Owner's Manual CRAFTSMAN[®]

16 HP ELECTRIC START 42" MOWER 6 SPEED TRANSAXLE LAWN TRACTOR

Model No. 917.271072





- Assembly
- Operation
- Maintenance
- Repair Parts

This product has a low emission engine which operates differently from previously built engines. Before you start the engine, read and understand this Owner's Manual.

CAUTION:

Read and follow all Safety Rules and Instructions before operating this equipment. For answers to your questions about this product, Call:

CRAFTSMAN

1-800-659-5917

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WARRANTY

LIMITED TWO YEAR WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN RIDING EQUIPMENT

For two (2) years from the date of purchase, if this Craftsman Riding Equipment is maintained, lubricated and tuned up according to the instructions in the owner's manual, Sears will repair or replace, free of charge, any parts found to be defective in material or workmanship.

This Warranty does not cover:

- Expendable items which become worn during normal use, such as blades, spark plugs, air cleaners, belts, etc.
- Tire replacement or repair caused by punctures from outside objects, such as nails, thorns, stumps, or glass.
- Repairs necessary because of operator abuse, negligence, improper storage or accident or the failure to maintain the equipment according to the instructions contained in the owner's manual.
- · Riding equipment used for commercial or rental purposes.

LIMITED 90 DAY WARRANTY ON BATTERY

For ninety (90) days from 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. In-home warranty service on your Craftsman riding equipment is available at no charge for 30 days from the date of purchase. Please contact your nearest service center. After 30 days from the date of purchase, warranty service is available by taking your Craftsman riding equipment to your nearest Sears Service Center. (In-home warranty service will still be available after 30 days from the date of purchase of purchase but a standard trip charge will apply). This warranty applies only while this product is in the United States. 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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SAFETY RULES

IMPORTANT: This cutting machine is capable of amputating hands and feet and throwing objects. Failure to observe the following safety instructions could result in serious injury or death.

GENERAL OPERATION

- Read, understand, and follow all instructions in the manual and on the machine before starting.
- Only allow responsible adults, who are familiar with the instructions, to operate the machine.
- Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade.

- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point it at anyone. Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher or the guard in place.
- Slow down before turning.
- Never leave a running machine unattended. Always turn off blades, set parking brake, stop engine, and
- 2 remove keys before dismounting.

SAFETY RULES

- Turn off blades when not mowing.
- Stop engine before removing grass catcher or unclogging chute.
- Mow only in daylight or good artificial light.
- Do not operate the machine while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Use extra care when loading or unloading the machine into a trailer or truck.
- Data indicates that operators, age 60 years and above, are involved in a large percentage of riding mowerrelated injuries. These operators should evaluate their ability to operate the riding mower safely enough to protect themselves and others from serious injury.

SLOPE OPERATION

Slopes are a major factor related to lossof-control and tipover accidents, which can result in severe injury or death. All slopes require extra caution. If you cannot back up the slope or if you feel uneasy on it, do not mow it. **DO:**

- · Mow up and down slopes, not across.
- Remove obstacles such as rocks, tree limbs, etc.
- Watch for holes, ruts, or bumps. Uneven terrain could overturn the machine. Tall grass can hide obstacles.
- Use slow speed. Choose a low gear so that you will not have to stop or shift while on the slope.
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for wheel weights or counterweights to improve stability.
- Use extra care with grass catchers or other attachments. These can change the stability of the machine.
- Keep all movement on the slopes slow and gradual. Do not make sudden changes in speed or direction.
- Avoid starting or stopping on a slope. If tires lose traction, disengage the blades and proceed slowly straight down the slope.

DO NOT:

- *Do not* turn on slopes unless necessary, and then, turn slowly and gradually downhill, if possible.
- Do not mow near drop-offs, ditches, or embankments. The mower could suddenly turn over if a wheel is over the edge of a cliff or ditch, or if an edge caves in.
- Do not mow on wet grass. Reduced traction could cause sliding.
- Do not try to stabilize the machine by putting your foot on the ground.
- Do not use grass catcher on steep slopes.

