SEARS OWNER'S MANUAL

MODEL NO. 917.259730

Caution:
Read and follow
all Safety Rules
and Instructions
Before Operating
This Equipment



COMPANION

18.0 HP TWIN CYLINDER
5 SPEED
38" MOWER DECK
ELECTRIC START
GARDEN TRACTOR

- Assembly
- Operation
- Maintenance
- Service and Adjustment
- Repair Parts



LOOK FOR THIS SYMBOL TO POINT OUT IMPORTANT SAFETY PRECAU-TIONS. IT MEANS - ATTENTION! BE-COME ALERT! YOUR SAFETY IS IN-VOLVED. CAUTION: LOOK FOR THIS WORD TO POINT OUTIMPORTANT EQUIPMENT PRECAUTIONS

NOTE: LOOK FOR THIS WORD TO POINT OUT IM-PORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE OPERATION AND PERFORMANCE OF YOUR TRACTOR



RULES FOR SAFE OPERATION

WARNING: This unit is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest covered, brush covered or grass covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or area laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, if should be maintained in effective working order by the operator. (See REPAIR PARTS for part number identification).

In the State of California the above is required by law (Section 4442 of the California Public Resources Code). Other States may have similar laws. Federal laws apply on federal lands.

- 1 Know the controls and how to stop quickly, READ THIS OWNER'S MANUAL and instructions furnished with attachments
- Do not allow children to operate the machine. Do not allow adults to operate it without proper instruction.
- 3 Do not carry passengers Do not mow when children and others are around.
- Always wear substantial footwear. Do not wear loose fitting clothing that could get caught in moving parts.
- Keep your eyes and mind on your tractor, mower, and the area being cut. Do not let other interests distract you.
- 6 Do not attempt to operate your tractor or mower when not in the driver's seat.
- 7 Always get on or off your tractor from the operator's left hand side
- Clear the work area of objects (wire, rocks, etc.) which might be picked up and thrown.
- 9 Disengage all attachment clutches before attempting to start the engine.
- 10 Disengage power to attachments and stop the engine before leaving the operator's position
- 11 Disengage power to mower, stop the engine, and disconnect spark plug wire(s) from spark plug(s) before cleaning, making an adjustment, or repair. Be careful to avoid touching hot muffler or engine components
- 12 Disengage power to attachments when transporting or not in use
- 13 Take all possible precautions when leaving the vehicle unattended. Disengage the power take-off, fower the attachments, shift into neutral, set the parking brake, stop the engine, and remove the key.
- 14 Do not stop or start suddenly when going uphill or downhill Mow up and down the face of slopes (not greater than 15°) never across the face. Refer to page 51.
- 15 Reduce speed or slopes and make turns gradually to prevent tipping or loss of control. Exercise extreme caution when changing direction on slopes.
- 15 While going up or down slopes, place gear shift control lever in 1st gear position to negotiate the slope without stopping
- 17 Never mowin wet or slippery grass, when traction is unsure, or at a speed which could cause a skid.
- 18 Stay alert for holes in the terrain and other hidden hazards. Keep away from drop-offs.
- 19 Do not drive to close to creeks ditches and public highways
- 20 Exercise node allica all then moving around fixed objects in order to prevent the plades from striking them. Never deliperately run tractor or mover into or over any foreign objects.
- 21. Never shift gears and tractor comes to a stop-
- 20 Never place mands or feet under the mower in discringe online or hear any moving parts while training or heaver sizurating. A ways keep clear of discharge.
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- c Do not turn sharply. Use care when backing.
- Use counterweight or wheel weights when suggested in owner's manual
- 24 Watch out for traffic when crossing or near roadways
- 25. When using any attachments, never direct discharge of material toward bystanders nor allow anyone near the vehicle while in operation.
- 26. Handle gasoline with care it is highly flammable.
 - a. Use approved gasoline containers
 - b. Never remove the fuel cap of the fuel tank or add gasoline to a running or hot engine or an engine that has not been allowed to cool for several minutes after running. Never fill tank indoors. Always clean up spilled gasoline.
 - C. Open doors if the engine is run in the garage exhaust fumes are dangerous. Do not run the engine indoors.
- 27. Keep the vehicle and attachments in good operating condition, and keep safety devices in place and working.
- Keep all nuts, bolts, and screws tight to be sure the equipment is in safe working condition
- 29 Never store the equipment with gasoline in the tank inside a building where tumes may reach an open flame or spark Allow the engine to cool before storing in any enclosure
- To reduce fire hazard, keep the engine free of grass feaves, or excessive grease. Do not clean product while engine is running.
- 31 Except for adjustments, DO NOT operate engine if air cleaner or cover directly over carburetor air intake is removed. Removal of suphidant could create a fire hazard.
- 32 Do not operate without a mulfler, or tamper with exhaust system Damaged mulflers or spark arresters could create a fire hazard. Inspect periodically and replace if necessary
- 33 The vehicle and attachments should be stopped and inspected for damage after striking a foreign object, and the damage should be repaired before restarting and operating the equipment.
- 34 Do not change the engine governor settings or overspeed the engine; severe damage or injury may result.
- 35. When using the venicle with mower proceed as follows
 - Mow only in daylight or in good artificial light.
 - b. Shut the and ne off the longing chute
 - Check the blade mounting costs to proper lightness at frequent intervals
- 36 Do not open as the mover without the entire grass catcher on mowers suled appeal or the local ector shield in place.
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CONGRATULATIONS on your purchase of a Sears Garden Tractor. It has been designed, engineered and manufactured to give you the best possible dependability and performance. Should you experience any problem you cannot easily remedy, please contact your nearest Sears Service Department. We have competent, well-trained technicians and the proper tools to service or repair this unit.

MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

A Sears Maintenance Agreement is available on this product. See the nearest Sears store or service center for details.

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CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

Read and retain this manual. Study and observe the safety rules. Always use care when using your tractor. Always keep your tractor and mower clean. Follow a regular schedule in maintaining, caring for, and using your tractor. A well cared for tractor will run better and last longer.

ATTACHMENTS

This unit can use many attachments now available at your Sears store. It can use a tiller, but cannot use attachments that engage the ground like a plow, harrow, or cultivator. See page 50 for a list of available attachments.

LIMITED ONE YEAR WARRANTY ON ELECTRIC START RIDING EQUIPMENT

For one year from date of purchase, when this riding equipment is maintained, lubricated, and tuned up according to the operating and maintenance instruction in the owner's manual, Sears will repair free of charge any defect in material or workmanship in this electric start riding equipment.

This warranty excludes blade(s), blade adapter(s), spark plug(s), air cleaner and belt(s), which are expendable and become worn during normal use.

This warranty does not cover:

- Tire replacement or repair caused by punctures from outside objects (such as nails, thorns, stumps, or glass); and
- repairs necessary because of operator abuse or negligence, including the failure to maintain the equipment according to instructions contained in the owner's manual; and
- · riding equipment used for commercial or rental purposes.

FULL 90 DAY WARRANTY ON BATTERY

For 90 days from the date of purchase, if any battery included with this riding equipment proves defective in material or workmanship and our testing determines the battery will not hold a charge, Sears will replace the battery at no charge.

WARRANTY SERVICE IS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING THE NEAREST SEARS SERVICE CENTER/DEPARTMENT.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which may vary from state to state.

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DO NOT OVERLOAD TRACTOR BY TOWING WEIGHTS GREATER THAN 150 POUNDS (68 KG).

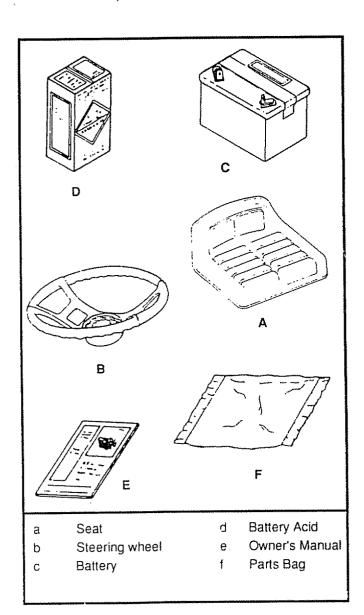
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UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Take items out of carton. The box contains the items shown below.
- 2. Cut down four corners of the carton with a utility knife and fold down sides.
- 3. Remove mower deck from skid.
- 4. Disengage Parking Brake.
- 5. Carefully guide the tractor backwards off the skid. Be careful of staples in skid.





The operation of any tractor can result in foreign objects thrown into the eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Always wear safety glasses or eye shields before starting your tractor and while mowing. We recommend Wide Vision Safety Mask for over the spectacles or standard safety glasses, available at Sears Retail or Catalog Stores.

To assemble and adjust your tractor you will need:

(2) 7/16" wrenches

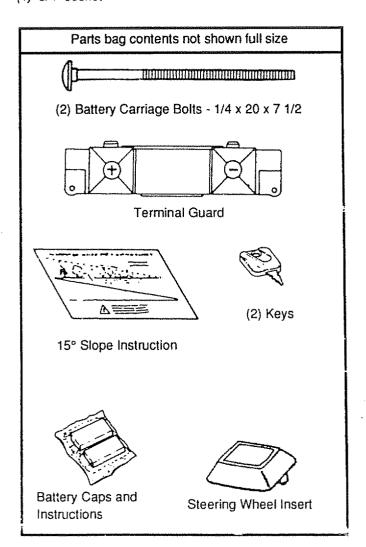
Ratchet Wrench

(1) 3/4" wrench

Tire Pressure Gauge

(1) 9/16" wrench (1) 1/2" wrench Screwdriver Utility Knife

(1) 3/4" socket



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ASSEMBLY LOCATION	PARTS BAG CONTENTS SHOWN FULL SIZE				
BATTERY	(2) Wing Nut, 1/4 - 20				
BATTERY TERMINALS	(2) Hex Bolt, 1/4 - 20 x 3/4 (2) Lockwasher, 1/4 (2) Washer, 9/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga. (2) Hex Nut, 1/4 - 20				
SEAT	(1) Adjustment Bolt, 1/2 - 13 x 1 (1) Washer 17/32 x 1 3/16 (1) Shoulder Bolt 5/16 - 18 x 12 Ga.				

NOTE: RIGHT HAND (R.H.) AND LEFT HAND (L.H.) ARE DETERMINED FROM OPERATOR'S POSITION WHILE SEATED ON THE TRACTOR.

WEAR EYE AND FACE SHIELD.



WASH HANDS OR CLOTHING IMMEDI-ATELY IF ACCIDENTALLY IN CONTACT WITH BATTERY ACID.

DO NOT SMOKE. FUMES FROM CHARGED BATTERY ACID ARE EX-PLOSIVE.

NOTE: THIS TRACTOR IS EQUIPPED WITH AN OPERA-TOR PRESENCE SENSING SWITCH, ANY AT-TEMPT BY THE OPERATOR TO LEAVE THE SEAT WITH THE ENGINE RUNNING AND AT-TACHMENT CLUTCH ENGAGED WILL SHUT OFF THE ENGINE

1. Prepare Battery

READ INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED WITH THE BATTERY VENT CAPS FOUND IN BAG OF PARTS. ALWAYS WEAR GLOVES, CLOTHING AND GOGGLES TO PROTECT YOUR HANDS, SKIN AND EYES

- a Fill and charge battery (before installing). NOTE: SEE DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS PACKAGED WITH BATTERY VENT CAPS IN BAG OF PARTS.
- b. Fill each cell with battery acid. Add the acid until it reaches the bottom of the vent wells (Fig 1). DO NOT OVERFILL. OVERFILLING WILL RESULT IN DAMAGE TO TRACTOR
- c. Allow battery to stand and settle for at least thirty minutes. If the level of acid falls below the point described in step (b), add more acid until the correct level is reached. NOTE: Uneven FILLING OF CELLS WILL AFFECT THE BATTERY CAPACITY AND LIFE Install the battery caps to cover the vent wells. Wash the top of the battery with water to remove any acid, then wipe dry.
- d. Check battery case for leakage to make sure that no damage has occurred in handling
- It is recommended that the battery be charged before use. Use a 12 volt battery charger. Charge battery at a rate of 6 amperes for 1 hour. NOTE: OB-SERVE ALL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED FOR BATTERY CHARGING. Check the acid level after the battery is charged. If the acid has fallen below the correct level, add distilled or iron-free
- Neutralize excess battery acid for disposal by adding it to approximately (2) two gallons (7.5 lifers) of water in a (5) five gallon (19 liters) plastic container. Stir with a wooden or plastic paddle while adding baking soda until the addition of more soda causes no more foaming.

2. Install Seat

Seat position should be adjusted forward or backward so that the operator can comfortably reach Clutch/Brake Pedal and safely operate the tractor (Fig. 2).

- a. Remove cardboard from seat pan.
- Place seat on seat pan Screw adjustment bolt, lockwasher and flat washer into seat (Fig 2). Adjustment bolt, shoulder bolt and washers found in bag of parts (shown full size page 6).

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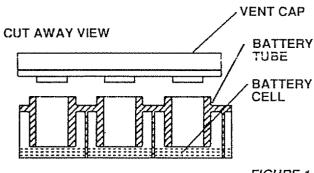
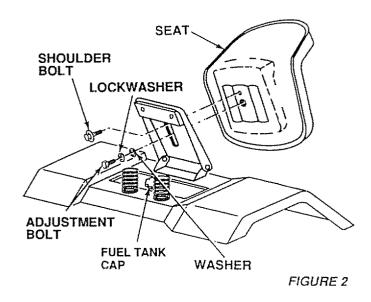


FIGURE 1



- Tighten shoulder bolt securely using a 1/2" wrench. Tighten adjustment bolt finger tight. NOTE THAT THE SHOULDER BOLT WILL BE LOOSE IN THE SEAT PAN SLOT.
- Place seat in operating position. Sit on the seat and press clutch/brake pedal all the way down. If operating position is not comfortable, adjust seat.
- To adjust: Raise seat. Loosen adjustment bolt. Slide seat to desired position. Tighten adjustment bolt securely using a 3/4" wrench



ADJUSTMENT BOLT, LOCKWASHER AND FLAT WASHER MUST BE TIGHT-ENED SECURELY TO PREVENT MOVE-MENT OF SEAT.

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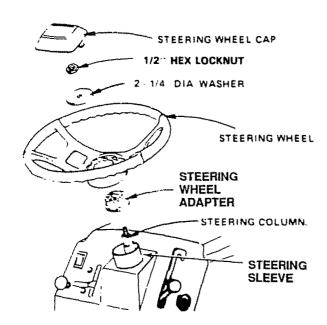


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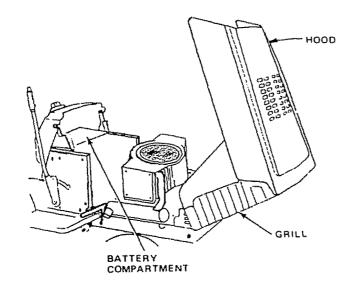
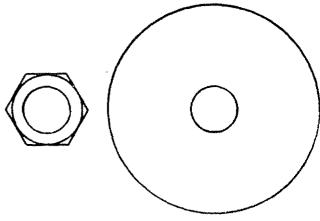


FIGURE 4

3. Install Steering Wheel

NOTE: POSITION FRONT WHEEL FORWARD.

a Use a 3/4" wrench to remove hex nut, and 2 - 1/4" diameter washer (shown full size below) from steering column (Fig. 3)



- b Position steering wheel over steering wheel insert
- c Secure steering wheel to steering column using 2-1/4" diameter washer and hex nut (Fig. 3). Torque to 50 ft. lbs
- d Snap steering wheel cap in place on steering wheel. Steering wheel cap found in bag of parts

4. Check Tires

Reduce tire pressure to 14 PSI in front tires and 12 PSI in rear tires. (Tires were over inflated for shipping purposes).

5. Install Battery



DO NOT SHORT BATTERY TERMINALS.

BEFORE INSTALLING BATTERY, REMOVE METAL BRACELETS, WRISTWATCH BANDS, RINGS, ETC.

- a. Lift hood from rear sides (Fig. 4).
- b Make sure drain tube (Fig. 5) is fastened to drain hole in battery tray and battery tray is positioned in hole of battery support.
- c. Place battery in plastic tray (battery terminals to front of tractor) (Fig. 5).



POSITIVE TERMINAL MUST BE CONNECTED FIRST TO PREVENT SPARKS FROM ACCIDENTAL GROUNDING.



IF BATTERY IS REMOVED, DO NOT OPERATE ENGINE. SPARKING MAY OCCUR.

