

# LUBRICANT STORAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

The storage environment can greatly affect the estimated shelf life of lubricants and greases.

- **TEMPERATURE**—Both high heat, greater than 110° F (43° C), and extreme cold temperatures, less than 0° F (-18° C) can affect lubricant stability.
- **IDEAL TEMPERATURE STORAGE**—Ideally, the storage temperature range should be from 32° F (0° C) to 77° F (25° C).
- **DRY LOCATION**—Alternating exposure to heat and cold may result in potential moisture contamination. All lubricants should be stored in a dry location, preferably inside.
- If product must be stored outside, use plastic covers or tip oil drums to direct water and contamination away from the bungs. Always store grease upright to prevent oil separation.
- Installing desiccant breathers on the small bunge holes of the drum after opening can promote keeping the product dry and clean.
- Use a dedicated properly labeled secondary oil container for each different oil.
- Never leave oil container or drums open after use. There are many airborne contaminants that can get into your oil before it goes into your equipment.
- Do not mix oils and greases; not all are compatible.
- Utilize the JAX LUBE-GUARD program and the different product color codes to ensure the right oil is used for the right application.

*Ensure your lubricants are stored properly by following these simple guidelines.*

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