



PRODUCT SUPPORT BULLETIN BULLETIN NO. 346

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MACHINE: **Ballast Regulators, Snow Clearing Machines & Brushcutters**

****SERIAL NUMBER(S):**

- **Model M2 Ballast Regulator/Snow Clearing - S/N 9916 and lower**
- **Model M Ballast Regulator/Snow Clearing – S/N 9906 and lower**
- **Model BC60 Brushcutter – S/N 9908 and lower**
- **Ground Hog Ballast Regulators – S/N GH0113 and lower plus GH0121, GH0122 and GH0123**
- **Model K and Model KL Ballast Regulator/Snow Clearing – S/N 8316 and above**

**** NOTE: The following machines were equipped from the factory with exterior bearing seal guards, and are eligible for interior guards only:**

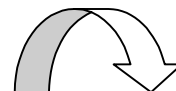
- **Model M2: M20101 through M20117**
- **Model M: M10101 through M10106**
- **Model BC60: BC0101**
- **Ground Hog: GH0114 through GH0120**

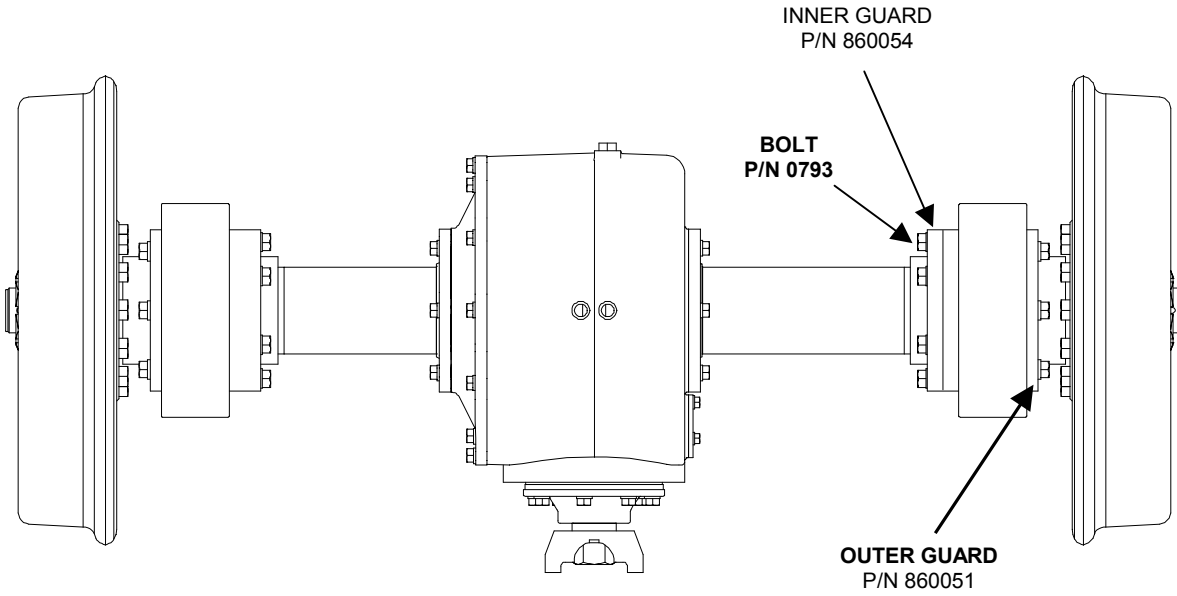
SUBJECT: **Axle Bearing Guards**

We have designed guards to protect the bearing seals from exposure to water ingress and ballast damage. These guards are now provided on all production machines.

The **Interior Guard (two required per axle, p/n 860054)** is a split design that is attached to the bearing cover (using **(6) bolts each, p/n 0793**) without removing the axles from the machines.

The **Exterior Guards (two required per axle, p/n 860051)** require that the axles are first removed from the machines and the hubs are pulled off. This will require a press of 60-ton minimum capacity. Full disassembly and re-assembly instructions are available from the Nordco Service Department. Alternatively this service is available at the Oshawa shop. If done in conjunction with an axle overhaul, there is no extra charge for adding the axle guards.





Axle Assembly

Even with guards in place, pressure washing should be done with extreme caution in the area of the axle assemblies and water/steam should never be directed at the journal bearings. This will help ensure that water is never forced past the journal bearing seals.

Please contact your NORDCO Representative or the NORDCO Parts Department for pricing and availability.