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**MODEL NUMBER 917.258515 OWNER'S MANUAL**

- **Assembly**
- **Operation**
- **Customer Responsibilities**
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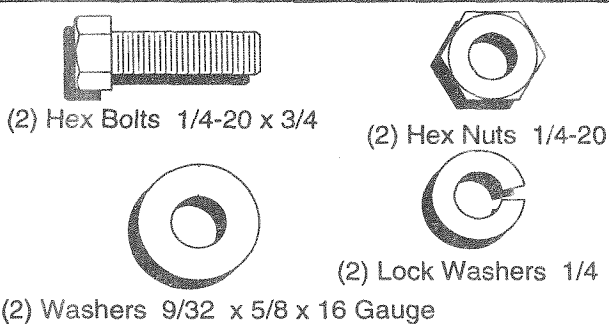
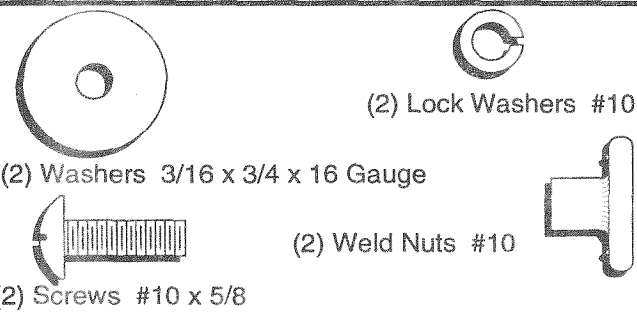
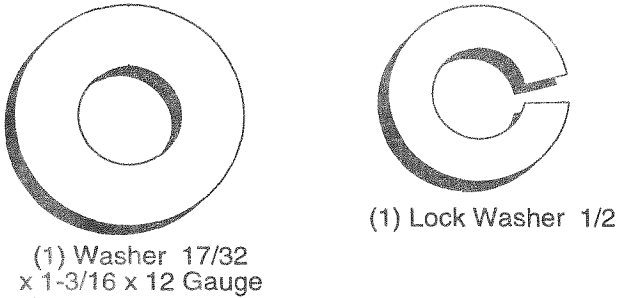
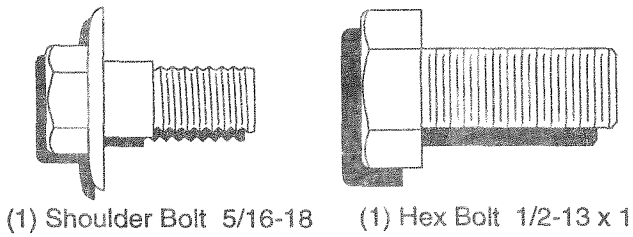
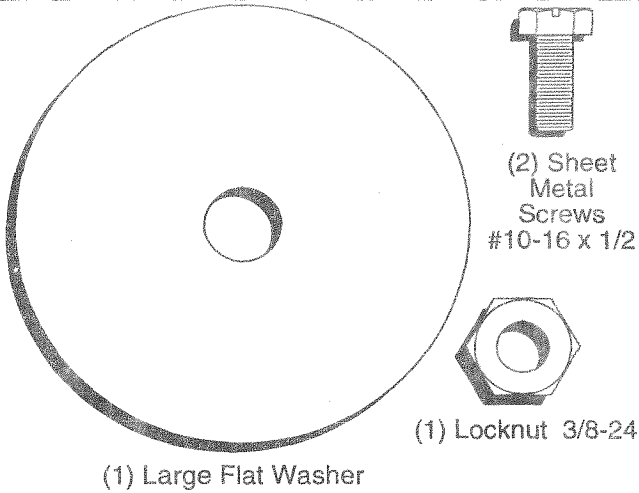
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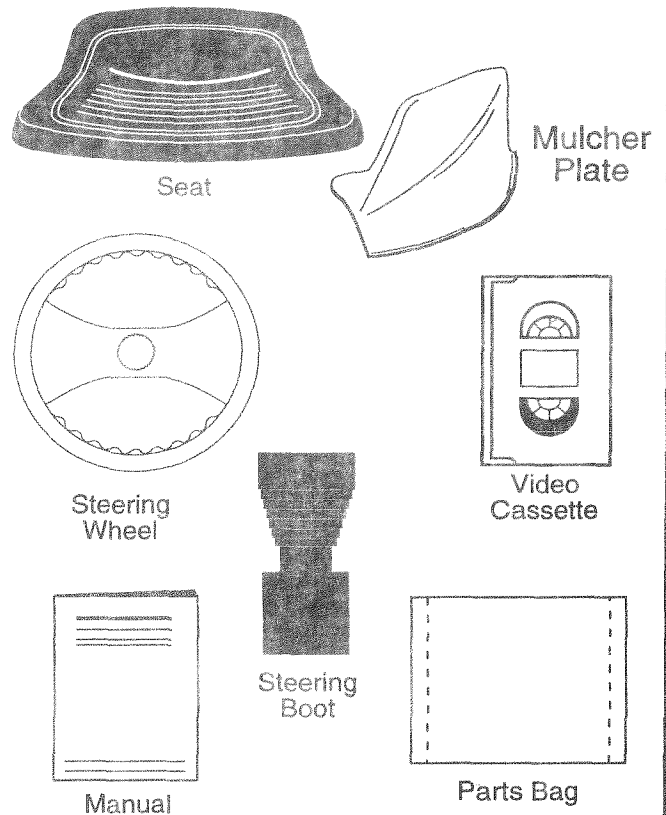
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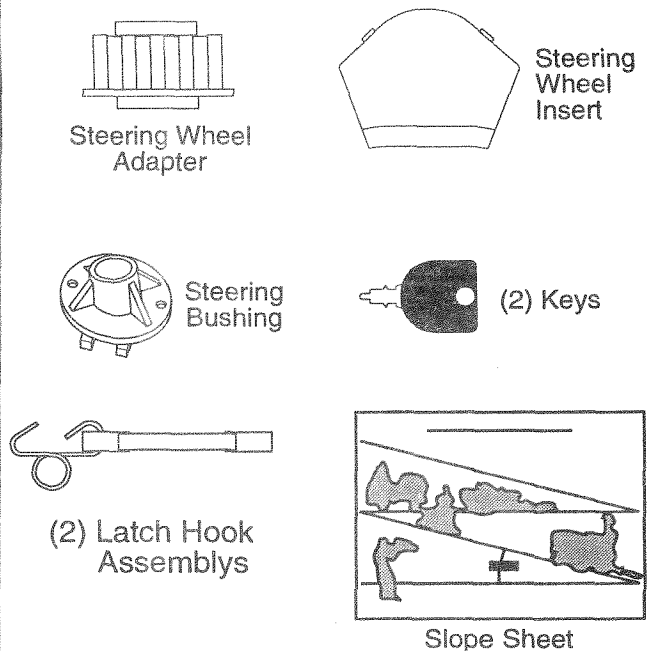
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## Parts packed separately in carton



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# ASSEMBLY

Your new tractor has been assembled at the factory with exception of those parts left unassembled for shipping purposes. To ensure safe and proper operation of your tractor all parts and hardware you assemble must be tightened securely. Use the correct tools as necessary to insure proper tightness.

## TOOLS REQUIRED FOR ASSEMBLY

A socket wrench set will make assembly easier. Standard wrench sizes are listed.

- |                    |                          |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| (1) 5/16" wrench   | (1) 3/4" wrench          |
| (2) 7/16" wrenches | Tire pressure gauge      |
| (1) 1/2" wrench    | Utility knife            |
| (1) 9/16" wrench   | (1) phillips screwdriver |

When right or left hand is mentioned in this manual, it means when you are in the operating position (seated behind the steering wheel).

## TO REMOVE TRACTOR FROM CARTON

### UNPACK CARTON

- Remove all accessible loose parts and parts cartons from carton (See page 6).
- Cut, from top to bottom, along lines on all four corners of carton, and lay panels flat.
- Check for any additional loose parts or cartons and remove.

## BEFORE ROLLING TRACTOR OFF SKID

### ATTACH STEERING WHEEL (See Fig. 1)

- Slide the steering bushing over the steering shaft.
- Raise steering shaft forward until screw holes in dash line up with steering bushing. Install two (2) sheet metal screws and tighten securely.
- Position steering boot over steering shaft.
- Place tabs of steering boot over tab slots in dash and push down to secure.
- Slide steering wheel adapter onto upper steering shaft.
- Position front wheels of the tractor so they are pointing straight forward.
- Position steering wheel so cross bars are horizontal (left to right) and slide onto adapter.
- Assemble large flat washer and 3/8-24 locknut and tighten securely.
- Snap steering wheel insert into center of steering wheel.
- Remove protective materials from tractor hood and grill.

**IMPORTANT: CHECK FOR AND REMOVE ANY STAPLES IN SKID THAT MAY PUNCTURE TIRES WHERE TRACTOR IS TO ROLL OFF SKID.**

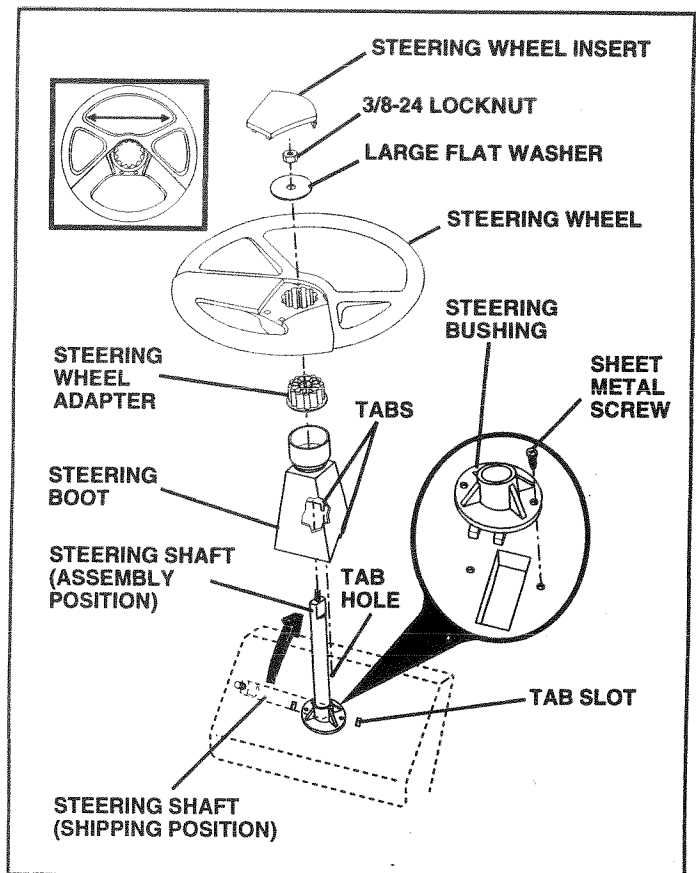


FIG. 1

## TO ROLL TRACTOR OFF SKID (See Operation section for location and function of controls)

- Press lift lever plunger and raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- Release parking brake by depressing clutch/brake pedal.
- Place gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
- Roll tractor backwards off skid.
- Remove banding holding discharge guard up against tractor.

# ASSEMBLY

## HOW TO SET UP YOUR TRACTOR

### CONNECT BATTERY (See Figs. 2 and 3)



**CAUTION:** Do not short battery terminals by allowing a wrench or any other object to contact both terminals at the same time. Before connecting battery, remove metal bracelets, wristwatch bands, rings, etc.

Positive terminal must be connected first to prevent sparking from accidental grounding.

- Remove cardboard packing from seat pan and lift seat pan to raised position.
- Open battery box door and remove protective plastic.
- Remove terminal protective caps and discard.
- If this battery is put into service after month and year indicated on label (label located between terminals) charge battery for minimum of one hour at 6-10 amps.
- First connect RED battery cable to positive (+) terminal with hex bolt, flat washer, lock washer and hex nut as shown. Tighten securely.
- Connect BLACK grounding cable to negative (-) terminal with remaining hex bolt, flat washer, lock washer and hex nut. Tighten securely.
- Close battery box door.

Open battery box door for:

- Inspection for secure connections (to tighten hardware).
- Inspection for corrosion.
- Testing battery.
- Jumping (if required).
- Periodic charging.

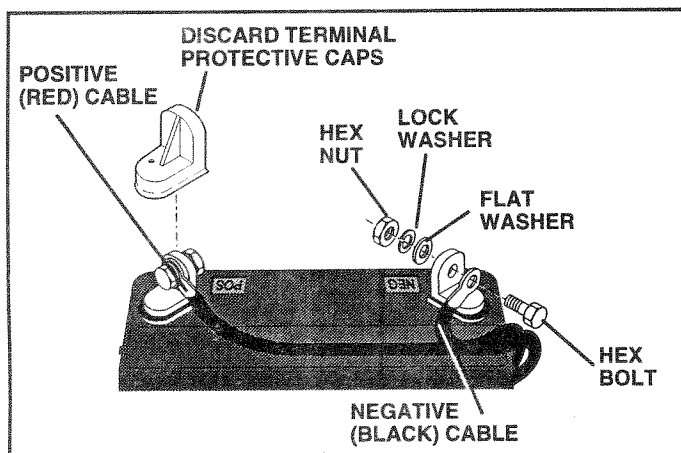


FIG. 2

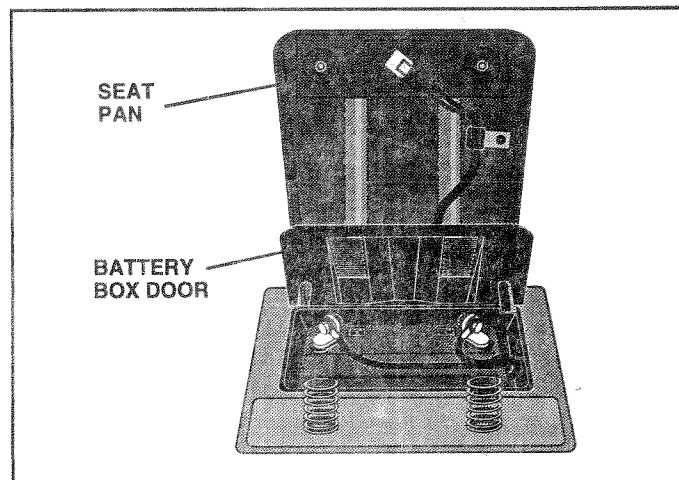


FIG. 3

### INSTALL SEAT (See Fig. 4)

Adjust seat before tightening adjustment bolt.

- Remove cardboard packing on seat pan.
- Place seat on seat pan and assemble shoulder bolt. Tighten shoulder bolt securely.
- Assemble adjustment bolt, lock washer and flat washer loosely. Do not tighten.
- Lower seat into operating position and sit on seat.
- Slide seat until a comfortable position is reached which allows you to press clutch/brake pedal all the way down.
- Get off seat without moving its adjusted position.
- Raise seat and tighten adjustment bolt securely.

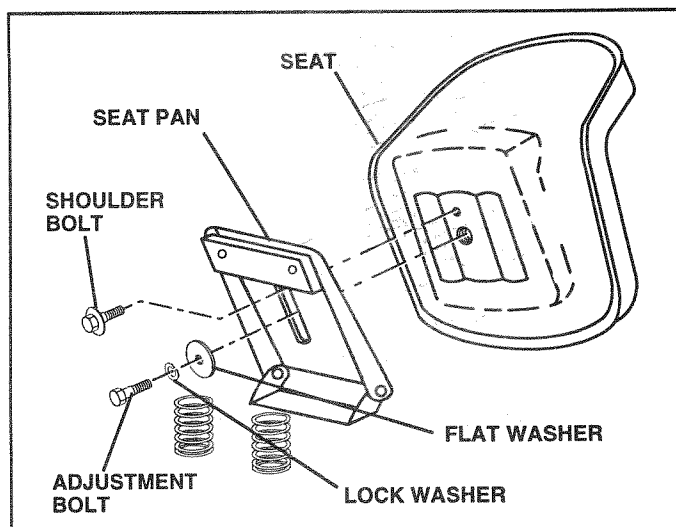


FIG. 4

# ASSEMBLY

## INSTALL MULCHER PLATE

(See Figs. 5 and 6)

- Install two latch hooks to mulcher plate using screw, washer, lock washer, and weld nut as shown.

**NOTE:** Pre-assemble weld nut to latch hook by inserting weld nut from the top with hook pointing down.

- Tighten hardware securely.
- Raise and hold deflector shield in upright position.
- Place front of mulcher plate over front of mower deck opening and slide into place, as shown.
- Hook front latch into hole on front of mower deck.
- Hook rear latch into hole on back of mower deck.



**CAUTION:** Do not remove discharge guard from mower. Raise and hold guard when attaching mulcher plate and allow it to rest on plate while in operation.

## TO CONVERT TO BAGGING OR DISCHARGING

Simply remove mulcher plate and store in a safe place. Your mower is now ready for discharging or installation of optional grass catcher accessory.

**NOTE:** It is not necessary to change blades. The mulcher blades are designed for discharging and bagging also.

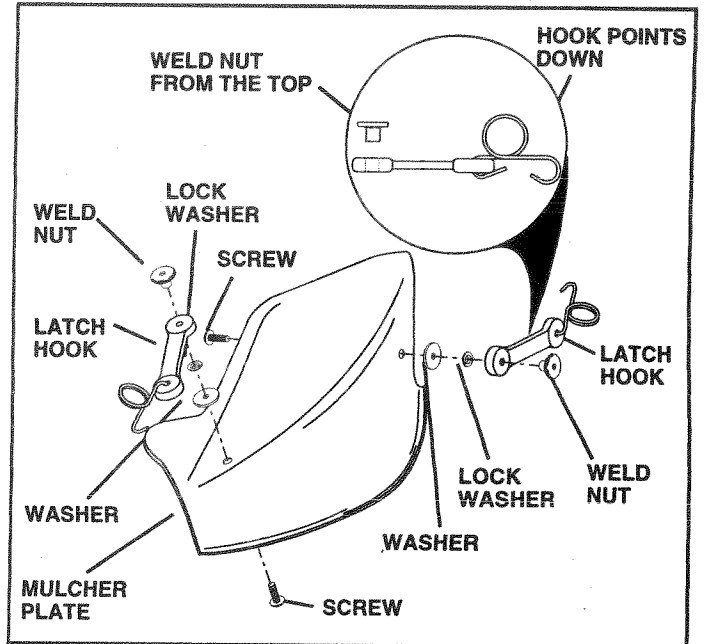


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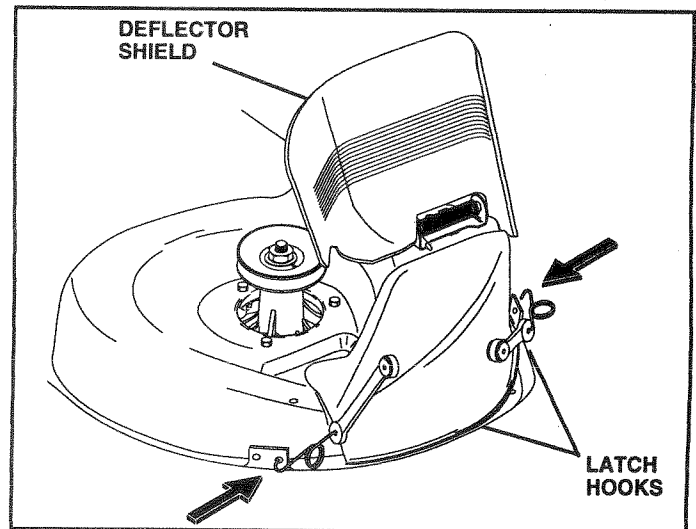


FIG. 6

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# ASSEMBLY

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## CHECK TIRE PRESSURE

The tires on your tractor were overinflated at the factory for shipping purposes. Correct tire pressure is important for best cutting performance.

- Reduce tire pressure to PSI shown in "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" on page 3 of this manual.

## CHECK DECK LEVELNESS

For best cutting results, mower housing should be properly leveled. See "TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

## CHECK FOR PROPER POSITION OF ALL BELTS

See the figures that are shown for replacing motion and mower blade drive belts in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual. Verify that the belts are routed correctly.

