Warner GT-300
Installation and Troubleshooting Guide

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This guide applies to Warner Electric GT-300 (GT780 frame) clutches and clutch/brakes used on power equipment.

Commercial GT780 is available in a range of Bore sizes, Pulley & output hub configurations.

This clutch/brake consists of an electromagnetic clutch with a mechanical brake which activates automatically when the clutch is turned off.

In addition to these general procedures, any applicable OEM general and safety procedures must also be followed.

**WARNING**

Failure to follow these instructions may result in product damage, equipment damage, and serious or fatal injury to personnel.

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**GT-300 (GT780 frame) Bearing Mounted Electric Clutch Terminology and Components:**
(See Figure 1 on page 3.)

1. **Rotor**
   Generally, the input of the clutch includes a keyed hub which mates with the keyway in the crank shaft. The rotor transmits the torque from the crankshaft (driving shaft) to the armature assembly (output).

2. **Armature Assembly**
   Generally, the output of the clutch consists of a disk, springs and pulley (or output flange). With power applied the armature transmits torque from the rotor to the driven load. Power from the armature disk is transmitted to the pulley or flange by means of the leaf springs.

3. **Field Assembly**
   The clutch “power” source contains the coil which generates magnetic attractive force.

4. **Brake Ring**
   The brake ring is affixed to the field shell and provides the brake torque when the clutch is disengaged. The brake ring is not present if the assembly is a clutch only.

5. **Anti-rotation Tab**
   Anti-rotation tab prevents the field from rotating with the crankshaft. If the field is bolted rigidly or if its axial movement is restricted the field bearing will be preloaded and fail prematurely.

6. **Clamp Washer (Provided by customer)**
   A single .250 inch (6.35 mm) minimum thick steel washer must be used between the clutch and the crank shaft retaining bolt

   **WARNING** A washer less than .250 inch (6.35 mm) thick will deform and allow the clamping load to be lost, resulting in damage to the clutch and/or the crankshaft and possible personal injury due to clutch separating from the shaft. Multiple thinner washers are not acceptable.
Typical Engine Installations with Output Pulley/or Bolt on Hub

Reverse Mount: Figure 1 refers to the pulley or flange being mounted towards the engine. The recommended shaft engagement for this configuration is 2.5 to 3.75 inches. This is recommended because it reduces the overhung load on the engine shaft. (Contact Warner Electric if minimum engagement can not be met.)

Standard Mount: Figure 2 refers to the pulley or flange hub being mounted away from the engine. The recommended shaft engagement for this configuration is 3.0 to 3.75 inches to insure shaft support under armature bearing.

CAUTION: Always bottom the clutch against a flat surface; never against a radius.

CAUTION: The Anti-Rotation device must allow both axial and radial free-play. If the field is bolted rigidly or if its axial movement is restricted (see Figure 3), the bearing in the field assembly will be improperly loaded and may fail prematurely.

See Anti-Rotation Examples on pages 7-9
Clutch/Brake Assemblies

Figure 4
View facing armature assembly

Figure 5
View facing field assembly

Brake Adjusting Bolts (not used if clutch only)
Electrical terminals
Mounting Requirements
For A Successful Clutch Application/Installation

The most important requirements for a successful clutch application or installation are:

1. Anti-rotation device must allow both axial and radial free-play!

   **Failure to allow this free-play will result in field bearing failure. The greater the restriction the faster the bearing will fail!**

2. The clutch has to bottom on flat surface, not in/on the radius of the engine shaft.

3. Ground-drive or spacer faces must be parallel within .003” and perpendicular to the bore.

4. Minimum mounting bolt size torqued to specification, confirm bolt does not bottom in drilled and taped hole.

   - 7/16-20 UNF **Grade 8 bolt** torqued to 65-80 lb.-ft.
   - M 10 X 1.50 Class 10.9 torqued to 70-75 Nm

**Note:** All values are for dry (unlubricated) plated fasteners, please consult fastener manufacturer for torque specifications if any type of locking element (thread lock compound, patch etc.) is to be used.