- d. Connect RED battery cable to positive (+) battery terminal with hex bolt, flat washer, lockwasher and hex nut (shown full size below) found in bag of parts (Fig. 5). Tighten securely.
- e. Connect BLACK ground cable to negative (--) battery terminal with remaining hex bolt, flat washer, lockwasher and hex nut (shown full size below) found in bag of parts (Fig. 5). Tighten securely.



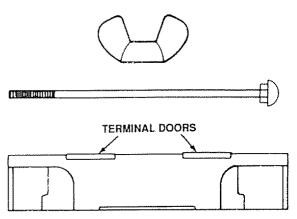






NOTE: IF YOU HAVE A WEAK BATTERY, SEE "STARTING YOUR TRACTOR WITH A WEAK BATTERY" (PAGE 21).

- f. Using the slotted hole on one side of the battery support (Fig. 6) insert one battery bolt into frame slot (head of bolt down). Fasten the battery bolt to the terminal guard using wing nut. (Bolts, nuts and terminal guard found in bag of parts)
- g. Assemble the remaining bolt to other side of battery support and fasten terminal guard to it with remaining wing nut (shown full size below). Tighten wing nuts securely by hand (Fig. 6).



h. Remove plastic from tractor hood and close.

NOTE: USE TERMINAL ACCESS DOORS (FIG. 6) FOR:

- 1. INSPECTION FOR SECURE CONNECTIONS (TIGHTEN HARDWARE)
- 2 INSPECTION FOR CORROSION
- 3 TESTING BATTERY
- 4 JUMPING (IF REQUIRED)
- 5 CHARGING (IF REQUIRED)

KEEP TERMINAL ACCESS DOORS CLOSED WHEN NOT IN USE.



DO NOT START ENGINE UNTIL MOWER SUSPENSION BRACKET HAS BEEN RELEASED. SEE MOWER AND DRIVE BELT INSTALLATION.

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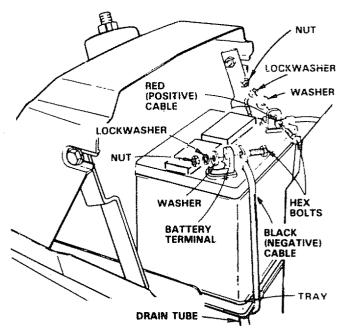
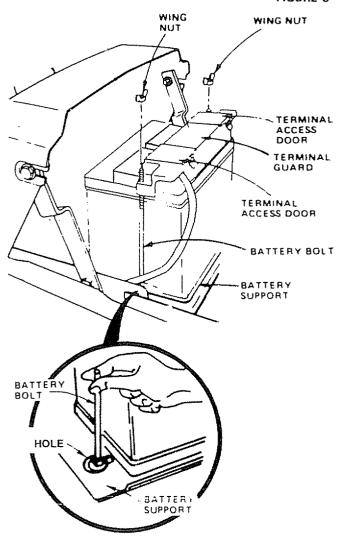
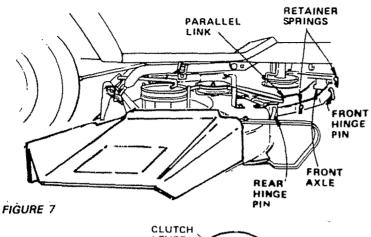
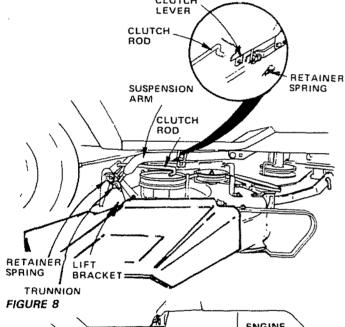


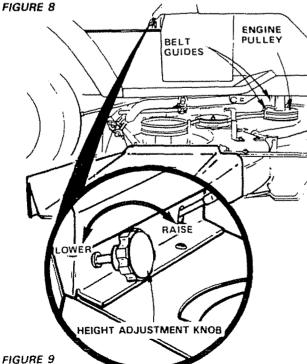
FIGURE 5



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6. Mower Installation

Your 38" mower installs without the use of tools. Raise lift lever (Fig. 10) to its highest position. Turn height adjustment knob (Fig. 9) to its lowest position.

- a, Slide mower under tractor, discharge guard to R H, side
- b. Install front hinge pin through axle and parallel link (Fig. 7). Secure with retainer spring.
- c. Install rear hinge pin through mower lift brackets and parallel link (Fig. 7). Secure with retainer spring.
- d. Install clutch rod in clutch lever (Fig. 8 Inset).
- e. Move lift lever forward to lower suspension arms. Slide trunnions through lift bracket holes and secure with retainer spring (Fig. 8).
- f. Roll belt over engine pulley. Make sure belt is inside belt guides (Fig. 9). See belt drive schematic decal on mower housing.
- g. Use lift lever (Fig. 10) to raise mower.
- h. Turn height adjustment knob (Fig. 9) clockwise () to the middle of its travel

7. Mower Drive Belt Removal

NOTE: MOWER BELT INSTALLATION DECAL LOCATED ON MOWER HOUSING

REPLACE ONLY WITH THE BELTS SPECIFIED IN THIS MANUAL

- a. Place attachment clutch lever in "DISEN-GAGED" position (Fig. 10).
- b. Turn height adjustment knob (Fig. 9) to lowest position. Move mower lift lever (Fig. 10) forward to lower mower to its lowest position.
- c. Roll belt off engine pulley (Fig. 11). Be careful not to bend the belt guides.
- d. Pull belt off both mandrels (Fig. 11).
- e. Spring belt guide away from idler pulley and pull belt off idler pulley
- f. Slide belt from under idler spring.

8. Mower Drive Belt Replacement

- a. Slide belt under extension spring (Fig. 11).
- b. Place belt on rear side of both mandrels.
- c. Spring idler belt guide away from idler pulley and place belt around rear side of idler pulley.
- d Roll belt over mower drive pulley. Make sure drive belt is inside mower drive pulley belt guides.

NOTE: BELT GUIDE TO BELT CLEARANCE SHOULD BE MAINTAINED AT 5-32 TO 1/4"

9. Mower Drive Belt Adjustment

Your tractor has been manufactured with the ability to re-adjust the mower drive belt to provide you with longer belt life.

If the attachment clutch lever (Fig. 10) travels 3-1/2" up the slot in the dash before spring tension resistance is evident, adjustment is necessary.

NOTE: CHECK FOR PROPER SPRING TENSION WITH ENGINE OFF AND LIFT LEVER IN HIGHEST POSITION.

- a. Lower or remove the mower deck for easier access.
- b. Using (2) 7/16" wrenches, remove the D-shaped washers from the rock shaft assembly (Fig. 11 Inset).
- c. Move extension spring from lower end of slot to upper end in rock shaft assembly and install the D-shaped washers (Fig. 11 - Inset).
- d. Tighten bolt and nut to secure the D-shaped washers.

NOTE: WHEN INSTALLING A NEW BELT, EXTENSION SPRING MUST BE RETURNED TO THE LOWER END OF THE SLOT ON ROCK SHAFT ASSEMBLY

10. Check the Cutting Level

The blade housing was set at the factory to cut level. After mowing a short distance, look at the area that was cut. If the blade housing cuts uneven; see the instructions on "Side-to-Side and Front-to-Rear Mower Adjustment" (pages 24 and 25).

11. Final Assembly

- a. Make sure all fasteners are tight.
- b Read and follow the operation instructions (page 12). Know the location and purpose of all controls.
- c. Check oil and gasoline (page 13) before starting the tractor.

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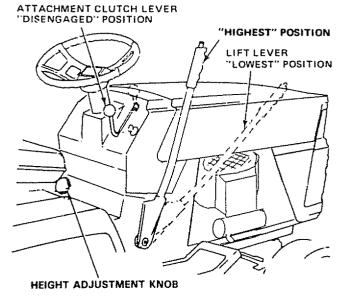
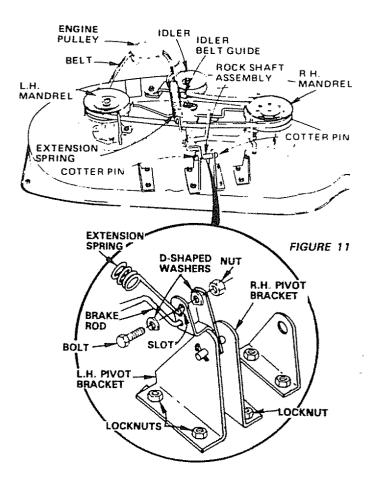


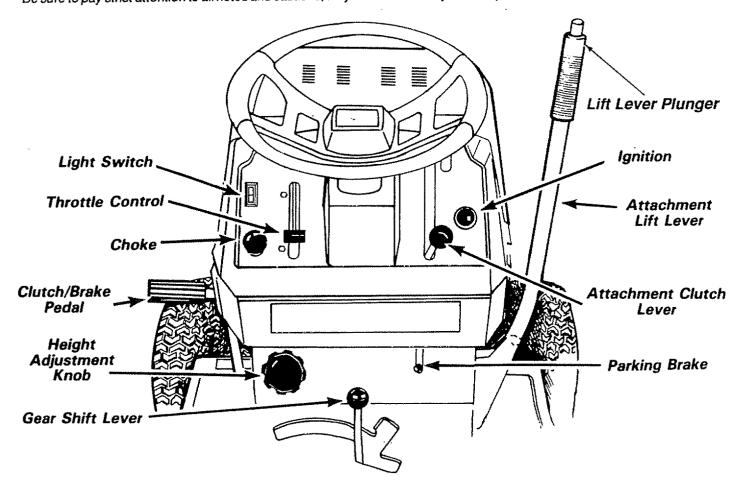
FIGURE 10



OPERATION

KNOW YOUR TRACTOR

READ THIS OWNER'S MANUAL BEFORE OPERATING YOUR GARDEN TRACTOR. If you understand the machine and its operation, you will achieve efficient and peak performance. While reading the manual, compare the illustrations with your Garden Tractor to familiarize yourself with the location of various controls and adjustments. Study the operating instructions and safety precautions thoroughly to insure proper functioning of your Garden Tractor and to prevent injury to yourself and others. Be sure to pay strict attention to all notes and cautions; they are included for your safety. Save this manual for future reference.



ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER: Push lever up to engage mower. There will be an engine hesitation as the clutch engages.

ATTACHMENT LIFT LEVER: Use the attachment lift lever to raise and lower the attachment mounted to your tractor. Push lift lever plunger and move the lift lever forward to lower attachment.

CLUTCH/BRAKE PEDAL: The pedal has 2 functions a clutch and a brake. To engage the brake push the pedal completely down.

HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT KNOB: Use the height adjustment knob to adjust the mower height. With the attachment lift lever in the "up" position, turn knob clockwise (\(\infty\)) to raise cutting height and counterclockwise (\(\infty\)) to lower cutting height. Lower Attachment lift lever

GEARSHIFT: Press the clutch/brake pedal down firmly and move gear shift lever to desired speed

IGNITION: Place key in ignition and turn to the right to start.

LIGHT SWITCH: Turns on and off the headlights.

PARKING BRAKE: To set the parking brake, push the clutch/brake pedal completely forward. Place the parking brake lever in "Engaged" position and release pressure from pedal. Clutch/brake pedal will remain in brake position. To release, push pedal in.

THROTTLE CONTROL: Use the throttle control to increase or decrease the speed of the engine

CHOKE: To start a cold engine, pull choke out to engage.

1. Stopping Your Tractor



DO NOT CHOKE CARBURETOR TO STOP THE ENGINE.



LEARN HOW TO STOP YOUR TRAC-TOR BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO START THE ENGINE.

NOTE: REMOVE KEY WHEN LEAVING TRACTOR TO PREVENT UNAUTHORIZED USE

- a. Push clutch/brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position.
- Move gear shift lever to "NEUTRAL" position
- c. Place parking brake in "ENGAGED" position and release pressure from clutch/brake. Pedal should remain in "BRAKE" position. NOTE: MAKE SURE PARKING BRAKE WILL HOLD TRACTOR **SECURE**
- d. Place attachment clutch lever in "DISENGAGED" position.
- e. Move throttle control to "S" (slow) position.
- f. Turn ignition key to "OFF" position. Never use choke to stop engine.
- 2. Starting The Engine



LEARN TO START, STOP AND REVERSE YOUR TRACTOR IN A LARGE, OPEN AREA.



THIS TRACTOR IS EQUIPPED WITH IN-TERLOCK SWITCHES TO PREVENT STAR-TING OF THE TRACTOR ENGINE WHILE THE MOWER BLADE CLUTCH LEVER IS IN THE "ENGAGED" POSITION AND/OR THE FOOT PEDAL IS NOT FULLY DEPRESSED. **IMMEDIATELY REPLACE SWITCHES THAT** ARE NOT IN PROPER WORKING ORDER. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DEFEAT THE PUR-**POSE OF THESE SWITCHES**

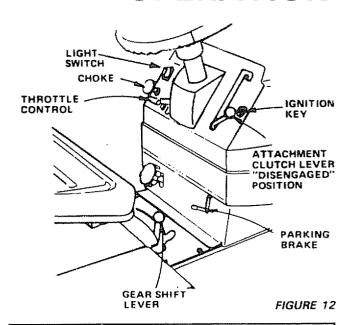
- a. This engine has been shipped filled with summer weight oil. For cold weather operation, see chart on page 16. Check engine oil level with tractor on level ground. Remove and wipe dipstick (Fig. 17) clean, screw it in tight for a few seconds, remove and read oil level. If necessary, add oil until "FULL" mark is reached.
- b. Fill fuel tank. Use fresh, clean, regular UN-LEADED automotive gasoline. (Use of leaded gasoline will increase carbon and lead oxide deposits and reduce valve life). Capacity is 2 gallons.

CAUTION EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT ALCOHOL
BLENDED FUELS (CALLED GASOHOL OR USING
ETHANOL OR METHANOL) CAN ATTRACT MOISTURE WHICH LEADS TO SEPARATION AND FORMATION OF ACIDS DURING STORAGE ACIDIC
GAS CAN DAMAGE THE FUEL SYSTEM OF AN
ENGINE WHILE IN STORAGE

TO AVCID ENGINE PROBLEMS. THE FUEL SYSTEM SHOULD BE EMPTIED BEFORE STORAGE FOR 30 DAYS OF LONGER DRAIN THE GAS TANK START THE ENGINE AND LET IT RUN UNTIL THE FUEL LINES AND CARBURETOR ARE EMPTY USE FRESH FUEL NEXT SEASON SEE STORAGE NSTRUCT ONS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

MEVER USE ENGINE OF CARBURETOR CLEANER FRODUCTS NOTHE FUEL TANY OR PERMANENT DAMAGE MAY DOCUP

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FILL TO BOTTOM OF GAS TANK FILLER NECK, DO NOT OVERFILL, WIPE OFF ANY SPILLED OIL OR FUEL. DO NOT STORE, SPILL OR USE GASOLINE NEAR AN OPEN FLAME.

- c. Place attachment clutch lever in "DISEN-GAGED" position (Fig. 12).
- d. Push clutch/brake pedal fully into brake position.
- e. Place gear shift lever in "NEUTRAL" position (Fig. 12).
- f. Pull choke out (Fig. 12).
- g. Move throttle control to middle position (Fig. 12).
- h. Turn ignition key clockwise () to "START" position and release key as soon as engine starts. NOTE: DO NOT RUN STARTER CONTINUOUSLY FOR MORE THAN FIFTEEN SECONDS PER MINUTE. If engine does not start after several attempts, move throttle control to "F" (fast) position, wait a few minutes and try again.

NOTE: IF YOU HAVE A WEAK BATTERY, SEE "START-ING YOUR TRACTOR WITH A WEAK BATTERY" (PAGE 21)

- After engine is warm, push choke in. The first. time you start the engine, it will take extra cranking time to move fuel from tank to the engine. NOTE: ALLOW ENGINE TO WARM UP FOR A FEW MINUTES BEFORE ENGAGING CLUTCH OF TRACTOR OR ATTACHMENT.
- j When restarting a warm engine, move throttle control midway between "S" (slow) and "F" (fast) positions. Choke may not have to be used.

IMPORTANT: BEFORE DRIVING THE TRACTOR, INSTALL MOWER OR REMOVE MOWER PARALLEL LINK (Fig. 7).

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ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER ENGAGED' POSITION

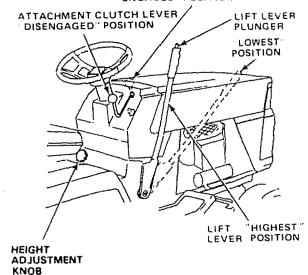


FIGURE 13

FUNCTION	GEARSHIFT	THROTTLE
Normal Mowing	2 or 3	•
Heavy Mowing	1 or 2	
Snow Blade	1, 2 or 3	
Snow Blower or Tiller	1	FAST
Transport	3, 4 or 5	SLOW FAST

FIGURE 14

DO NOT ADD ADDITIONAL WEIGHT TO THE TRACTOR OTHER THAN THE CAUTION: OPTIONAL WHEEL WEIGHTS, EXCES-SIVE WEIGHT MAY OVERLOAD AND DAMAGE THE TRANSMISSION.