## CHECK BRAKE SYSTEM

After you learn how to operate your tractor, check to see that the brake is properly adjusted. See "TO ADJUST BRAKE" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

## ✓ CHECKLIST

*BEFORE YOU OPERATE AND ENJOY YOUR NEW TRACTOR, WE WISH TO ASSURE THAT YOU RECEIVE THE BEST PERFORMANCE AND SATISFACTION FROM THIS QUALITY PRODUCT.*

*PLEASE REVIEW THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST:*

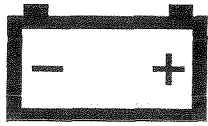
- ✓ All assembly instructions have been completed.
- ✓ No remaining loose parts in carton.
- ✓ Battery is properly prepared and charged. (Minimum 1 hour at 6 amps).
- ✓ Seat is adjusted comfortably and tightened securely.
- ✓ All tires are properly inflated. (For shipping purposes, the tires were overinflated at the factory).
- ✓ Be sure mower deck is properly leveled side-to-side/ front-to-rear for best cutting results. (Tires must be properly inflated for leveling).
- ✓ Check mower and drive belts. Be sure they are routed properly around pulleys and inside all belt keepers.
- ✓ Check wiring. See that all connections are still secure and wires are properly clamped.

*WHILE LEARNING HOW TO USE YOUR TRACTOR, PAY EXTRA ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT ITEMS:*

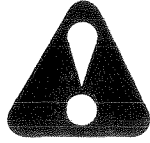
- ✓ Engine oil is at proper level.
- ✓ Fuel tank is filled with fresh, clean, regular unleaded gasoline.
- ✓ Become familiar with all controls - their location and function. Operate them before you start the engine.
- ✓ Be sure brake system is in safe operating condition.

# OPERATION

These symbols may appear on your tractor or in literature supplied with the product. Learn and understand their meaning.



BATTERY



CAUTION OR WARNING



REVERSE



FORWARD



FAST



SLOW



ENGINE ON



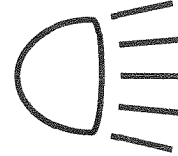
ENGINE OFF



OIL PRESSURE



CLUTCH



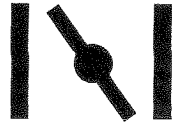
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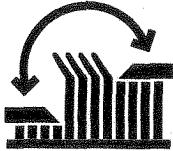
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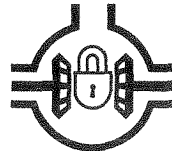
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CHOKE



MOWER HEIGHT



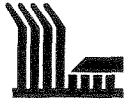
DIFFERENTIAL LOCK



PARKING BRAKE LOCKED



UNLOCKED



MOWER LIFT

**R**

REVERSE

**N**

NEUTRAL

**H**

HIGH

**L**

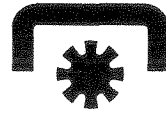
LOW



PARKING BRAKE



ATTACHMENT CLUTCH ENGAGED



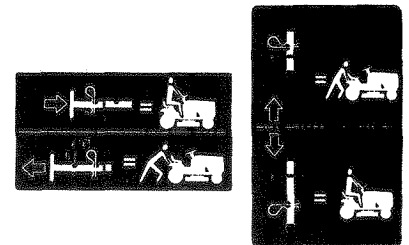
ATTACHMENT CLUTCH DISENGAGED



IGNITION



DANGER, KEEP HANDS AND FEET AWAY



HYDROSTATIC FREE WHEEL (Hydro Models only)

# OPERATION

## KNOW YOUR TRACTOR

### READ THIS OWNER'S MANUAL AND SAFETY RULES BEFORE OPERATING YOUR TRACTOR

Compare the illustrations with your tractor to familiarize yourself with the locations of various controls and adjustments. Save this manual for future reference.

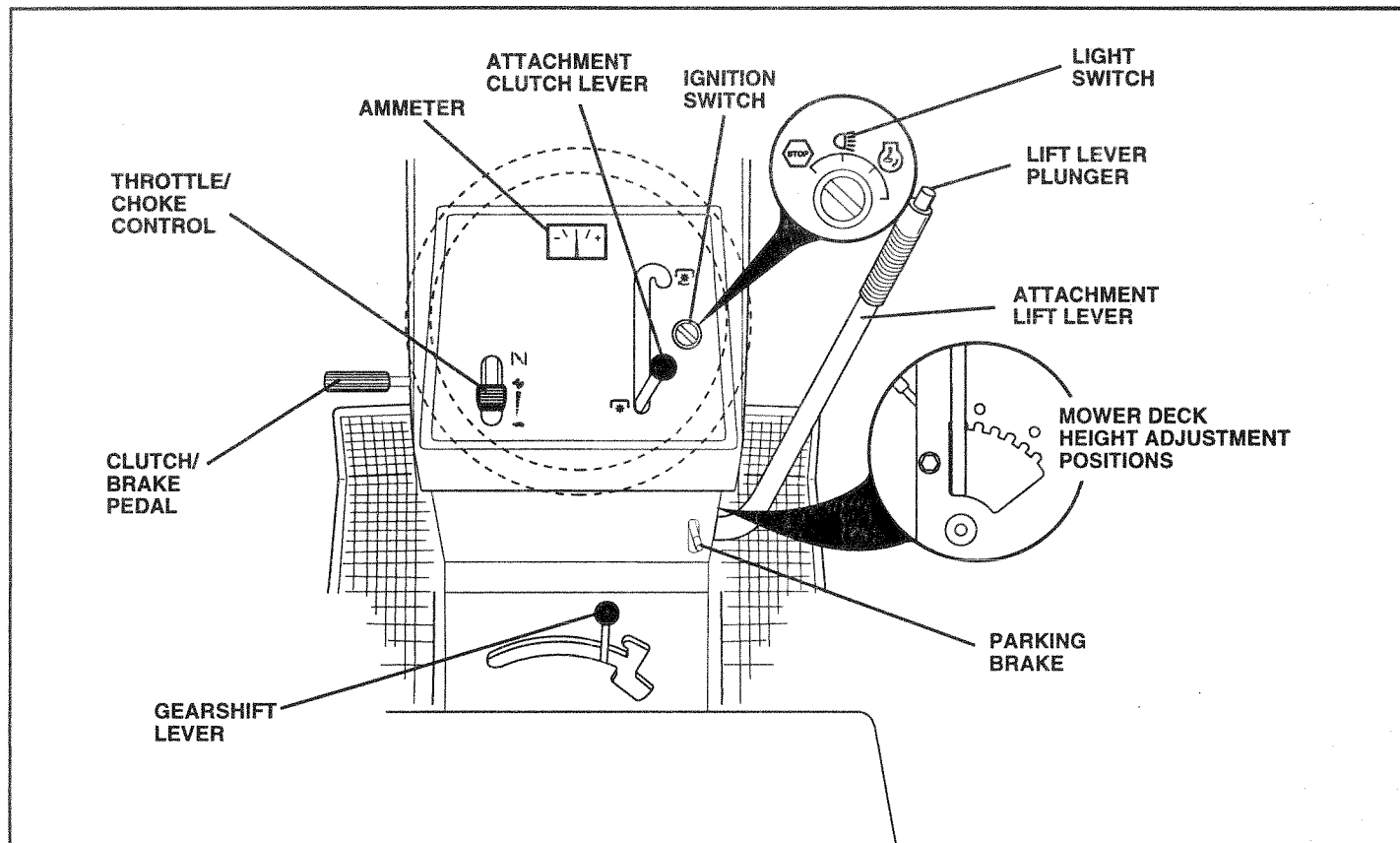


FIG. 7

Our tractors conform to the safety standards of the American National Standards Institute.

**ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER:** Used to engage the mower blades, or other attachments mounted to your tractor.

**LIGHT SWITCH:** Turns the headlights on and off.

**THROTTLE/CHOKE CONTROL:** Used for starting and controlling engine speed.

**CLUTCH/BRAKE PEDAL:** Used for declutching and braking the tractor and starting the engine.

**PARKING BRAKE:** Locks clutch/brake pedal into the brake position.

**GEARSHIFT LEVER:** Selects the speed and direction of tractor.

**ATTACHMENT LIFT LEVER:** Used to raise, lower, and adjust the mower deck or other attachments mounted to your tractor.

**LIFT LEVER PLUNGER:** Used to release attachment lift lever when changing its position.

**IGNITION SWITCH:** Used for starting and stopping the engine.

**AMMETER:** Indicates battery charging (+) or discharging (-).



# OPERATION



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 while operating your tractor or performing any adjustments or repairs. We recommend a wide vision safety mask over the spectacles or standard safety glasses.

## HOW TO USE YOUR TRACTOR

### TO SET PARKING BRAKE (See Fig. 8)

Your tractor is equipped with an operator presence sensing switch. When engine is running, any attempt by the operator to leave the seat without first setting the parking brake will shut off the engine.

- Depress clutch/brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position and hold.
- Place parking brake lever in "ENGAGED" position and release pressure from clutch/brake pedal. Pedal should remain in "BRAKE" position. Make sure parking brake will hold tractor secure.

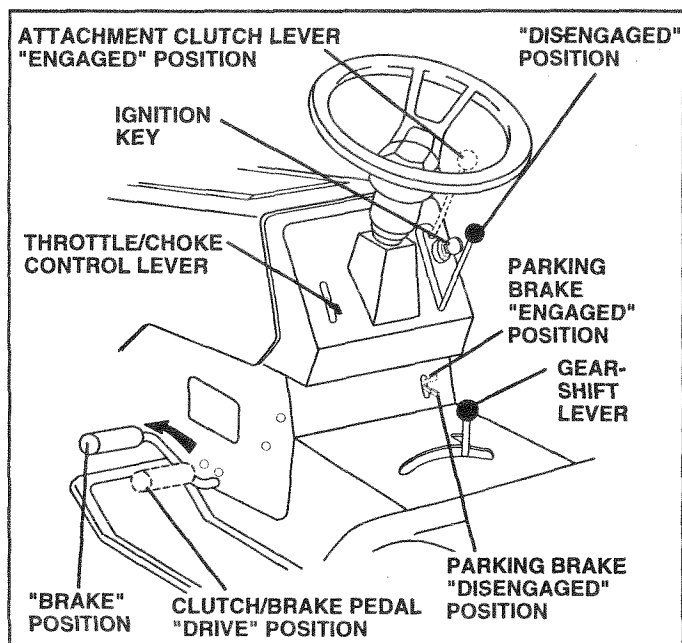


FIG. 8

### STOPPING (See Fig. 8)

#### MOWER BLADES -

- Move attachment clutch lever to "DISENGAGED" position.

#### GROUND DRIVE -

- Depress clutch/brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position.
- Move gearshift lever to neutral (N) position.

#### ENGINE -

- Move throttle control to slow position.

**NOTE:** Failure to move throttle control to slow position and allowing engine to idle before stopping may cause engine to "backfire".

- Turn ignition key to "OFF" position and remove key. Always remove key when leaving tractor to prevent unauthorized use.
- Never use choke to stop engine.

**NOTE:** Under certain conditions when tractor is standing idle with the engine running, hot engine exhaust gases may cause "browning" of grass. To eliminate this possibility, always stop engine when stopping tractor on grass areas.



**CAUTION:** Always stop tractor completely, as described above, before leaving the operator's position; to empty grass catcher, etc.

### TO USE THROTTLE CONTROL (See Fig. 8)

Always operate engine at full throttle.

- Operating engine at less than full throttle reduces the battery charging rate.
- Full throttle offers the best bagging and mower performance.

### TO MOVE FORWARD AND BACKWARD (See Fig. 8)

The direction and speed of movement is controlled by the gearshift lever.

- Start tractor with clutch/brake pedal depressed and gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
- Move gearshift lever to desired position.
- Slowly release clutch/brake pedal to start movement.

**IMPORTANT:** BRING TRACTOR TO A COMPLETE STOP BEFORE SHIFTING OR CHANGING GEARS. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL SHORTEN THE USEFUL LIFE OF YOUR TRANSAXLE.

### TO ADJUST MOWER CUTTING HEIGHT (See Fig. 8)

The position of the attachment lift lever determines the cutting height.

- Grasp lift lever.
- Press plunger with thumb and move lever to desired position.

The cutting height range is approximately 1-1/2 to 4". The heights are measured from the ground to the blade tip with the engine not running. These heights are approximate and may vary depending upon soil conditions, height of grass and types of grass being mowed.

- The average lawn should be cut to approximately 2-1/2 inches during the cool season and to over 3 inches during hot months. For healthier and better looking lawns, mow often and after moderate growth.
- For best cutting performance, grass over 6 inches in height should be mowed twice. Make the first cut relatively high; the second to desired height.

# OPERATION

## TO OPERATE MOWER (See Fig. 9)

Your tractor is equipped with an operator presence sensing switch. Any attempt by the operator to leave the seat with the engine running and the attachment clutch engaged will shut off the engine.

- Select desired height of cut.
- Start mower blades by engaging attachment clutch control.
- TO STOP MOWER BLADES - disengage attachment clutch control.



**CAUTION:** Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher, on mowers so equipped, or the discharge guard in place.

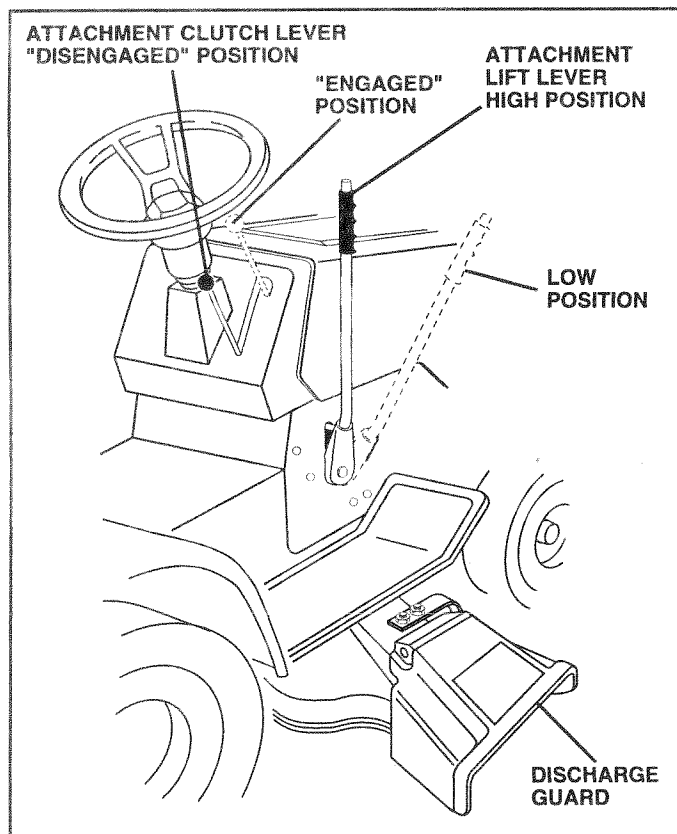


FIG. 9

## TO OPERATE ON HILLS



**CAUTION:** Do not drive up or down hills with slopes greater than 15° and do not drive across any slope.

- Choose the slowest speed before starting up or down hills.
- Avoid stopping or changing speed on hills.
- If slowing is necessary, move throttle control lever to slower position.
- If stopping is absolutely necessary, push clutch/brake pedal quickly to brake position and engage parking brake.
- Move gearshift lever to 1st gear. Be sure you have allowed room for tractor to roll slightly as you restart movement.
- To restart movement, slowly release parking brake and clutch/brake pedal.
- Make all turns slowly.

## TO TRANSPORT

- Raise attachment lift to highest position with attachment lift control.
- When pushing or towing your tractor, be sure gearshift lever is in neutral (N) position.
- Do not push or tow tractor at more than five (5) MPH.

**NOTE:** To protect hood from damage when transporting your tractor on a truck or a trailer, be sure hood is closed and secured to tractor. Use an appropriate means of tying hood to tractor (rope, cord, etc.).

## BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE

### CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL (See Fig. 14)

- The engine in your tractor has been shipped, from the factory, already filled with summer weight oil.
- Check engine oil with tractor on level ground.
- Remove oil fill cap/dipstick and wipe clean, reinsert the dipstick and screw cap tight, wait for a few seconds, remove and read oil level. If necessary, add oil until "FULL" mark on dipstick is reached. Do not overfill.
- For cold weather operation you should change oil for easier starting (See "OIL VISCOSITY CHART" in the Customer Responsibilities section of this manual).
- To change engine oil, see the Customer Responsibilities section in this manual.

# CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

## TRACTOR

Always observe safety rules when performing any maintenance.

## BRAKE OPERATION

If tractor requires more than six (6) feet stopping distance at high speed in highest gear, then brake must be adjusted. (See "TO ADJUST BRAKE" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual).

## TIRES

- Maintain proper air pressure in all tires (See "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" on page 3 of this manual).
- 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.

**NOTE:** To seal tire punctures and prevent flat tires due to slow leaks, tire sealant may be purchased from your local parts dealer. Tire sealant also prevents tire dry rot and corrosion.

## BLADE CARE

For best results mower blades must be kept sharp. Replace bent or damaged blades.

## BLADE REMOVAL (See Fig. 11)

- Raise mower to highest position to allow access to blades.
- Remove hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer securing blade.
- Install new or resharpened blade with trailing edge up towards deck as shown.
- Reassemble hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer in exact order as shown.
- Tighten bolt securely (30-35 Ft. Lbs. torque).

**IMPORTANT:** BLADE BOLT IS GRADE 8 HEAT TREATED.

**NOTE:** We do not recommend sharpening blade - but if you do, be sure the blade is balanced.

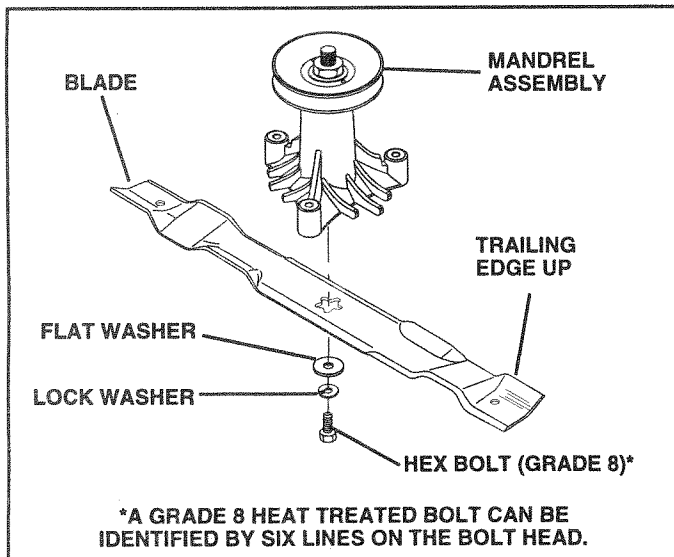


FIG. 11

## TO SHARPEN BLADE (See Fig. 12)

Care should be taken to keep the blade balanced. An unbalanced blade will cause excessive vibration and eventual damage to mower and engine.

- The blade can be sharpened with a file or on a grinding wheel. Do not attempt to sharpen while on the mower.
- To check blade balance, you will need a 5/8" diameter steel bolt, pin, or a cone balancer. (When using a cone balancer, follow the instructions supplied with balancer).
- Slide blade on to an unthreaded portion of the steel bolt or pin and hold the bolt or pin parallel with the ground. If blade is balanced, it should remain in a horizontal position. If either end of the blade moves downward, sharpen the heavy end until the blade is balanced.

**NOTE:** Do not use a nail for balancing blade. The lobes of the center hole may appear to be centered, but are not.

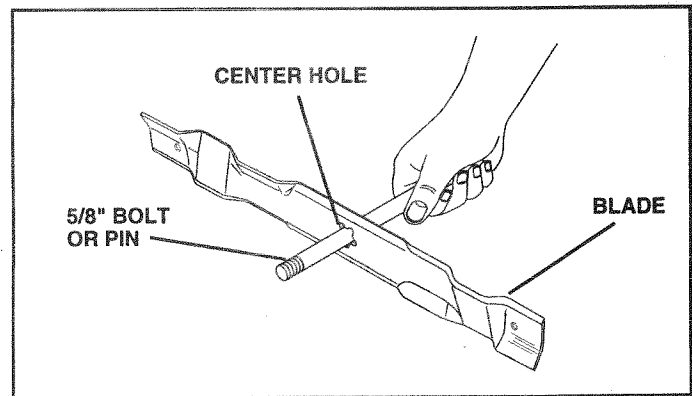


FIG. 12

## BATTERY

Your tractor has a battery charging system which is sufficient for normal use. However, periodic charging of the battery with an automotive charger will extend its life.

