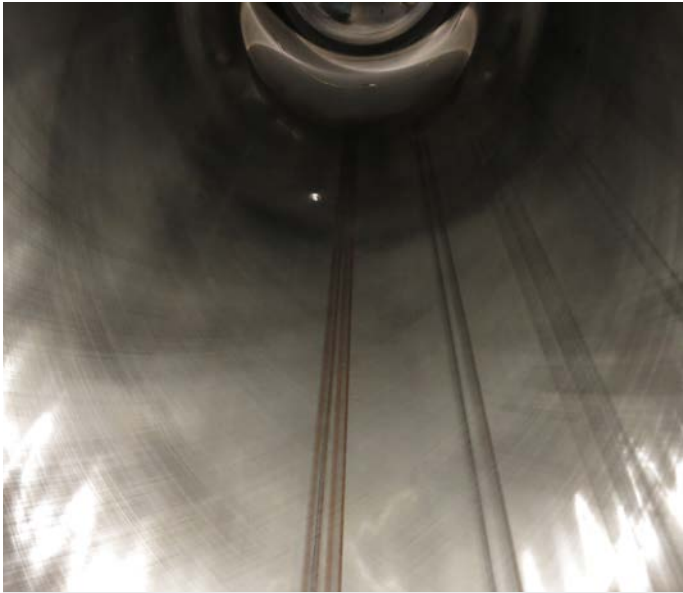


**Condition:** Cylinder liner with black lacquer and cold corrosion  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored  
**Action:** Check correct cylinder oil feed rate setting.  
Check residual BN in piston underside drain oil.

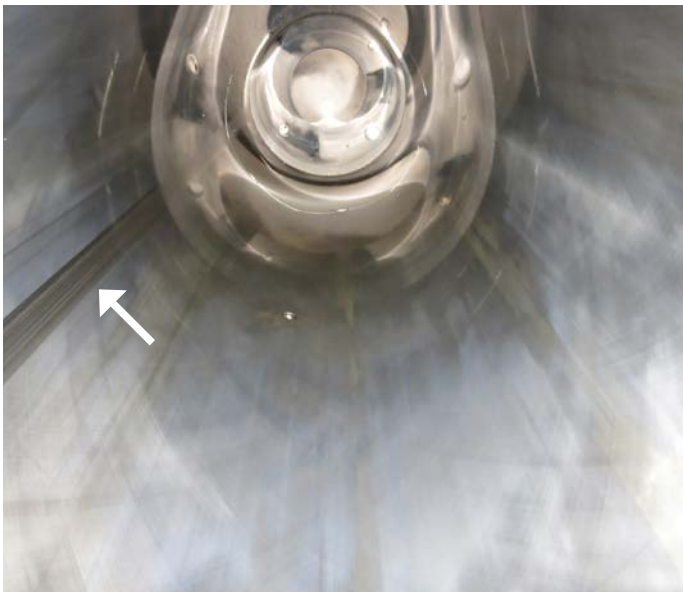
The formation and extent of this lacquer formation depends mainly on engine load, sulphur content in fuel oils (~2.7% or higher), set cylinder oil feed rate and air humidity.

## 6.2 To be monitored

### 6.2.2 Liner



**Condition:** Hard contact marks on cylinder liner  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored, piston rings have to be checked all around  
**Action:** No action required



**Condition:** Single scoring marks on cylinder liner  
**Acceptance:** To be monitored, piston rings have to be checked all around  
**Action:** In case the liner scoring develops further, the unit should be overhauled at the next opportunity and local scoring is to be dressed up

## 6.3 Action required

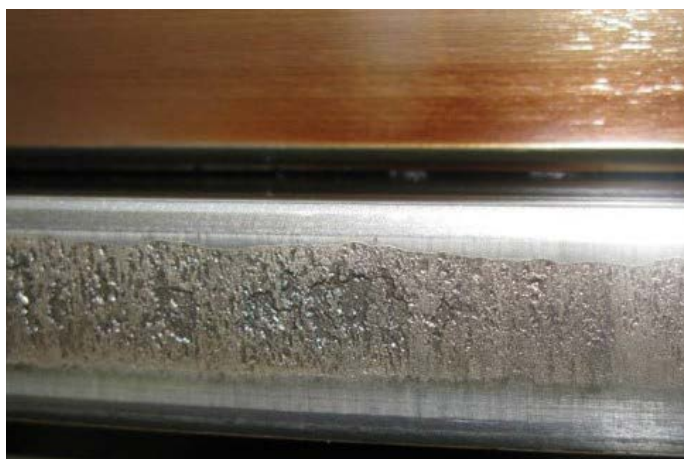
### 6.3.1 Piston rings



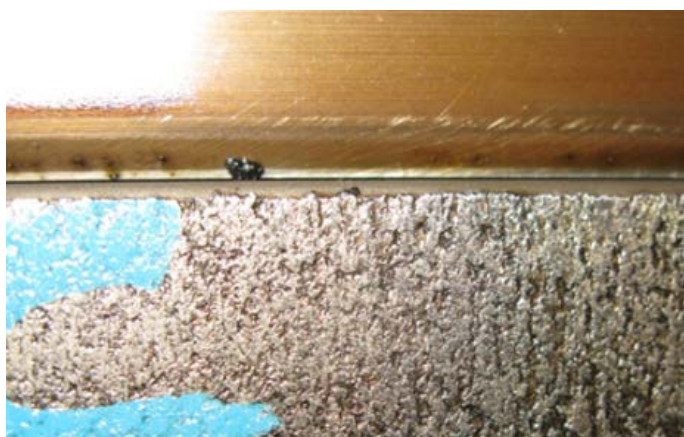
**Ring type:** GTP1CC20, A-ring  
**Condition:** Local scoring / scuffing of ring gap ends  
**Acceptance:** Critical, to be monitored very closely.  
**Action:** Local dressing up of ring end gaps with emery cloth (80 grain size) through scavenging air ports. If condition deteriorates, then piston ring to be replaced and scorings on liner to be dressed up



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20  
**Condition:** Active scuffing, CC coating destroyed, active scuffing  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Temporary increase of set cylinder oil feed rate by ~0.2 g/kWh and reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines until unit is overhauled. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm. If ships schedule permits it, switch off the unit, till unit is overhauled.



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, C ring  
**Condition:** Scuffed, CC coating destroyed and cohesive spalling, active scuffing  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Temporary increase of set cylinder oil feed rate by ~0.2 g/kWh and reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines until unit is overhauled. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm. If ships schedule permits it, switch off the unit, till unit is overhauled.



**Ring type:** SCP2CC20, C ring  
**Condition:** Scuffed with some CC remaining active scuffing  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Temporary increase of set cylinder oil feed rate by ~0.2 g/kWh and reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines until unit is overhauled. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm. If ships schedule permits it, switch off the unit, till unit is overhauled.