3. Operating Your Tractor and Mower

NOTE: THIS TRACTOR IS EQUIPPED WITH AN OPERATOR PRESENCE SENSING SWITCH, ANY AT-TEMPT BY THE OPERATOR TO LEAVE THE SEAT WITH THE ENGINE RUNNING AND THE ATTACHMENT CLUTCH ENGAGED WILL SHUT OFF THE ENGINE.

> MAKE SURE PARKING BRAKE WILL HOLD TRACTOR SECURE.



NEVER PLACE YOUR HANDS OR FEET IN OR UNDER ANY POWERED ATTACHMENT OR NEAR ANY MOVING PART WHILE TRACTOR OR ANY POWERED ATTACH-MENT IS RUNNING.

NOTE: ALWAYS OPERATE ENGINE AT FULL THROTTLE WHEN MOWING TO ASSURE BETTER MOWING PER-FORMANCE AND PROPER DISCHARGE OF CUT MA TERIAL. REGULATE GROUND SPEED BY SELECTING A LOW ENOUGH GEAR (FIG. 14) TO GIVE THE MOWER CUTTING PERFORMANCE PLUS QUALITY OF CUT DESIRED



DO NOT OPERATE THE MOWER WITH-OUT EITHER THE ENTIRE GRASS CATCHER, ON MOWERS SO EQUIPPED, OR THE DEFLECTOR SHIELD IN PLACE.

- a. Select desired height of cut position using height adjustment knob (Fig. 13).
- Raise lift lever and place attachment clutch lever in disengaged position
- Push clutch/brake pedal down firmly
- Start engine (page 13)
- With engine running and warm place throttle control midway between "S" (slow) and "F" (fast) position
- f. Engage mower with the attachment clutch lever. NOTE: "ENGAGE" OR "DISENGAGE" MOWER BLADE CLUTCH LEVER SLOWLY
- g. Move gear shift lever to desired gear.
- h. Lower mower into cutting position using attachment lift lever
- Release clutch/brake pedal to start movement
- Move throttle control to "F" (fast) position. NOTE: SELECT A GROUND SPEED THAT WILL SUIT THE TERRAIN, QUALITY OF CUT AND ATTACHMENT BEING USED. (See Chart. Fig. 14)

4. Mowing Tips

NOTE: TIRE CHAINS CANNOT BE USED WITH THE MOWER HOUSING ATTACHED.



READ THE "SAFETY RULES" CAREFULLY BEFORE OPERATING YOUR MOWER. REFER TO PAGE 2.

- a. Use the runner on the R.H. side as a quide; the blade cuts approximately an inch outside the runner (Fig. 15).
- b. Drive so that clippings are discharged onto the area that has been cut. Have the cut area to the right of the machine. This will result in a more even distribution of clippings and more uniform cutting.
- c. When mowing large areas (Fig. 16), start by turning to the right so that the clippings will discharge away from shrubs, fences, driveways, etc. After one or two rounds, mow in the opposite direction making left hand turns until finished.
- d. If grass is extremely tall, it should be mowed twice. The first time cut relatively high; the second time to the desired height.
- e. The left hand side of mower should be used for trimming.
- 5. Operating The Tractor On Hills



DO NOT DRIVE UP OR DOWN HILLS WITH SLOPES GREATER THAN 15° AND DO NOT DRIVE ACROSS ANY SLOPE. REFER TO PAGE 51.

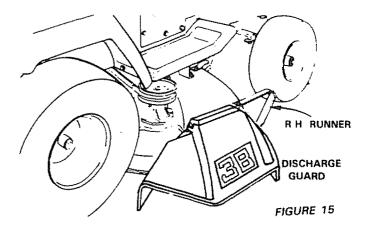
- a. Move gear shift lever to "1ST" gear before starting up or down hills.
- b. AVOID STOPPING OR SHIFTING ON HILLS.
- c. If slowing is necessary, move throttle control lever to slower position.



LEAVE ENOUGH ROOM WHEN STOP-PING AND STARTING TO ALLOW SLIGHT TRACTOR ROLL DOWNHILL AS CLUTCH/ BRAKE PEDAL MOVES THROUGH CLUTCH POSITION.

- d. If stopping is absolutely necessary, push clutch/brake pedal quickly to brake position and engage parking
- e. To restart tractor movement, make sure tractor is in the lowest speed range (1st Gear) and that you have allowed room to roll slightly downhill. Depress clutch/brake fully. Disengage parking brake and release clutch/brake pedal SLOWLY to start tractor movement.
- Make all turns gradually

OPERATION



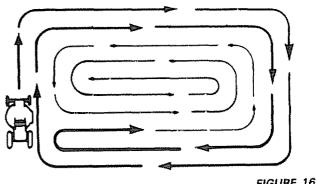


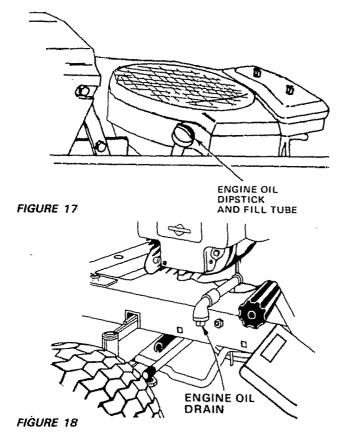
FIGURE 16

6. Flip-Up Discharge Guard

Your mower has a flip-up discharge guard (Fig. 15) for door or gate clearance when held in raised position.



MAKE SURE ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER IS IN "DISENGAGED" POSITON AND BLADES HAVE STOPPED BEFORE RAISING DISCHARGE GUARD (DEFLEC-OPERATE MOWER TORI. NEVER WITHOUT DISCHARGE GUARD IN **OPERATING POSITION**



To keep your tractor running better, longer, perform necessary service using the following maintenance schedule:

BEFORE MAKING ANY INSPECTION, ADJUSTMENT OR REPAIR:

- PUSH TRACTOR CLUTCH/BRAKE PEDAL COMPLETELY INTO "BRAKE" POSITION.
- 2. MOVE GEAR SHIFT LEVER TO "N" NEUTRAL POSITION.
- 3. PLACE PARKING BRAKE IN "EN-GAGED" POSITION. REMOVE FOOT FROM PEDAL.
- 4. PLACE ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER IN "DISENGAGED" POSITION.



- 5. TURN IGNITION KEY TO "OFF" POSITION. SHUT OFF THE ENGINE.
- MAKE ABSOLUTELY SURE THE BLADE AND ALL MOVING PARTS HAVE COMPLETELY STOPPED.
- 7. REMOVE THE IGNITION KEY.
- 8. DISCONNECT THE SPARK PLUG WIRES FROM THE SPARK PLUGS AND KEEP WIRES AWAY FROM THE PLUGS TO PREVENT INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL STARTING. BE CAREFUL TO AVOID TOUCHING HOT ENGINE OR MUFFLER COMPONENTS.

With Every Mowing

- 1. Make sure all nuts on bolts are tight and cotter pins and retainer springs are secure.
- 2. Observe all safety precautions.
- 3. Keep tractor well lubricated (refer to page 20).

First 2 Hours (Two Mowings)

1. Change Engine Oil

Changing oil after the first two hours (or two mowings) will help eliminate break--in residue which might be damaging to your engine.

NOTE: BE CAREFUL NOT TO ALLOW DIRT TO ENTER THE ENGINE WHEN CHANGING OIL.

- a. Drain oil with engine warm.
- b. Remove hood and grill (see page 23).
- c. Loosen oil drain plug (Fig. 18). Remove dipstick.
- d. Catch oil in a suitable container.
- d. Reinstall oil drain plug after all oil has been removed from engine.
- e. Refill engine oil. Refill capacity is 1 1/2 quarts.

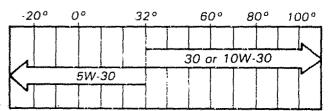
NOTE: DO NOT OVERFILL.

Replace dipstick.

Dipstick assembly must be securely tightened into tube at all times when engine is operating.

Recommended SAE Viscosity Grades

Determine temperature range expected before next oil change. All oil must meet A P I. service classification SD, SE or SF.



TO AVOID DAMAGE TO THE STARTING CAUTION: SYSTEM, USE SAE 5W30 OIL WHEN THE TEMPERTURE FALLS BELOW 32°.

Every 5 Hours (Five Mowings)

1. Check Engine Oil Level



DO NOT CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL WITH ENGINE RUNNING.

Several minutes after stopping engine, check engine oil level with tractor on level ground. Wipe dipstick (Fig 17) clean, screw it down tight for a few seconds, remove and read oil level. If necessary, add oil until "FULL" mark is reached. (See chart above). NOTE: DO NOT OVERFILL.

Every 25 Hours (Twice a Mowing Season)

1. Brake Adjustment

This tractor is equipped with an adjustable brake system mounted on the right side of the transaxle (Fig. 19).



IF TRACTOR REQUIRES MORE THAN SIX FEET STOPPING DISTANCE IN HIGHEST GEAR, THEN BRAKE MUST BE ADJUSTED.

IMPORTANT: PARKING BRAKE MUST BE DISEN-GAGED AND GEAR SHIFT LEVER IN NEUTRAL WHILE MAKING ADJUSTMENT.

- Depress clutch/brake pedal and engage parking brake.
- b. Measure distance between brake operating arm and nut "A" on brake rod.
- c. If distance is other than 1-1/2", disengage parking brake, loosen jam nut (Fig. 19) and turn nut "A" until distance becomes 1-1 2. Retighten jam nut against Nut "A".
- d Engage parking brake and recheck distance Road test tractor for proper stopping distance as stated above. Readjust if necessary.

2. Tire Care

Maintain tire pressure in front at 14 PSI and rear tires at 12 PSI.

3. Blade Sharpening

For best results mower blades must be kept sharp. The blades can be sharpened with a few strokes of a file or on a grinding wheel. We suggest they be sharpened after every 25 hours of mowing. Do not attempt to sharpen while on mower

- a. When grinding, care should be taken to maintain blade balance and the blade should be checked for proper balance before reinstallation on mower. Unbalanced or bent blade will cause excessive vibration when running, and eventual damage to mower or engine Replace bent or damaged blades.
- b To check blade balance, drive a nail into a beam or wall. Leave about one inch of the straight nail exposed. Place center hole of clean blade over the head of the nail (Fig. 20). NOTE: CENTER HOLE OF BLADE ON NAIL. IF BLADE IS PROPERLY BALANCED. BLADE SHOULD REMAIN IN POSITION SHOWN IN FIG. 20. IF EITHER END OF THE BLADE MOVES DOWNWARD, BLADE IS NOT BALANCED. SHARPEN THE HEAVY END UNTIL BLADE IS BALANCED.

Every 50 Hours (Once a Mowing Season)

(Operating in dusty conditions may require more frequent servicing.)

1. Check Battery

- Acid solution level in each battery cell should be even with bottoms of tubes in cells (fig. 21). Add ONLY distilled water if necessary. NOTE. DO NOT OVERFILL.
- b Keep battery and terminals clean.
- c Keep battery bolts tight.
- d Keep vent caps tight and small vent holes in caps open
- e Recharge at 6 amperes for 1 hour

MAINTENANCE

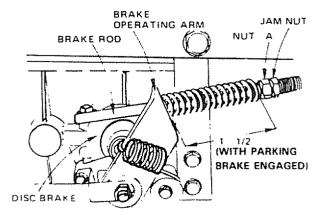
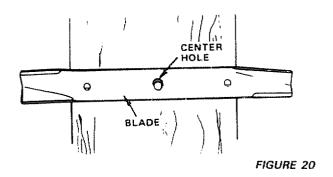


FIGURE 19



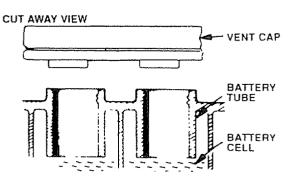


FIGURE 21

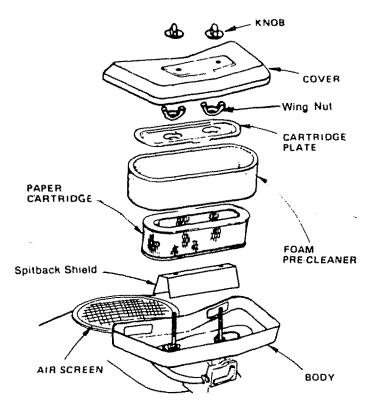


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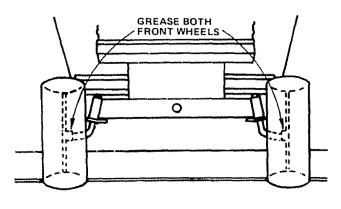


FIGURE 23

2. Clean Battery and Terminals

Corrosion and dirt on the battery and terminals cause the battery to "leak" power.



LEAD-ACID BATTERIES GENERATE EX-PLOSIVE GASES. KEEP SPARKS, FLAME AND SMOKING MATERIALS AWAY FROM BATTERIES. ALWAYS SHIELD YOUR EYES AROUND BATTERIES.

- a. Remove terminal guard.
- b. Disconnect BLACK battery cable then RED battery cable and remove battery from tractor.
- c. Wash battery with four tablespoons of baking soda to one gallon of water, NOTE: BE CAREFUL NOT TO GET THE SODA SOLUTION INTO THE CELLS.
- d. Rinse the battery with plain water, dry and reinstall on tractor
- e. Clean terminals and battery cable ends with wire brush until bright
- f. Replace battery cables, connecting RED battery cable to positive terminal first, then BLACK battery cable to negative terminal. Coat terminal connections with Vasoline
- g. Replace terminal guard

3. Change Engine Oil

The best time to change engine oil is at the end of a day's operation when all dirt and foreign materials are suspended in the hot oil. See chart, page 16.

4. Clean Air Cleaner Foam Pre-Cleaner (Fig. 22)

- a. Remove knobs and cover.
- b. Remove foam pre-cleaner element by sliding it off of the paper cartridge.
- Wash foam pre-cleaner in liquid detergent and water.
- d. Wrap foam pre-cleaner in cloth and squeeze dry.
- e. Lightly coat foam pre-cleaner with engine oil. Squeeze in towel to remove excess oil. Do not saturate.
- f. Install foam pre-cleaner over paper cartridge.
- g. Reassemble cover and screw down tight.

5. Clean Air Screen

Air screen (Fig. 22) must be kept free of dirt and chaff to prevent engine damage from overheating. Clean with a wire brush or compressed air to remove dirt, stubborn dried gum fibers

6 Check Muffler

Inspect and replace corroded muffler as it could create a fire hazard and/or damage.



DO NOT TOUCH HOT MUFFLER, CYLINDER OR FINS AS CONTACT MAY CAUSE BURNS.

7. Lubricate Steering And Front Wheels

There is a grease fitting on each front wheel. Use a grease gun; give each grease fitting two shots of extreme pressure lubricating grease (available through your Sears Service Center). Use 30 weight oil to lubricate pivot (Fig. 23).

8. Oil Pivot Points

Place several drops of SEA 30 oil at points where metal parts move against each other, especially hood hinges.

SEE LUBRICATION CHART, PAGE 20.



DISCONNECT SPARK PLUG WIRE(S) TO PREVENT ACCIDENTAL STARTING BEFORE MAKING ANY INSPECTION, ADJUSTMENT OR REPAIR (EXCEPT CARBURETOR). BE CAREFUL TO AVOID TOUCHING HOT ENGINE COMPONENTS.

9. Clean Engine Cooling Fins

Remove any dust, dirt or oil from engine cooling fins to prevent engine damage from overheating. Air guide covers must be removed. (Fig 24) Remove eight 7/16" bolts and six 5/16" bolts to remove side and top covers. See hood removal, page 23.

Every 100 Hours

1. Replace Spark Plugs

Replace spark plugs at the beginning of each mowing season or every 100 hours, whichever comes first. Gap should be set at 0 030 inch (Fig. 25) A deep well 13/16" socket is required to remove the spark plug

2. Replace Air Cleaner Paper Cartridge (Refer to Page 18).

3. Replace In-Line Fuel Filter

If fuel filter is clogged, obstructing fuel flow to carburetor, replacement is required.

- With engine cool, remove filter and plug fuel line sections as removed from both ends of fuel filter (Fig. 26)
- b. Place new fuel filter in position in fuel line.