- Keep battery and terminals clean.
- Keep battery bolts tight.
- Keep small vent holes open.
- Recharge at 6-10 amperes for 1 hour.

## TO CLEAN BATTERY AND TERMINALS

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

- Open battery box door.
- Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and remove battery from tractor.
- Rinse the battery with plain water and dry.
- Clean terminals and battery cable ends with wire brush until bright.
- Coat terminals with grease or petroleum jelly.
- Reinstall battery (See "CONNECT BATTERY" in the Assembly section of this manual).

# CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

## V-BELTS

Check V-belts for deterioration and wear after 100 hours of operation and replace if necessary. The belts are not adjustable. Replace belts if they begin to slip from wear.

## TRANSAXLE COOLING

Keep transaxle free from build-up of dirt and chaff which can restrict cooling.

## ENGINE

### LUBRICATION

Only use high quality detergent oil rated with API service classification SF, SG, or SH. Select the oil's SAE viscosity grade according to your expected operating temperature.

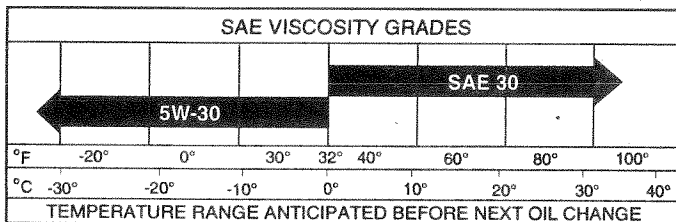


FIG. 13

**NOTE:** Although multi-viscosity oils (5W30, 10W30 etc.) improve starting in cold weather, these multi-viscosity oils will result in increased oil consumption when used above 32°F. Check your engine oil level more frequently to avoid possible engine damage from running low on oil.

Change the oil after every 25 hours of operation or at least once a year if the tractor is not used for 25 hours in one year.

Check the crankcase oil level before starting the engine and after each eight (8) hours of operation. Tighten oil fill cap/dipstick securely each time you check the oil level.

### TO CHANGE ENGINE OIL (See Figs. 13 and 14)

Determine temperature range expected before oil change. All oil must meet API service classification SF, SG or SH.

- Be sure tractor is on level surface.
- Oil will drain more freely when warm.
- Catch oil in a suitable container.
- Remove oil fill cap/dipstick. Be careful not to allow dirt to enter the engine when changing oil.
- Remove drain plug.
- After oil has drained completely, replace oil drain plug and tighten securely.
- Refill engine with oil through oil fill dipstick tube. Pour slowly. Do not overfill. For approximate capacity see "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" on page 3 of this manual.
- Use gauge on oil fill cap/dipstick for checking level. Be sure dipstick cap is tightened securely for accurate reading. Keep oil at "FULL" line on dipstick.

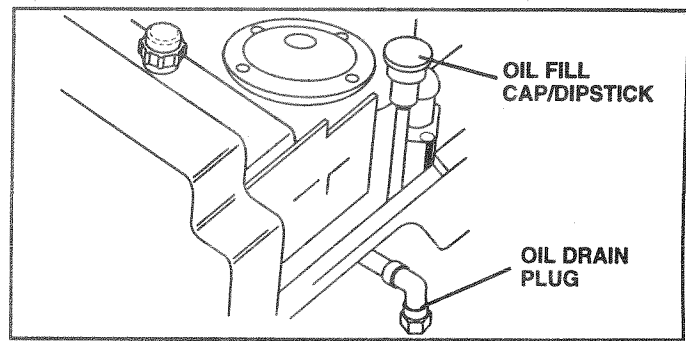


FIG. 14

### AIR FILTER (See Fig. 15)

Your engine will not run properly using a dirty air filter. Clean the foam pre-cleaner after every 25 hours of operation or every season. Service paper cartridge every 100 hours of operation or every season, whichever occurs first.

Service air cleaner more often under dusty conditions.

- Remove knob(s) and cover.

### TO SERVICE PRE-CLEANER

- Slide foam pre-cleaner off cartridge.
- Wash it in liquid detergent and water.
- Squeeze it dry in a clean cloth.
- Saturate it in engine oil. Wrap it in clean, absorbent cloth and squeeze to remove excess oil.
- If very dirty or damaged, replace pre-cleaner.
- Reinstall pre-cleaner over cartridge.
- Reinstall cover and secure with knob(s).

### TO SERVICE CARTRIDGE

- Remove cartridge nut.
- Carefully remove cartridge to prevent debris from entering carburetor. Clean base carefully to prevent debris from entering carburetor.
- Clean cartridge by tapping gently on flat surface. If very dirty or damaged, replace cartridge.
- Reinstall cartridge, nut, precleaner, cover and secure with knob(s).

**IMPORTANT:** PETROLEUM SOLVENTS, SUCH AS KEROSENE, ARE NOT TO BE USED TO CLEAN THE CARTRIDGE. THEY MAY CAUSE DETERIORATION OF THE CARTRIDGE. DO NOT OIL CARTRIDGE. DO NOT USE PRESSURIZED AIR TO CLEAN OR DRY CARTRIDGE.

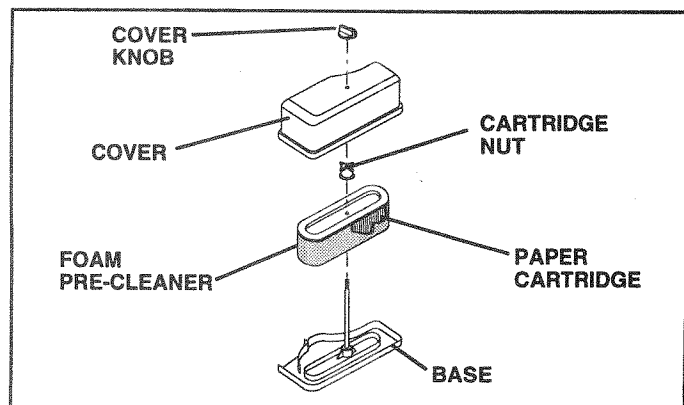


FIG. 15

# CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

## CLEAN AIR SCREEN (See Fig. 16)

Air screen 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 and stubborn dried gum fibers.

## ENGINE COOLING FINS (See Fig. 16)

Remove any dust, dirt or oil from engine cooling fins to prevent engine damage from overheating.

- Remove screws from blower housing and lift housing and dipstick tube assembly off engine.
- Cover oil fill opening to prevent entry of dirt.
- Use compressed air or stiff bristle brush to thoroughly clean engine cooling fins.
- To reassemble, reverse above procedure.

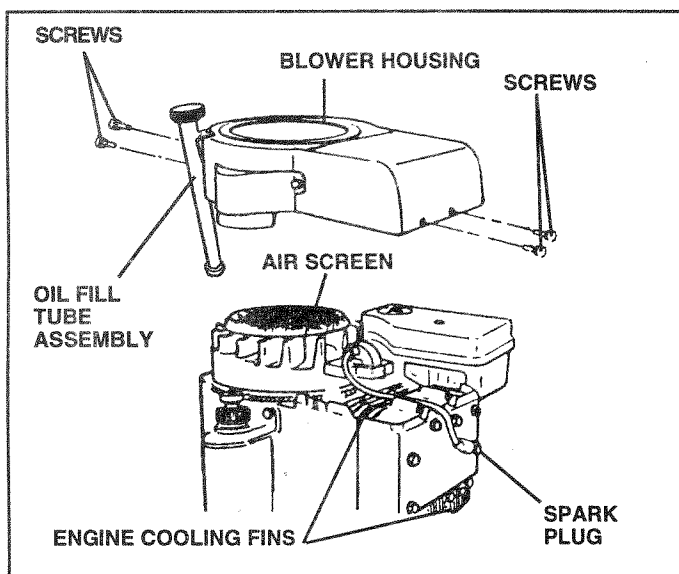


FIG. 16

## MUFFLER

Inspect and replace corroded muffler and spark arrester (if equipped) as it could create a fire hazard and/or damage.

## SPARK PLUGS

Replace spark plugs at the beginning of each mowing season or after every 100 hours of operation, whichever occurs first. Spark plug type and gap setting are shown in "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" on page 3 of this manual.

## IN-LINE FUEL FILTER (See Fig. 17)

The fuel filter should be replaced once each season. If fuel filter becomes clogged, obstructing fuel flow to carburetor, replacement is required.

- With engine cool, remove filter and plug fuel line sections.
- Place new fuel filter in position in fuel line with arrow pointing towards carburetor.
- Be sure there are no fuel line leaks and clamps are properly positioned.
- Immediately wipe up any spilled gasoline.

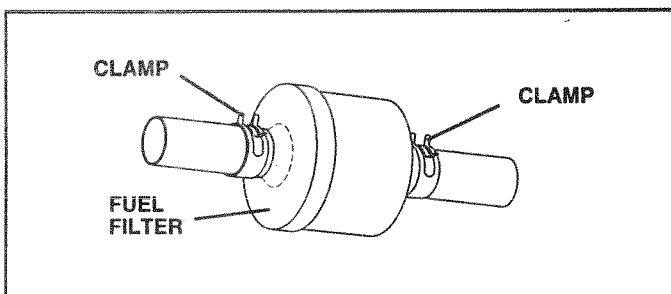


FIG. 17

## CLEANING

- Clean engine, battery, seat, finish, etc. of all foreign matter.
- Keep finished surfaces and wheels free of all gasoline, oil, etc.
- Protect painted surfaces with automotive type wax.

We do not recommend using a garden hose to clean your tractor unless the electrical system, muffler, air filter and carburetor are covered to keep water out. Water in engine can result in a shortened engine life.

# SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS



## CAUTION: BEFORE PERFORMING ANY SERVICE OR ADJUSTMENTS:

- Depress clutch/brake pedal fully and set parking brake.
- Place gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
- Place attachment clutch in "DISENGAGED" position.
- Turn ignition key "OFF" and remove key.
- Make sure the blades and all moving parts have completely stopped.
- Disconnect spark plug wire from spark plug and place wire where it cannot come in contact with plug.

## TO REMOVE MOWER (See Fig. 18)

Mower will be easier to remove from the right side of tractor.

- Place attachment clutch in "DISENGAGED" position.
- Move attachment lift lever forward to lower mower to its lowest position.
- Roll belt off engine pulley.
- Disconnect clutch rod from clutch lever by removing retainer spring.
- Disconnect anti-sway bar from chassis bracket by removing retainer spring.
- Disconnect suspension arms from rear deck brackets by removing retainer springs.
- Disconnect front links from deck by removing retainer springs.
- Raise lift lever to raise suspension arms. Slide mower out from under tractor.

**IMPORTANT:** IF AN ATTACHMENT OTHER THAN THE MOWER IS TO BE MOUNTED TO THE TRACTOR, REMOVE THE FRONT LINKS.

## TO INSTALL MOWER (See Fig. 18)

- Raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- Slide mower under tractor with discharge guard to right side of tractor.
- Lower lift lever to its lowest position.
- Install mower in reverse order of removal instructions.

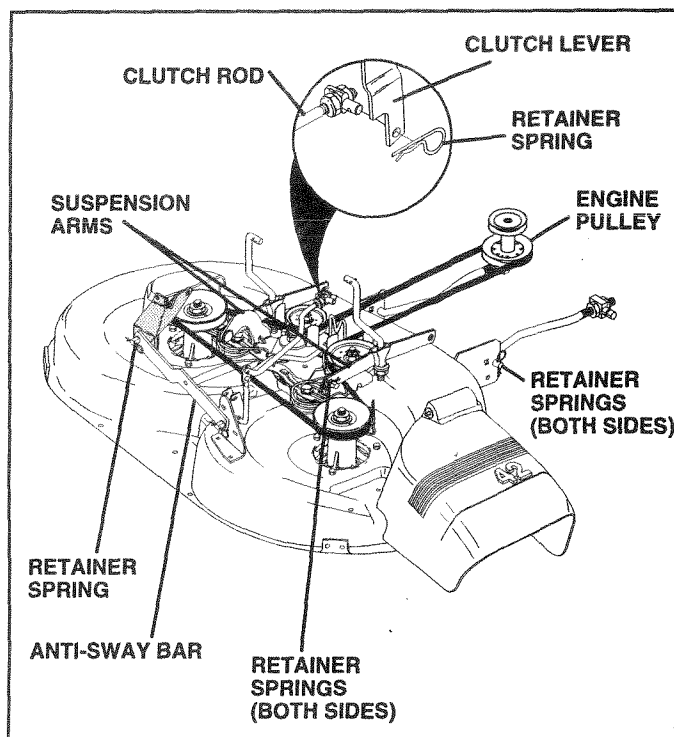


FIG. 18

# SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

## TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING

Adjust the mower while tractor is parked on level ground or driveway. Make sure tires are properly inflated (See "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" on page 3 of this manual). If tires are over or underinflated, you will not properly adjust your mower.

### SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT (See Figs. 19 and 20)

- Raise mower to its highest position.
- At the midpoint of both sides of mower, measure height from bottom edge of mower to ground. Distance "A" on both sides of mower should be the same or within 1/4" of each other.
- If adjustment is necessary, make adjustment on one side of mower only.
- To raise one side of mower, tighten lift link adjustment nut on that side.
- To lower one side of mower, loosen lift link adjustment nut on that side.

**NOTE:** Each full turn of adjustment nut will change mower height about 1/8".

- Recheck measurements after adjusting.

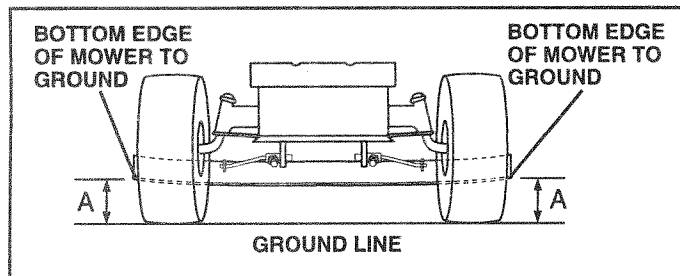


FIG. 19

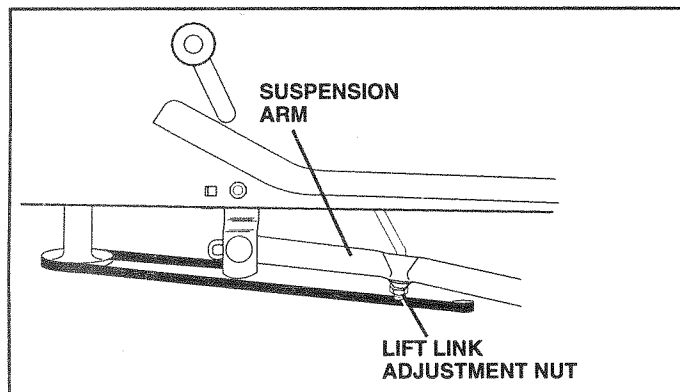


FIG. 20

### FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT (See Figs. 21 and 22)

**IMPORTANT:** DECK MUST BE LEVEL SIDE-TO-SIDE. IF THE FOLLOWING FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT IS NECESSARY, BE SURE TO ADJUST BOTH FRONT LINKS EQUALLY SO MOWER WILL STAY LEVEL SIDE-TO-SIDE.

To obtain the best cutting results, the mower housing should be adjusted so that the front is approximately 1/8" to 1/2" lower than the rear when the mower is in its highest position.

Check adjustment on right side of tractor. Measure distance "D" directly in front and behind the mandrel at bottom edge of mower housing as shown.

- Before making any necessary adjustments, check that both front links are equal in length. Both links should be approximately 10-3/8".
- If links are not equal in length, adjust one link to same length as other link.
- To lower front of mower loosen nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns.
- When distance "D" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nuts "F" against trunnion on both front links.
- To raise front of mower, loosen nut "F" from trunnion on both front links. Tighten nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns.
- When distance "D" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "F" against trunnion on both front links.
- Recheck side-to-side adjustment.

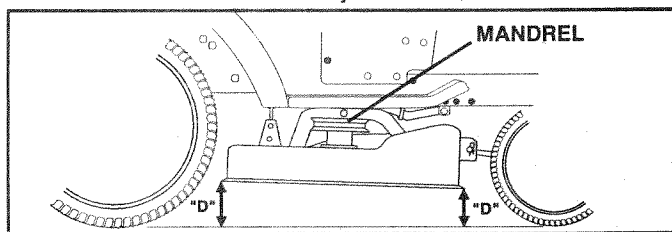


FIG. 21

### BOTH FRONT LINKS MUST BE EQUAL IN LENGTH

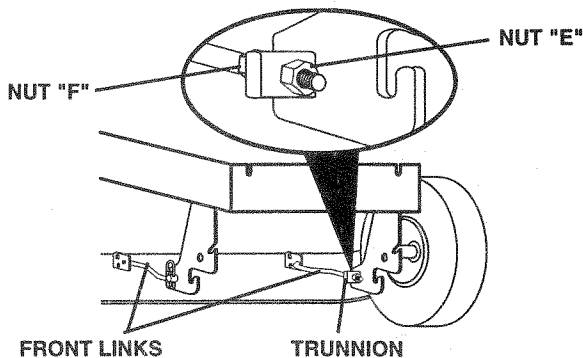
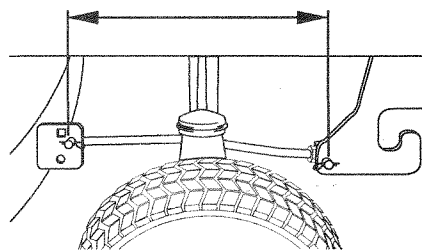


FIG. 22

# SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

## TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE DRIVE BELT (See Fig. 23)

The mower blade drive belt may be replaced without tools. Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake.

### BELT REMOVAL -

- Remove mower from tractor (See "TO REMOVE MOWER" in this section of this manual).
- Work belt off both mandrel pulleys and idler pulleys.
- Pull belt away from mower.

### BELT INSTALLATION -

- Install new belt in reverse order of removal.
- Make sure belt is in all pulley grooves and inside all belt guides.
- Install mower in reverse order of removal instructions.

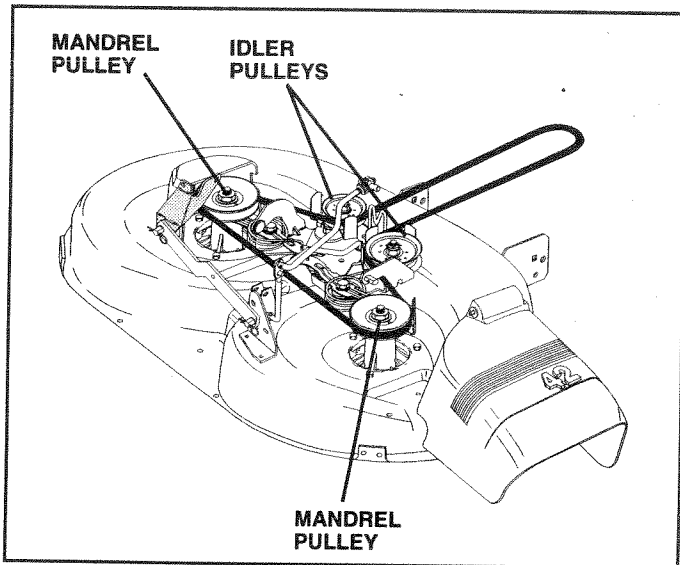


FIG. 23

## TO ADJUST BRAKE (See Fig. 24)

Your tractor is equipped with an adjustable brake system which is mounted on the right side of the transaxle.

If tractor requires more than six (6) feet stopping distance at high speed in highest gear, then brake must be adjusted.