**WARNING** Failure to adhere to these requirements will result in the failure of the clutch!
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Anti-Rotation Example

Figure 8

3/8 Bolt, Washer, & Nut (Customer Supplied—shown shaded)

.250 to .375 Thick Reinforced Rubber Strap in Tension to Prevent Rotation (Customer Supplied—shown shaded)

Figure 9
Anti-Rotation Example

Figure 10

These edges fixed

Anti-rotation stop

Figure 11

Anti-rotation stop

.030 Combined Loose Fit
Anti-Rotation Example

Figure 12

3/8 screw, nut, & washer to be provided by customer-shown shaded

OPTIONAL: Torque Arm Assembly
Warner Part Number 5193-101-001

Figure 13

Note: 10 inch 3/8 threaded rod can be shortened if required. The rod may be bent if required to prevent any axial loading on the field bearing.
## Troubleshooting Checklist

### A. Symptom: Clutch will not engage

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<th>Possible Causes</th>
<th>Solution</th>
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<tr>
<td>Blown fuse</td>
<td>• Low coil resistance&lt;br&gt;• Defective battery&lt;br&gt;• Faulty charging system&lt;br&gt;• Bad wiring or connections, PTO switch</td>
<td>• Replace clutch&lt;br&gt;• Replace battery&lt;br&gt;• Repair or replace</td>
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<tr>
<td>Low voltage supply (Less than 12 VDC at clutch)</td>
<td>• Defective battery&lt;br&gt;• Faulty charging system&lt;br&gt;• Bad wiring or connectors, PTO switch</td>
<td>• Replace&lt;br&gt;• Repair or replace</td>
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<tr>
<td>Incorrect coil resistance</td>
<td>• Damaged coil</td>
<td>• Replace coil</td>
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<td>Inadequate current supply</td>
<td>• Broken clutch lead wire&lt;br&gt;• Faulty electrical system&lt;br&gt;• Measure clutch coil resistance and supply voltage at the clutch. If both are correct, electrical system is faulty.</td>
<td>• Repair&lt;br&gt;• Repair or replace</td>
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<td>Rotor/armature air-gap too large</td>
<td>• Rotor/armature wear; end of usable life</td>
<td>• Replace clutch only&lt;br&gt;• Adjust or replace clutch brake</td>
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### B. Symptom: Brake will not engage

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<td>Armature/brake ring worn out</td>
<td>• End of usable life</td>
<td>• Replace clutch</td>
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<td>Contaminated friction surfaces</td>
<td>• Engine oil leak on brake</td>
<td>• Repair leak, clean armature and brake</td>
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<tr>
<td>Brake ring/Out of adjustment</td>
<td>• Out of adjustment&lt;br&gt;• Wear</td>
<td>• Adjust brake</td>
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### C. Symptom: Clutch slip

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<td>• Repair&lt;br&gt;• Measure clutch coil resistance and supply voltage at the clutch. If both are correct, electrical system is faulty. Repair or replace.</td>
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<td>Overloaded clutch</td>
<td>• Clogged deck, bad spindle, etc.</td>
<td>• Remove excess grass&lt;br&gt;• Replace spindle</td>
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<td>Contaminated friction surfaces</td>
<td>• Engine oil leak on clutch</td>
<td>• Repair leak&lt;br&gt;• Replace or clean clutch friction faces</td>
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## Troubleshooting Checklist (Continued)