BE SURE THERE ARE NO FUEL LINE LEAKS AND THAT FUEL LINE IS IN PROPER POSITION IN HOSE CLAMPS.

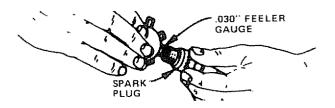


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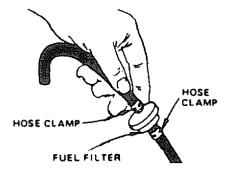
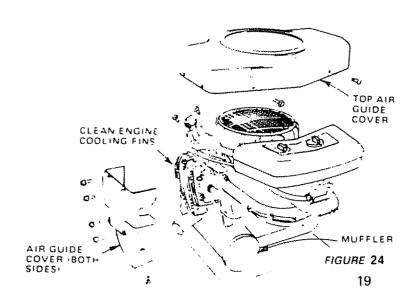
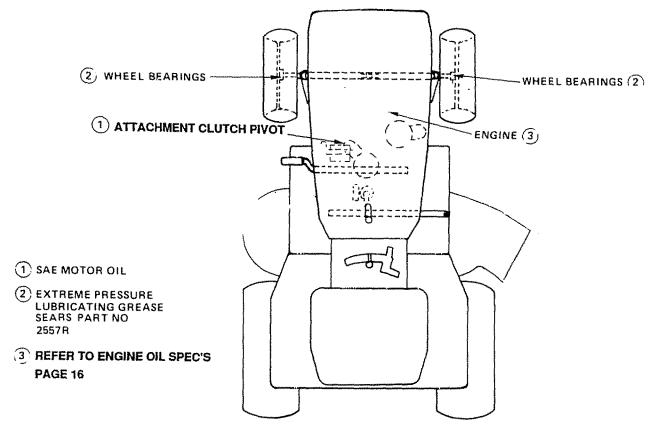


FIGURE 26



LUBRICATION CHART



REPAIR & ADJUSTMENT

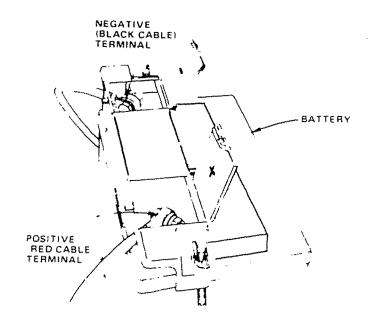


FIGURE 27

BEFORE MAKING ANY INSPECTION. ADJUSTMENT OR REPAIR:

- PUSH TRACTOR CLUTCH/BRAKE PEDAL COMPLETELY INTO "BRAKE" POSITION.
- MOVE GEAR SHIFT LEVER TO "N" NEUTRAL POSITION.
- PLACE PARKING BRAKE IN "EN-GAGED" POSITION. REMOVE FOOT FROM PEDAL
- PLACE ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER IN "DISENGAGED" POSI-TION.
- 5. TURN IGNITION KEY TO "OFF" POSITION. SHUT OFF THE EN-GINE.
 - 6. MAKE ABSOLUTELY SURE THE BLADE AND ALL MOVING PARTS HAVE COMPLETELY STOPPED.
 - 7. REMOVE THE IGNITION KEY.
 - 8. DISCONNECT THE SPARK PLUG WIRES FROM THE SPARK PLUGS AND KEEP WIRES AWAY FROM THE PLUGS TO PREVENT INJURY FROM ACCIDENTAL STARTING. BE CAREFUL TO AVOID TOUCHING HOT ENGINE OR MUFFLER COMPONENTS.



1. Starting your Tractor With a Weak Battery

If your battery is too weak to start the engine, it should be recharged. If "jumper cables" are used for emergency starting, follow this procedure:

NOTE: YOUR TRACTOR IS EQUIPPED WITH A 12 VOLT NEGATIVE GROUNDED SYSTEM THE OTHER VEHICLE MUST ALSO BE A 12 VOLT NEGATIVE GROUNDED SYSTEM.



LEAD-ACID BATTERIES GENERATE EX-PLOSIVE GASES. KEEP SPARKS, FLAME AND SMOKING MATERIALS AWAY FROM BATTERIES. ALWAYS WEAR EYE PRO-TECTION WHEN AROUND BATTERIES.

- a. Connect each end of the RED cable to the POSITIVE (+) terminals of each battery (taking care not to short against chassis) (Fig. 27).
- b. Connect one end of the BLACK cable to the NEGATIVE (—) terminals of fully charged battery.
- c. Connect the other end of the cable to the L.H. side panel bolt (Fig 28) NOTE: KEEP AWAY FROM GAS TANK AND BATTERY.
- d. Disconnect cables in reverse order:
 - 1. L.H. side panel bolt (Fig. 28).
 - 2. Negative terminals of fully charged battery.
 - 3. Positive terminals

IMPORTANT: DO NOT USE YOUR TRACTOR BATTERY TO START OTHER VEHICLES.

2. Throttle Control Cable Adjustment

Never attempt to change maximum engine speed. This is preset at the factory (3600 ± 100 RPM) and should only be changed by a qualified service technician who has the necessary equipment

- a. Remove hood, page 23.
- b. Loosen casing clamp screw until throttle cable is free to move (Fig. 29A).
- c Move throttle control (on the dashboard) to "FAST" position.
- d Pull throttle cable tight (until swivel beneath carburetor is against side of quarter circle)
 Retighten casing clamp screw



REFER TO "STARTING THE ENGINE," PAGE 13

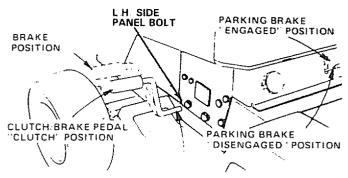
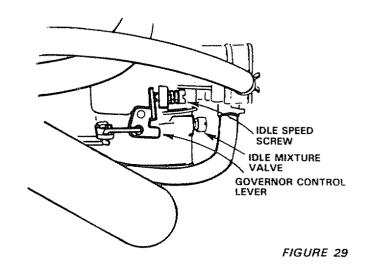


FIGURE 28



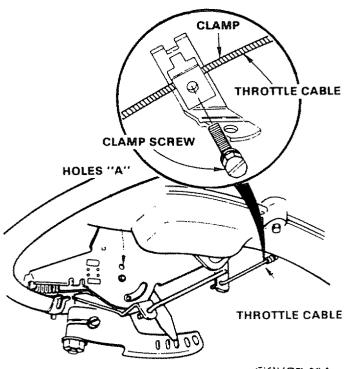


FIGURE 29A

3. Carburetor Adjustment

NOTE: ADJUST THROTTLE CONTROL CABLE BEFORE MAKING ANY ADJUSTMENT TO CARBURETOR. AIR CLEANER MUST BE ASSEMBLED TO CARBURETOR WHEN RUNNING ENGINE

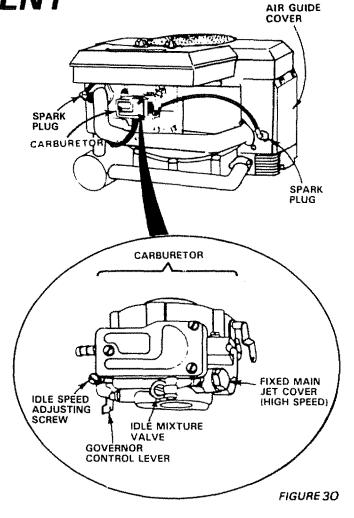
Minor carburetor adjustments may be required to compensate for differences in fuel, temperature or altitude. Adjust the carburetor fuel mixture as follows:

- a. Gently turn idle mixture valve clockwise () (Fig. 30) until it just closes and then counterclockwise () 1-1/2 turns.
 CAUTION: Valve may be damaged if turned in too far.
- b. Start engine and allow to warm for five minutes. Make final adjustments with engine running and choke pushed in.
 - c. Move throttle control lever (on dashboard) to "SLOW" position.
 - d Hold governor control lever against idle speed screw, and adjust idle speed screw to obtain 1200 to 1400 RPM (Fig. 29).
 e While still holding the governor control lever
 - e. While still holding the governor control lever against idle speed screw, turn idle mixture valve slowly clockwise ()(lean mixture) until speed just starts to slow
 - f. Turn idle mixture valve back to the midpoint between rich and lean.
 - g. Adjust the idle speed screw to obtain 900 to 1200 RPM. Release governor control lever.
 - h. Move throttle control (on the dashboard) to "FAST." If engine hesitates or dies, turn idle mixture valve approximately 1/8 turn counterclockwise () until engine will accelerate as throttle control is moved from "SLOW" to "FAST."

4. Fuse Replacement

Replace with 30 amp automotive-type plug-in fuse. The fuse is located under the dash.





5. Motion Drive Belt Replacement

The tractor drive belt may be replaced without tools. Park the tractor on level area. Engage parking brake. NOTE: BELT INSTALLATION DECAL UNDER LEFT FOOTREST.

- a. Remove mower. (See page 24).
- b. Remove two retainer springs from belt guide bracket below transaxle pulley. Remove bracket (Fig. 31).
- c. Swing belt guides away from belt, toward rear of tractor (Fig. 31)
- d. Roll belt over top of transaxle pulley.
- e. Roll belt over engine pulley and off idler (Fig. 33).
- f. Release parking brake. Pull belt as far as possible over top of clutch pulley.
- g. Reset parking brake. Pull belt over top of clutch pulley (Fig. 33).
- h. Pull belt out through shift gate to remove from tractor (Fig. 32).

Install belt by reversing above procedure.

NOTE: REPLACE ONLY WITH BELT LISTED IN MANUAL.

6. Hood Removal

- a. Grasp hood assembly at rear and raise to full up position (Fig. 34).
- b. Disconnect headlight wiring connection.
- c. Standing in front of tractor, grasp sides of hood assembly and raise up and off tractor (Fig. 35)...
- d. Place hood assembly carefully on ground.
- e. To replace, reverse above procedure.

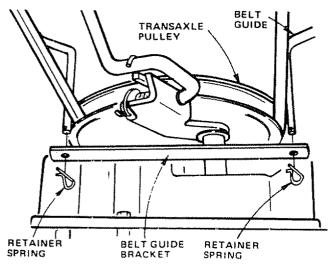
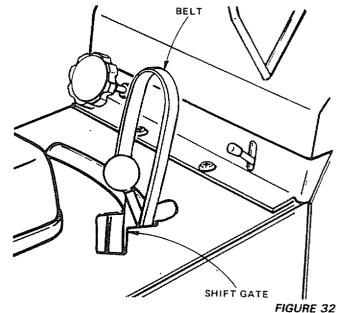
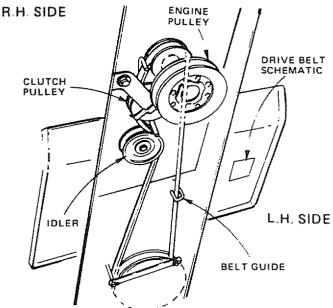
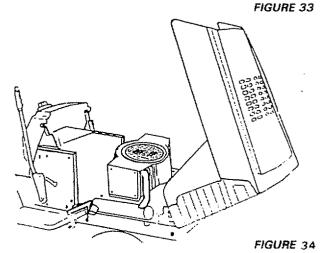


FIGURE 31





REAR
VIEWED FROM BOTTOM OF TRACTOR



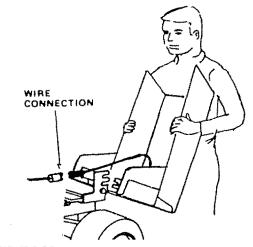


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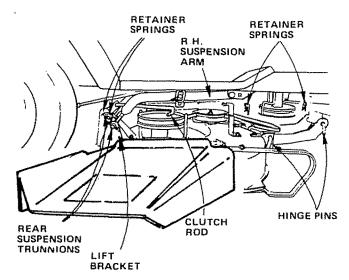


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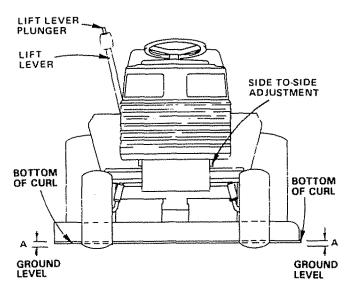


FIGURE 37

7. Mower Removal

- a. Remove mower belt per instructions under "Mower Drive Belt Removal" through step(c).
- Remove retainer spring from clutch rod; pull clutch rod out of clutch bracket.
- c Pull retainer springs out of rear suspension trunnions. Remove rear suspension trunnions from lift brackets (Fig. 36).
- d. Pull retainer spring out of rear hinge pin. Remove rear hinge pin (Fig. 36)
- e. Pull retainer spring out of front hinge pin. Remove front hinge pin. (Fig. 36).
- f. Use lift lever to raise suspension arms. Slide mower out from under tractor

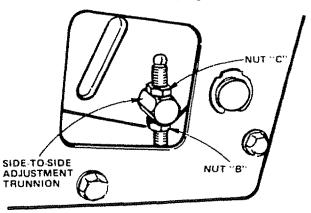
NOTE: IF AN ATTACHMENT OTHER THAN THE MOWER DECK IS TO BE MOUNTED ON THE TRACTOR, THE L.H. AND R.H. SUSPENSION ARMS (FIG. 36) SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM TRACTOR.

8. Level Mower Housing

Adjust the mower while tractor is parked on level ground or driveway. Make sure tire pressures are 14 PSI in front tires and 12 PSI in rear tires. If tires are over or under inflated, you will not properly adjust your mower.

Side-to-Side Mower Adjustment

- a. Depress lift lever plunger and use lift lever to raise mower to maximum cutting height
- b Measure height from bottom of curl to ground level at front of mower. Distance "A" should be the same on both sides of mower (Fig. 37).
- c. If distance "A" needs to be changed, snap out access hole cover on L.H. side above footrest. Use 11/16" wrench on nuts "B" and "C" at side-to-side adjustment trunnion (Fig. 38).
- d. To raise left side of mower, loosen nut "B" and tighten nut "C".
- To lower left side of mower, loosen nut "C" and tighten nut "B"
 NOTE: ONE ROTATION OF ADJUSTMENT NUTS IS EQUIVALENT TO APPROXIMATELY 3/16" HEIGHT CHANGE.
- f. Be sure all nuts are securely tightened



Front-To-Rear Mower Adjustment

- a. To obtain the best cutting results, your mower housing should be adjusted so the front and rear flange distance "D" (Fig. 39) is 1/2" lower in front when the mower is positioned in the highest cutting position. NOTE: MEASURE DISTANCE "D" FROM GROUND LEVEL TO BOTTOM OF CURL ON RIGHT REAR FLANGE AND COMPARE TO DISTANCE "D" AT RIGHT FRONT FLANGE.
- b. To raise rear of mower, loosen nut "E" on both rear suspension arms. Screw both nuts "F" up an EQUAL NUMBER OF TURNS (Fig. 40).
- c. When distance "D" is 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nuts "E".
- d. To lower rear of mower, loosen nut "F" on both rear suspension arms an EQUAL NUM-BER OF TURNS (Fig. 40).
- e. When distance "D" is 1/2" lower at front than rear, retighten nuts "E".

NOTE: WHEN ADJUSTING REAR SUSPENSION TRUN-NIONS, ALWAYS ADJUST BOTH EQUALLY SO MOWER WILL STAY LEVEL.

9. Blade Replacement

Raise mower to highest position to permit access to blades or remove mower (page 24).

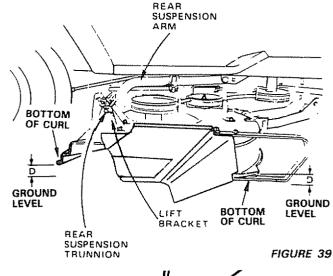
- a. Remove bolt, lockwasher and washer (Fig. 41) (turn counterclockwise)().
- b. Remove and discard old blade.
- c. Clean top and bottom of mower housing.
- d. Place new blade between flanges, (the word "TOP" is stamped on all blades to assure proper installation), and secure with washer, lockwasher and bolt previously removed. TIGHTEN SECURE-LY. Torque to 30-35 ft. lbs.



ALWAYS USE GRADE 5 HEAT TREATED BOLTS TO ATTACH BLADES. CHECK BOLTS IN BLADES OCCASIONALLY TO MAKE SURE BOLTS ARE TIGHT. TORQUE BOLTS TO 30-35 FT. LBS.



A GRADE 5 HEAT TREATED BOLT CAN BE IDENTIFIED BY THREE LINES ON THE BOLT HEAD AS SHOWN AT LEFT.