- Depress clutch/brake pedal and engage parking brake.
- Measure distance between brake operating arm and nut "A" on brake rod.
- If distance is other than 1-1/2", loosen jam nut and turn nut "A" until distance becomes 1-1/2". Retighten jam nut against nut "A".
- Road test tractor for proper stopping distance as stated above. Readjust if necessary. If stopping distance is still greater than six (6) feet in highest gear, further maintenance is necessary. Contact your nearest authorized service center/department.

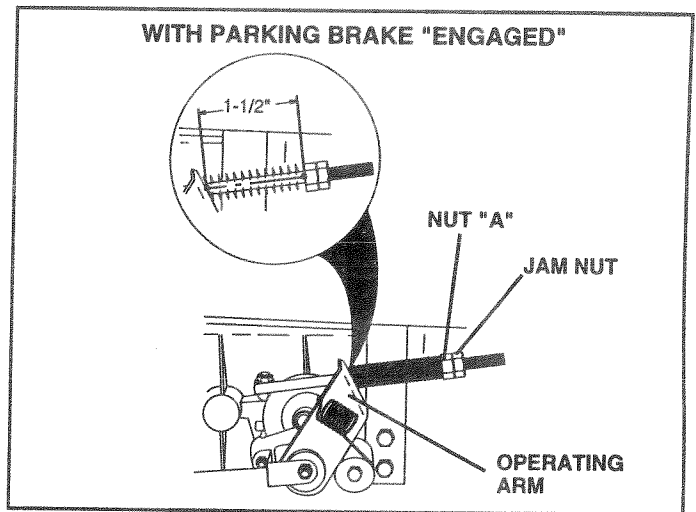


FIG. 24

## TO REPLACE MOTION DRIVE BELT (See Fig. 25)

Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake. For assistance, there is a belt installation guide decal on bottom side of left footrest.

- Remove mower (See "TO REMOVE MOWER" in this section of this manual.)
- Remove upper belt keeper.
- Remove belt from stationary idler and clutching idler.
- Pull belt slack toward rear of tractor. Remove belt upwards from transaxle pulley by deflecting belt keepers.
- Pull belt toward front of tractor and remove downwards from around engine pulley.
- Install new belt by reversing above procedure.

**IMPORTANT:** MAKE SURE UPPER BELT KEEPER IS POSITIONED PROPERLY BETWEEN LOCATOR TABS.

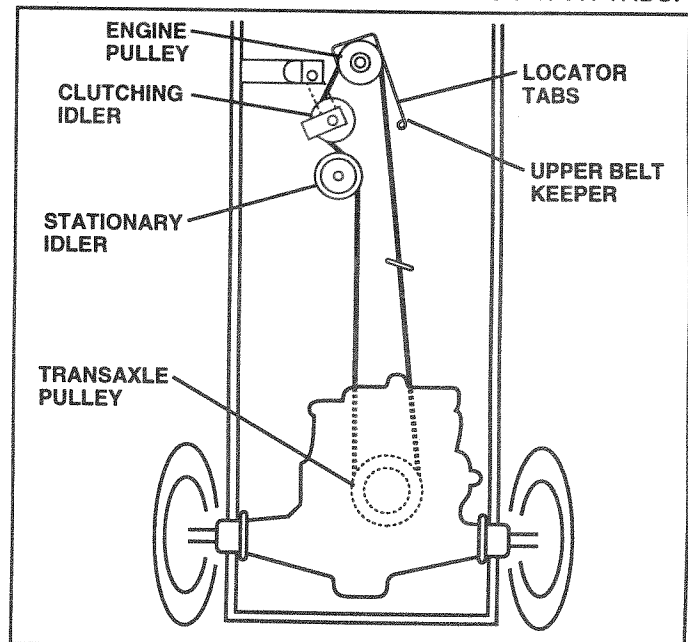


FIG. 25



# SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

## TO ADJUST STEERING WHEEL ALIGNMENT

If steering wheel crossbars are not horizontal (left to right) when wheels are positioned straight forward, remove steering wheel and reassemble per instructions in the Assembly section of this manual.

## FRONT WHEEL TOE-IN/CAMBER

The front wheel toe-in and camber are not adjustable on your tractor. If damage has occurred to affect the front wheel toe-in or camber, contact your nearest authorized service center/department.

## TO REMOVE WHEEL FOR REPAIRS (See Fig. 26)

- Block up axle securely.
- Remove axle cover, retaining ring and washers to allow wheel removal (rear wheel contains a square key - Do not lose).
- Repair tire and reassemble.
- On rear wheels only: align grooves in rear wheel hub and axle. Insert square key.
- Replace washers and snap retaining ring securely in axle groove.
- Replace axle cover.

**NOTE:** To seal tire punctures and prevent flat tires due to slow leaks, tire sealant may be purchased from your local parts dealer. Tire sealant also prevents tire dry rot and corrosion.

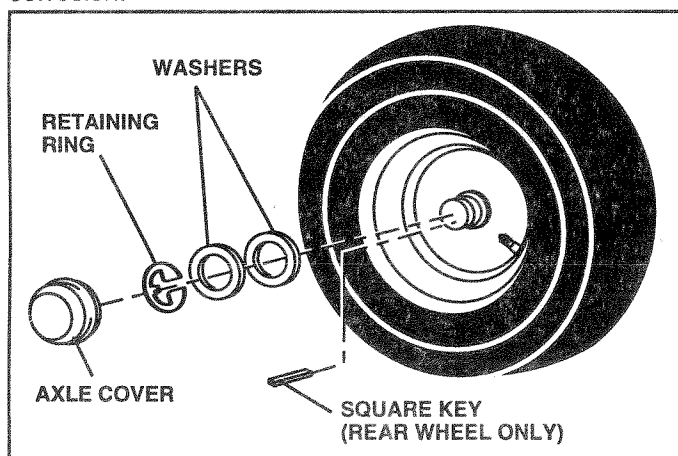


FIG. 26

## TO START ENGINE WITH A WEAK BATTERY (See Fig. 27)



**CAUTION:** Lead-acid batteries generate explosive gases. Keep sparks, flame and smoking materials away from batteries. Always wear eye protection when around batteries.

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:

**IMPORTANT:** YOUR TRACTOR IS EQUIPPED WITH A 12 VOLT NEGATIVE GROUND SYSTEM. THE OTHER VEHICLE MUST ALSO BE A 12 VOLT NEGATIVE GROUND SYSTEM. DO NOT USE YOUR TRACTOR BATTERY TO START OTHER VEHICLES.

### TO ATTACH JUMPER CABLES -

- Connect each end of the RED cable to the POSITIVE (+) terminal of each battery, taking care not to short against chassis.
- Connect one end of the BLACK cable to the NEGATIVE (-) terminal of fully charged battery.
- Connect the other end of the BLACK cable to good CHASSIS GROUND, away from fuel tank and battery.

### TO REMOVE CABLES, REVERSE ORDER -

- BLACK cable first from chassis and then from the fully charged battery.
- RED cable last from both batteries.

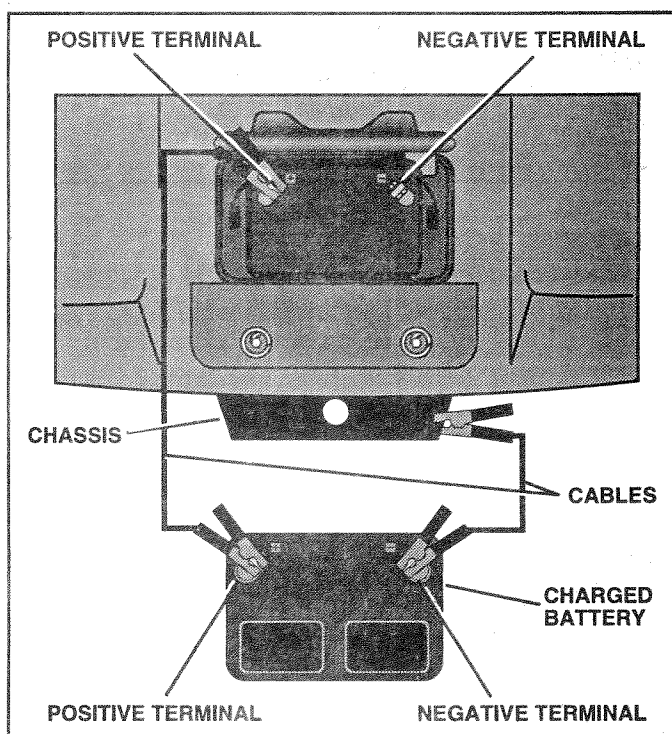


FIG. 27

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## TO REPLACE HEADLIGHT BULB

- Raise hood.
- Pull bulb holder out of the hole in the backside of the grill.
- Replace bulb in holder and push bulb holder securely back into the hole in the backside of the grill.
- Close hood.

## INTERLOCKS AND RELAYS

Loose or damaged wiring may cause your tractor to run poorly, stop running, or prevent it from starting.

- Check wiring. See electrical wiring diagram in the Repair Parts section of this manual.

## TO REPLACE FUSE

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

## TO REMOVE HOOD AND GRILL ASSEMBLY (See Fig. 28)

- Raise hood.
- Unsnap headlight wire connector.
- Stand in front of tractor. Grasp hood at sides, tilt toward engine and lift off of tractor.
- To replace, reverse above procedures.

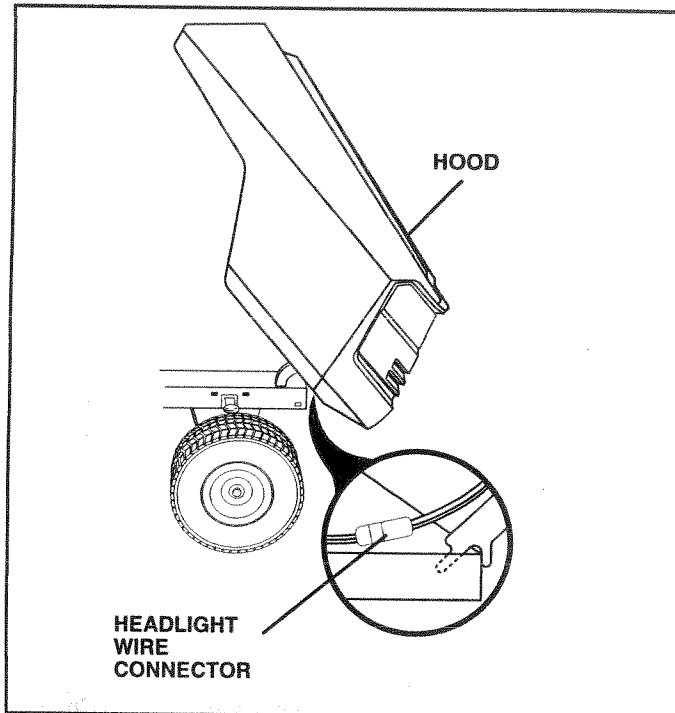


FIG. 28

# SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

## ENGINE

### TO ADJUST THROTTLE CONTROL CABLE (See Fig. 29)

The throttle control has been preset at the factory and adjustment should not be necessary. Check adjustment as described below before loosening cable. If adjustment is necessary, proceed as follows:

- With engine not running, move throttle control lever from slow to choke position. Slowly move lever from choke to fast position.
- Check that holes "A" in governor control lever and hole in governor plate line-up. If holes "A" are not aligned, loosen clamp screw and move throttle cable until holes are aligned. Tighten clamp screw securely.

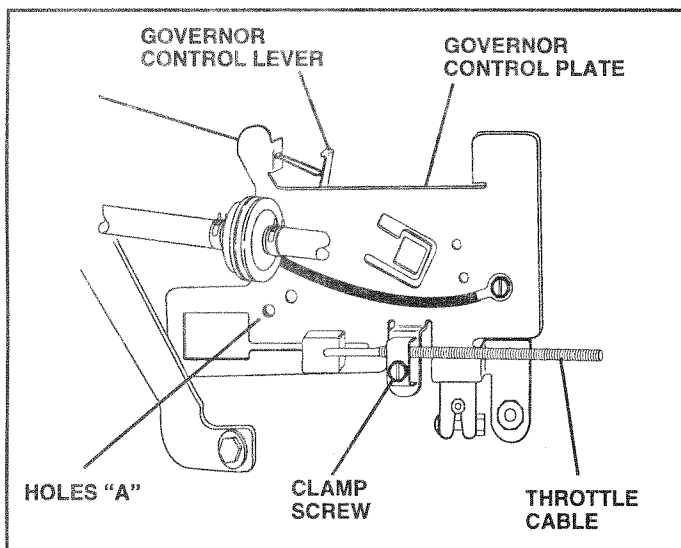


FIG. 29

### TO ADJUST CARBURETOR (See Fig. 30)

The carburetor has been preset at the factory and adjustment should not be necessary. However, minor adjustment may be required to compensate for differences in fuel, temperature, altitude or load. If the carburetor does need adjustment, proceed as follows:

In general, turning idle mixture valve **in** (clockwise) decreases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a leaner fuel/air mixture. Turning the idle mixture valve **out** (counterclockwise) increases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a richer fuel/air mixture.

**IMPORTANT: DAMAGE TO THE NEEDLE VALVE AND THE SEAT IN CARBURETOR MAY RESULT IF SCREW IS TURNED IN TOO TIGHT.**

#### PRELIMINARY SETTING -

- Air cleaner assembly must be assembled to the carburetor when making carburetor adjustments.
- Be sure the throttle control cable is adjusted properly (see above).
- With engine off turn idle mixture valve **in** (clockwise) closing it finger tight and then turn **out** (counterclockwise) 1 full turn.

#### FINAL SETTING -

- Start engine and allow to warm for five minutes. Make final adjustments with engine running and shift/motion control lever in neutral (N) position.
- Move throttle control lever to slow position. With finger, rotate and hold throttle lever against idle speed screw. Turn idle speed screw to attain 1750 RPM.
- While still holding throttle lever against idle speed screw, turn idle mixture valve **in** (clockwise) until engine begins to die and then turn **out** (counterclockwise) until engine runs rough. Turn valve to a point midway between those two positions. Release throttle lever.

#### ACCELERATION TEST -

- Move throttle control lever from slow to fast position. If engine hesitates or dies, turn idle mixture valve **out** (counterclockwise) 1/8 turn. Repeat test and continue to adjust, if necessary, until engine accelerates smoothly.

High speed stop is factory adjusted. Do not adjust - damage may result.

**IMPORTANT: NEVER TAMPER WITH THE ENGINE GOVERNOR, WHICH IS FACTORY SET FOR PROPER ENGINE SPEED. OVERSPEEDING THE ENGINE ABOVE THE FACTORY HIGH SPEED SETTING CAN BE DANGEROUS. IF YOU THINK THE ENGINE-GOVERNED HIGH SPEED NEEDS ADJUSTING, CONTACT YOUR NEAREST AUTHORIZED SERVICE CENTER/DEPARTMENT, WHICH HAS PROPER EQUIPMENT AND EXPERIENCE TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS.**

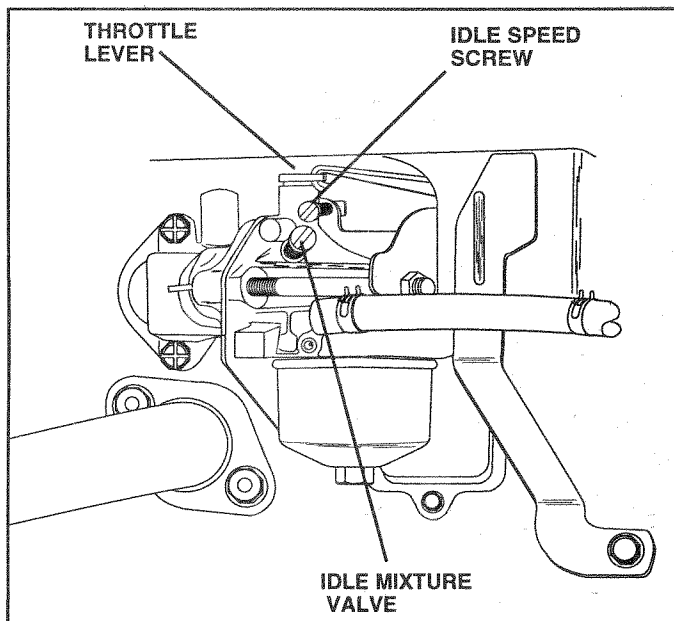


FIG. 30

# STORAGE

Immediately prepare your tractor for storage at the end of the season or if the tractor will not be used for 30 days or more.



**CAUTION:** Never store the tractor with gasoline in the tank inside a building where fumes may reach an open flame or spark. Allow the engine to cool before storing in any enclosure.

## TRACTOR

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. Store in a clean, dry area.

- Clean entire tractor (See "CLEANING" in the Customer Responsibilities section of this manual).
- Inspect and replace belts, if necessary (See belt replacement instructions in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual).
- Lubricate as shown in the Customer Responsibilities section of this manual.
- Be sure that all nuts, bolts and screws are securely fastened. Inspect moving parts for damage, breakage and wear. Replace if necessary.
- Touch up all rusted or chipped paint surfaces; sand lightly before painting.

## BATTERY

- Fully charge the battery for storage.
- After a period of time in storage, battery may require recharging.
- To help prevent corrosion and power leakage during long periods of storage, battery cables should be disconnected and battery cleaned thoroughly (see "TO CLEAN BATTERY AND TERMINALS" in the Customer Responsibilities section of this manual).
- After cleaning, leave cables disconnected and place cables where they cannot come in contact with battery terminals.
- Be sure battery drain tube is securely attached.
- If battery is removed from tractor for storage, do not store battery directly on concrete or damp surfaces.

## ENGINE

### FUEL SYSTEM

**IMPORTANT:** IT IS IMPORTANT TO PREVENT GUM DEPOSITS FROM FORMING IN ESSENTIAL FUEL SYSTEM PARTS SUCH AS 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.

- Drain the fuel tank.
- Start the engine and let it run until the fuel lines and carburetor are empty.
- Never use engine or carburetor cleaner products in the fuel tank or permanent damage may occur.
- Use fresh fuel next season.

**NOTE:** Fuel stabilizer is an acceptable alternative in minimizing the formation of fuel gum deposits during storage. Add stabilizer to gasoline in fuel tank or storage container. Always follow the mix ratio found on stabilizer container. Run engine at least 10 minutes after adding stabilizer to allow the stabilizer to reach the carburetor. Do not drain the gas tank and carburetor if using fuel stabilizer.

### ENGINE OIL

Drain oil (with engine warm) and replace with clean engine oil. (See "ENGINE" in the Customer Responsibilities section of this manual).

### CYLINDERS

- Remove spark plug(s).
- Pour one ounce of oil through spark plug hole(s) into cylinder(s).
- Turn ignition key to "START" position for a few seconds to distribute oil.
- Replace with new spark plug(s).

### OTHER

- Do not store gasoline from one season to another.
- Replace your gasoline can if your can starts to rust. Rust and/or dirt in your gasoline will cause problems.
- If possible, store your tractor indoors and cover it to give protection from dust and dirt.
- Cover your tractor with a suitable protective cover that does not retain moisture. Do not use plastic. Plastic cannot breathe which allows condensation to form and will cause your tractor to rust.