### D. Symptom: Noisy clutch/Vibration

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<td>Failed bearing</td>
<td>• Loose mounting (bolt not torqued properly)</td>
<td>• Replace clutch and/or bearing</td>
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<td>• Field assembly movement restricted</td>
<td>• Confirm proper Anti-rotation (see Anti-rotation pages)</td>
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<td>Anti-rotation rattles</td>
<td>• Some noise is normal</td>
<td>• If noise is excessive, repair or replace anti-rotation pin anti-rotation device (Follow OEM's Specifications. (See Anti-rotation).</td>
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<td>Clutch loose on shaft</td>
<td>• Loose mounting (bolt not torqued properly)</td>
<td>• Tighten mounting bolt to specification. See Mounting bolt torque page 5</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Mounting bolt too long and bottoms out</td>
<td>• Use correct length bolt (see in engine shaft before clamping clutch)</td>
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<td>• Mounting washer too thin and deforms</td>
<td>• See Warning below</td>
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<td>• Shaft bottoms on retaining washer when bolt is tightened</td>
<td>• Use proper spacer (see Mounting page)</td>
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<td>Clutch not mounted square</td>
<td>• Ground Drive Spacer mounting shoulder out of spec</td>
<td>• Replace</td>
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<td>• Clutch key hitting end of keyway</td>
<td>• Space clutch away from radius in shaft in engine shaft keyway.</td>
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<td>• Incorrect or no chamfer on ground</td>
<td>• Increase chamfer on ground drive spacer.</td>
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<td>Broken Spring</td>
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<td>• Installed for incorrect direction of rotation</td>
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Electrical check for Warner GT-300 clutches

Coil resistance:

1. Turn engine and PTO switch off.
2. Disconnect clutch wire connection.
3. Select meter setting to ohms.
4. Connect meter lead wires to the terminals of the clutch (Figure 14)

Procedure for Air gapping Warner GT-300

Bench setting:

1. Remove clutch from tractor.
2. Loosen but do not remove the three brake mounting screws. Insert a 0.015” feeler gauge or equivalent thickness shim stock at each screw location being careful to locate the gauge between the armature and brake ring. (Figure 14 and 15)
3. With all three feeler gauges in place, apply 12 volts to engage the clutch against the shims. While depressing the brake ring to the back of the armature at each mounting screw location, tighten the mounting screw to 140 in.lbs.
4. Remove the 12 volts applied to the clutch and remove the feeler gauges. Turn the rotor assembly to check for rotor /armature drag. The rotor should turn freely.
5. Due to dimensional variations, the airgap between the rotor and armature may vary on a clutch from .025” to .005”, even though the gap at the three studs was set at 0.015”. This is an acceptable condition.
6. Using the feeler gauges check the airgap at the stud locations. If the airgap does not fall between .025/.005”, repeat the procedure outlined in steps 1-5 above.

Setting air gap on the engine crankshaft

The clutch should be mounted to engine crankshaft and secured with appropriate bolt and washer with a minimum thickness of .250”. Mounting bolt torqued to specification, confirm bolt does not bottom in drilled and taped hole:

- 7/16-20 UNF Grade 8 bolt torqued to 65-80 lb.-ft.
- M 10 X 1.50 Class 10.9 torqued to 70-75 Nm

Follow steps 2-6 listed above to set airgap.
Clutch current draw at 12 volts

1. Turn off engine.

2. Disconnect clutch wire on one terminal, leaving other wire “D” connected to the clutch “B”. (Figure 16)

3. Select meter to check amps (10-amp scale).

4. Connect one meter lead wire to the clutch at “A” (Figure 16)

5. Connect the other meter lead wire to the corresponding wire from the harness at “C” (Figure 16)

6. Turn PTO switch on.

7. If meter reads below 6 amps, the problem would be in the electrical system leading to the clutch (battery, relay, switch, etc.).

**NOTE:** All values taken at room temperature. Voltage at 12VDC. As temperature increases, resistance increases, and current decreases.

Burnish Procedure

1. Run engine at approximately 25% throttle (higher RPM may be necessary if engine stalls)

2. Engage clutch, bring load up to engine RPM. Disengage and let load come to a complete stop. Repeat twelve (12) times.

3. Repeat step two at 50% throttle for five (5) cycles.

4. Increase engine RPM to full throttle and engage and disengage as in step 2 repeating five (5) times.
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