## 6.3 Action required

### 6.3.1 Piston rings



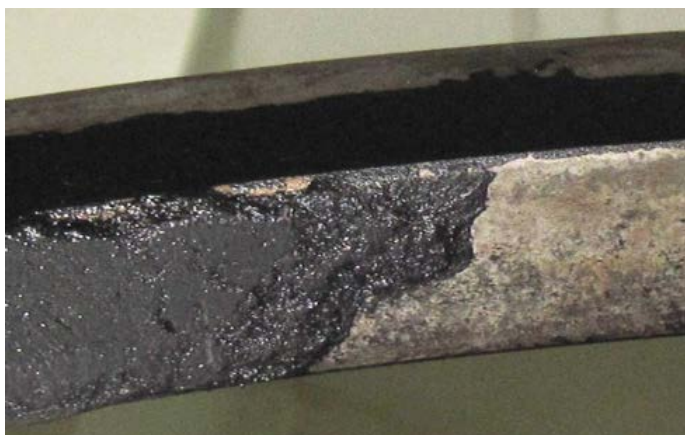
**Ring type:** GTP1CF24, A ring  
**Condition:** Locally scuffed, CC coating destroyed and spalling, scuffing not active  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Temporary increase of set cylinder oil feed rate by ~0.2 g/kWh and reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines until unit is overhauled. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm



**Ring type:** SCP2CC20, D ring  
**Condition:** Partly recovered from scuffing, sharp edges with burrs, coating worn down  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Temporary increase of set cylinder oil feed rate by ~0.2 g/kWh and reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines until unit is overhauled. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** CC coating worn down to base material, corrosion on remaining CC coating  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition, further operation of such rings will result in a greater liner wear and increased risk for scuffing  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled  
**Remark:** See next picture for possible root cause



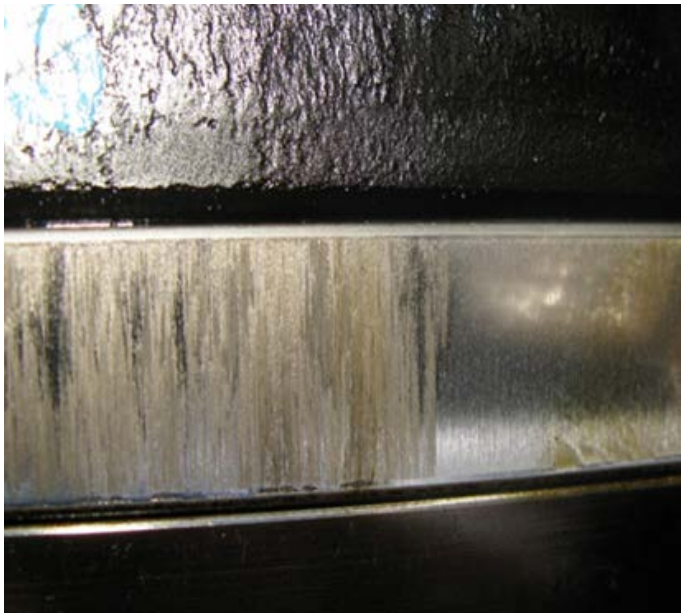
**Ring type:** GTP1CF24, A ring  
**Condition:** Excessive deposits on ring inner diameter (backside)  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition, may lead to high ring wear and ring can stick  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled

## 6.3 Action required

### 6.3.1 Piston rings



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Completely worn CC coating  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition, further operation of such rings will result in a greater liner wear and increased risk for scuffing.  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Scoring marks on a worn CC ring  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Temporary increase of set cylinder oil feed rate by ~0.2 g/kWh and reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines until unit is overhauled. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm.



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A and B ring  
**Condition:** A ring with some corrosion, B ring lost tension, with excessive deposits, cylinder oil feed rate, BN and fuel oil sulphur content not matching  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Check correct cylinder oil feed rate setting. Check residual BN in piston underside drain oil.

## 6.3 Action required

### 6.3.1 Piston rings



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Ring collapsed, with excessive deposit  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Switch-off unit



**Ring type:** SCP1CC20, A ring  
**Condition:** Ring broken  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Switch-off unit



**Ring type:** SCP1CC16, A ring  
**Condition:** A ring with excessive spalling across full ring height  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Temporary increase of set cylinder oil feed rate by ~0.2 g/kWh and reduce injection correction factor in flexView or UNIC to 80% or install spacer in fuel pump for RTA engines until unit is overhauled. Consider exhaust gas deviation alarm



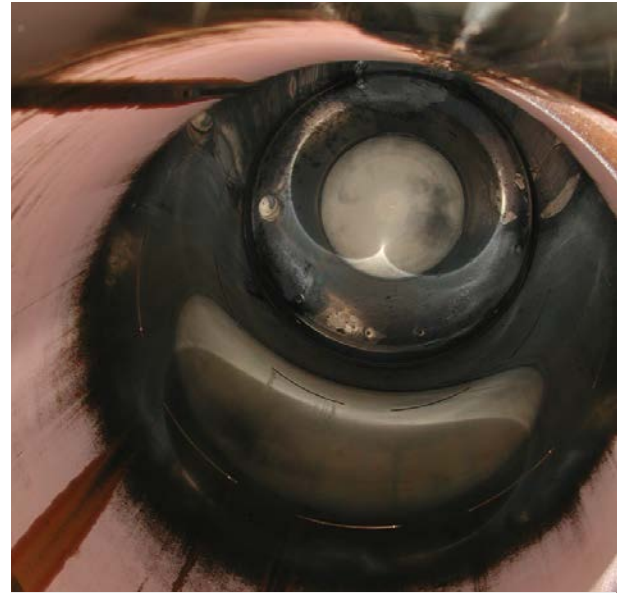
**Ring type:** GTP1CF24, A ring  
**Condition:** Bottom face Cr coating spalling  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Piston ring to be replaced

## 6.3 Action required

### 6.3.2 Liner



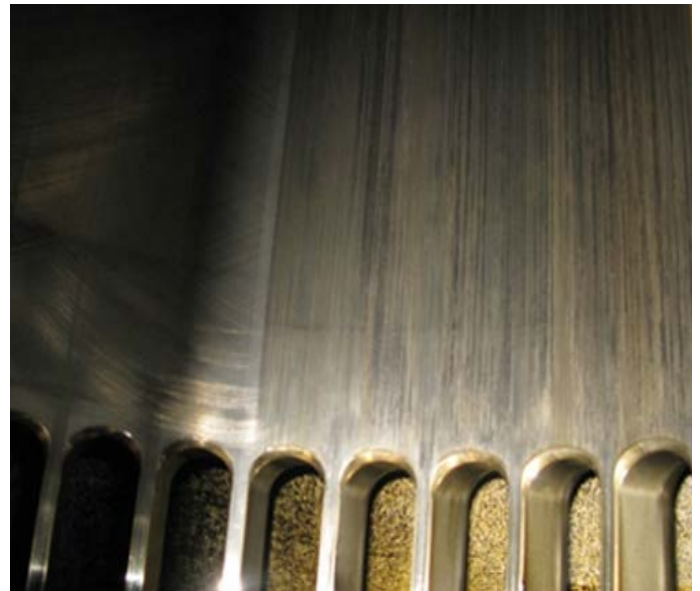
**Condition:** Cylinder liner with scoring marks  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Depending on piston ring condition unit should be overhauled and liner re-honed. If piston rings are in spotless condition, the unit can be kept in operation



**Condition:** Water ingress caused rusty liner surface. Only applicable on engines with quills through water guide jacket  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Lubricating quills to be checked and overhauled. Check cylinder cover and liner for cracks.