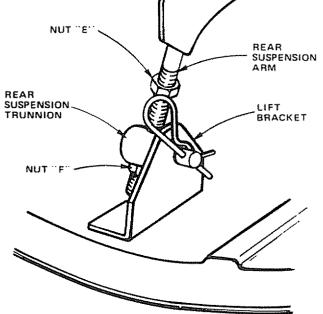
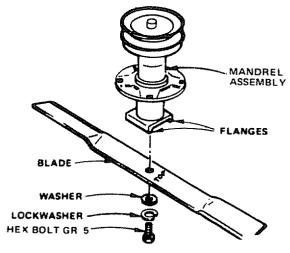


FIGURE 40



(TORQUE TO 30-35 FT.-LBS.)

10 Rear Wheel Installation

Coat axle with grease to prevent corrosion or rust accumulation and eventual seizing of wheel hub to axle shaft.



WHEN REPLACING WHEELS ON THE TRACTOR, THEY MUST BE MOUNTED WITH THE LONG HUB SIDE TOWARD THE CENTER OF THE TRACTOR. INCORRECT INSTALLATION COULD AFFECT LATERAL STABILITY. (SEE FIG. 43).

11. Tire Care

- a. Maintain tire pressure in front at 14 PSI (1Kg/cm²) and rear tires at 12 PSI (0.71 Kg/cm²).
- Keep tires free of gasoline, oil, or insect control chemicals which can harm rubber.
- Avoid stumps, stones, deep ruts, sharp objects and other hazards that may cause tire damage.
- d. Removing wheel for tire repair (Fig. 42).
 - 1. Block up axle securely.
 - 2. Remove klip ring and washer to allow wheel removal (rear wheel contains a square key Do Not Lose).
 - 3. Repair tire and reassemble. Align slots in rear wheel hub and axle. Insert square key. Replace washer and snap klip ring securely in axle groove.



WHEN MOUNTING TIRES, UNLESS BEADS ARE SEATED, OVER INFLATION CAN CAUSE AN EXPLOSION.

12. Storage

Remove mower from tractor for winter storage. When mower is to be stored for a period of time, clean it thoroughly, remove all dirt, grease, leaves, etc. Give blades and underside of housing a good coat of grease or rust preventative. Store in a clean dry area.

A. Fuel System

IT IS IMPORTANT TO PREVENT GUM DEPOSITS FROM FORMING IN ESSENTIAL FUEL SYSTEM PARTS SUCH AS THE CARBURETOR. FUEL FILTER. FUEL HOSE OR TANK DURING STORAGE. ALSO. EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT ALCOHOL BLENDED FUELS (CALLED GASOHOL OR USING ETHANOL OR METHANOL) CAN ATTRACT MOISTURE WHICH LEADS TO SEPARATION AND FORMATION OF ACIDS DURING STORAGE. ACIDIC GAS CAN DAMAGE THE FUEL SYSTEM OF AN ENGINE WHILE IN STORAGE. TO AVOID ENGINE PROBLEMS. THE FUEL SYSTEM SHOULD BE EMPTIED BEFORE STORAGE FOR 3C DAYS OF LONGEP

B. Engine Oil

Drain (with engine warm) and replace with clean engine oil. (See chart, page 16).

C. Cylinders

- 1. Remove spark plugs.
- 2. Pour one ounce of oil through spark plug holes into cylinders.
- 3. Turn ignition key to "START" position for a few seconds to distribute oil.
- 4. Replace with new spark plugs.

D. Battery

- 1. Prior to storage, clean terminals and top of battery.
- 2. After a period of time in storage, battery may require recharging.

E. General Cleaning

Clean engine, battery, seat, finish, etc. of all foreign matter.

F. Store in a Clean Dry Area

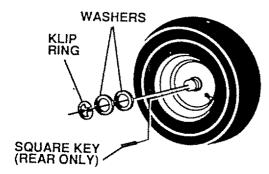


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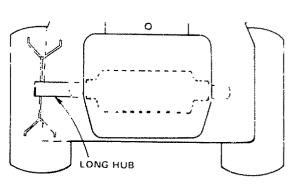


FIGURE 43

TROUBLESHOOTING

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PROBLEM	CAUSE / REMEDY (SEE INDEX)
WILL NOT START	Fill Tank with Gasoline. Check Fuel Line and Carburetor (clean if necessary). Replace Fuel Filter. Use Fresh Fuel Recharge or replace Battery Check Wiring Replace Spark Plug(s) and adjust gap Drain and replace oil for proper temperature
WILL NOT TURN OVER	Push Clutch/Brake Pedal into brake position Charge or replace Battery Move Attachment Clutch Lever to "DISENGAGED" position Replace Ignition Switch Replace Interlock Switch(es) Replace Solenoid or Starter Replace Fuse Check all Wire Connections and "Ground" Points
ENGINE CLICKS BUT WON'T START	Clean Battery Terminals Replace Starter or Solenoid Charge or Replace Battery Check Wire Connections and "Ground" Points
HARD TO START	Place Throttle Control in "FAST" position and run starter several times to clear out gas Remove Air Filter and clean Replace Spark Plug(s) and adjust gap Recharge or replace Battery Check the Wiring Drain Fuel Tank and Carburetor. Use Fresh Fuel. Replace Fuel Filter Make necessary adjustments to Carburetor Major Engine Overhaul
ENGINE MISSES OR LACKS POWER	Shift to a lower gear or reduce load Drain Gas Tank and Carburetor Use Fresh Fuel Remove and clean Air Cleaner Make necessary carburetor adjustments Clean Air Screen Add or change oil Replace Spark Plug(s) and adjust gap Replace Fuel Filter Major Engine Overhaul
ENGINE OVERHEATS	Shift to lower gear or reduce load Clean Air Screen Add or change oil Clean Engine Cooling Fins Remove and clean Muffler or replace Remove and clean Air Filter Use fresh fuel and adjust Carburetor
NO LIGHTS	Check Fuse, Switch and Wire Connections. Replace Headlight Bulbs Replace Switch
WON'T CHARGE	Check Fuse for fault and replace Replace Battery Replace Diode Assembly Replace Alternator
OPERATOR PRESENCE SYSTEM WILL NOT SHUT DOWN ENGINE WHEN OPERATOR LEAVES SEAT NOTE This tractor is equipped with an operator presence sensing system. Any attempt by the operator to leave the seat with the engine running and the attachment clutch engaged will shut down the engine.	Check Operator Presence Relay Check all Wire Connections Check Seat Switch

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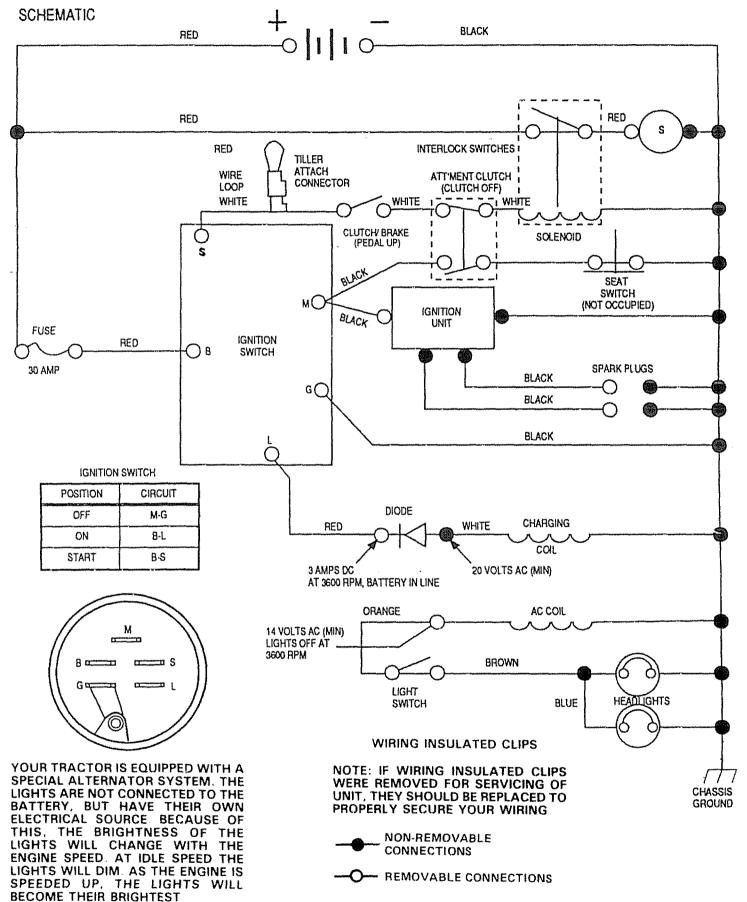
UNSATISFACTORY MOWER PERFORMANCE UNEVEN DISTRIBUTION OF CLIPPINGS	Place Throttle Control in "FAST" position Check air pressure in Tires Check front-to-rear and side-to-side Mower adjustment Use a slower ground speed Replace Mower Blades Reinstall Mower Blades with Top of Blade up Clean underside of Mower Deck Readjust Mower Drive Belt
MOWER BLADES WILL NOT ROTATE	Correct Clutch Mechanism Interference Install new Mower Drive Belt Reinstall Mower Drive Belt Adjust Mower Drive Belt Replace frozen Mandrel Replace frozen Idler Pulley
EXCESSIVE MOWER VIBRATION	Replace bent or unbalanced Blades Replace Mandrel, Straighten Deck or replace
WIND ROWING STRIPPING OR DROPPING OF GRASS CLIPPINGS	Set Throttle for maximum engine speed Let grass dry out Clean underside of Mower Deck Readjust Mower front-to-rear and side-to-side Replace Blades
UNEVEN CUT OR SCALPING	Readjust Mower front-to-rear and side-to-side Replace Blades Replace bent Mandrel(s)

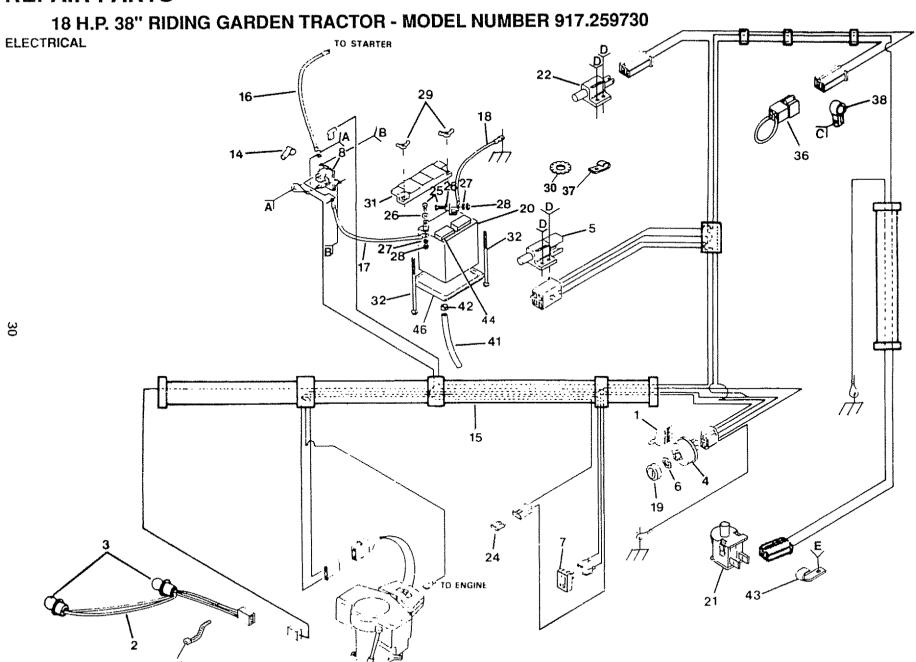
SERVICE RECORD

SERVICE RECORD	SCHEDULE						
Fill in dates as you complete regular service	FIRST 2 HOURS	EVERY 5 HOURS	EVERY 25 HOURS	EVERY 50 HOURS	EVERY 100 HOURS	EVERY 200 HOURS	
Blades			×			2	
Brake Adjustment			X				
Check Battery				X			
Change Engine Oil	X			X			
Check Engine Oil Level		X					
Clean Air Filter				X			
Check Muffler	A constant			X			
Clean Air Screen and Engine Cooling Fins				X			
Clean Front Grill				X			
Lubricate Tractor				X			
Replace Spark Plugs					X		
Replace Air Filter Cartridge					X		
Tires	***************************************		x				
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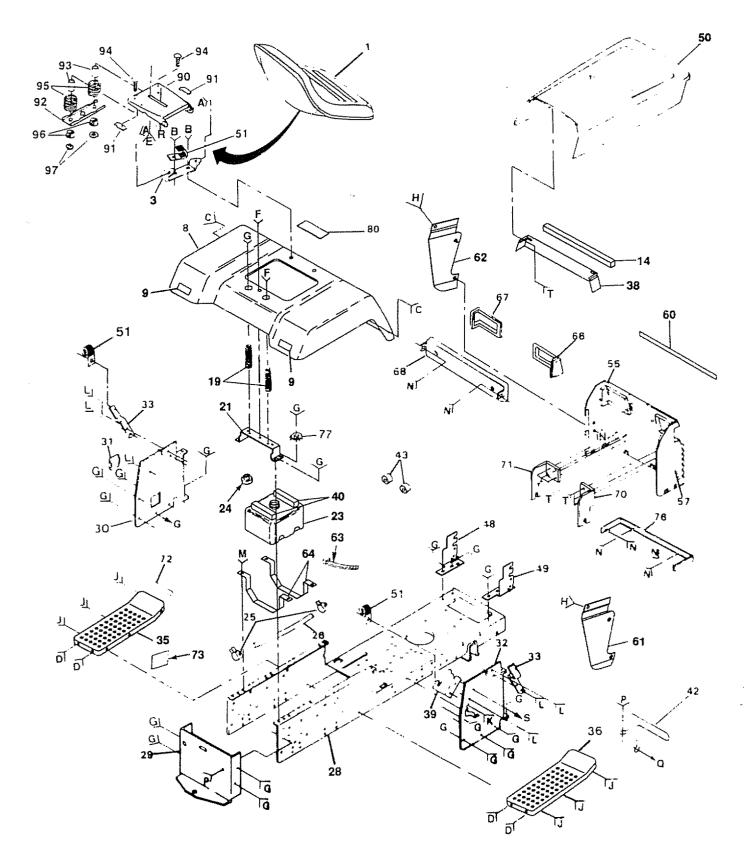
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	7552H 110859X 4152J 4406R 109553X 109788X 110712X 109081X 10090400 73350400 STD551225 STD541425 719J 124129X 4799J 4206J 4207J 109787X 121265X 121305X	Molded Key Harness, Light Socket Bulb - Light Switch - Ignition Switch, Interlock - Attachment Clutch Ignition, Nut Switch - Light Solenoid Washer - Lock 1/4 Nut - Jam 1/4 - 20 *Washer - Lock - Ext. Tooth 1/4 *Nut, Keps 1/4 - 20 Cover - Terminal Harness - Ignition Cable - Battery Cable - Ground Bezel - Ignition Battery Switch - Seat	22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 40 41 42 43 44 46 47	104445X 17021008 108824X 74760412 STD551025 STD551125 STD551125 123198X STD551237 102476X 72240460 74641008 73951000 102501X 2751R 235R 74780408 73680400 100541K 109596X 4171J 121264X 7603J 7192J 101539X	Switch - Interlock - Clutch Screw - Hex Tap. 10 - 24 x 1/2 Fuse - 30 Amp Bolt - Hex 1/4 - 20 x 3/4 *Washer 9/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga. *Washer - Lock 1/4 *Nut - Hex 1/4 - 20 Nut - Wing 1/4 - 20 *Washer - Lock 3/4 Ext. Tooth Guard - Terminal Bolt - Carriage 1/4 - 20 x 7-1/2 Slotted Pan Head Screw #10 - 32 Nut, Keps #10-32 Wire Loop Clip, Fuel Line Clip - Insulation Bolt - Hex 1/4 - 20 x 1/2 Nut - Crownlock 1/4 - 20 Tube Clamp - Hose Clip - Insulated Caps, Battery Tray, Battery Tray, Battery Cable, Tie Sheet - Instruction, Tractor 15° Slope Owner's Manual

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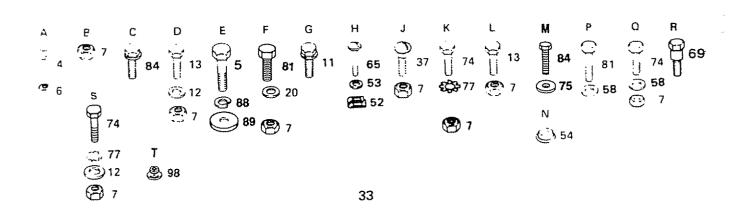