**IMPORTANT:** NEVER COVER TRACTOR WHILE ENGINE AND EXHAUST ARE STILL WARM.

# TROUBLESHOOTING POINTS

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
<b>Will not start</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Out of fuel.</li> <li>2. Engine not "CHOKED" properly.</li> <li>3. Engine flooded.</li> <li>4. Bad spark plug.</li> <li>5. Dirty air filter.</li> <li>6. Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>7. Water in fuel.</li> <li>8. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>9. Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>10. Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fill fuel tank.</li> <li>2. See "TO START ENGINE" in Operation section.</li> <li>3. Wait several minutes before attempting to start.</li> <li>4. Replace spark plug.</li> <li>5. Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>6. Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>7. Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter.</li> <li>8. Check all wiring.</li> <li>9. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section.</li> <li>10. Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>
<b>Hard to start</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dirty air filter.</li> <li>2. Bad spark plug.</li> <li>3. Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>4. Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>5. Stale or dirty fuel.</li> <li>6. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>7. Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>8. Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>2. Replace spark plug.</li> <li>3. Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>4. Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>5. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline.</li> <li>6. Check all wiring.</li> <li>7. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section.</li> <li>8. Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>
<b>Engine will not turn over</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clutch/brake pedal not depressed.</li> <li>2. Attachment clutch is engaged.</li> <li>3. Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>4. Blown fuse.</li> <li>5. Corroded battery terminals.</li> <li>6. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>7. Faulty ignition switch.</li> <li>8. Faulty solenoid or starter.</li> <li>9. Faulty operator presence switch(es).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Depress clutch/brake pedal.</li> <li>2. Disengage attachment clutch.</li> <li>3. Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>4. Replace fuse.</li> <li>5. Clean battery terminals.</li> <li>6. Check all wiring.</li> <li>7. Check/replace ignition switch.</li> <li>8. Check/replace solenoid or starter.</li> <li>9. Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>
<b>Engine clicks but will not start</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>2. Corroded battery terminals.</li> <li>3. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>4. Faulty solenoid or starter.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>2. Clean battery terminals.</li> <li>3. Check all wiring.</li> <li>4. Check/replace solenoid or starter.</li> </ol>
<b>Loss of power</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cutting too much grass/too fast.</li> <li>2. Throttle in "CHOKE" position.</li> <li>3. Build-up of grass, leaves and trash under mower.</li> <li>4. Dirty air filter.</li> <li>5. Low oil level/dirty oil.</li> <li>6. Faulty spark plug.</li> <li>7. Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>8. Stale or dirty fuel.</li> <li>9. Water in fuel.</li> <li>10. Spark plug wire loose.</li> <li>11. Dirty engine air screen/fins.</li> <li>12. Dirty/clogged muffler.</li> <li>13. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>14. Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>15. Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Set in "Higher Cut" position/reduce speed.</li> <li>2. Adjust throttle control.</li> <li>3. Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>4. Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>5. Check oil level/change oil.</li> <li>6. Clean and regap or change spark plug.</li> <li>7. Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>8. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline.</li> <li>9. Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter.</li> <li>10. Connect and tighten spark plug wire.</li> <li>11. Clean engine air screen/fins.</li> <li>12. Clean/replace muffler.</li> <li>13. Check all wiring.</li> <li>14. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section.</li> <li>15. Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>
<b>Excessive vibration</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>2. Bent blade mandrel.</li> <li>3. Loose/damaged part(s).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>2. Replace blade mandrel.</li> <li>3. Tighten loose part(s). Replace damaged parts.</li> </ol>

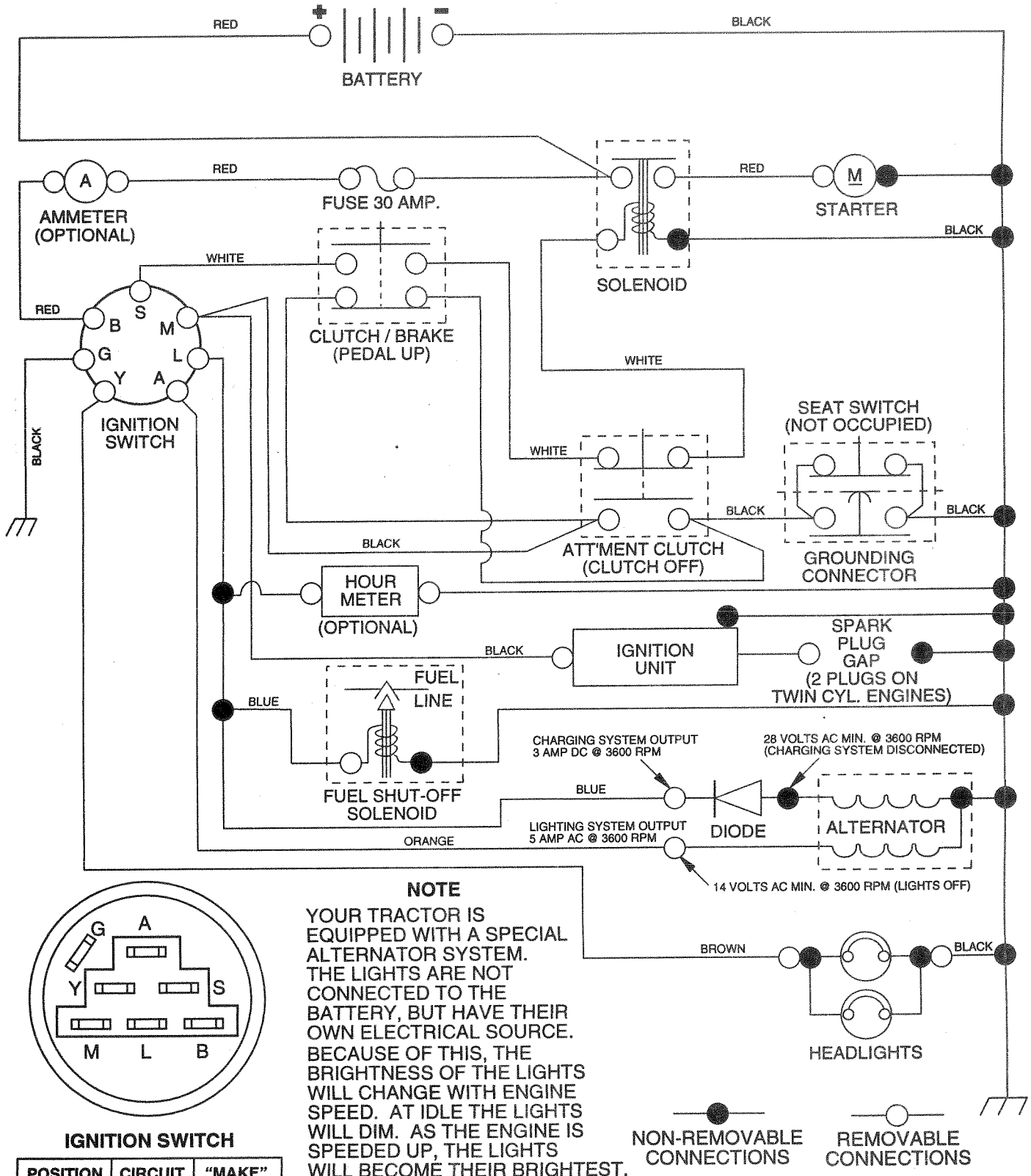
# TROUBLESHOOTING POINTS

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
<b>Engine continues to run when operator leaves seat with attachment clutch engaged</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Faulty operator-safety presence control system.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check wiring, switches and connections. If not corrected, contact an authorized service center/ department.</li> </ol>
<b>Poor cut - uneven</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>2. Mower deck not level.</li> <li>3. Buildup of grass, leaves, and trash under mower.</li> <li>4. Bent blade mandrel.</li> <li>5. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>2. Level mower deck.</li> <li>3. Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>4. Replace blade mandrel.</li> <li>5. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.</li> </ol>
<b>Mower blades will not rotate</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Obstruction in clutch mechanism.</li> <li>2. Worn/damaged mower drive belt.</li> <li>3. Frozen idler pulley.</li> <li>4. Frozen blade mandrel.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove obstruction.</li> <li>2. Replace mower drive belt.</li> <li>3. Replace idler pulley.</li> <li>4. Replace blade mandrel.</li> </ol>
<b>Poor grass discharge</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Engine speed too slow.</li> <li>2. Travel speed too fast.</li> <li>3. Wet grass.</li> <li>4. Mower deck not level.</li> <li>5. Low/uneven tire air pressure.</li> <li>6. Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>7. Buildup of grass, leaves and trash under mower.</li> <li>8. Mower drive belt worn.</li> <li>9. Blades improperly installed.</li> <li>10. Improper blades used.</li> <li>11. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Place throttle control in "FAST" position.</li> <li>2. Shift to slower speed.</li> <li>3. Allow grass to dry before mowing.</li> <li>4. Level mower deck.</li> <li>5. Check tires for proper air pressure.</li> <li>6. Replace/sharpen blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>7. Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>8. Replace mower drive belt.</li> <li>9. Reinstall blades sharp edge down.</li> <li>10. Replace with blades listed in this manual.</li> <li>11. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.</li> </ol>
<b>Headlight(s) not working (if so equipped)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Switch is "OFF".</li> <li>2. Bulb(s) burned out.</li> <li>3. Faulty light switch.</li> <li>4. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>5. Blown fuse.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Turn switch "ON".</li> <li>2. Replace bulb(s).</li> <li>3. Check/replace light switch.</li> <li>4. Check wiring and connections.</li> <li>5. Replace fuse.</li> </ol>
<b>Battery will not charge</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bad battery cell(s).</li> <li>2. Poor cable connections.</li> <li>3. Faulty regulator (if so equipped).</li> <li>4. Faulty alternator.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace battery.</li> <li>2. Check/clean all connections.</li> <li>3. Replace regulator.</li> <li>4. Replace alternator.</li> </ol>
<b>Engine "backfires" when turning engine "OFF"</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Engine throttle control not set at "SLOW" position for 30 seconds before stopping engine.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Move throttle control to "SLOW" position and allow to idle for 30 seconds before stopping engine.</li> </ol>

# SERVICE NOTES

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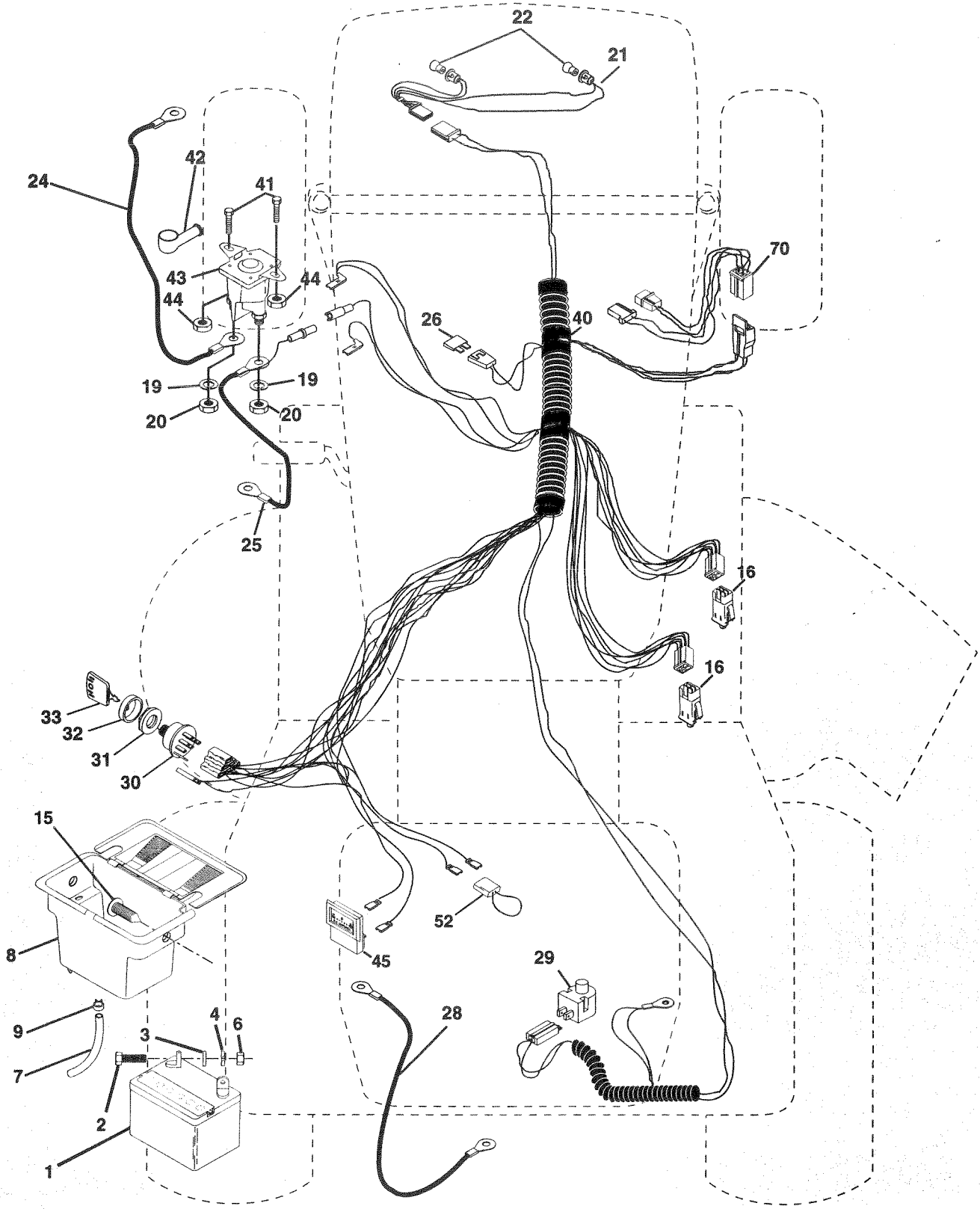
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## ELECTRICAL

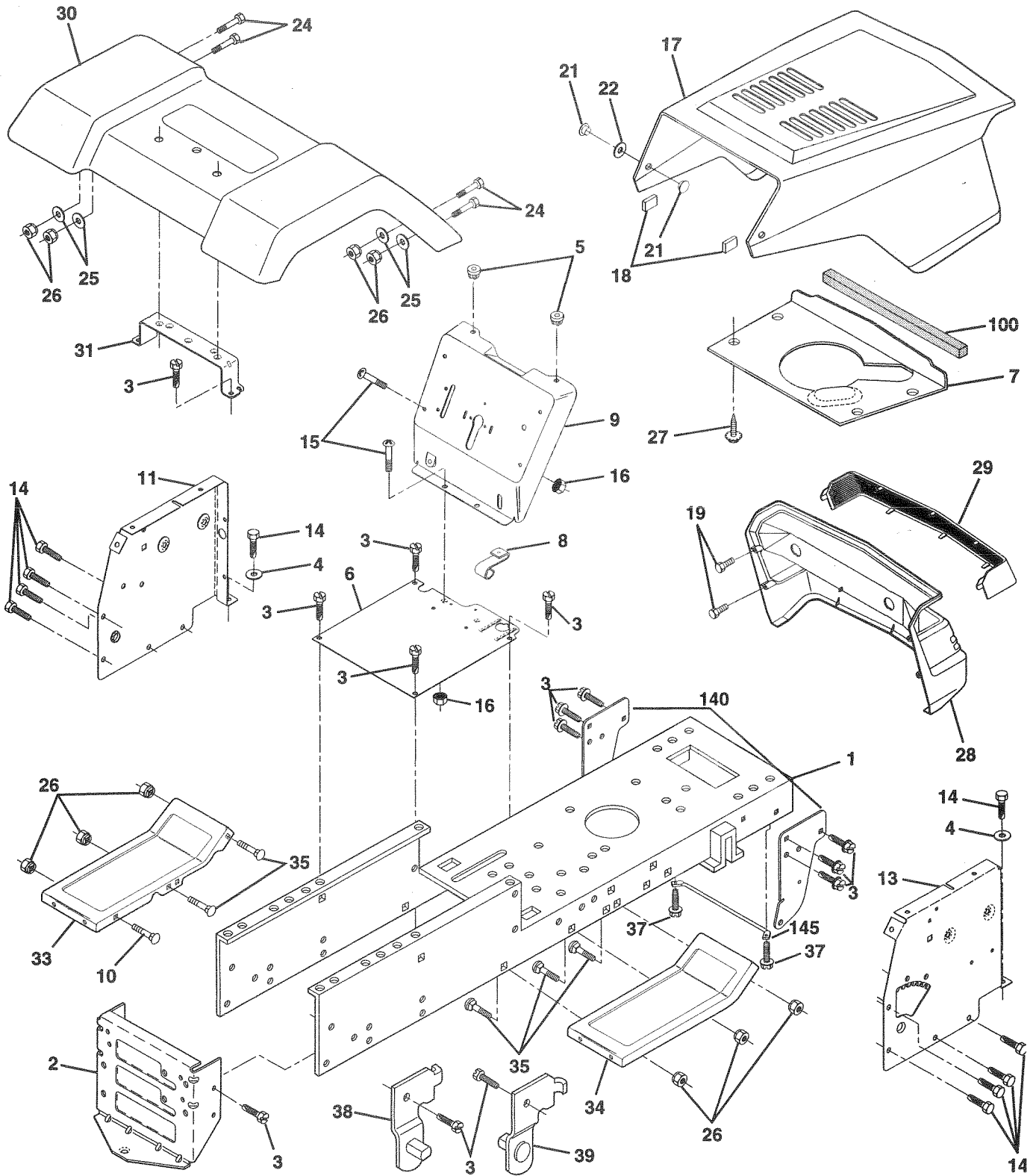


## ELECTRICAL

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	144925	Battery 12 Volt 25 AMP
2	74760412	Bolt Hex Hd 1/4-20unc X 3/4
3	STD551025	Washer 9/32 X 5/8 X 16 Ga
4	STD551125	Washer Lock Hvy Helical 1/4
6	STD541025	Nut Fin Hex 1/4-20 Unc
7	109238X	Tube Plastic 12"
8	156417	Case Battery
9	109596X	Clamp Hose Olive
15	147688	Fastner Snap-In
16	153664	Switch Interlock Push-In
19	STD551125	Washer Lock 1/4
20	73350400	Nut Jam Hex 1/4-20 Unc
21	136850	Harness Socket Light W/4152J
22	4152J	Bulb Light #1156
24	4799J	Cable Battery 6ga 11" red
25	146147	Cable Battery 6 Ga W/16 Wir red
26	108824X	Fuse 30 AMP Auto Green
28	4207J	Cable Ground 6ga 12" black
29	121305X	Switch Plunger Nc Gray
30	140301	Switch Ign 4 pos
31	124211X	Nut Ignition
32	141226	Cover Sw Ignition
33	109310X	Key Ign Molded Craftsman, Delta
40	156442	Harness Man Cl Am Hm 97
41	71110408	Bolt Blk Hex 1/4-20unc x 1/2
42	131563	Cover Terminal Red
43	145673	Solenoid
44	73640400	Nut Keps Blk Hex 1/4-20 Unc
45	121433X	Ammeter Rectangular 6 AMP
52	141940	Protection Wire Loop
70	140422	Harness Engine, Dual 14 OHV