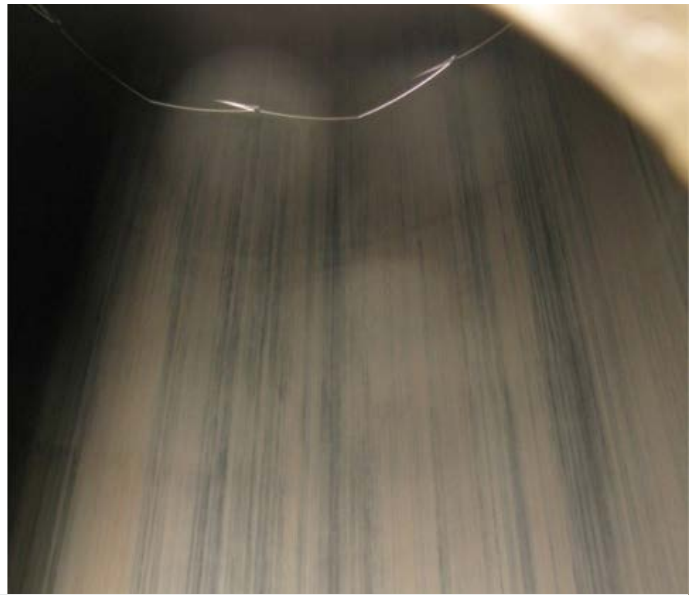
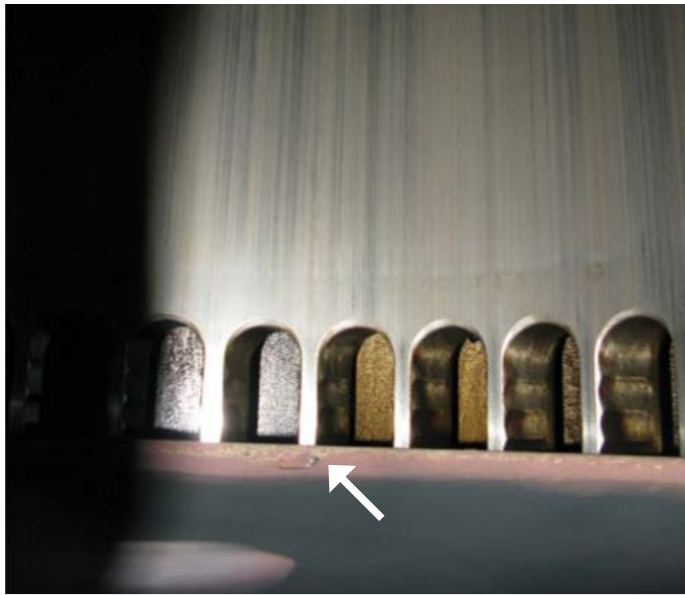
**Condition:** Liner with local scoring and scuffing, marks  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Depending on piston ring condition unit should be overhauled and liner dressed-up or re-honed. If piston rings are in spotless condition, the unit can be kept in operation



**Condition:** Scuffing marks on liner  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Unit to be overhauled. Local scoring and scuffing marks are to be dressed up or re-honed

## 6.3 Action required

### 6.3.2 Liner



- Condition:** Totally scuffed unit with dull appearance. Note the reddish spots on the piston crown top, which are oxidised iron from the liner
- Acceptance:** Critical condition
- Action:** Such a liner has to be replaced as soon as possible

#### Other indications to identify a scuffed liner (adhesive wear):

- Wear profile with greatest wear at measuring point C or mostly D, see also chapter 5.2
- Visual appearance of liner seems to be visually in homogenous condition, but microstructure of such a liner is destroyed
- Wear steps on running surface, in range of lubricating oil grooves or around scavenging air ports
- Sharp burrs on scavenging air ports

Adhesive wear (scuffing) results in a destroyed microstructure of the cast iron (thermo mechanical transformation layer), which is unfavourable for safe piston-running. If only the piston rings are replaced the piston running behaviour will be unstable and unit may fail again. Such a liner is to be replaced even if the wear limit has not yet been reached.

**Visual examples, see next page**

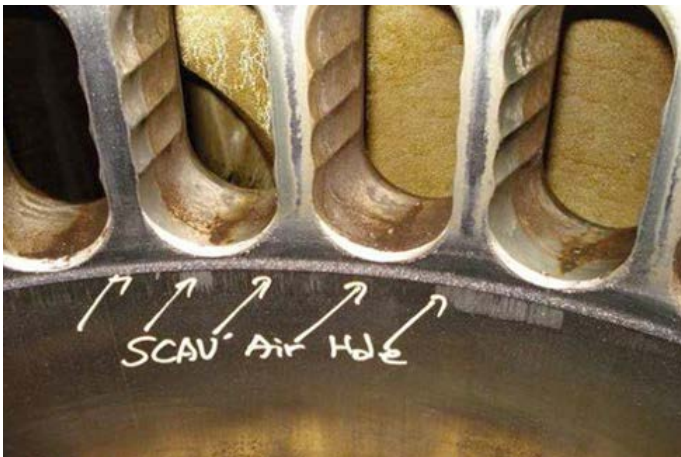
#### 6.4 How to identify a scuffed liner



**Condition:** Totally scuffed liner surface and liner grooves partly worn down



**Condition:** Scuffed liner with wear step in the region of the liner grooves



**Condition:** Scuffed liner with wear step in the region of the scavenging ports



**Condition:** Scuffed liner with burrs on the edges of the scavenging air ports

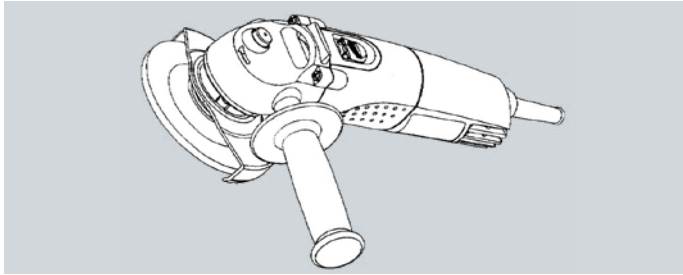
## 6.5 Possible actions for locally scuffed liners (temporary measures)

### Possible action if a locally scuffed liner cannot be replaced (temporary measures)

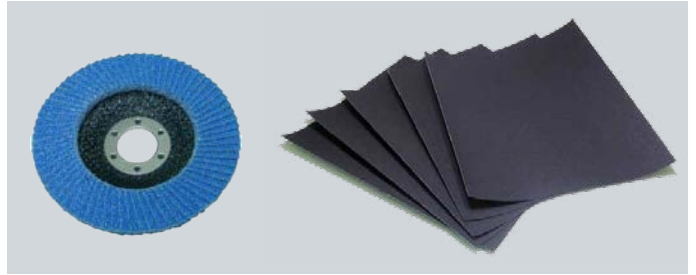
- Lubricating groove re-grinding
- Remove sharp edges and burrs from scavenge air ports by grinding
- Remove wear ridge at TDC (top dead centre) by grinding
- Remove wear steps on running surface over whole stroke
- Local scoring and scuffing marks are to be dressed up

### Dressing-up local scoring and scuffing marks

#### 1. Material required



Angle grinder (100 mm or 180 mm diameter)



Serrated grinding disk and emery cloth (grain size 80 – 120)

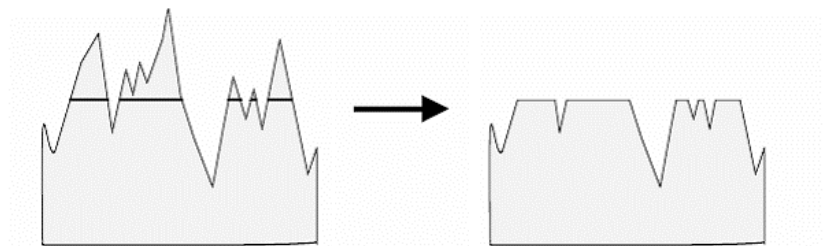
#### 2. Examples of local scoring and scuffing marks



#### 3. Dressing-up procedure

If the piston is installed, cover the top of the piston with rags to avoid ingress of dirt between liner, piston and piston rings.

For such kind of scoring marks it is not the intention to remove them complete as this might result in a liner shape that is too uneven and causes blow by, but to break the surface of such scored liner structure.



Scored surface before dressing up

Liner surface after dressing up

#### 4. Example of dressed liner surface



## 6.6 Pre-requisites for a cylinder liner before it can be re-honed

This requirements are valid for all cylinder liners of cast iron.

