

Serial Numbers

Since 1939 (CGC models), APV has been using a four-digit serial number on all production-size Gaulin homogenizers and high-pressure pumps with two exceptions. Some early M models (about 68 of them) in 1959 had a three-digit number, and in February of 1986 we started to use five-digit numbers. Therefore, the last three, four or five numbers are the serial number of the machine.

The numbers preceding the serial number indicate the date of manufacture. The month, day and year were used until January of 1960. After that date, only the month and year were used.

Examples: 51459-127 - May 14, 1959, S/N 127
 286-10015 - February 1986, S/N 10015

The location of the serial number, other than on the identification tag, varies. Generally speaking, on any machine with a cast-iron, painted frame (except the old CGC and early CGD units) the serial number will be found stamped into the frame on the top edge, right hand side facing the cylinder block of the casting that forms the plunger well. This includes today's M-3 and M-6 models. You may have to remove some paint to find the number. The machine identification tag is located on the rear wall of the plunger well, just above the plunger adapters on newer models (MS) only. There may also be one affixed to the rear at the base casting.

The CGC and CGD serial numbers are stamped into either the front or rear of the base near the cast-in model letters.

All machines with a stainless-steel or mild-steel skin will have the serial number stamped on the left side of the base casting, just above the motor compartment or on the machined surface where the eccentric shaft bearing cover is bolted on. The skin will have to be removed to find the numbers, and they may also be covered with a coat of paint.

When ordering parts or making changes in machine construction, serial numbers are a very important part of identifying and keeping the machine records up to date.