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CHASSIS AND ENCLOSURES



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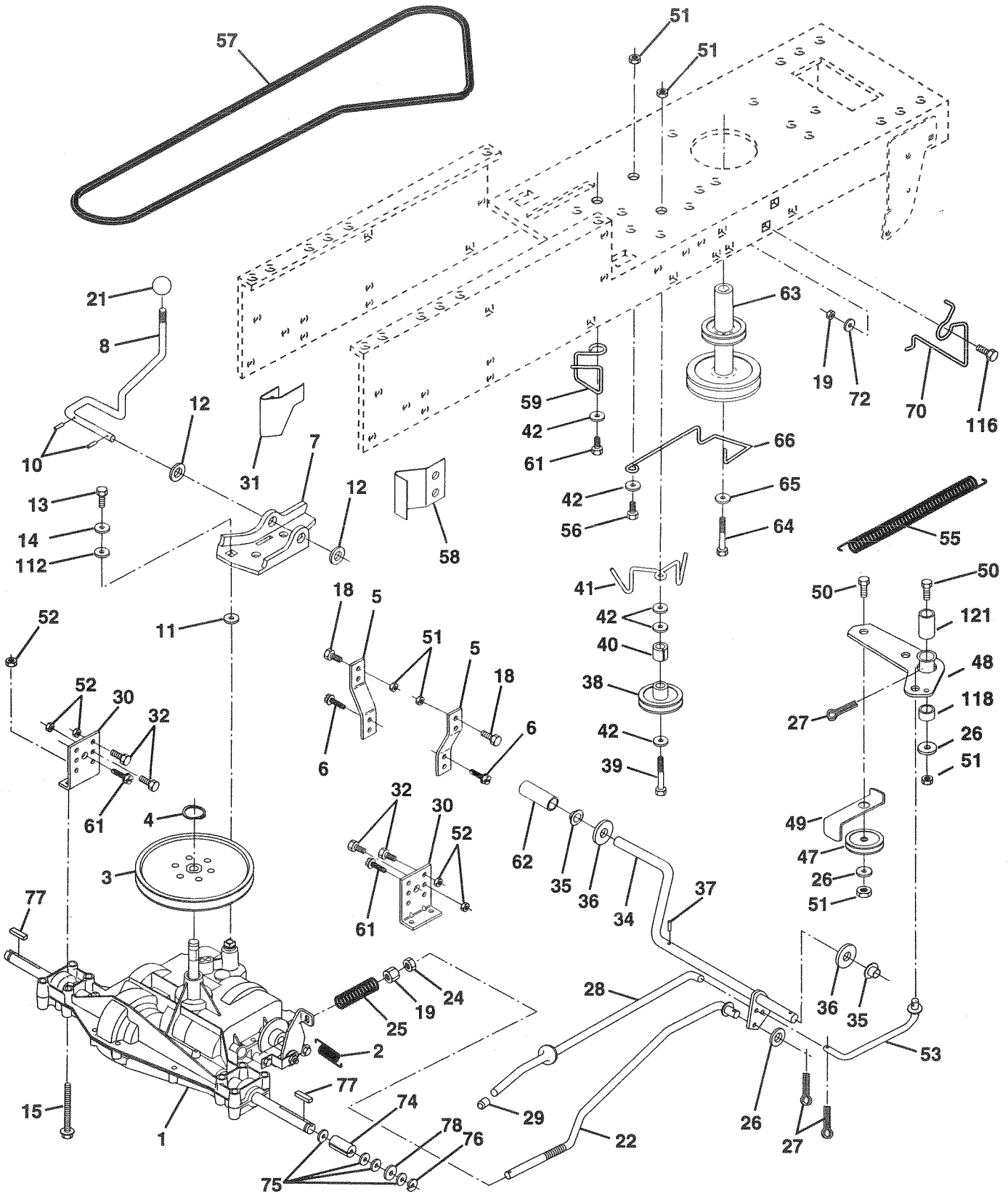
CHASSIS AND ENCLOSURES

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	159530	Chassis Wldmt
2	140356	Drawbar Stretch
3	17490612	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 3/4 Ty-tt
4	STD551025	Washer 13/32 X 3/4 X 16 Ga
5	155272	Bumper Dash Hood
6	155924X015	Saddle Slkscr Flt Lt 6sp Peerless
7	126842X	Shield Ht. Hood Kohl/Dia Engine
8	155138	Clip Retainer Slide On
9	156275X010	Dash Slkscr 1-pc
10	STD533710	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 3/8-16unc X 1
11	155927	Panel Dash LH
13	155934X010	Panel Slkscr Dash RH
14	17490608	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 1/2 Ty-tt
15	74180512	Screw Mach TRHD 5/16-18 unc x 3/4
16	STD541431	Nut Keps 5/16-18 Unc
17	154988X574	Hood Asm Pnt Slope Weld Ms-574
18	126938X	Bumper Hood
19	17521312	Screw Slt'd Hex Hd W/Pl Washer
21	122933X	Rivet Ratchet Nylon
22	124479X	Washer Nylon Blk 28 x 75 x 19
24	STD523710	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 unc x 1 Gr. 5
25	19131312	Washer 13/32 X 13/16 x 12 Ga
26	STD541437	Nut Hex Lock W/Ins. 3/8-16 Unc
27	17030814	Screw Spiderloc Hex Hd #8 x 7/8
28	140137	Grille Grey
29	124029X	Lens Headlight Bar Clear
30	109872X574	Fender Pnt LT W/o Shift
31	136619	Bracket Fender Repl 109873x
33	145244X574	Footrest Pnt Lh
34	145243X574	Footrest Pnt Rh
35	STD533707	Bolt Rdhd Sht Sqnk 3/8-16 x 3/4
37	17490508	Screw Thdrol. 5/16-18 x 1/2
38	139886	Bracket Asm Pvt LH MWR Rear
39	139887	Bracket Asm Pvt RH MWR Rear
100	105037X	Strip Foam 18"
140	158418	Bracket Suspension Front
145	156524	Rod Pivot Chassis/Hood
--	5479J	Plug Button Blk 359 Dia Choke

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DRIVE



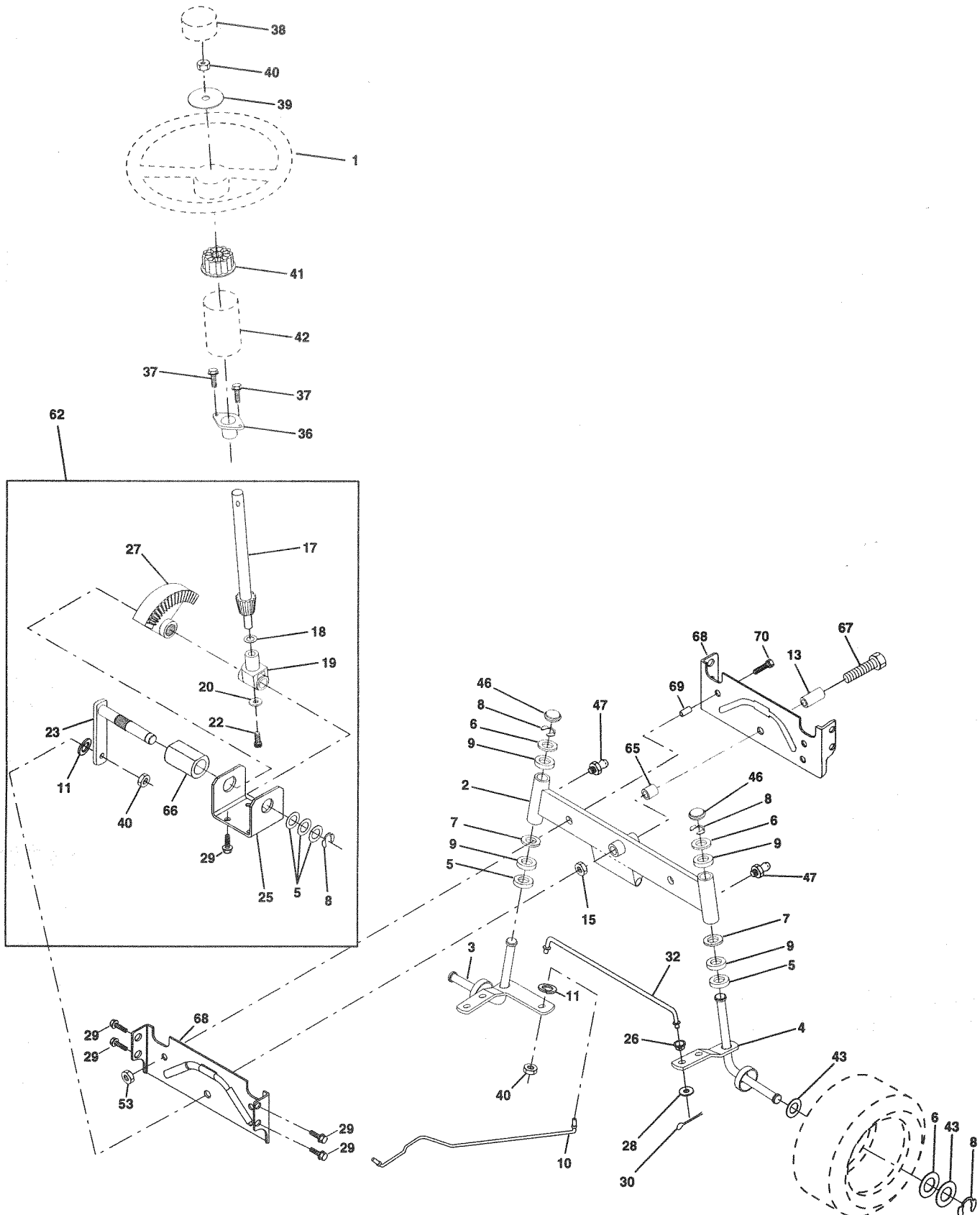
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DRIVE

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	----	Transaxle (See Breakdown) Dana Model 4360-113	41	154777	Keeper Belt Idler
2	146682	Spring Return Brake T/a Zinc	42	19131312	Washer 13/32 X 13/16 X 12 Ga
3	123666X	Pulley Transaxle 18/20" tires	47	127783	Pulley Idler V Groove Plastic
4	12000028	Ring Retainer # 5100-62	48	154604	Bellcrank Asm Clutch
5	121520X	Strap Torque 30 Degrees	49	123205X	Retainer Belt Style Spring
6	17490512	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 X 3/4 TYT	50	STD523715	Bolt Hex Hd 3/8-16unc X 1-1/2
7	130802	Bracket Saddle Shift T/a	51	STD541374	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 UNC
8	131679	Rod Shf Sdl LY/YT Str Blk Zinc	52	STD541431	Nut Crown Lock 5/16-18
10	STD561210	Pin Cotter 1/8 X 1 Cad	53	105710X	Link Clutch 7 66
11	105701X	Washer Plate Shf 388 Sq Hole	55	105709X	Spring Return Clutch 6 75
12	19151216	Washer 15/32 X 3/4 X 16ga	56	STD523712	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 unc x 1-1/4
13	74550412	Bolt 1/4-28unf Gr8 W/Patch	57	130801	V-Belt Gd Drive 95 25
14	STD551125	Washer Lock Hvy Helical 1/4	58	127274X	Keeper Belt RH LT Pnt/zinc 16g
15	74490544	Bolt Hex FLGHD5/16-18Gr.5	59	140312	Keeper Belt Centerspan
18	STD523710	Bolt Fin Hex	61	17490612	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16x3/4 Ty-tt
19	STD541437	Nut Lock Hex W/Ins. 3/8-16 Unc	62	8883R	Cover Pedal Blk Round
21	106933X	Knob Rd 1/2-13 Plstc Thds Blk	63	140186	Pulley Eng Cl Mech 38deg LT/YT
22	130804	Rod Brake Blk Zinc 26 840	64	71170764	Bolt Hex 7/16-20x4 Gr 5
24	STD541237	Nut Hex Jam 3/8-16 Unc	65	STD551143	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 7/16
25	106888X	Spring Rod Brake 2 00 Zinc	66	154778	Keeper Belt Engine
26	STD551037	Washer 13/32 X 13/16 X 16 Ga	70	134683	Guide Belt Mower Drive RH
27	STD561210	Pin Cotter 1/8 X 3/4 Cad	72	19132012	Washer 13/32 X 1-1/4 X 12 Ga
28	145204	Rod Brake Parking Lt/Yt	74	109502X	Spacer Axle
29	124236X	Cap Brake Parking Red	75	121749X	Washer 25/32 X 1 1/4 X 16 Ga
30	130807	Bracket Mtg Transaxle	76	STD581075	E-ring #5133-75
31	127275X	Keeper Belt LH LT 14 Ga	77	123583X	Key Square 2 0 X 1845/ 1865
32	STD523107	Bolt Hex Hd 5/16-18unc X 3/4	78	121748X	Washer 25/32 X 1-5/8 X 16ga
34	155071	Shaft Asm Pedal Foot	112	19091210	Washer 9/32 X 3/4 X 10 Ga
35	120183X	Bearing Nylon Blk 629 Id	116	72110610	Bolt Rdhd Sq Neck 3/8-16 x 1.25
36	STD551062	Washer 21/32 X 1 X 16 Ga	118	154774	Spacer Bellcrank
37	1572H	Pin Roll 3/16 X 1"	121	154419	Nyliner Clutching Stl
38	123674X	Pulley Idler Flat			
39	STD523727	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16unc X 2-3/4			
40	4470J	Spacer Split 395 X 59 Bzp			

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STEERING ASSEMBLY



# REPAIR PARTS

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### STEERING ASSEMBLY

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	139768	Wheel Steering Opp Sears Blk
2	154427	Axle Asm Front Lt
3	156483	Spindle Asm Lh
4	157473	Spindle Asm Rh
5	6266H	Washer Thrust .75 x 1.230
6	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga.
7	19272016	Washer 27/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
8	12000029	RingKlip #T5304-75
9	3366R	Bearing Col Strg Blk
10	156438	Draglink Extended Stamped
11	10040600	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 3/8
13	154779	Bearing Axle
15	73901000	Locknut Flange 5/8-11 UNC
17	156545	Shaft Asm Strg 5/8 x 15.19 Lt
18	57079	Washer Thrust .515 x .750 x .033
19	124035X	Support Shaft
20	126684X	Washer Shim 1/4 x 5/8 x .062
22	71200410	Screw Hex Socket 1/4-20 x 5/8
23	127501	Shaft Asm Pitman
25	154406	Bracket Steering
26	126847X	Bushing Llnk Drag Blk LR
27	136874	Gear Sector 22 Teeth
28	19131416	Washer 13/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga.
29	17490612	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 3/4 TY-TT
30	STD561210	Pin Cotter 1/8 x 3/4 Cad
32	130465	Rod Tie Wire Form 19.75 Mech
36	155099	Bushing Strg. 5/8 ID Dash
37	152927	Screw
38	139769	Cap Wheel Steer Opp Sears USA
39	19133808	Washer 13/32 x 2-3/8 x 8 Ga.
40	STD541537	Locknut Center 3/8-24 Unf
41	104820X	Adaptor Wheel Strg. .640/.635 Id
42	124417X	Boot Shaft Steering Craftsman
43	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
46	121232X	Cap Spindle Fr Top Blk
47	6855M	Fitting Grease
53	73680600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 Unc
62	156593	Steering Assembly
65	154780	Spacer Axle
66	154404	Bearing Arm Pittman
67	74781044	Bolt Fin Hex 5/8-11 UNC x 2-3/4
68	154429	Brace Axle
69	160367	Spacer, Brace, Axle
70	74780636	Bolt, Fin Hex 3/8-16 Unc x 2-1/4

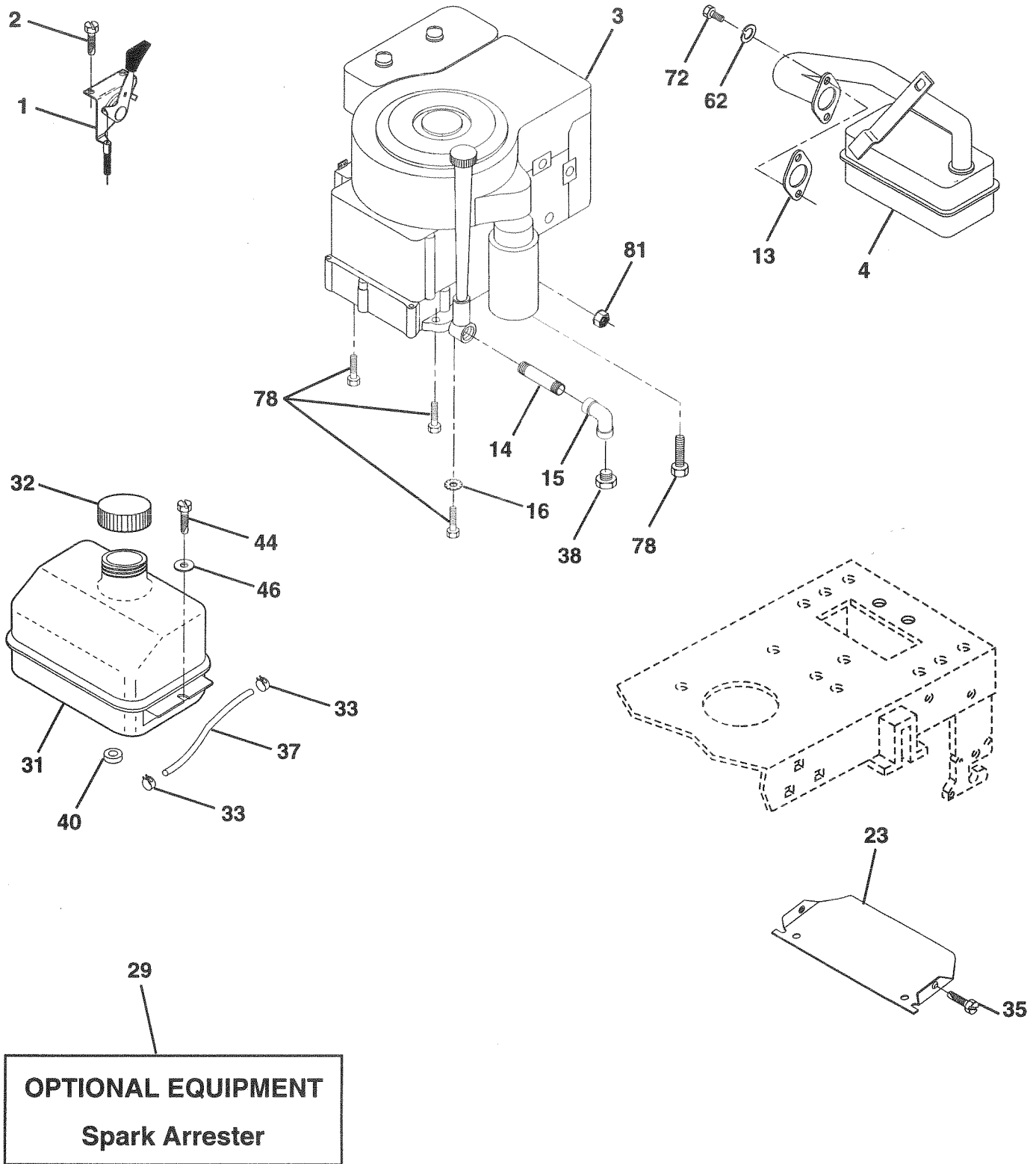
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## ENGINE



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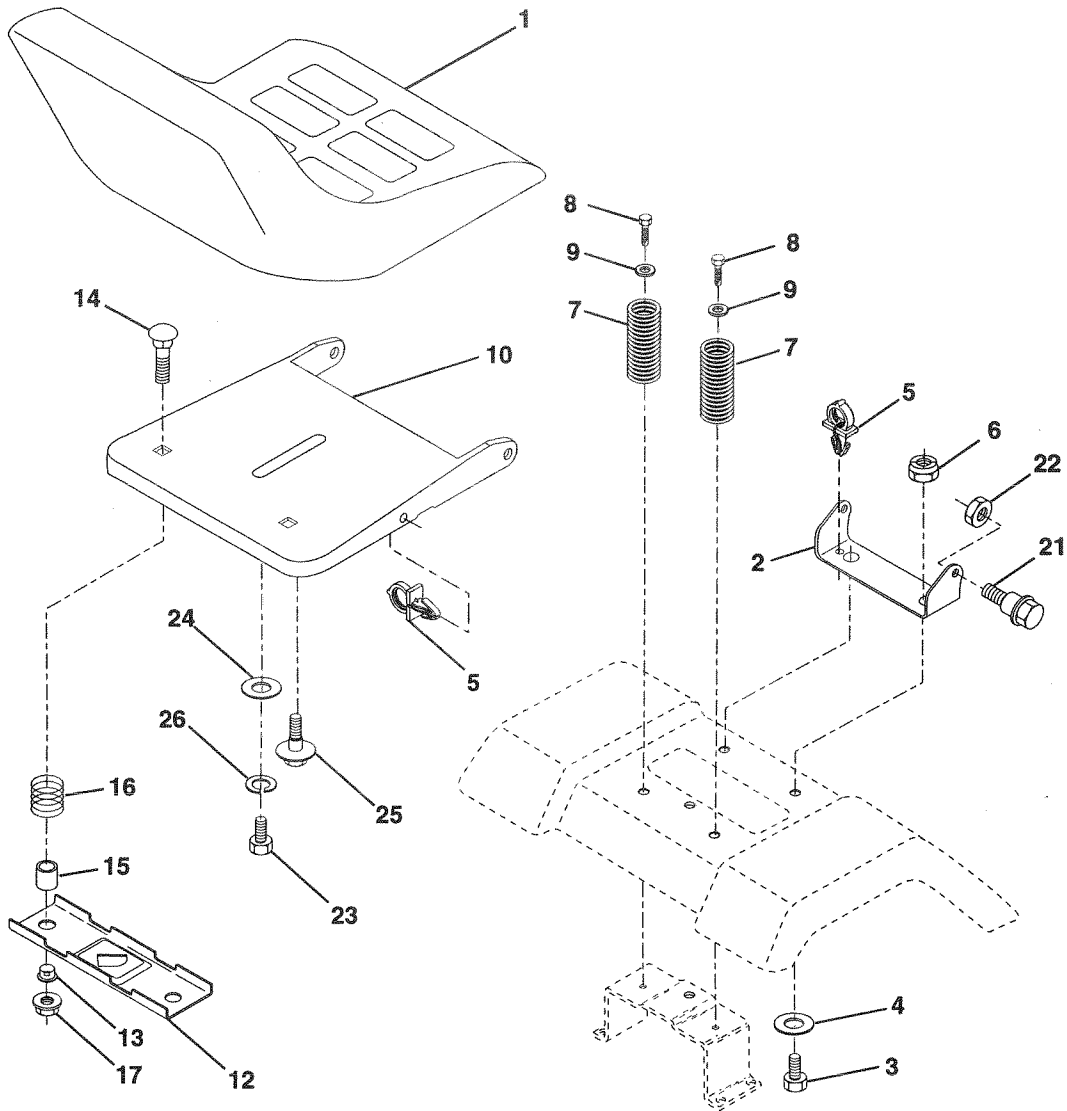
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## ENGINE