The cylinder liner must fulfil the following criteria:

- No cracks
- Honing is not recommended if the liner wear is eccentric and more than 1 mm out of centre. This can be difficult to measure, but one method is to compare the thickness of the wear edges around the liner.

Bore diameter [mm]	350 – 580	600 – 760	820 – 960
Measuring Points B – F Original Ø + [mm]	0.80 – 1.40	1.50 – 1.90	2.20 – 2.50
Measuring Points G – K (L) Original Ø + [mm]	0.40 – 0.60	0.60 – 0.80	0.90 – 1.00

- O-ring grooves must be in good condition

**NOTE:** Liners which exceed the above mentioned diameter limits have to be scrapped!

## 6.7 Requirements for a cylinder liner after honing

A finish honed cylinder liner must fulfil following criteria before being accepted as properly reconditioned and therefore fit for further service:

Bore diameter [mm]	350 – 580	600 – 760	840 – 960
Measuring Points B – F Original Ø + [mm]	1.20 – 1.80	1.80 – 2.40	2.70 – 3.00
Measuring Points G – K (L) Original Ø + [mm]	0.60 – 0.90	0.90 – 1.20	1.35 – 1.50

- The difference of the liner diameter should, over a length of 200 mm, not vary more than shown in the table below.

Bore diameter [mm]	380 – 580	600 – 760	840 – 960
Ø difference / 200 [mm]	0.25	0.40	0.50

### NOTE:

- Cylinder liners that have reached approximately 40% of the maximum admissible cylinder liner wear, according to the Maintenance Manual and/or
- Re-honed cylinder liners depending on the liner wear profile

## 7 Piston crown condition

### Top of piston crown is to be checked visually for oil or water leakage

The top of piston land is to be checked with tool template 94366a to estimate the loss of material.

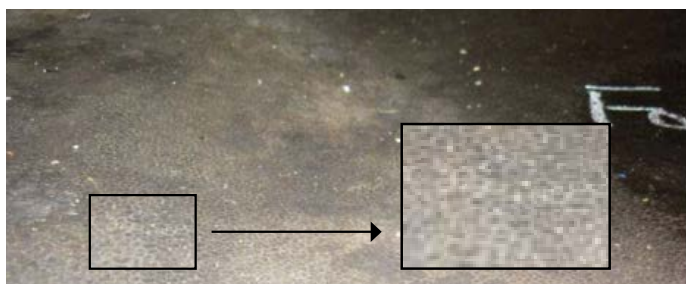
Wear limits please refer to MM 3403-4.



**Condition:** Oil on top of piston, leaking from valve shaft (rod joint ring)  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Source of oil leak to be found and rectified



**Condition:** Water on top of piston leaking from a cracked valve seat, liner or cover  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Source of water leak to be found and rectified



**Condition:** Loss of material, so-called 'paving stone' or 'elephant skin' appearance, indicating high-temperature corrosion  
**Acceptance:** Acceptable  
**Action:** Wear to be checked and recorded (Template 94366)



**Condition:** Excessive loss of material, above wear limit. See arrow, clearance between template 94366 and piston  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Piston to be replaced



**Condition:** Piston cooling oil leakage caused by defective o-ring in piston crown  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Source of oil leak to be found and rectified

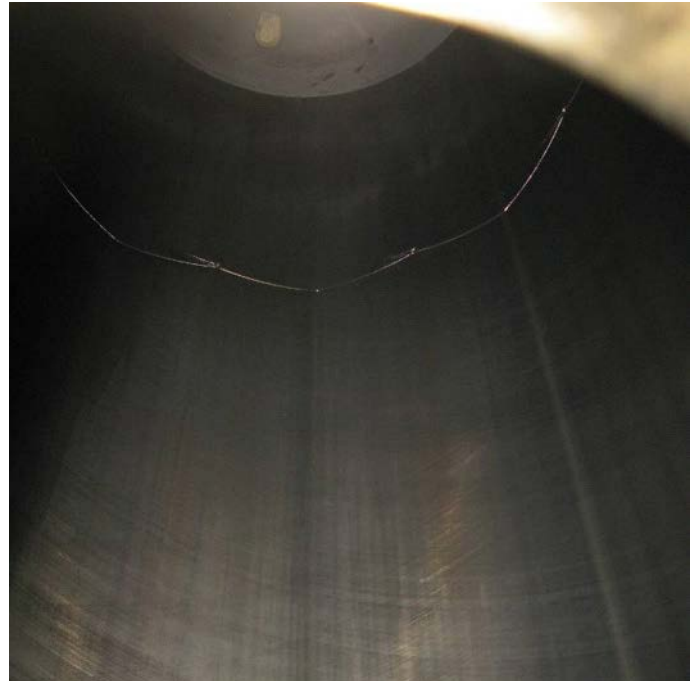


**Condition:** Carbon deposits on piston crown  
**Acceptance:** Critical condition  
**Action:** Piston underside drain oil analysis highly recommended. Consider to reduce feed rate or switch to a lower BN cylinder oil if not yet in use.

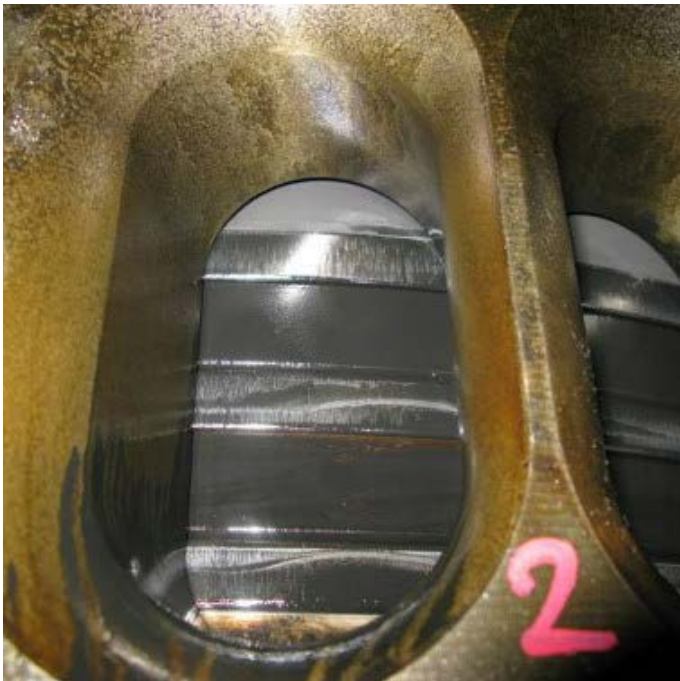
## 8 Sample pictures for a visual inspection report



Condition of piston crown top and liner surface above scavenging air port



Liner surface as high as possible



Uncleaned piston ring package



Clean the ring package and mark the piston rings



A ring



Take picture of each piston ring, in case some abnormalities are noticed also take picture of these spots