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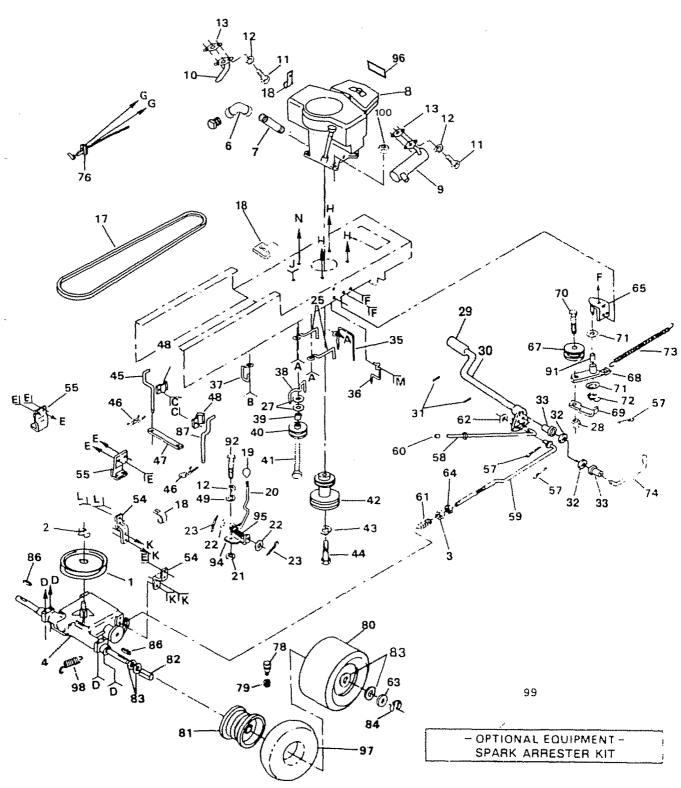
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1 121076X 3 105513X 4 105529X 5 STD525010 6 STD541431 7 STD541437 8 109872X 9 106202X 11 17490612 12 19131312 13 STD523707 14 109458X 19 121067X 20 19131614 21 109873X 23 124067X 24 123549X 25 123487X 26 5277J 28 121277X 29 121306X 30 124118X 31 121794X 32 110828X 33 105525X 35 105476X 36 105475X 37 72140606 38 124046X 39 110923X 40 126564X 42 108885X 43 110436X 43 123806X 49 123805X	Seat Bracket - Pivot - Seat Bolt - Shoulder 5/16 - 18 Bolt 1/2 - 13 x 1 Nut - Lock 5/16 - 18 Nut - Lock 3/8 16 Fender \ 1098-12 \ X 4 2 3 Reflector - Rear Screw, Hex Washer Thd. Roll. 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 12 Ga Bolt, Hex 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Strip, Foam Compresion Spring Washer 13/32 x 1 x 14 Ga. Bracket - Fender Tank - Fuel Cap - Fuel Clamp - Hose Line - Fuel Chassis Assembly Drawbar Panel, Dash, L.H. Cover - Access Panel, Dash, R.H. Bracket - Support - Dash Footrest, L.H. 105476 x 4 2 3 Footrest, R.H. 105476 x 4 2 3 Footrest, R.H. 105476 x 4 2 3 Bolt, Carriage 3/6 x 16 x 3/4 Baffle, Hood, Sears GT Bracket - Clutch - Mower Strip, Foam Guard, Muffler Grommet - Split Bracket - Pivot - L. H. Bracket - Pivot - R. H.	50 123801X 51 2751R 52 108402X 53 106910X 54 108067X 55 124089X 57 124625X 58 19131616 60 124626X 61 123764X 62 123765X 63 7192J 64 123803X 65 124201X 66 106003X 67 106004X 68 110897X 70 108512X 71 108513X 72 4900J 73 109199X 74 74760616 75 19131316 76 110350X 77 STD551237 80 106974X 81 17490608 88 STD551150 89 19171912 90 124294X 91 121251X 92 121246X 93 121246X 93 121248X 94 72170410 95 121250X 96 121248X 97 123976X 98 120579X	Clip U-Clip Washer Pal Nut Grill 124089X423 Decal - Stripe Washer 13/32 x 1 x 16 Ga. Decal, Grill Stripe 1/4 Panel - Side - R. H. 123764x423 Panel - Side - L. H. 123765x423 Tie, Cable Strap, Tank Screw, Hex Button Head Lens - R. H. Lens - L. H. Bezel - Headlight Bolt - Shoulder Bracket - Pivot - R. H. Bracket - Pivot - L. H. Decal - Clutch/Brake Decal - Drive Belt Bolt, Hex 3/8 - 16 x 1 Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 16 Ga. Strap Assembly - Grill 110350X423 *Washer - Lock, Ext. Tooth 3/8 Decal, Caution Bolt, Hex Washer Thd. Roll. 3/8 - 16 x 1 Screw, Hex Washer Thd. Roll. 3/8 - 16 x 1/2 *Washer - Lock 1/2 Washer 17/32 x 1-3/16 x 12 Ga. Pan Seat Strip Foam Bracket, Switch Mount Spacer Split Bolt Carr. 1/4 - 20 x 1 1/4 Compression Spring Bushing, Snap Nut, Hex Large Flange Pal Nut

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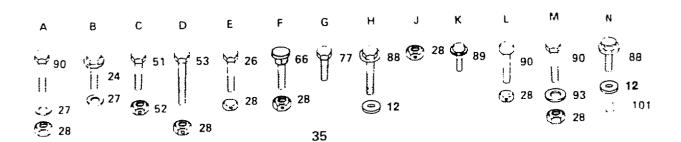


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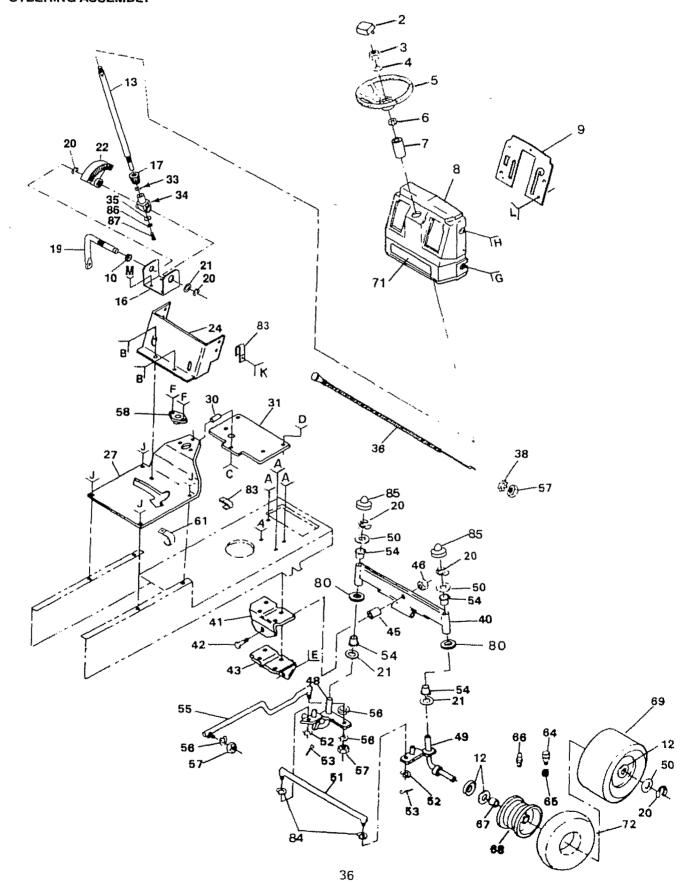
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Pulley, Transaxle (Driven) Ring, Retainer * Nut, Lock Hex W/Wsh. INS 3/8 - 16 Transaxle, 5 Speed, Foote, Model No. 4360-13 (Speed) for parts broakdown)	52 STD541431 53 STD532727 54 105842X 55 109167X	 Bolt, Hex 5/16 - 18 x 3/4 Nut, Lock 5/16 - 18 Bolt, Hex 3/8 - 16 x 2-3/4 Strap, Torque Bracket, Transaxle Pin, Cotter 1/8 x 3/4
Elbow, STD 90° 3/8 - 18 Nipple, Pipe Engine, Briggs & Stratton, Model	58 125637X 59 110437X 60 71673 61 106888X	Rod, Brake, Park Rod, Brake Cap Spring, Rod, Brake
Mulfler Tube Assembly - Exhaust Bolt, Hex 1/4 - 20 x 3/4 • Washer. Lock 1/4 Gasket V-Belt, Drive	62 19131316 63 121748X 64 STD541237 65 123102X 66 74760612 67 123766X	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 16 Ga. Washer 25/32 x 1 - 5/8 x 16 Ga. Nut, Hex, Jam 3/8 - 16 Bracket, Clutch Bolt, Carr. 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Pulley, Idler Arm, Idler
Knob Rod, Shifter Washer - Shaft Plate Washer 15/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga	69 1 23205X 70 74760624 71 STD523715 72 12000039 73 105709X	Retainer, Belt Bolt, Hex 3:8 - 16 x 1-1/2 • Washer, Hardened Ring, Klip Spring, Return, Clutch
3:8 - 16 x 3:4 Keeper, Belt, Engine Bolt, Hex 3:8 - 16 x 3:4	76 121468 X 77 17720410 78 59192	Link, Clutch Control, Throtlle Screw, Hex Thd. Cut. 1/4 - 20 x 5/8 Cap, Valve
• Nut, Lock 3/8 - 16 Cover, Pedal Shaft, Foot Pedal	80 124635X 81 106108X311 82 109502X	Stem, Valve Tire Rim Spacer, Split Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga
 Washer 21/32 x 1 x 16 Ga. Bearing, Nylon Guíde. Belt, Lower, Eng. Pulley L. 	84 12000001 86 123583X 87 123663X	E-Ring Key, Square 2.5 x .1845/.1865 Keeper, Belt, R. H. Bolt, Hex Washer Thd. Roll. 3/8 - 16
Guide, Belt. Lower, Eng. Pulley R. H.	89 17490512	x 1-1/2 Screw, Hex Washer Thd. Roll. 5/16
Retainer, Belt Chassis Keeper, Belt Spacer Idler, Flat * Bolt, Hex 3/8 - 16 x 2-3/4 Pulley, Engine * Washer, Lock 7/16 *Bolt, Hex 7/16 - 20 x 1-1/4 Keeper, Belt L. H. Retainer Spring Strap, Locator Clamp Washer 9/32 x 3/4 x 10 Ga.	91 105706X 92 71040412 93 19132012 94 106919X 95 105700X 96 124608X 97 7152J 98 110422X 99 674A380 100 STD54143 7	- 18 x 3/4
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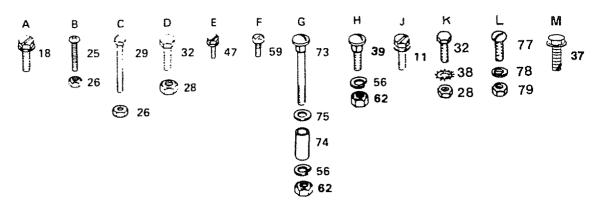
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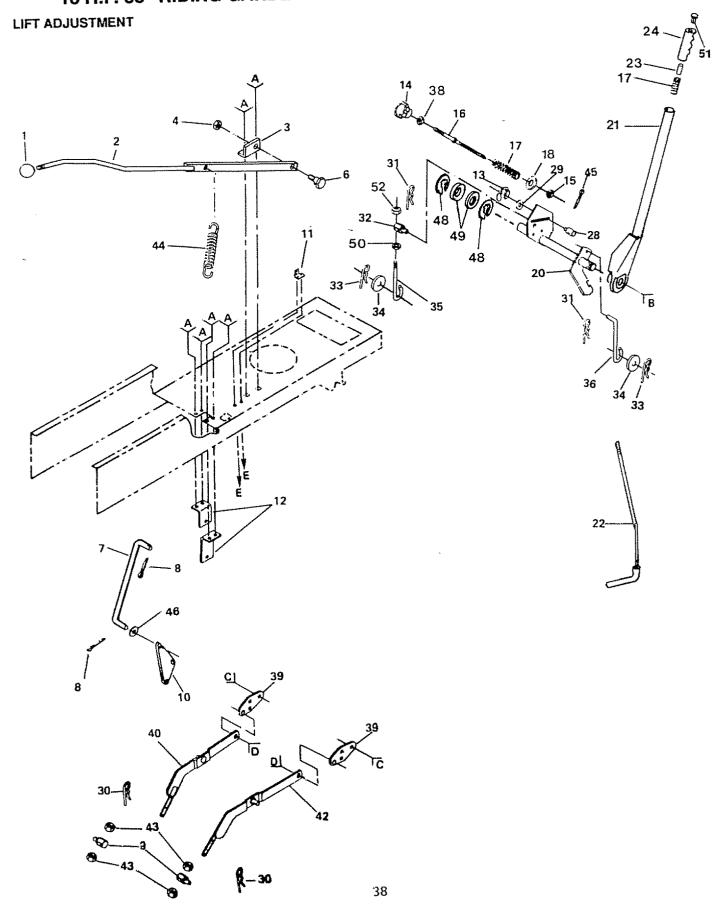
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2 3 4	100710L 73940800 100712K	Insert - Steering Wheel Nut. Top Lock 1/2 -20 UNF Washer	42 74761060 43 105664X 45 110438X 46 73901000	Bolt - Hex 5/8 -11 x 3-3/4 Support - Saddie - Front Spacer Bearing - Front Axle Nut - Lock - Flange 5/8 - 11 Screw - Hex Washer Thd. Roll. 5/16
5 6	100713N 100711L	Wheel - Steering Adapter - Steering Wheel	47 17490508	- 18 x 1/2
7	106015X 120028X	Sleève - Steering Dash	48 105656X 49 105654X	Spindle - L. H. Spindle - R. H.
	120003X014	Dash Plate	50 121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga.
10 11	109816X 17490608	Nyliner - Snap-In Screw - Hex Washer Thd. Roll.3/8 - 16 x 1/2	51 105715X 52 19131416 53 STD561210	Rod - Tie Washer 13/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga. • Pin, Cotter
13	121749X 124041X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 166A Shaft - Steering	54 3366R 55 124032X 56 10040600	Bearing Link - Drag Washer - Lock 3/8
	124036X 124037X	Bracket - Steering Gear - Pinion	<i>57</i> 73610600	Nut - Hex 3/8 - 24
	122819X	Screw, Special 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Shoft, Bitman	58 1554J 59 17431008	Bushing - Steering Screw - Hex No. 10 - 16 x 1/2
	124033X 12000029	Shaft, Pitman Klip Ring	61 2751R	Clip - Fuel Line
21	6266H	Bearing - Thrust Gear - Sector ー j メ4034 X	62 74180412 64 59192	Nut - Hex 3/8 - 16 Cap - Valve
24	1 08684 X 105518X	Dash - Lower	<i>65 65139</i>	Stem - Valve
25	74180512	Screw - Crown Truss Hd. 5/16 - 18 x 3/4	66 278H 67 9040H	Fitting - Grease Bearing
26	STD541431	• Nut - Lock 5/16 - 18	68 106732X	Rim - 6" Front
	125607X011	Saddle	69 106222X 71 108456X	Tire - Front Decal - Instructions, Operating
28 29	73680600 STD523120	Nut - Lock 3/8 - 16 Bolt - Hex 5/16 - 18 x 2	72 59904	Tube - Tire - Front
30	121236X	Spacer	73 72110622 74 121235X	Bolt - Carriage Hex 3/8 - 16 x 2-3/4 Spacer
31 32	106001X STD523707	Support Plate -Battery • Bolt - Hex 3/8 - 16 x 3/4	75 19131416	Washer 13/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga.
	STD523707 57079	Washer	77 74760612	Screw - Pan Head 1/4 - 20 x 3/4
	124035X 126684X	Support Shaft Washer 5/8 x 1/4 x 16 Ga.	78 19091216 79 73510400	Washer 13/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga. Nut , Keps 1/4 NC
36	121525 X	Control - Choke	80 19272016	Washer 27/32 x 1 1/4 x 16 Ga.
37	17490612	Screw, Hex Wsh Thdrol 3/8 - 16 x 3/4	83 5320R 84 120754X	Clip, Insulated Bushing
	STD551237	* Washer - Lock, Int./Ext. Tooth 3/8	85 121232X	Cap Spindle
39	STD533710	Bolt - Carriage	86 10040400 87 71070410	Washer, Lock 1/4 Screw, Socket Hex 1/4 - 20 x 5/8
	105669X 105663X	Axle - Front Support - Saddle - Rear	0/ /10/04/0	Sciew, Soundi Hex 1/4 - 20 x 3/6