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	132759	Control Th/ch RH Blk Pdl 15 10
2	17720410	Screw Hex Thd Cut 1/4-20x5/8 T
3	-----	Engine (See Breakdown)Briggs Model No 287707-1255-E1
4	137352	Muffler Exh LT B&S 14HP IC OHV
13	272293	Gasket Eng 1 313 Id Tin Plated
14	13280324	Nipple Pipe 3/8 Npt x 3"
15	13200300	Elbow Std 90 Degree 3/8-18 Npt
16	STD551237	Washer Lock Ext Tooth 3/8
23	156123	Shield Browning
29	137180	Kit Spark Arrestor (Flat Scrn)
31	109202X	Tank Fuel Front 1 25
32	158990	Cap Asm Fuel Sears Vented
33	123487X	Clamp Hose Blk
35	17490512	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 3/4 TYT
37	137040	Line Fuel 20"
38	-----	Plug Oil Drain (Order From Engine Manufacturer)
40	124028X	Bushing Snap Nyl Blk Fuel Line
44	17490412	Screw Hexwsh Thdrol 1/4-20 x 3/4
46	19091416	Washer 9/32 x 7/8 x 16 ga
62	STD551131	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 5/16
72	71070512	Screw Hex Hd Cap 5/16-18 X 3/4
78	17490620	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16x1-1/4 TYTT
81	128861	Nut Flange 1/4-20 Starter Nut

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SEAT ASSEMBLY



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	140122	Seat
2	140551	Bracket Pvt St
3	STD523710	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16unc X 1
4	19131610	Washer Flat 13/32 X 1 X 10 Ga
5	145006	Clip Push-In Hinged
6	STD541437	Locknut Hex W/Wsh 3/8-16
7	124181X	Spring Seat Cprsn 2 250 Blk Zi
8	17490616	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 X 1 Ty-tt
9	19131614	Washer 13/32 X 1 X 14 Ga
10	155925	Pan Seat
12	121246X	Bracket Mounting Switch
13	121248X	Bushing Snap Blk Nyl 50 Id

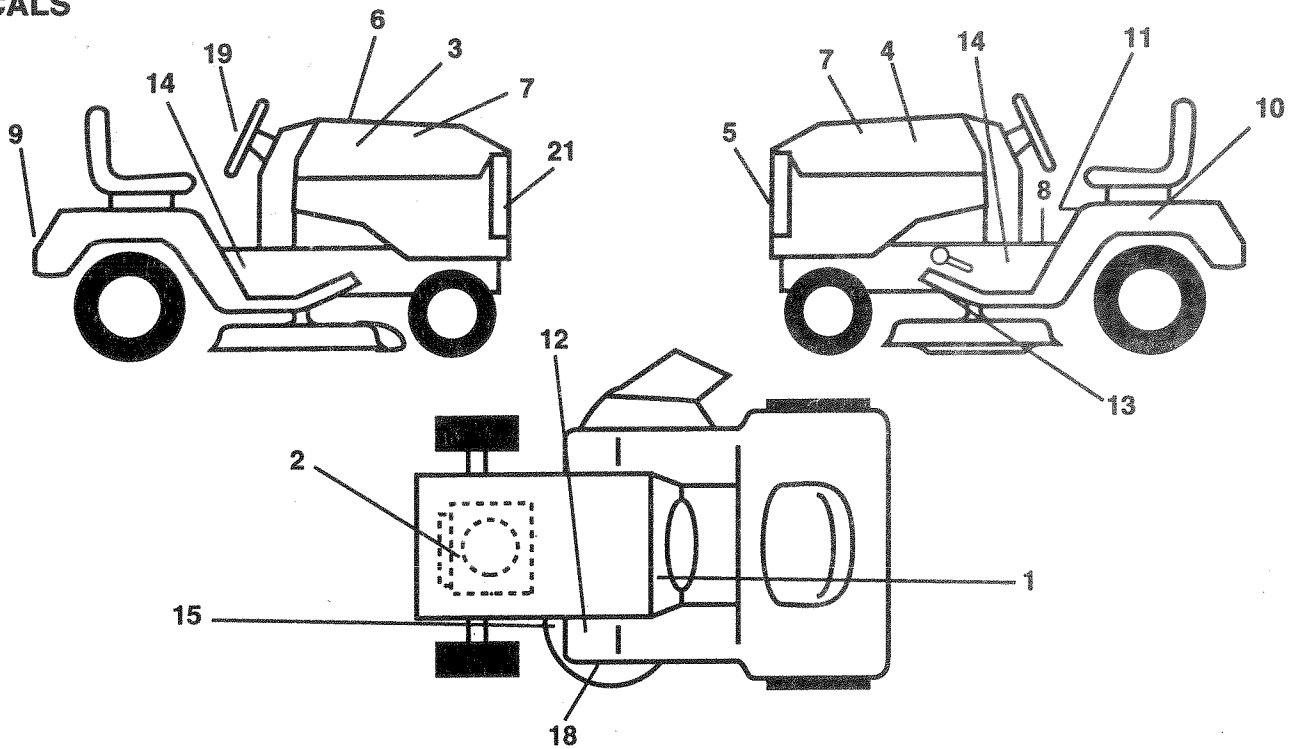
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14	72050412	Bolt Rdhd Sht Nk 1/4-20x1-1/2
15	134300	Spacer Split 28x 96 Yel Zinc
16	121250X	Spring Cprsn 1 27 Blk Pnt
17	123976X	Nut Lock 1/4 Lge Flg Gr 5 Zinc
21	153236	Bolt Shld 5/16-18 Unc
22	STD541431	Nut Lock Hex "W/Ins 5/16-18
23	74780814	Bolt Fin Hex 1/2-13 X 7/8 Gr 5
24	19171912	Washer 17/32 X 1-3/16 X 12 Ga
25	127018X	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 X 62
26	STD551150	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 1/2

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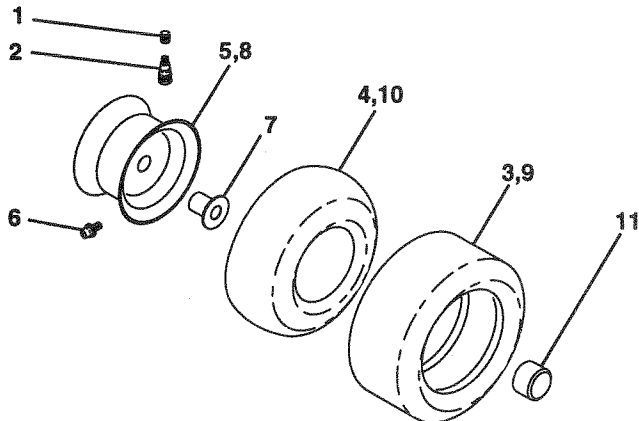
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### DECALS



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	156834	Decal Dash Inst Oper English	13	146046	Decal V-Belt Dr Sch Tractor
2	273511	Decal HP Engine	14	150678	Decal Chassis 6sp 42"
3	160302	Decal Hood RH	15	160396	Decal V-Belt Sch
4	160303	Decal Hood LH	18	156787	Decal Mower EZ3 Mulch
5	150680	Decal Grille Crafts	19	150333	Decal Cap CNSMR Help Line SRS
6	133644	Decal Maint Cust Sears Domesti	21	131265	Decal Lightbox
7	142235	Decal Side Pnl lcgold Blk B & S	--	145246	Pad Footrest
8	140837	Decal Brake Parking Saddle	--	145247	Fastener Pop In
9	128314	Decal Fender Craftsman White	--	138311	Decal Handle Lft Height Adjust
10	149516	Decal Battery Dngr/Psn Eng Acme	--	161467	Manual Owners English
11	156439	Decal Danger Fender Eng/span	--	161468	Manual Owners Spanish
12	4900J	Decal Clutch/brake English			

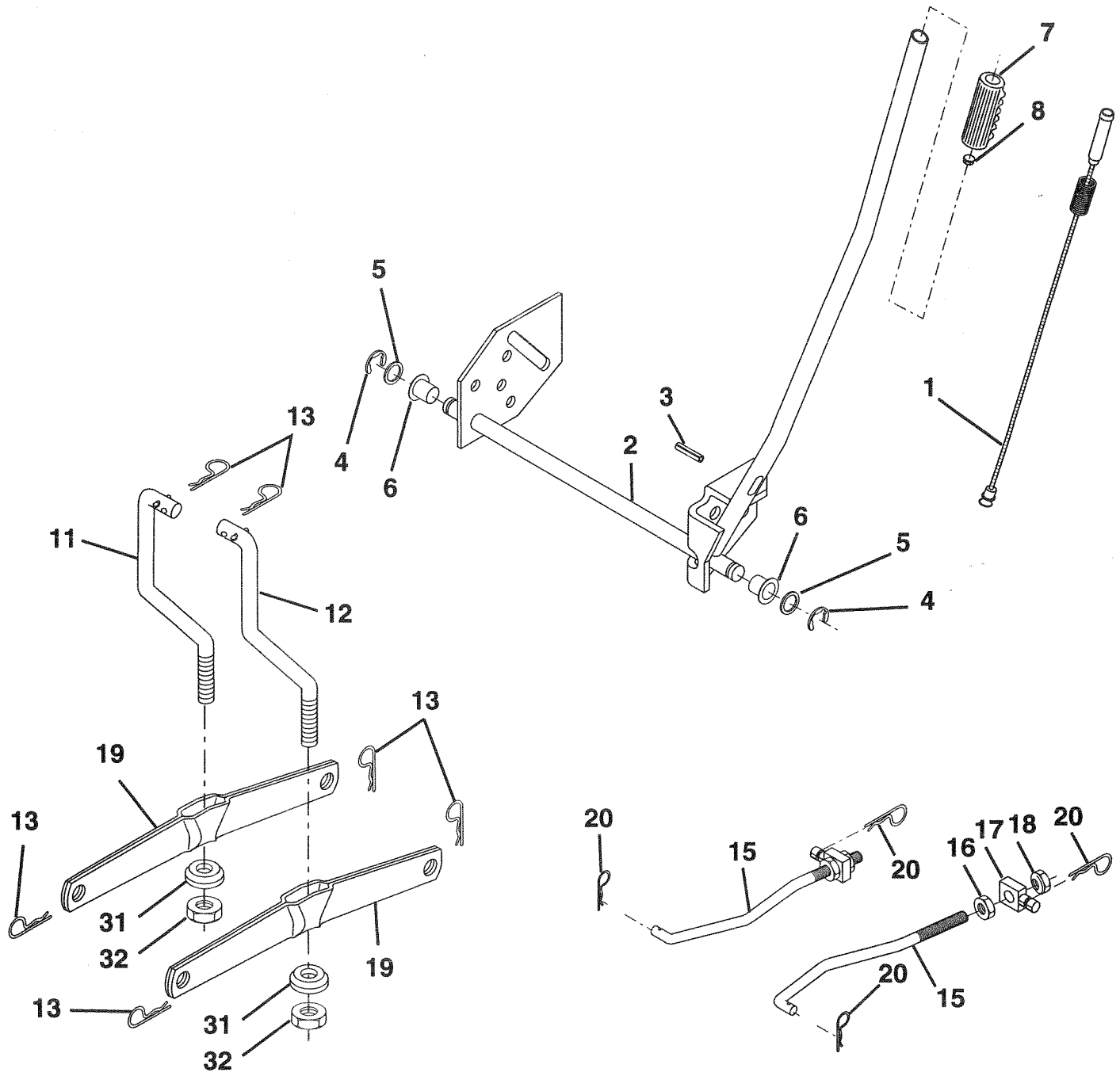
### WHEELS & TIRES



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	59192	Cap Valve Tire
2	65139	Stem Valve
3	106222X	Tire F Ts 15 X 6 0 - 6 Service
4	59904	Tube Front (Service Item Only)
5	106732X427	Rim Asm 6" front White Service
6	278H	Fitting Grease (Front Wheel Only)
7	9040H	Bearing Flange (Front Wheel Only)
8	106108X427	Rim Asm 8" rear White Service
9	124635X	Tire R Ts 18x8 5-8 C Service
10	7152J	Tube Rear (Service Item Only)
11	104757X	Cap Hub Axle Blk 1 50 X 1 00
--	144334	Sealant, Tire (10 oz. Tube)

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LIFT



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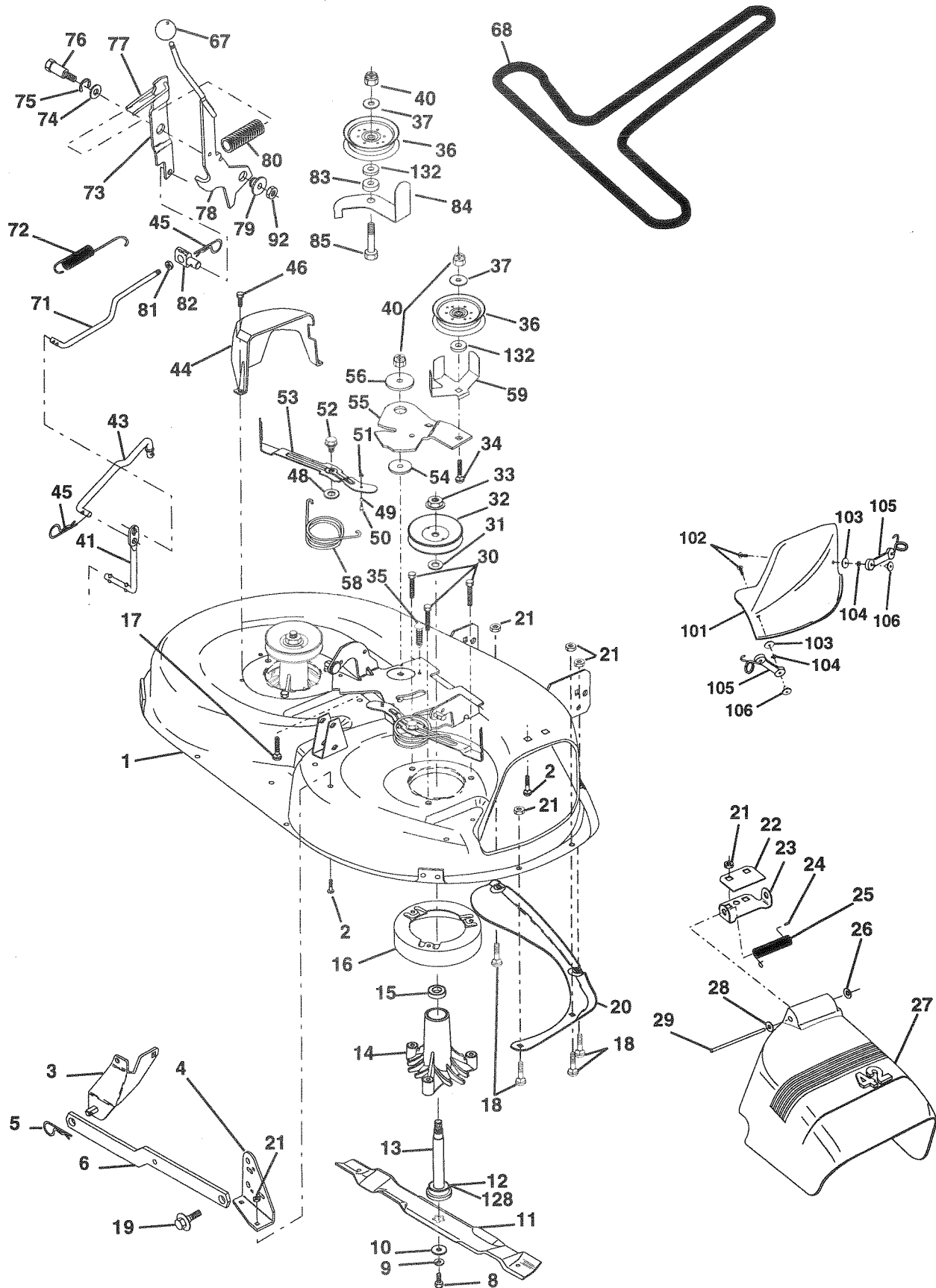
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	159460	Wire Asm Inner/Sprg W/plunger LT
2	159474	Shaft Asm Lift
3	105767X	Pin Groove 1 500 Zinc
4	12000002	E Ring #5133-62
5	19211621	Washer Pltd 21/32 X 1 X 21ga
6	120183X	Bearing Nylon Blk 629 Id
7	125631X	Grip Handle Fluted Blk
8	122365X	Button Plunger Red
11	139865	Link Lift LH
12	139866	Link Lift RH
13	STD624008	Retainer Spring
15	127218	Link Front
16	73350800	Nut Jam Hex 1/2-13 Unc
17	130171	Trunnion Blk Zinc
18	73800800	Nut Lock W/wsh 1/2-13unc
19	139868	Arm Suspension Rear
20	STD624008	Retainer Spring Zinc
31	140302	Bearing Pvt Lift Spherical
32	73540600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-24