A ring gap



B ring



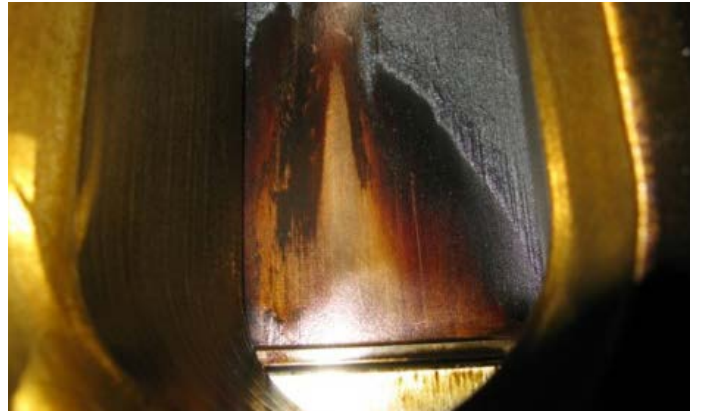
C ring



D ring



Carbon deposit



Carbon deposit



Piston top land



Piston skirt



Take picture of piston underside



Piston rod



Piston underside space



Space after water separator

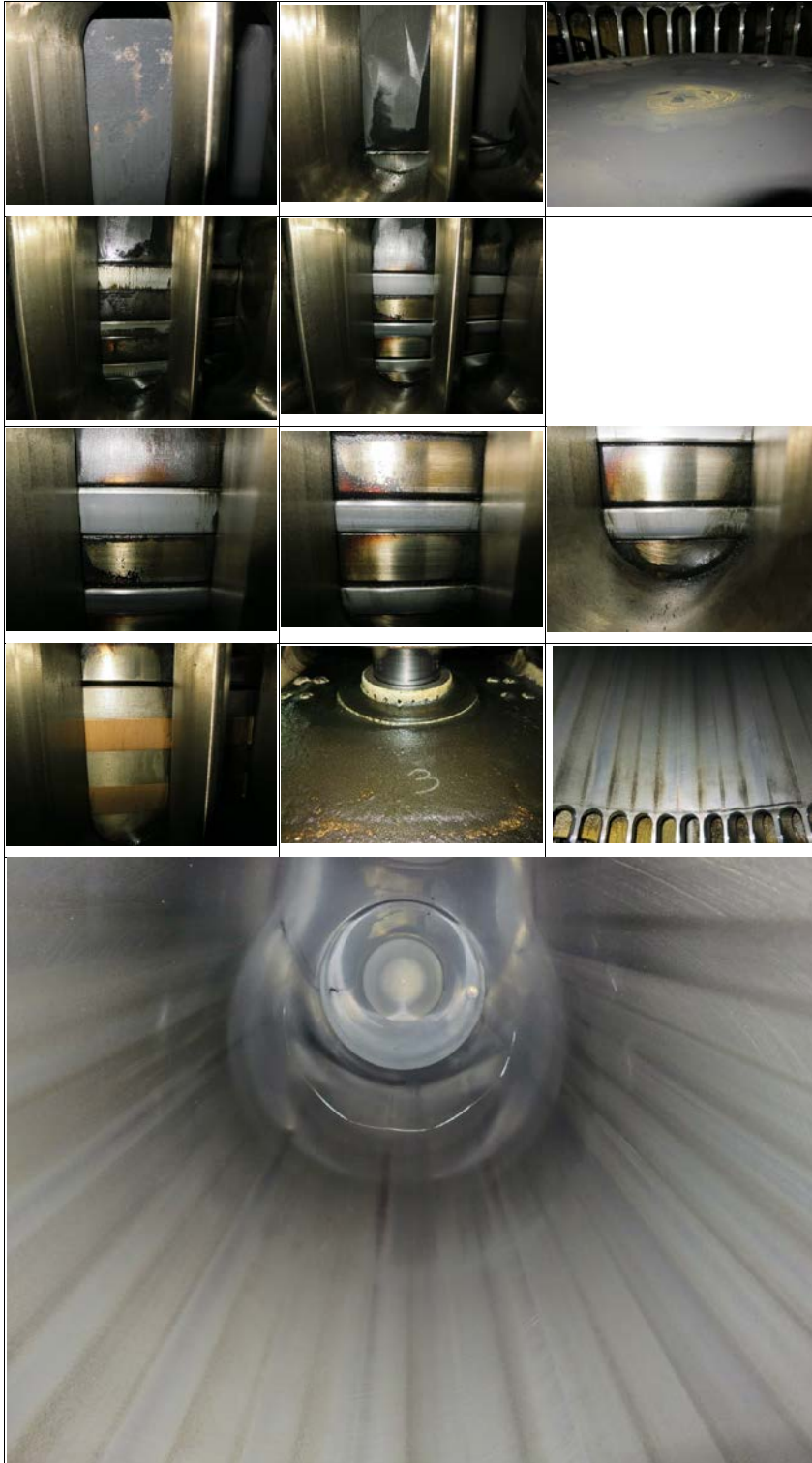


## 9 Template example for regular measurements visual inspection report

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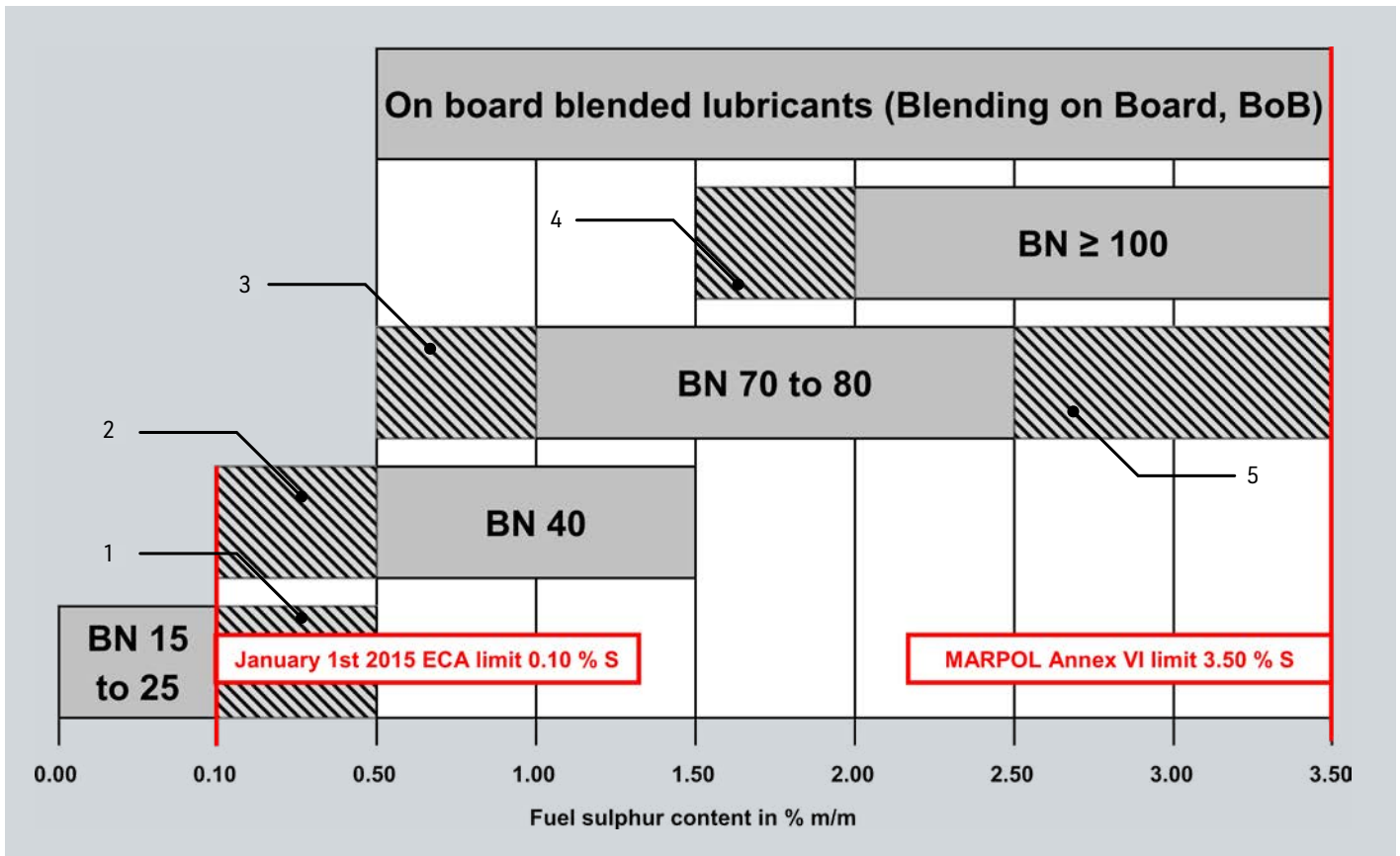
### Field Testing