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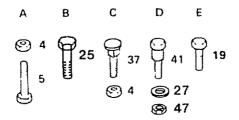
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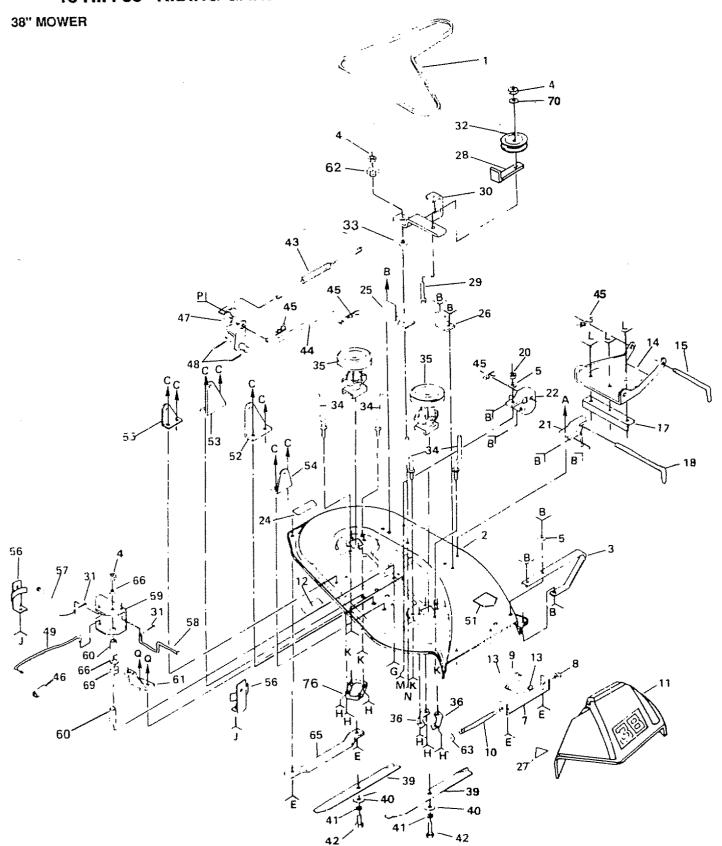
18 H.P. 38" RIDING GARDEN TRACTOR - MODEL NUMBER 917.259730 LIFT ADJUSTMENT

KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 106933X 2 110924X 3 106498X 4 73680600 5 STD523707 6 106451X 7 108387X 8 76020412	Knob Lever - Mower Clutch Bracket - Pivot Nut - lock 3/8 - 16 • Bolt - Hex 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Bolt - Shoulder Rod - Clutch - Primary Pin - Cotter 1/8 x 3/4	28 110810X 29 19151216 30 9135R 31 4939M 32 110447X 33 4921H 34 19171516 35 110448X	Trunnion - Stop Depth Washer 15/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga. Retainer Spring Retainer Spring Trunnion - Lift Retainer Spring Washer 17/32 x 5/16 x 16 Ga. Link - Lift Adjust
9 106308X 10 109728X	Trunnion - Lift Lower Bellcrank	36 110029X	Link - Lift
11 108236X 12 106444X	Bracket - Switch Bracket - Bellcrank	37 STD533707 38 STD541237 39 105864X	 Bolt - Carriage 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Nut - Jam 3/8 - 16 Bracket - Suspension
13 12000037 14 100734K 15 110807X	Klip Ring Knob, Height Adjustment Nut - Special	40 121599X 41 105848X	Arm - Suspention - L.H. Bolt - Shoulder 3/8 - 16
16 110729X 17 2876H	Rod - Ådjust - Lift Spring	42 121598X 43 STD541050 44 58606	Arm - Suspension - R. H. Nut - Hex Fin 1/2 - 13
18 19131016 19 17021008 20 121000X	Wasñer 13/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga. Screw - Hex Hd. Tap. Shaft - Lift	44 56006 45 76020308 46 19131410	Spring Pin - Cotter 3/32 x 1/2 Washer 13/32 x 7/8 x 10 Ga
21 121002X 22 121006X	Lever - Lift (Inc. Key No. 22) Rod - Lever	47 73980600 48 12000022 49 19292016	Nut - Lock 3/8 - 16 E-Ring Washer 29/32 x 1 1/4 x 16 Ga
23 122364X 24 125631X 25 74780624	Plunger - Lever Grip - Handle Bolt 3/8 - 16 x 1-1/2	50 73360700 51 124526X	Nut Hex Jam 7/16 -20 Button, Plunger
27 110739X	Washer - Spring 3/8	<i>52 73710700</i>	Nut, Crownlock, Jam 7/16 - 20

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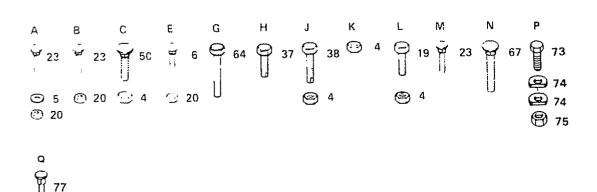
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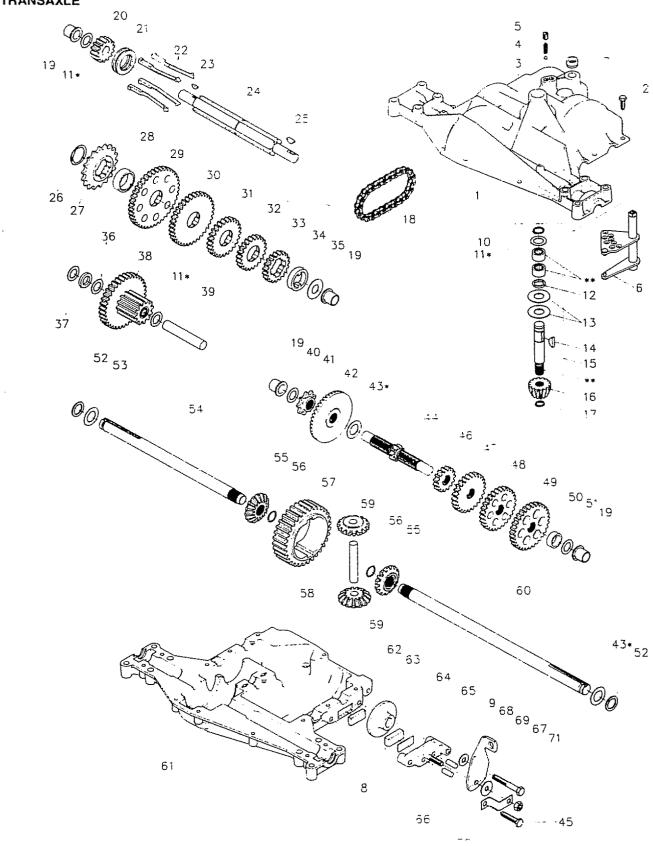
38" MOWER						
KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION			
KEY PART	V-Belt Housing Runner, R. H. Nut, Lock 3/8 - 16 Washer 11/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga. Bolt, Carr. 5/16 - 18 x 5/8 Bracket, Deflector Push Nut Spring, Deflector Rod, Hinge Deflector, Shield Decal, V-Belt Cap Link, Parallel Pin, Hinge, Front Stop, Link Pin, Hinge, Rear * Bolt 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Nut, Lock 5/16 - 18 Bracket, Lift, L. H Bracket, Lift, L. H Bolt, Carr. 5/16 - 18 x 3/4 Instruction, Caution Decal Support Arm Stop, Deck, Front Decal, Safety Standard - Not Serviced Guide, Belt * Bolt 3/8 - 16 x 2 Arm, Idler Pin Cotter Pulley, Idler Spacer, Retainer Keeper, Belt Jackshaft Assembly Plate, Support, Jackshaft Screw, Hex Washer Hd. 3/8 - 16 x	NO. NO. 38 17490620 39 121263X 40 19132012 41 STD551137 42 74610624 43 108250X 44 108235X 45 4921H 46 6404J 47 124066X 48 76020616 49 108247X 50 STD533707 51 121343X 52 108243X 53 108241X 54 105857X 55 108673X 56 106578X 57 106463X 58 108249X 59 106456X 60 100672K 61 100673L 62 106513X 63 19111016	Screw, Hex Washer Hd. 3/8 - 16 x 1-1/4 Blade, 38" Washer 13/32 x 1-1/4 x 12 Ga. Washer, Lock 3/8 Bolt, Hex 3/8 - 24 x 1-1/2 Gr. 5 Spring, Extension Rod, Clutch, Mower Retainer, Spring Spacer 1/2 x 9/16 Rock Shaft Assembly Pin, Cotter 3/16 x 1 Rod, Brake, Primary Bolt, Carr. 3/8 - 16 x 3/4 Decal, Warning Bracket, Pivot, R. H. Bracket, Suspension, Rear, R. H Bracket, Suspension, Rear, L. H. Bracket, Suspension, Rear, R. H Bracket, Suspension, Rear, L. H. Bracket, Suspension, Rear, R. H Bracket, Secondary, R. H Bracket, Suspension, Rear, R. H Bracket, Secondary, R. H Bra			
G/ 1/70001T	7/8	77 STD533107 122215X	 Bolt, Carriage 5/16 - 18 x 3/4 Mower Assembly, Complete 			
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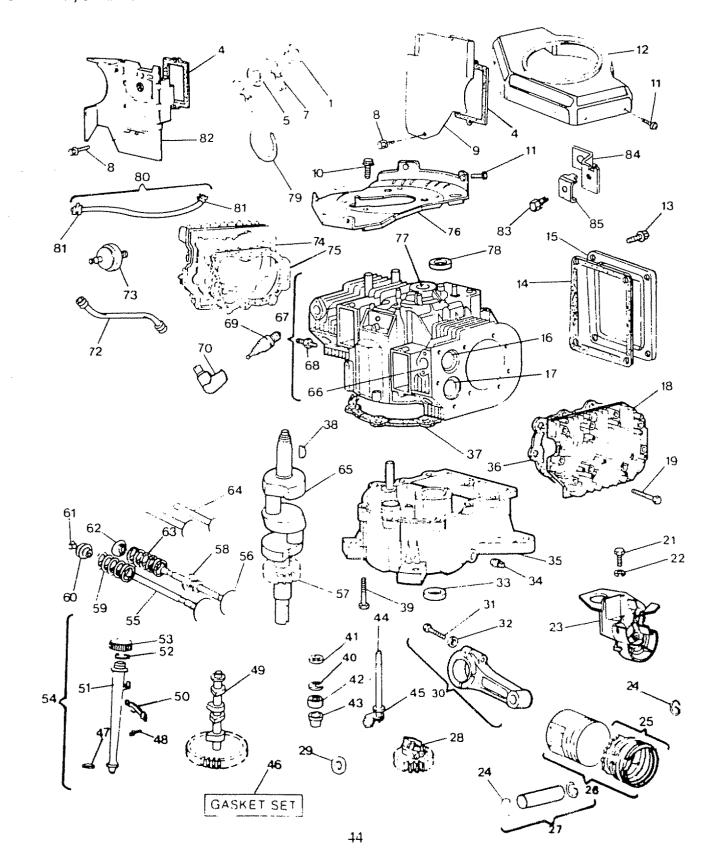
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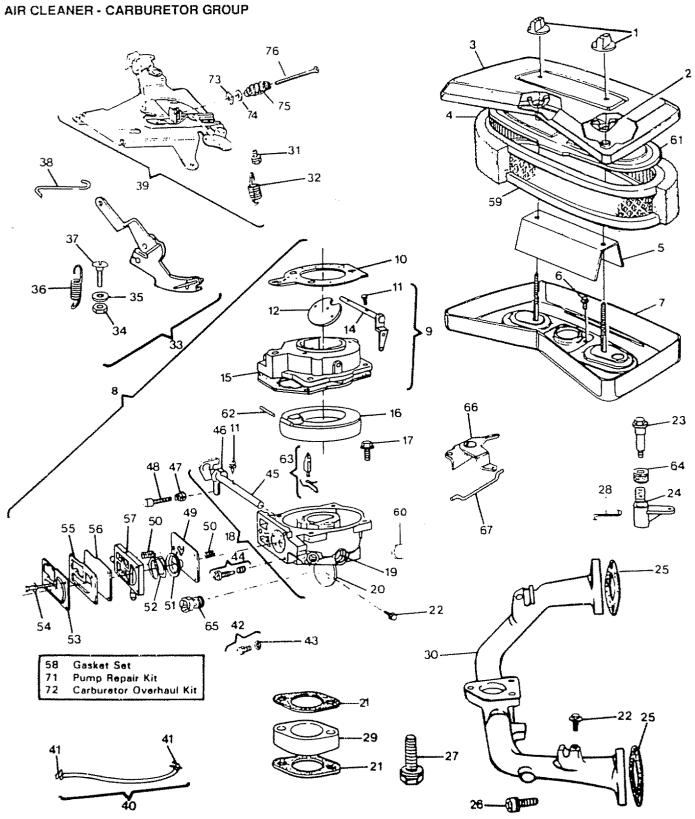
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	90576	Nut - Hex 8 - 32	38	222698	Key - Flywheel
4	27803	*Gasket - Valve Cover	<i>39</i>	93585	Screw - Hex Hd. Sem
5	92791	Washer · Lock, Shakeproof	40	94296	Retainer - E-Ring
6	222892	Cover - Breather Cylinder No. 2	41	491287	Foam Seal - Governor Shaft
7	93722	Terminal - Spade	42	261560	Upper Bushing - Governor
8	93394	Screw - Sem	43	<i>2623:</i> 32	Lower Bushing - Governor
9	222912	Baffle - Air	44	491530	Crank - Governor
10	93777	Screw - Hex Head (Back Plate to	45	223882	Washer - Governor Crank (Inside)
ru	33777	Cylinder)	46	394501	Gasket Set
11	9.3158	Screw - Sem	47	271157	Seal - Filler Tube
12	491247	Housing - Blower	48	93469	Screw - Hex Head
		Screw - Crankcase Cover Mtg. Sem	49	212337	Gear - Cam
13	90887	NOTE: USES 92228 LOCKWASHER	<i>50</i>	222875	Clamp - Oil Filler
		• • • •	51	280224	Tube - Oil Filler
14	270981	*Gasket - Crankcase	52	271170	Seal - Oil Filler Cap
15	212455	Cover Plate - Crankcase	53	394020	Cap and Dipstick - Oil Filler
16	261463	+Seat - Intake Valve (Standard)	54	394394	Dipstick and Tube Assembly (Inc. Key
17	210940	+Seat - Exhaust Valve (Standard)			Nos. 47, 48, 50. 51. 52 & 53)
18	212462	Head - Cylinder No. 2	55	390419	Valve - Exhaust
19	93211	Screw - Cylinder Head (2 - 21/32" Long)	56	261528	Valve - Intake
21	93686	Screw - Hex Head (10 - 32 x 5/8)	57	231445	Gear - Timing
22	92290	Washer - Lock (No. 10 x 1/16 x 3/64)	58	393606	Seal Assembly and Retainer
23	393415	Oil Slinger Assembly	59	26828	Spring - Exhaust Valve
24	260924	Lock - Piston Pin	60	292260	Rotocoil - Exhaust Valve
25	394959	Ring Set - Piston (Standard)	61	93630	Retainer - Exhaust Valve Rotocoil
25 25	394960	Ring Set - Piston (010" O S)	62	221596	Retainer - Intake Valve
25 25	394961	Ring Set Piston (.020" O.S.)	63	65906	Spring - Intake Valve
25 25	394962	Ring Set - Piston (.030 ** O.S.)	64	261368	Tappet - Valve
26 26	394955	Piston Assembly (Standard)	65	394028	Crankshaft
20	554550	(Inc. Key Nos. 24 & 25)	05	034020	NOTE: ORDER NO. 94196 FOR
26	394956	Piston Assembly (.010" O.S.)			TIMING GEAR RETAINING DEVICE
	394957	Piston Assembly (.020" O.S.)	cc	261961	+Guide - Exhaust Valve
26 26	394958	Piston Assembly (030" O.S)	66	201301	NOTE: 231218 GUIDE INTAKE
26 27	299691	Pin Assembly - Piston (Standard)			
21	299091	(Inc. Key No. 24)		. .	(BRASS)
0.7	391286	Pin Assembly - Piston (.005" O.S.)	67	491730	Cylinder Assembly (Inc. Key No. 68)
27		Gear - Governor	68	230318	Connector - Impulse Pump
28	394348	Washer - Thrust	69	394539	Plug - Spark (Resistor)Champion RJ-12
29	222773	Rod Assembly - Connecting			or equivalent
30	394306	(Inc. Key Nos. 31 & 32)	70	66538	Elbow - Spark Plug
		NOTE FOR CONNECTING ROD	72	280225	Tube Breather
		WITH 020" UNDERSIZE CRANKPIN	73	394358	Filter - Fuel (In Fuel Line to Tank)
		BORE. ORDER NO 397158	74	212461	Head Cylinder No 1
			75	271867	*Gasket - Cylinder
31	92909	Screw - Connecting Rod	76	491304	Back Plate Assembly
32	220863	Washer	77	399265	+Bearing - Cylinder
33	<i>291675</i>	Seal - Oil	78	391086	Seal - Qil
34	91084	Plug - Oil Drain	79	391115	Wire - Ground
35	393552	Base Assembly - Crankcase	80	299146	Line - Fuel (28" cut to required length)
<i>36</i>	271868	*Gasket - Cylinder Head No. 2	00	200170	(Inc. Key No. 81)
37	271142	*Gasket - Crankcase Cover (1/64" thick)	81	93053	Clamp - Fuel Line
<i>37</i>	271188	*Gasket - Crankcase Cover (005" thick)		393370	Breather Assembly No. 1
37	271189	*Gasket - Crankcase Cover (009" thick)	82 93		Screw - Hex Head
			83	93496	
			84 05	223890	Bracket - Choke Cable
			85	221535	Clamp - Casing