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## MOWER



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### 42" MOWER

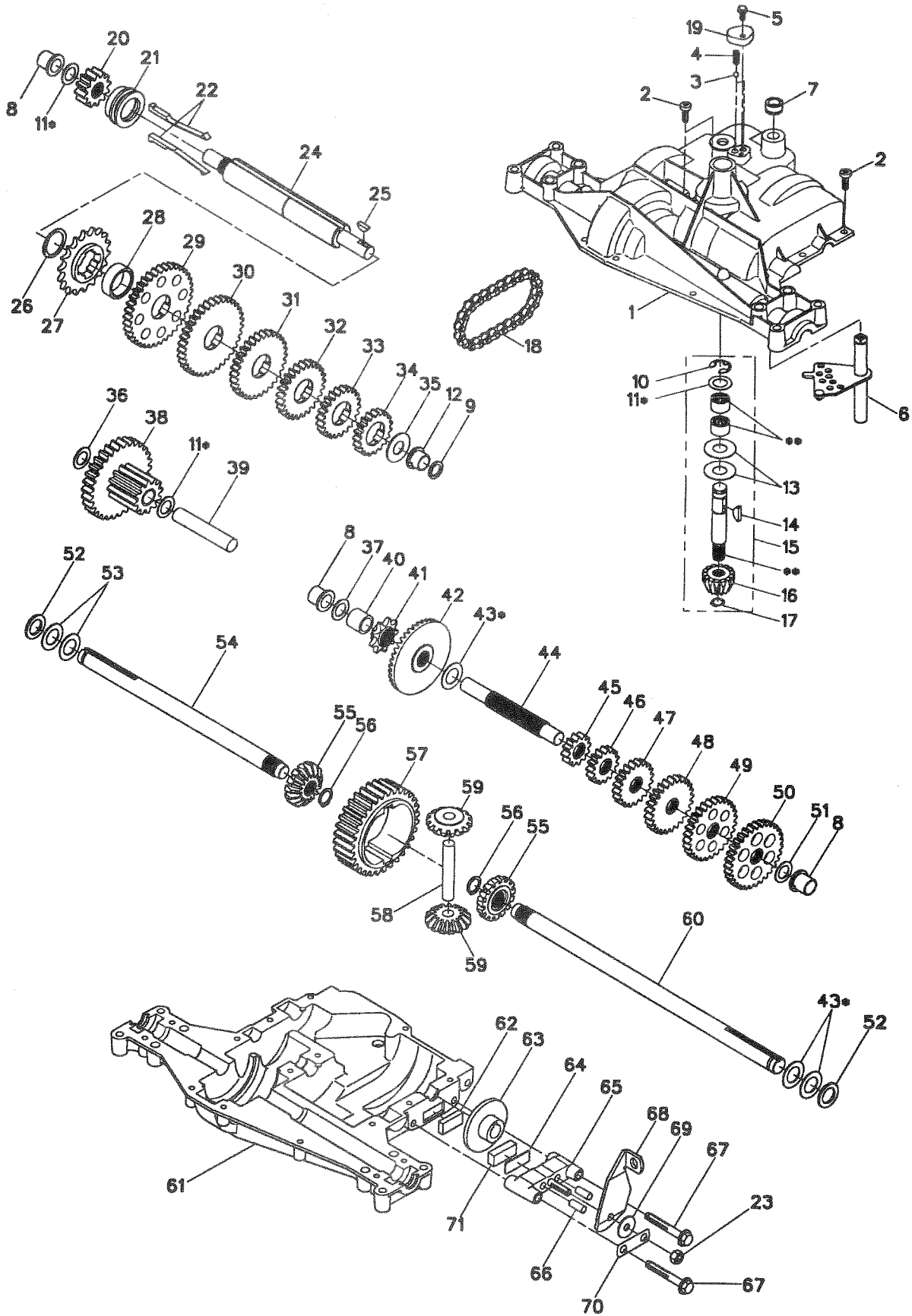
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1	144393	Mower Housing	51	STD541410	Locknut
2	STD533107	Bolt	52	139888	Bolt, Shoulder 5/16-18 UNC
3	138017	Bracket Assembly, Sway Bar, Front	53	131845X900	Arm Assembly, Pad, Brake
4	138440	Bracket Assembly, Sway Bar	54	133943	Washer, Hardened
5	STD624008	Retainer Spring	55	155046	Arm, Idler
6	130832	Arm, Suspension, Rear	56	122052X	Spacer, Retainer
8	850857	Bolt, Hex 3/8-24 x 1.25 Grade 8	58	140086	Spring, Torsion Brakes
9	STD551137	Washer, Lock	59	141043	Guard, TUV Idler
10	140296	Washer, Hardened	67	149846	Knob Custom Oval
11	134149	Blade, Mulching	68	144200	V-Belt
12	129895	Bearing, Ball	71	142427	Rod, Clutch, Primary, with Nibs
13	137645	Shaft Assembly, Mandrel, Vented (Includes Key Number 6)	72	131870	Spring, Return
14	128774	Housing, Mandrel, Vented	73	127847	Arm, Clutch, Secondary
15	110485X	Bearing, Ball, Mandrel	74	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Gauge
16	140329	Stripper, Vented Mower Deck	75	12000029	Ring, Klip
17	72110610	Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 1-1/4	76	128903	Bolt, Shoulder 3/8-16 UNC x 1.44
18	72140505	Bolt, Carriage 5/16-18 x 5/8	77	127845	Keeper, Spring
19	132827	Bolt, Shoulder	78	154810	Lever Asm. Clutch Pri Plm STLT
20	136888	Baffle, Vortex	79	127498	Bushing, Large, Brass
21	STD541431	Nut Crownlock 5/16-18 UNC	80	153701	Spring, Mower Clutch
22	134753	Stiffener Bracket	81	73350600	Nut, Hex Jam 3/8-16 Unc
23	131267	Bracket, Deflector	82	142028	Trunnion, Adj.
24	105304X	Cap, Sleeve	83	120958X	Washer Sintered
25	123713X	Spring, Torsion, Deflector	84	156084	Keeper Belt Idler
26	110452X	Nut, Push	85	72140618	Bolt Carriage 3/8-16 x 2-1/4
27	130968	Shield, Deflector	92	STD541437	Nut
28	19111016	Washer 11/32 x 5/8 x 16 Gauge	101	136420	Mulcher Cover
29	131491	Rod, Hinge	102	71161010	Screw
30	157722	Screw Thdrol Washer Head	103	19061216	Washer #10
31	129963	Washer, Spacer	104	STD551110	Washer, Lock
32	153535	Pulley, Mandrel	105	160793	Latch Assembly, Bagger
33	137266	Nut, Toplock, Flanged	106	2029J	Nut, Weld
34	STD533717	Bolt	128	153390	Washer Felt
35	133835	Fastner, Christmas Tree	132	19132203	Spacer, Washer 13/32 I.D. x 1-3/8 O.D. x 1/4
36	131494	Pulley, Idler, Flat	--	130794	Mandrel Assembly (Includes Key Numbers 8-10, 12-15, 31 and 32)
37	19131316	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 16 Gauge	--	145411	Mower Deck, Complete (Standard Deck, Order Separately Mulcher Plate and Gauge Wheel Components, Key Nos. 101-106 and 111-121)
40	STD541437	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 UNC			
41	133551	Rod, Pivot, with Nibs			
43	140083	Rod, Clutch, Secondary, with Nibs			
44	140088	Guard, Mandrel, L.H.			
45	STD624003	Retainer			
46	137729	Screw, Thd. Roll 1/4-20 x 5/8			
48	133944	Washer, Hardened			
49	155066	Roller Assembly, Cam Follower			
50	131340	Bolt, Shoulder #10-24 Grade 5			

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## DANA TRANSAXLE - MODEL NUMBER 4360-113



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KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION		
1	160939	40	120472X	Housing, Upper	Spacer, .633 X .87 X .755
2	2274J	41	105928X	Screw, Tapping, 1/4-20 X .734	Sprocket, 9T
3	134400	42	110084X	Ball, Detent	Gear, Bevel, 42T
4	105904X	43	134394	Spring, Detent	* Assy, Kit, Shim, .750 Shaft
5	160940	44	120473X	Screw, Tapping, No. 10-24 X .482	Shaft, Drive
6	138235	45	142678	Assy, Shifter	Gear, Spur, 12T
7	108727X	46	143697	V-Ring	Gear, Spur, 15T
8	148266	47	124641X	Bearing, Flange	Gear, Spur, 20T
9	148269	48	106589X	Seal, Oil	Gear, Spur, 25T
10	2225J	49	120408X	Ring, Retaining	Gear, Spur, 28T
11	134793	50	105937X	* Assy, Kit, Shim, .625 Shaft	Gear, Spur, 31T
12	148268	51	2226J	Bearing, Flange	Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00 X .060
13	120415X	52	134401	Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.38 X .046	Washer, Neoprene
14	142674	53	2264J	Key, Woodruff, No. 9	Washer, Plain, .758X 1.25X .031
15	138234	54	160946	Assy, Kit, Input Shaft	Axle, LH
16	110078X	55	110081X	Pinion, Bevel, 14T	Gear, Miter, 15T
17	105909X	56	160948	Ring, Retaining	Ring, Retaining
18	105910X	57	110071X	Chain, 24 Pitches	Gear, Spur, 32T
19	160942	58	120952X	Cover, Detent	Shaft, Cross
20	160943	59	110082X	Gear, Spur, 12T	Gear, Miter, 15T
21	148267	60	160950	Collar, Clutch	Axle, RH
22	138236	61	142680	Assy, Kit, Clutch Keys	Housing, Lower
23	73810500	62	120961X	Nut, Lock, 5/16-24	Puck, Friction
24	142676	63	7294J	Shaft, Intermediate	Disc, Brake
25	2244J	64	108989X	Key, Woodruff, No. 61	Spacer, Brake Puck
26	105916X	65	160952	Ring, Retaining	Jaw, Brake
27	120470X	66	120954X	Sprocket, 18T	Pin, Dowel
28	110070X	67	160953	Spacer, 1.131 X 1.45 X .494	Screw, Tapping, 5/16-18 X 2.35
29	142677	68	138244	Gear, Spur, 37T	Lever, Actuating
30	142681	69	108996X	Gear, Spur, 35T	Washer, Plain, .321 X 1.00 X .055
31	124644X	70	160954	Gear, Spur, 30T	Bracket, Anti-Rotation
32	108980X	71	120951X	Gear, Spur, 25T	Puck, Friction
33	120406X	72	120416X	Gear, Spur, 22T	Grease
34	134796			Gear, Spur 19T	
35	105925X			Washer, Plain, .640 X 1.37 X .061	
36	2228J			Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00 X .046	
37	2231J			Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00 X .031	
38	160944			Assy, Gear, Comb., 12T & 30T	
39	124639X			Shaft, Idler	

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TRACTOR -- MODEL NUMBER 917.258515

BRIGGS & STRATTON ENGINE - MODEL NUMBER 287707, TYPE NUMBER 1255-E1

KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 496412	Cylinder Assembly	52 272569	*** Gasket, Carburetor (Elbow to Cylinder)
2 399265	Bearing, Cylinder	53 94637	Stud, Carburetor Mounting
3 391086	* Seal, Oil	73 224948	Screen, Flush Rotating
4 494238	Base, Engine	75 225136	Washer, Spring
5 495858	Head, Cylinder	78 94626	Screw, Sems
7 272614	*** Gasket, Cylinder Head	93 281346	Bushing, Throttle Shaft
8 495735	Breather Assembly	95 94098	** Screw, Throttle
9 27803	* Gasket, Valve Cover	98 495800	Screw, Idle Speed
10 94621	Screw, Sems	104 231789	** Pin, Float Hinge
11 281246	Tube, Breather	105 231855	** Valve Float
12 271916	* Gasket, Crankcase Cover, 1/64"	106 231854	** Seat, Inlet Valve
271997	* Gasket, Crankcase Cover, .005"	108 224540	Valve, Choke
271996	* Gasket, Crankcase Cover, .009"	111 262719	Spring, Choke
13 94728	Screw, Cylinder Head	117 232118	Jet, Main (Std.)
15 94239	Plug, Oil Drain	232119	Jet, Main (Hi-Alt.)
16 495162	Crankshaft	118 498030	Valve, Needle
94196	Timing Gear Key	121 499233	Carburetor Overhaul Kit
20 291675	* Seal, Oil	123 94913	Screw, Elbow Mounting
22 94624	Screw, Sems, Base Mounting	125 499153	Carburetor Assembly
23 492326	Flywheel and Ring Gear Assembly, Magneto	127 - - -	** Plug, Welch (Sold in Kit Only)
24 222698	Key, Flywheel	130 224539	Valve, Throttle
25 495860	Piston Assembly, Standard Size	131 494379	Shaft and Lever, Throttle
495977	Piston Assembly, .010" Oversize	133 494381	Float, Carburetor
495978	Piston Assembly, .020" Oversize	137 281165	**** Gasket, Float Bowl
495979	Piston Assembly, .030" Oversize	138 281164	**** Washer, Bowl
26 495854	Ring Set, Piston, Standard Size	141 495931	Shaft and Lever, Choke
495852	Ring Set, Piston, .010" Oversize	142 232117	Nozzle, Carburetor
495851	Ring Set, Piston, .020" Oversize	164 214047	Elbow, Carburetor
495855	Ring Set, Piston, .030" Oversize	166 94555	Stud, Rocker Arm
27 263129	Lock, Piston Pin	171 281051	Nut, Air Cleaner Mounting
28 498319	Pin Assy., Piston, Standard Size	187 492790	Line, Fuel (11" Long, Cut to Suit)
29 494504	Rod Assembly, Connecting	188 94627	Screw, Hex Head, 3/4
495490	Rod Assembly, Connecting, .020" Undersize Crankpin Bore	192 492160	Screw Assembly, Rocker Arm
32 94695	Screw, Hex Washer Head, 1-57/64	201 262767	Link, Governor
32A 94648	Screw, Hex Washer Head, 1-5/8	209 260695	Spring, Governor
33 495856	Valve, Exhaust	216 262766	Link, Choke
34 495857	Valve, Intake	219 490815	Gear, Governor
35 262811	Spring, Valve	222 495611	Plate, Governor Control
37 224502	Guard, Flywheel	224 94729	Screw, Sems, Air Cleaner
40 224641	Retainer, Valve Spring	225 495157	Crank, Governor
45 262411	Tappet, Valve	227 493935	Lever Assembly, Governor
46 496884	Gear, Cam	230 94927	Washer, Governor Crank
51 272465	**** Gasket, Carburetor (Carburetor to Elbow)	232 262785	Spring, Governor Link
		238 262836	Cap, Valve
		240 394358	Filter, Fuel (In Fuel Line)
		265 221535	Clamp, Casing

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# REPAIR PARTS

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284 94704	Screw, Hex Head	668 280848	Spacer
294 810068	Screw, Set	718 230192	Pin, Dowel
304 496318	Housing, Blower	726 392134	Gear, Ring (Includes Mounting Hardware)
305 94786	Screw, Hex, Head, Blower Housing Mounting	727 490324	Cover, Starter
306 225020	Shield, Cylinder	728 94951	Screw, Hex Head
307 94930	Screw, Cylinder Shield	729 225170	Retainer, Wire
309 497595	Motor, Starter	729A 281390	Clip, Wire
310 497602	Bolt, Thru	741 262932	Gear, Timing
311 497608	Brush Set	757 213998	Link, Counterweight
333 495859	Armature, Magneto	758 399891	Counterweight Assembly
334 94731	Screw, Sems, Armature Mounting	759 298909	Pin, Counterweight
337 491055	Plug, Spark	761 94593	Screw, Counterweight
346 93705	Screw, Hex Head	783 280104	Gear, Starter
356 497708	Wire Assembly	801 394856	Cap, Drive
356A 497671	Wire, Stop	802 497605	Cap, End
356B 494705	Wire Stop	803 497604	Housing, Starter
358 495993	Gasket Set	842 270920	* Seal, Oil Filler Cap
363 19203	Puller, Flywheel	847 496415	Fill Group, Oil
383 89838	Wrench, Spark Plug	851 493880	Terminal, Ignition Cable
423 94903	Screw, Sems	868 494435	*** Seal Assembly, Valve
445 496894	Cartridge, Air Cleaner	868A 272610	*** Gasket, Valve
455 222561	Cup, Screen Mounting	871 262835	Bushing, Guide (Intake & Exhaust)
467 493903	Knob, Air Cleaner	872 281104	Cover, Air Cleaner
474 393474	Stator, Alternator	875 495862	Body, Air Cleaner
482 93621	Screw, Sems	877 393456	Diode and Connector Assembly
510 497606	Drive, Starter	947 497672	Solenoid
523 495230	Cap and Dipstick, Oil Filler	965 94108	Nut, Hex
524 281370	* Seal, Filler Tube	975 495933	Bowl Assembly, Carburetor
525 496113	Tube, Oil Filler	977 494385	Carburetor Gasket Set
535 272403	Element, Filter	987 281166	** Seal, Throttle Shaft
537 281106	* O-Ring, Air Cleaner	1005 280687	Fan, Flywheel
544 497603	Armature, Starter	1006 224413	Retainer, Fan
552 231597	Bushing, Governor Crank	1019 496758	Label Kit
562 94907	Bolt, Governor Lever	1022 272475	*** Gasket, Cover
592 231978	Nut, Hex	1023 224552	Cover, Rocker Arm
601 93053	Clamp, Fuel Pipe	1026 494432	Rod, Push, Intake
611 493496	Elbow, Fuel Pipe	495136	Rod, Push, Exhaust
614 93306	Pin, Cotter	1029 224554	Arm, Rocker
615 263080	Retainer	1033 495992	Valve Overhaul Kit
634 494455	** Seal, Choke Shaft	1034 495248	Guide Assembly, Push Rod
634A 491323	* Seal, Governor	1036 499364	Label Kit, Emissions
635 280872	Elbow, Spark Plug	1044 94673	Screw, Hex Head
646 224546	Brace, Air Cleaner	1045 231828	Extension, Crankshaft
657 94906	Screw, Sems	1058 272623	Manual, Owner's
663 94929	Screw, Self-Tapping	1090 497607	Retainer, Brush
		1091 281364	Cap, Limiter

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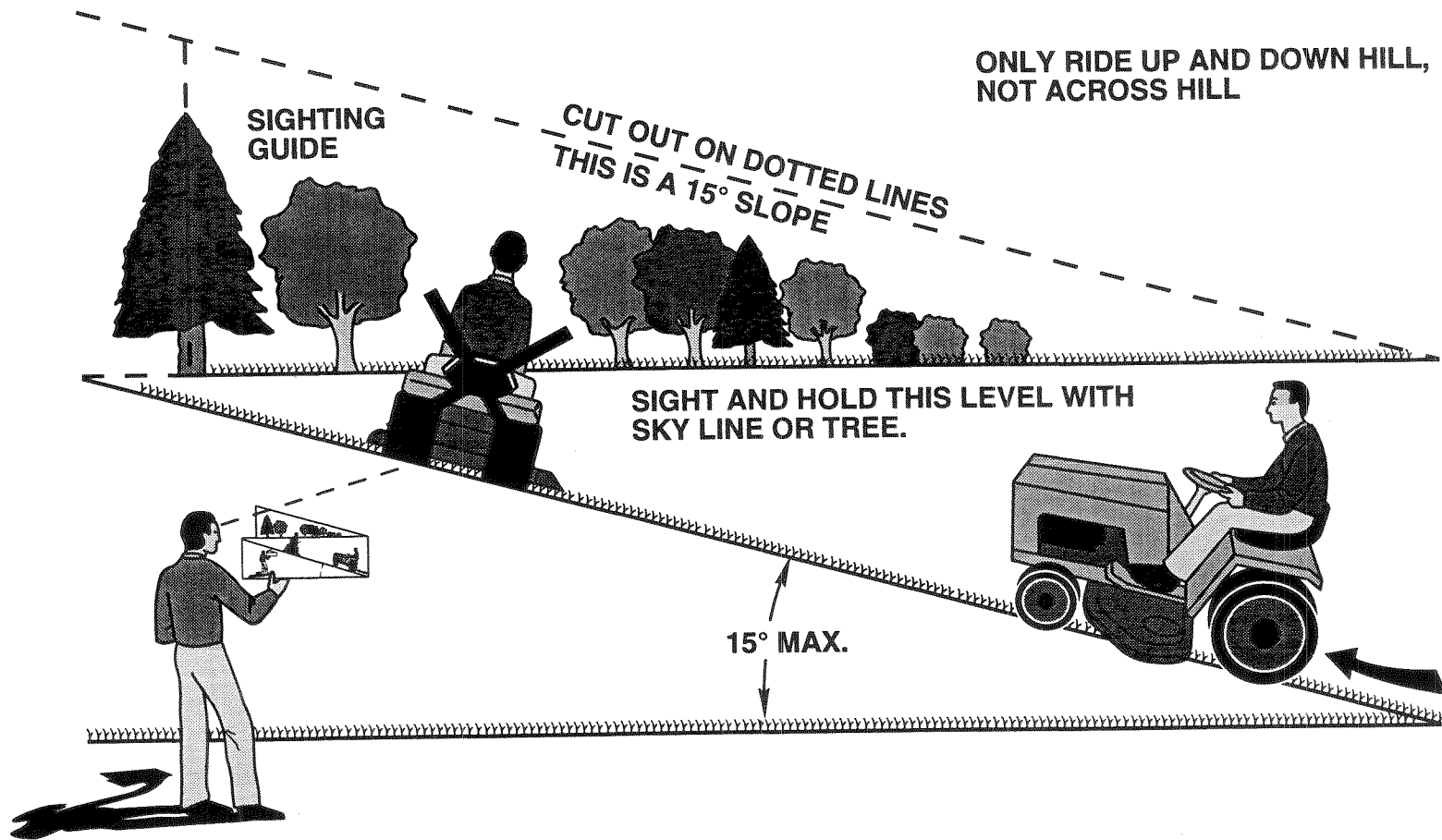
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