Installation: <b>MV X</b>	Engine: <b>6RT-flex82T</b>	Lic: <b>HYU</b>	Hull no: <b>X</b>	Nom. power: <b>23'900 kW</b>	Nom. rev: <b>75 rpm</b>	Insp. <b>1</b>
Unit 3, BN100 SLOC setting 1.15 [g/kWh]	Running hours [hrs]	Coating	Coating thickness [µm]	Wear [mm/1'000hrs]	Groove clearance [mm]	Condition
Ring A	5'588	CC	0.341		0.42	
Ring B	5'588	CC	0.180		0.40	
Ring C	5'588	CC	0.190		0.40	
Liner	26'834					
Piston head	5'588					
Skirt	26'834					
Fuel injectors						



# 10 Selection of the cylinder oil

The selection of the correct BN of the cylinder lubrication oil must be driven by the results from piston underside drain oil analysis. However, as a general guidance for suitable combinations, the following figure shows starting points for the optimization process and recommendations if piston underside drain oil monitoring is not done.



## Related to the range of operation, WinGD recommends as follows:

- 0.1% < Sulphur < 0.5% m/m:** On board piston underside drain oil monitoring must be strictly followed, residual BN must not be lower than BN10, iron (Fe) must be measured as well and should be below 500 mg/kg. Additionally, piston and piston ring condition must be inspected through scavenge ports in regular intervals.
- 0.1% ≤ Sulphur < 0.5% m/m:** Operation only permitted if strictly followed on board piston underside drain oil monitoring and regular inspections of piston rings and liners guarantee operation in safe area.
- 0.5% ≤ Sulphur < 1.0% m/m:** Operation only permitted if strictly followed on board piston underside drain oil monitoring and regular inspections of piston rings and liners guarantee operation in safe area.
- 1.5% ≤ Sulphur < 2.0% m/m:** Operation only permitted if strictly followed on board piston underside drain oil monitoring and regular inspections of piston rings and liners guarantee operation in safe area.
- 2.5% < Sulphur ≤ 3.5% m/m:** Operation only permitted if strictly followed on board piston underside drain oil monitoring and regular inspections of piston rings and liners guarantee operation in safe area.

**NOTE:** There are validated BN 100 cylinder oils applicable for ECA operation ( $S < 0.1\%$ ). For details, refer to the WinGD document "Lubrication & Validated Lubricants" available on [www.wingd.com](http://www.wingd.com).

# 11 Cylinder oil sampling

**NOTE:** The oil sampling should be done under any of these conditions:

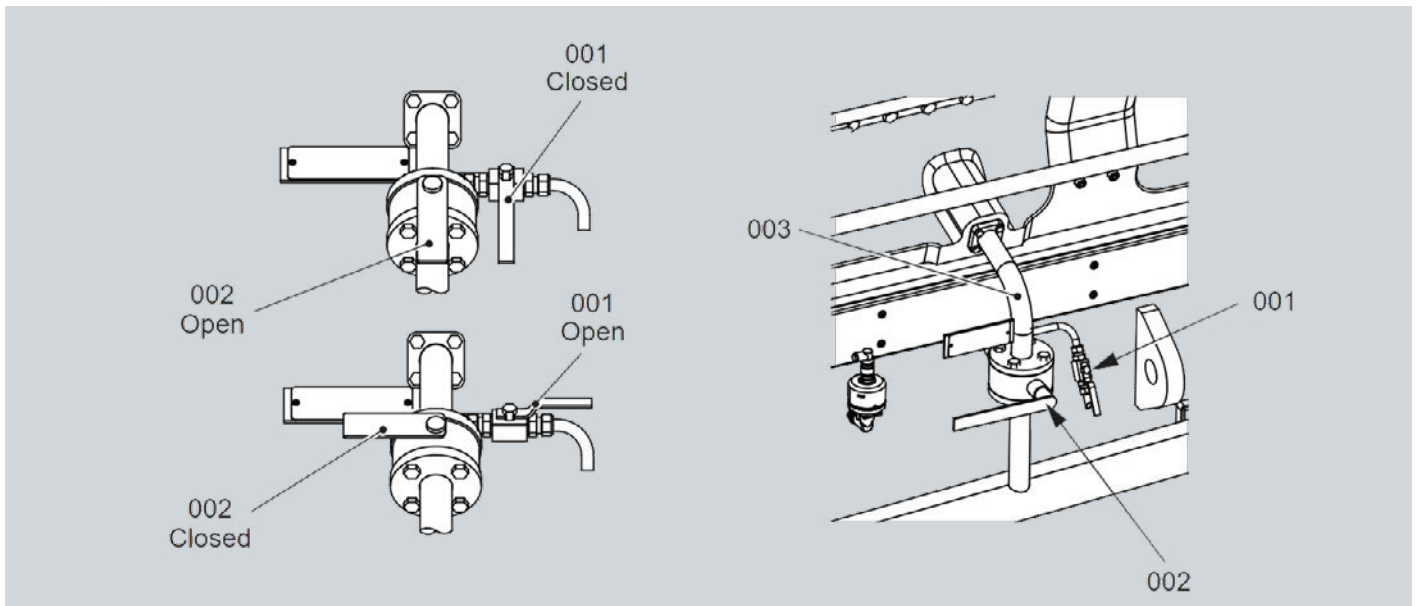
- Minimum once a week
- After a fuel change
- After an oil change
- After a feed rate change.

**NOTE:** This procedure must be done only if the engine is in stable operation for a minimum of 12 hours on a known fuel with the same cylinder oil feed rate, engine load and other variable factors.

## 1. Flushing.

**1.1** Close the ball valve (002) for approximately 30 minutes to 60 minutes.

**NOTE:** Some parts can look different depending of the engine.



- 1.2** Put an applicable container under the oil sample valve (001).  
**1.3** Slowly open the oil sample valve (001) to flush out oil and possible dirt.  
**1.4** Close the oil sample valve (001).  
**1.5** Open the ball valve (002) to drain the remaining oil from the dirty oil pipe (003).  
**1.6** Close the ball valve (002).

## 2. Sampling

- 2.1** Make sure that the label on the sample bottle refers to the related cylinder.  
**2.2** Wait approximately 10 minutes to 60 minutes.  
**2.3** Put the sample bottle under the sample valve (001) and slowly open it. Fill the sample bottle  
**2.4** Close the oil sample valve (001).  
**2.5** Open the ball valve (002) to drain the oil in the dirty oil pipe (003).

**3. Do Step 1 and Step 2 again for each cylinder.**

**4. Write the applicable data on the oil analysis form** (eg operation conditions, fuel parameters, cylinder oil feed rate etc.).