^{*}INCLUDED IN GASKET SET 394501 +SPECIAL TOOLS REQUIRED TO INSTALL

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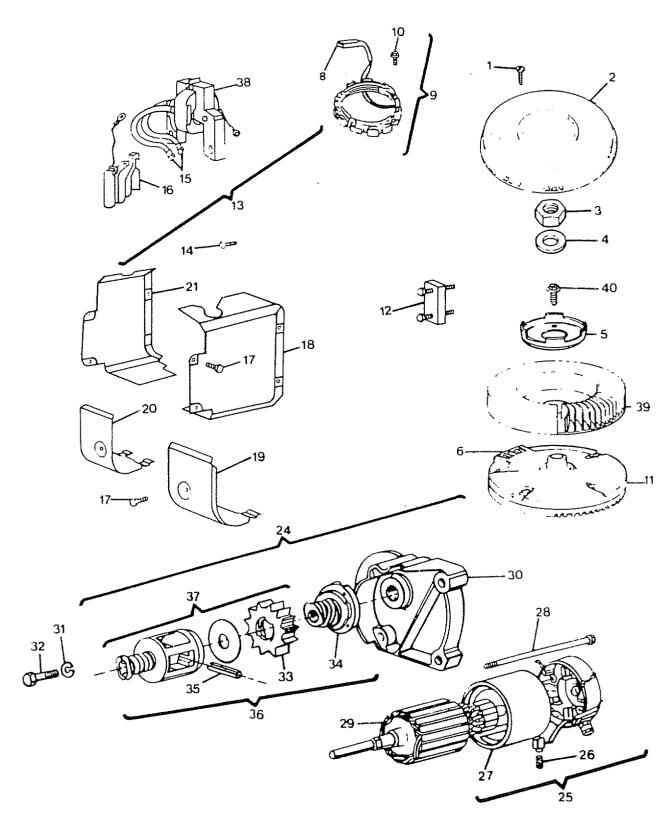


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AIR CLEANER - CARBURETOR GROUP

KEY NO.	PART NO	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	212706	Knob - Air Cleaner	38	261586	Link - Governor
2	94289	Nut - Hex	<i>39</i>	491282	Plate Assembly - Governor Control
.3	223579	Cover - Air Cleaner	40	393815	Impulse Line and Clamp Assembly
4	271271	Element - Air Cleaner			(Inc. Key No. 41)
5	224039	Mounting Strap Assembly - Air	41	93053	Clamp - Fuel Line
U	227000	Cleaner	42	397882	Plug and Seal. Solenoid
6	94166	Screw - Hex Head	43	280474	O-Ring Seal
7	398826	Body - Air Cleaner	44	491538	+ Valve Assembly - Carburetor Idle
, 8	491535	Carburetor Assembly (Inc. Key Nos	45	392672	Shaft and Lever - Throttle
U	401050	9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, ~	46	271013	+Washer - Choke Shaft
		19. 20. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49,	47	26157	Spring - Throttle Adjustment
		50. 51. 52. 53, 54, 55. 56, 57, 62 & 63)	48	91920	Screw - Machine Fill Hd. (8 - 32 x 5/8)
9	399535	Body Assembly - Upper Carburetor	49	270988	x Diaphragm
10	271411	Gasket - Air Cleaner	50	261358	× Spring
11	9.3499	Screw - Throttle and Choke	51	221377	x Cap - Spring
1.2	223534	Valve - Choke	52	261395	x Spring - Pump
14	392673	Shaft and Lever - Choke	5.3	223688	Cover - Diaphragm
15	271607	+ Gasket Carburetor Body	54	93829	Screw - Diaphragm - Damping
16	298514	Float - Carburetor	55	271025	x Gasket - Carburetor Pump
17	94152	Screw - Hex Head Sem (10 - 32 x 3/4)	56	270989	x Diaphragm - Damping
18	491543	Body - Lower Carburetor (Inc. Key	<i>57</i>	280197	Body - Pump
70	457515	Nos 11, 19, 20, 45 & 46)	58	394501	Gasket Set
19	231209	Bushing Throttle Shaft	59	394019	Cartridge - Air Cleaner
20	221939	Valve - Throttle	60	223472	Plug - Welch
21	271412	- * Gasket - Carburetor and Intake Elbow	61	223714	Cartridge Plate - Air Cleaner
22	93897	Screw - Sem	62	230896	+Pin - Float Hinge
23	93971	Screw - Hex Head	6.3	394681	+Valve - Fuel Inlet
24	280818	Crank - Bell	64	271013	Washer
25	270884	*Gasket - Intake Manifold Mounting	65	231338	°Jet - Needle Valve (Fixed)
26	93208	Screw - Intake Manifold Mounting	66	490207	Crank - Bell
27	93970	Screw - Hex Head	67	262375	Link
28	261587	Link - Throttle	71	393397	Repair Kit - Pump
29 29	280319	Spacer - Carburetor	72	491539	Overhaul Kit - Carburetor
30	213290	Manifold Assembly - Intake	7.3	94298	Nut - Square
31	93949	Screw - Sem	74	223882	Washer
32	262351	Spring - Governor	<i>75</i>	262337	Spring - Compression
33	491297	Lever Assembly · Governor (Inc. Key	76	94297	Screw - Pan Head
	401201	Nos 34, 35 & 37)			
34	92278	Nut - Hex (10 - 24)		*INCLUDI	ED IN GASKET SET 394501
35	222289	Washer		+INCLUDED IN CARBURETOR OVERHAUL KIT	
<i>36</i>	261563	Spring - Governor Idle		491539	
37	93853	Bolt - Governor Lever		×INCLUDI	ED IN CARBURETOR OVERHAUL KIT
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ALTERNATOR AND STARTER MOTOR GROUP

KEY NO.	PART NO	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	94326	Screw - Sem	21	222848	Cover - Air Guide
2	222673	Screen - Flush Rotating	24	394808	Motor - Starting (Inc. Key Nos. 25, 26,
2 3	230674	Nut - Hex			27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36 & 37)
4	222511	Washer · Spring	25	<i>395537</i>	Commutator End Cap Assembly Starter
5	223726	Retainer - Fan			(Inc. Key No. 26)
6	491180	Flywheel and Ring Gear Assembly	26	395538	Brush Set
		Magneto	27	393825	Housing Assembly
8	393456	Diode and Connector Assembly	28	94003	Thru Bolt
9	393474	Stator - Alternator (Dual Circuit)	29	390837	Armature Assembly (Motor)
		(Inc. Key No. 8)	<i>30</i>	394860	Drive End Cap Assembly - Starter
10	93621	Screw - Sem	31	90366	Lockwasher
T1	391362	Gear - Flywheel Ring (Includes	32	91162	Screw - Hex Head (5/16 - 18 x 1-1/2)
		Mounting Parts)	3.3	280104	Gear - Starter
12	19203	Puller - Flywheel (Optional Accessory)	34	398003	Clutch Assembly - Starter
13	394891	Armature Group (Inc. Key Nos. 15.	35	94288	Roll Pin
		16 & 38)	36	490421	Pinion Spring Kit (Inc.
14	93381	Screw · Armature Mounting Sem			Key Nos. 33 & 351
15	221798	Terminal - Ignition Cable	37	490467	Starter Drive Group (Inc. Key
16	394970	Trigger Coil Assembly Magnatron			Nos. 33, 34, 35 & 36)
		Ignition	38	394988	Armature Assembly
17	93163	Screw - Sem	<i>39</i>	280815	Fan - Flywheel
18	222849	Cover - Air Guide	40	93535	Screw - Sem
19	222847	Shield - Cylinder			
20	222846	Shield - Cylinder			
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Attachments That Add to the Usefulness of Your Craftsman Garden Tractor

Sears offers a wide variety of attachments that fit your tractor. Many of these are listed below with brief explanations of how they can help you. This list was current at the time of publication; however, it may change in future years — more attachments may be added, changes (including changes in the stock number) may be made in these attachments, or some may no longer be available.

Most of these attachments do not require additional hitches or conversion kits (those that do are indicated) and are designed for easy attaching and detaching. You may order these attachments at most Sears retail stores, catalog sales offices, and through the catalog

PERMANEX BAGGER lets you collect grass clippings and leaves for a healthier, neater-looking lawn. Two Permanex containers hold 30-gallon plastic bags. Stock number 71-24940

LAWN SWEEPERS let you collect grass clippings and leaves.

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71-24030	30-jn.	9,0 cu. ft.
71-24032	32-in	10.0 cu. ft.
71-24033 High-Performance	32 in.	11.5 cu. ft.
71-24038	38-in.	12.5 cu. ft.

LAWN VACS for powerful collections of heavy grass clippings and leaves. Wand attachment to pick up debris in hard-to-reach places.

71-2452
3HP
12 bu.
71-26471 chute

CARTS make hauling easy

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71-24353	4 cu.ft.	400 lb.	Dump cart
71-24354	10 cu. ft.	1,000 lb.	Hauling cart
71-24355	10 cu. ft.	1,000 lb.	Dump cart
71-24356	14 cu. ft.	1,250 lb.	Dump cart
71-24357	17 cu. ft.	1500 lb.	Dump Cart

ROLLER for smoother lawn surface. 36-inch wide, 18 inch diameter water-tight drum holds up to 390 lbs. of weight. Rounded edges prevent harm to turf. Adjustable scraper automatically cleans drum. Stock number 71-24084.

SPREADER/SEEDERS make seeding, fertilizing, and weed killing easy. Broadcast spreaders are also useful for granular de-icers and sand.

71-24194 Drop type, 36 inch. 12 in. semi-pneumatic wheels, 100 lb. capcity steel hopper.

71-24394 Broadcasts over a 5 to 8 foot swath 70 lb. capacity steel hopper. Noncorrosive spreading spinner, nylon gear box, stainless steel shaft.

71-24395 Broadcasts 8 to 10 foot swath. 160 lb. capacity.No-rust polypropylene hopper and impeller. Vinyl hopper cover.
71-2416 Broadcasts 6 to 8 foot swath. 150 lb. capacity. Corrosion resistant construction. Polyethylene hopper.

CORING AERATOR takes small plugs out of soil to allow moisture and nutrients to reach grass roots 36-inch swath. 24 hardened steel coring tips. 150 lb. capacity weight tray. Stock number 71-25351.

AERATOR promotes deep root growth for a healthy lawn. Tapered 2.5" steel spikes mounted on 10-in. diameter discs puncture holes in soil at close intervals to let moisture soak it. Steel weight tray for increased penetration. Stock number 71-2435

DETHATCHER loosens and flips thatch and matted leaves to lawn surface for easy pick up. Twenty spring tine teeth. Useful to prepare bare areas for reseeding. 40 inch rear mount; Stock number 71-24303:38 inch front mount, Stock number 71-24301

SPRAYERS L e 12-volt DC electric motor that connects to the tractor battery or other 12-volt source. Includes booms for automatic spraying when pulling, and hand held wand for spot spraying. Wand has adjustable spray pattern. For applying herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and liquid fertilizers.

71-2458 50 psi maximum pressure with 12 foot wand length. Sprays up to 25 feet with wand

71-24398 25 psi maximum pressure with 10 foot wand length. Sprays up to 18 feet with wand

SNOW BLADE for snow removal only 14 inch high, 42 inch wide blade clears 38 inch path when angled left or right. Raises, lowers with side lever. Adjustable skids: replaceable, reversible scraper bar (Use with tire chains, wheel weights or rear drawbar weight) Stock number 71-24407.

SNOWTHROWER has 40-inch swath. Drum-type auger handles powdery and wet/heavy snow. Mounts easily with simple pin arangement. Discharge chute adjusts to 210 degree arc from tractor seat. 6-inch diameter spout discharges snow 10 to 50 ft. Lift controlled at tractor seat. (Use with tire chains, wheel weights, or rear drawbar weight). Stock No. 71-24072.

TIRE CHAINS are heavy duty; closely spaced extra-large cross links give smooth ride, outstanding traction. Stock No. 71-24952.

WHEEL WEIGHTS for rear wheels provide needed traction for snow removal or dozing heavy materials. In pairs. Stock No. 71-24435 (30 lb each)

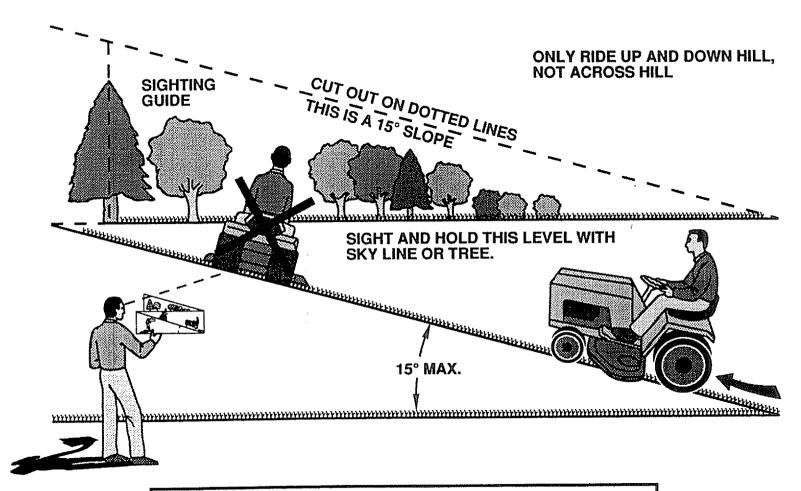
TRACTOR CAB has heavy duty vinyl fabric over tubular steel frame, ABS plastic top; clear plastic windshield offers 360 degree visability. Hinged metal frame doors with catch. Keeps operator warm and dry. Remove vinyl and windshield for use as sun protector in summer. Stock No. 71-24172.

Optional accessories for tractor cab: tinted/tempered solid safety glass windshied with hand operated wiper (Stock No. 71-26168); 12-volt amber caution light for mounting on cab top (Stock No. 71-26169)

TRACTOR COVER protects tractor from weather. Made of Evolution 3 fabric (water-repellent, extremely breathable, light weight, soft, non-abrasive, pliable in all temperatures, durable, stain-tear-puncture resistant, will not shrink or stretch). Stock No. 71-24601

TILLER cultivates and prepares soil in one operation. Uses PTO from tractor, 12 counter-rotating blades break ground with upper-cut action, then deflects and retills it for a soft, aerated soil. Chain-Drive transmission. Tills 21-inch path 6-inches deep. (Use chains and wheel weights). Stock No. 71-25246

SUGGESTED GUIDE FOR SIGHTING SLOPES FOR SAFE OPERATION





Operate your Tractor up and down the face of slopes (not greater than 15°) never across the face. Make turns gradually to prevent tipping or loss of control. Exercise extreme caution when changing direction on slopes.

SEARS OWNER'S MANUAL

MODEL NO. 917.259730

HOW TO ORDER REPAIR PARTS

COMPANION 18.0 HP TWIN CYLINDER 5 SPEED 38" MOWER DECK ELECTRIC START GARDEN TRACTOR

Each Tractor has its own model number. Each Engine has its own model number.

The model number for your Tractor will be found on the Model Plate located under the seat.

The model number for your Engine will be found on the Blower Housing.

All parts listed herein may be ordered from any Sears, Roebuck and Co. Service Centers and most Retail Stores.

WHEN ORDERING REPAIR PARTS, ALWAYS GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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- MODEL NUMBER 917.259730
- ENGINE MODEL NUMBER 422707, TYPE NUMBER 1511-01
- PART NUMBER
- PART DESCRIPTION

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