

# Cleaning

We recommend the K&P Micronic Stainless Steel Oil Filter be cleaned frequently when first purchased or when engine work has been performed. This will give you a feel for how much debris is being filtered out of your machines oil and help you decide how often you want to clean the filter for your application. At minimum, clean the filter with every oil change. Remember, oil is the lifeblood of your machine, keep it clean!

Before cleaning, inspect the element and housing (spin on models) for debris. Since in nearly every case the oil flows from the outside of the filter to the inside, the debris will be caught on the outside of the filter element and on the magnet set into the top of the spin on models. Closer inspection of the debris can be achieved by flushing the particles into a clean light colored container. Monitor the debris from oil change to oil change. If something is significantly different in the amount or type of debris from the last cleaning or two, we recommend you investigate further.

Wash the reusable stainless steel filter element in clean solvent, gasoline, kerosene, aerosol carburetor cleaner or any other degreasing agent. You can even finish the cleaning process with some common dish soap and hot water. For stubborn debris, you can use a soft bristle brush to help dislodge particles from the screen. If you have compressed air available, blow air through the filter starting from the inside out, to remove any small particles or cleaning agent from the screen. If you don't have compressed air, let the element air dry or use aerosol carburetor cleaner or something similar to displace the water. Finally, if you have a spin on model, clean the inside of the filter housing using the same type of cleaner as used on the reusable filter element.

Once clean and dry, you are ready to reassemble the filter unit, lube the quad ring with oil, and reinstall.