**5. Do an on-board analysis of the samples.** The analysis must include the data that follows:

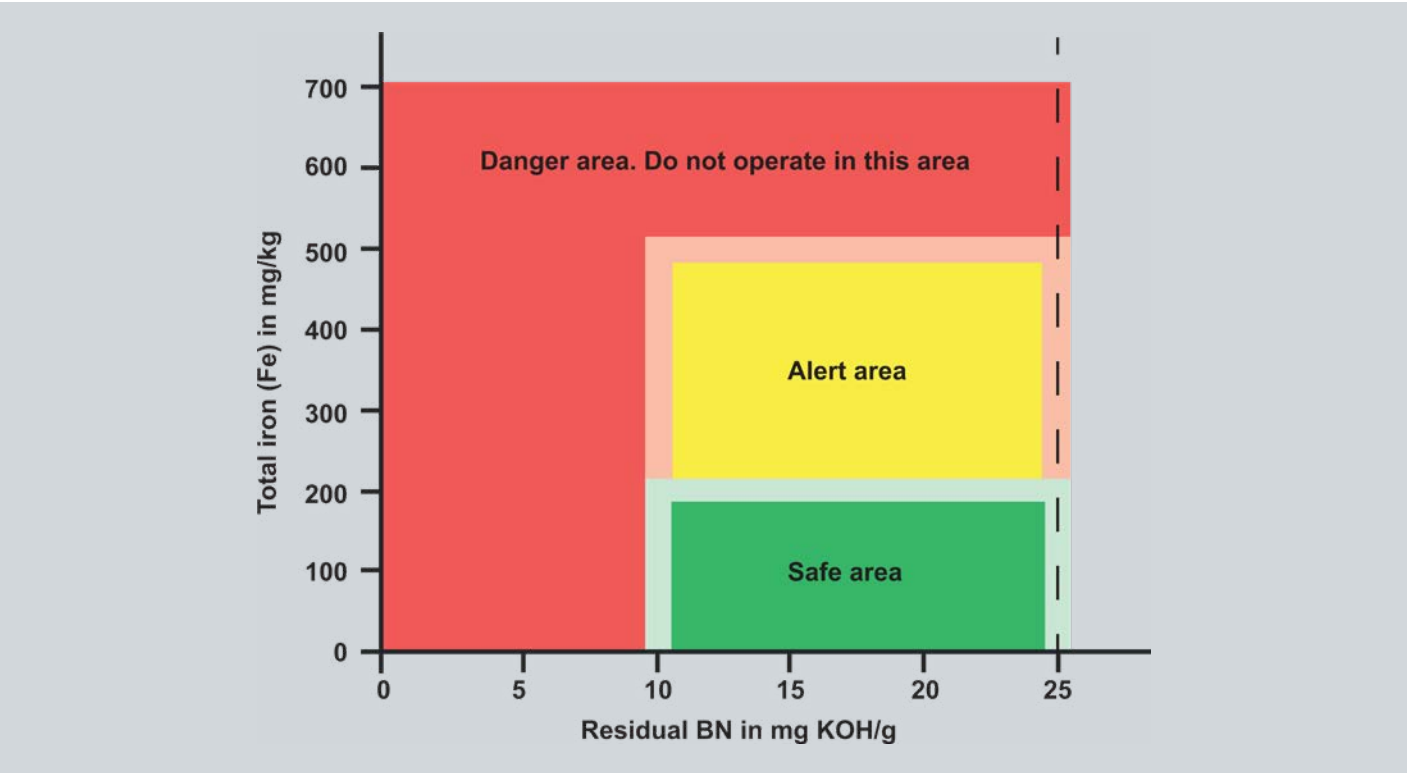
- Residual BN
- Iron (Fe) content (if possible)

**6. Send the oil samples to a laboratory for analysis.**

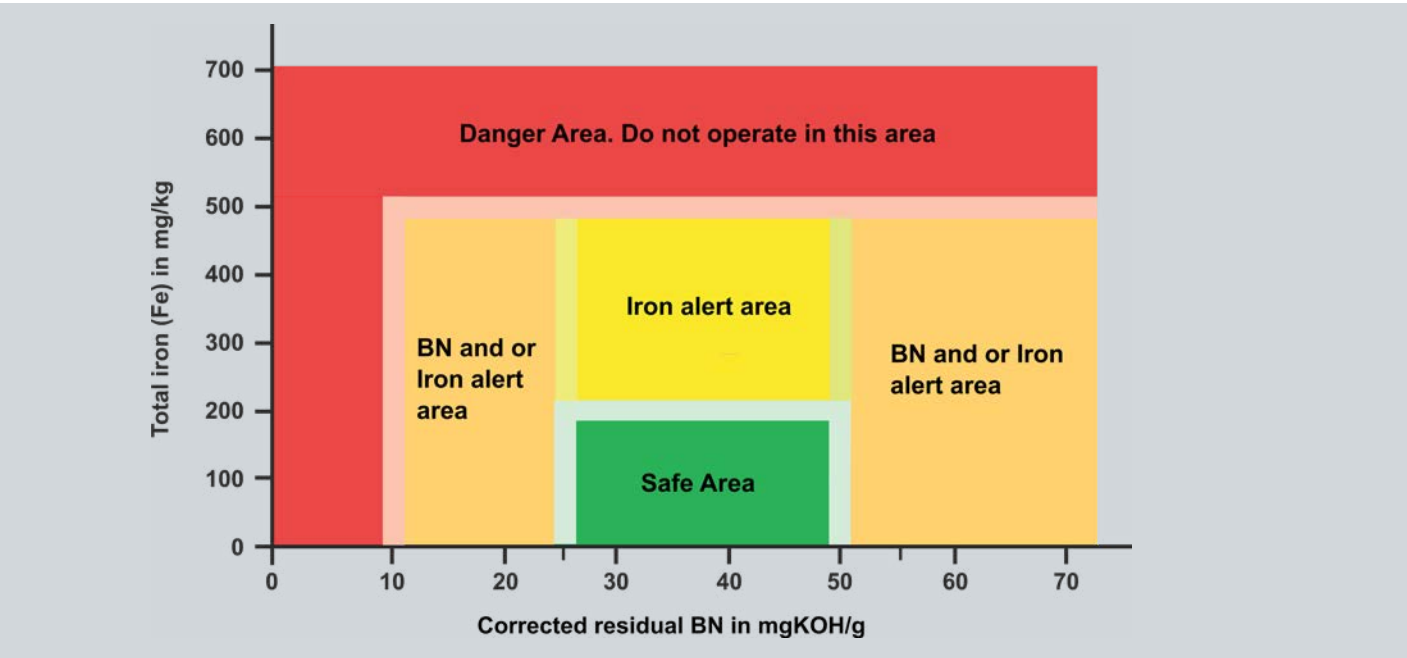
**7. Compare the results from the laboratory with the on-board results.**

# 12 Piston underside drain oil analysis interpretation

## 1. Cylinder oils up to BN 25



## 2. Cylinder oils with BN 40 or higher



# 13 Feed rate optimization

During the engine screening and for regular analysis, adjust the parameters of the cylinder lubrication as follows:

## 1. Compare the results with the figures in chapter 12 as required and do the following:

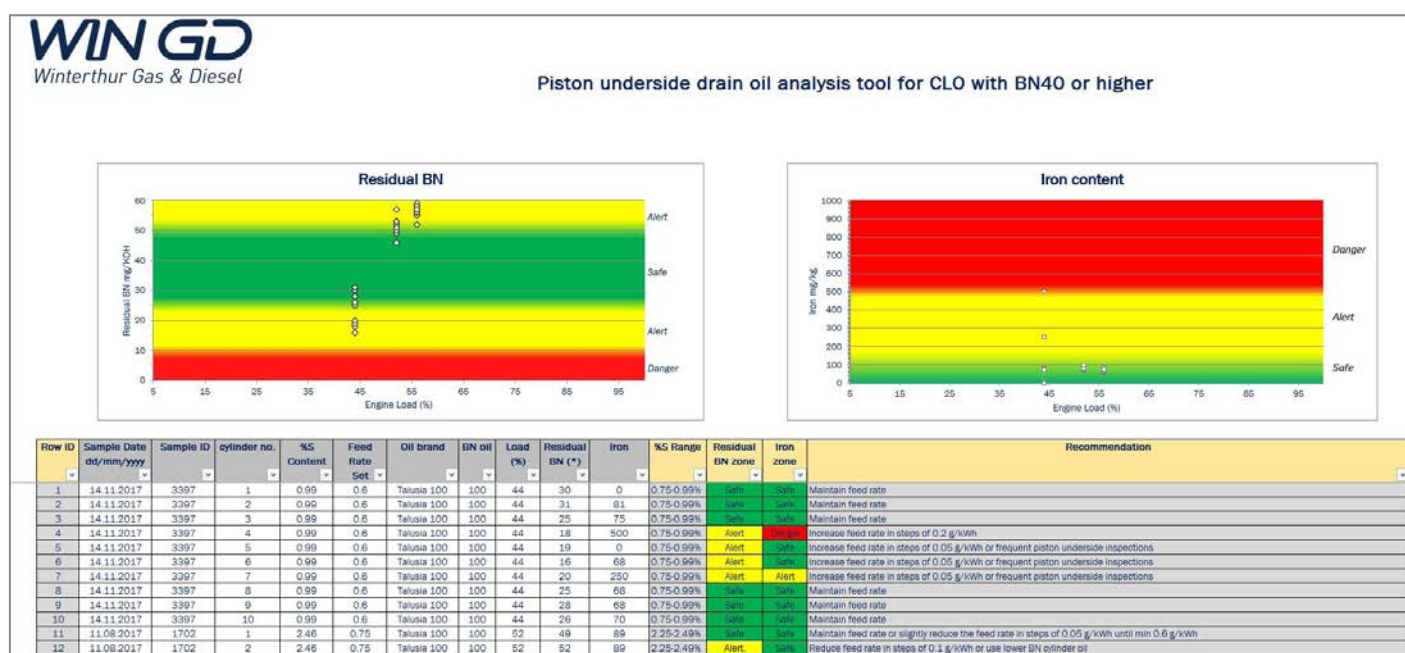
- If the results show operation in the safe area, keep the feed rate or optimize the operation by decreasing the feed rate in small steps of 0.05g/kWh.
- If the results show operation in one of the alert areas, keep the feed rate and do as follows:
  - Do regular checks of the piston ring and the cylinder liner conditions through scavenge ports.
  - Alternatively, the feed rate can be increased/decreased to get the results in the safe area
- If the results show operation in the danger area, increase the feed rate or use a cylinder oil with a higher BN.

## 2. Continue with piston underside drain oil analysis monitoring.

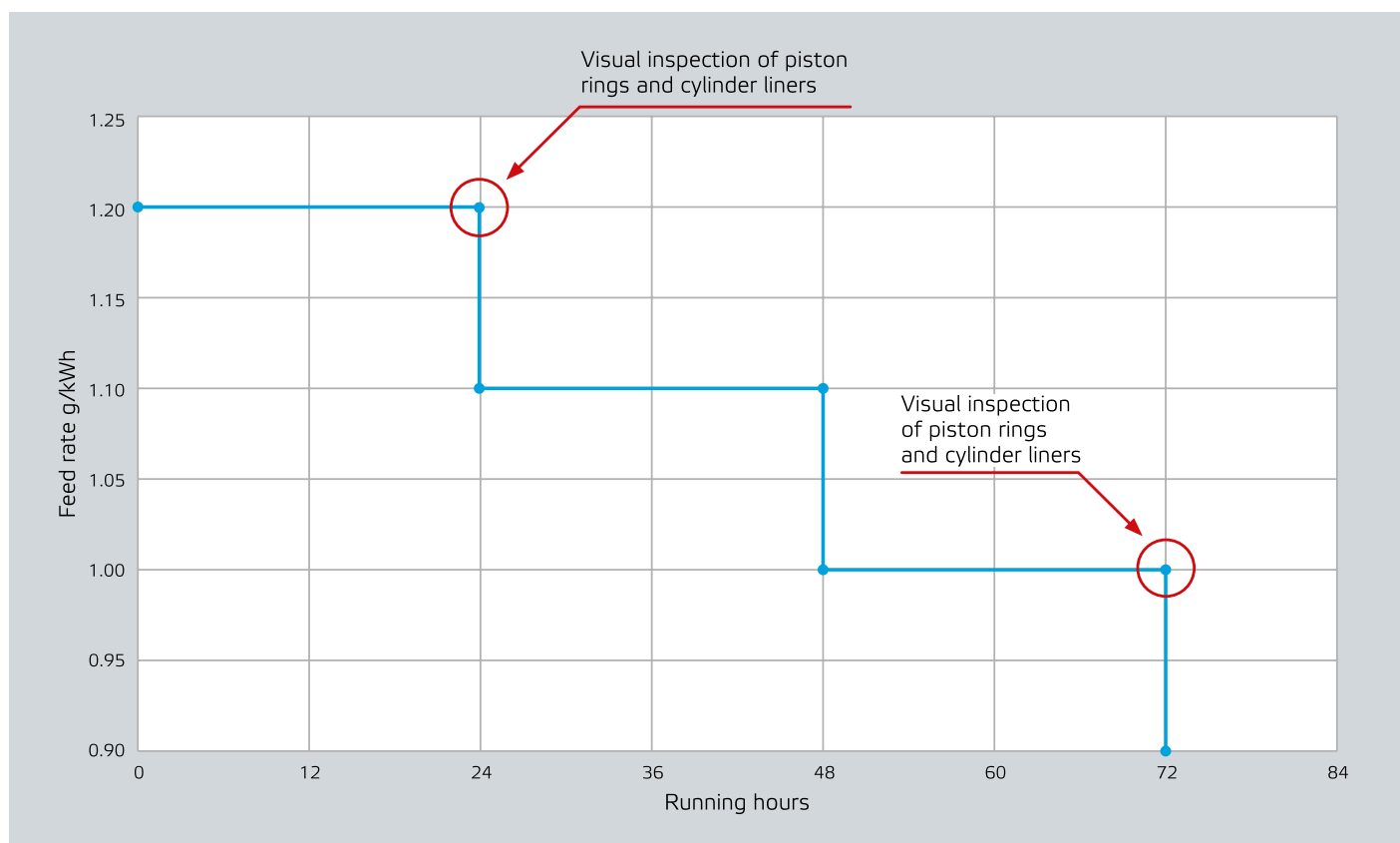
**Note:** There is a spreadsheet tool available to fill in the piston underside drain oil analysis data. The tool will help to structure the data. Additionally, the tool evaluates the data and gives recommendations accordingly.

To download the piston underside drain oil analysis tool, go to the Winterthur Gas & Diesel webpage [www.wingd.com](http://www.wingd.com), search for "Tribology" and go to page "Tribology Fuels & Lubricants".

## Piston underside drain oil analysis tool (screenshot)



# 14 Running-in of new components



**NOTE:** Do not reduce feed rate if the BN and/or iron level are out of safe or alert area. See page 31.

**NOTE:** After 72 hours, the feed rate can be set to normal settings.

**ATTENTION:** This procedure is valid for engines equipped with full chrome ceramic ring pack and plateau honed liners. WinGD recommends to follow the running-in procedure described in the Operation Manual for engines equipped with older ring and liner executions

## 15 List of piston-running relevant WinGD technical documents

### Technical bulletins & tools:

Go to the Winterthur Gas & Diesel webpage [www.wingd.com](http://www.wingd.com), search for "Tribology" and go to page "Tribology Fuels & Lubricants" to download the following documents:

- Lubrication & Validated Lubricants
- Fuels
- Guide for judging condition of relevant piston-running components
- Piston underside drain oil analysis tool

### Engine Manuals:

Go to [www.wingd.com/en/engines](http://www.wingd.com/en/engines), select your engine type and go to "Operation & Maintenance" to download the following documents:

- Maintenance Manual
- Operation Manual

## 15 Notes

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# 16 Contacts

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