CHILDREN

Tragic accidents can occur if the operator is not alert to the presence of children. Children are often attracted to the machine and the mowing activity. *Never* assume that children will remain where you last saw them.

- Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the area.
- Before and when backing, look behind and down for small children.
- Never carry children. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe machine operation.
- Never allow children to operate the machine.
- Use extra care when approaching blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other objects that may obscure vision.

SERVICE

- Use extra care in handling gasoline and other fuels. They are flammable and vapors are explosive.
 - Use only an approved container.
 - Never remove gas cap or add fuel with the engine running. Allow engine to cool before refueling. Do not smoke.
 - Never refuel the machine indoors.
 - Never store the machine or fuel container inside where there is an open flame, such as a water heater.
- Never run a machine inside a closed area.

SAFETY RULES

- Keep nuts and bolts, especially blade attachment bolts, tight and keep equipment in good condition.
- Never tamper with safety devices. Check their proper operation regularly.
- Keep machine free of grass, leaves, or other debris build-up. Clean oil or fuel spillage. Allow machine to cool before storing.
- Stop and inspect the equipment if you strike an object. Repair, if necessary, before restarting.

- Never make adjustments or repairs with the engine running.
- Grass catcher components are subject to wear, damage, and deterioration, which could expose moving parts or allow objects to be thrown. Frequently check components and replace with manufacturer's recommended parts, when necessary.
- Mower blades are sharp and can cut. Wrap the blade(s) or wear gloves, and use extra caution when servicing them.







- Check brake operation frequently. Adjust and service as required.
- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers or children even with the blades off.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Never carry children. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe machine operation.
- Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the area.
- Before and when backing, look behind and *down* for small children.

Look for this symbol to point out important safety precautions. It means CAU-TION!!! BECOME AWARE!!! YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED.

CAUTION: In order to prevent accidental starting when setting up, transporting, adjusting or making repairs always disconnect spark plug wire and place wire where it cannot contact spark plug.

CAUTION: Do not coast down a hill in neutral, you may lose control of the tractor.

- Mow up and down slopes (15° Max), not across.
- Remove obstacles such as rocks, tree limbs, etc.
- Watch for holes, ruts, or bumps. Uneven terrain could overturn the machine. *Tall grass can hide obstacles*.
- Use slow speed. Choose a low gear so that you will not have to stop or shift while on the slope.
- Avoid starting or stopping on a slope. If tires lose traction, disengage the blades and proceed slowly *straight* down the slope.
- If machine stops while going uphill, disengage blades, shift into reverse and back down slowly.
- Do not turn on slopes unless necessary, and then, turn slowly and gradually downhill, if possible.

ACAUTION: Tow only the attachments that are recommended by and comply with specifications of the manufacturer of your tractor. Use common sense when towing. Operate only at the lowest possible speed when on a slope. Too heavy of a load, while on a slope, is dangerous. Tires can lose traction with the ground and cause you to lose control of your tractor.

AWARNING: The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

GASOLINE	
CAPACITY	UNLEADED
AND TYPE:	REGULAR
OILTYPE	SAE 10W30 (ABOVE 32°F)
(API-SF/SG/SH):	
OIL CAPACITY:	
SPARK PLUG: (GAP: .030")	CHAMPION RC12YC
GROUND SPEED	FORWARD
(MPH):	1 st 1.2
	2 ND 1.5
	3 RD 2.4
	4 [™] 3.5
	5 [™] 4.8
	6 [™] 5.3
	REVERSE: 1.5
TIRE PRESSURE	FRONT: 14 PSI REAR: 10 PSI
CHARGING	
	15AMPS @ 3600 RPM
BATTERY:	AMP/HR: 30
	MIN. CCA: 240
	CASE SIZE: U1R
BLADE BOLT	27-35 FT. LBS.
TORQUE:	,
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CONGRATULATIONS on your purchase of a Craftsman 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 authorized service center. We have competent, well-trained technicians and the proper tools to service or repair this tractor. Please read and retain this manual. The instructions will enable you to assemble and maintain your tractor properly. Always observe the "SAFETY RULES".

MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

A Sears Maintenance Agreement is available on this product. Contact your nearest Sears store for details.

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

- · Read and observe the safety rules.
- Follow a regular schedule in maintaining, caring for and using your tractor.
- Follow the instructions under "Maintenance" and "Storage" sections of this owner's manual.

A WARNING: This tractor is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest-covered, brushcovered or grass-covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or state laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, it should be maintained in effective working order by the operator.

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. A spark arrester for the muffler is available through your nearest Sears Authorized Service Center/Department (See REPAIR PARTS section of this manual).

UNASSEMBLED PARTS **Steering Wheel** Steering Wheel Insert 0 (1) Large Flat Washer (1) Lock washer 3/8 (1) Hex Bolt 3/8-16 x 1 (1) Hex Bolt 5/16-18 x 1-1/4 H (1) Locknut 5/16-18 Steering Extension Steering Boot Shaft Steering 0 Wheel Adapter Seat (1) Washer 17/32 x 1-3/16 x 12 \bigcirc (1) Shoulder Bolt 5/16-18 Gauge (1) Knob Keys **Slope Sheet Video Cassette**

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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. Review the video cassette before you begin.

TOOLS REQUIRED FOR ASSEMBLY

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

- (1) 9/16" wrench
- (2) 1/2" wrench
- (1) Pliers(1) Utility knife
- (1) 3/4" socket with
 - drive ratchet
- (1) Tire pressure gauge

When right or left hand is mentioned in this manual, it means, from your point of view, 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 boxes from shipping carton.
- Cut, from top to bottom, along lines on all four corners of shipping carton, and lay panels flat.
- Remove mower and packing materials.
- Check for any additional loose parts or boxes and remove.

BEFORE ROLLING TRACTOR OFF SKID

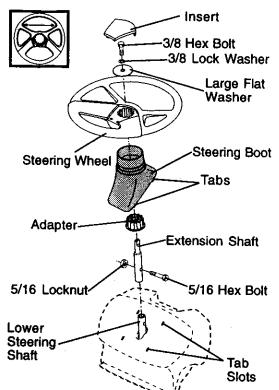
ATTACH STEERING WHEEL

ASSEMBLE EXTENSION SHAFT AND BOOT

- Slide extension shaft onto lower steering shaft. Align mounting holes in extension and lower shafts and install 5/16 hex bolt and locknut. Tighten securely.
- Place tabs of steering boot over tab slots in dash and push down to secure.

INSTALL STEERING WHEEL

- Position front wheels of the tractor so they are pointing straight forward.
- Remove steering wheel adapter from steering wheel and slide adapter onto steering shaft extension.



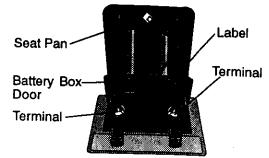
- Position steering wheel so cross bars are horizontal (left to right) and slide inside boot and onto adapter.
- Assemble large flat washer, 3/8 lock washer, 3/8 hex bolt and tighten securely.
- Snap steering wheel insert into center of steering wheel.
- Remove protective materials from tractor hood and grill.
 IMPORTANT: Check for and remove any

staples in skid that may puncture tires where tractor is to roll off skid.

HOW TO SET UP YOUR TRACTOR

CHECK BATTERY

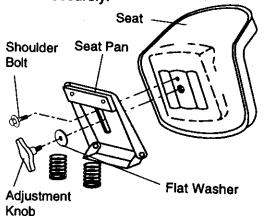
- Lift seat pan to raised postion and open battery box door.
- If this battery is put into service after month and year indicated on label (label located between terminals) charge battery for minimum of one hour at 6-10 amps. (See "BATTERY" in MAINTE-NANCE section of this manual for charging structions.)



INSTALL SEAT

Adjust seat before tightening adjustment knob.

- Remove adjustment knob and flat washer securing seat to cardboard packing and set aside for assembly of seat to tractor.
- Pivot seat upward and remove from the cardboard packing. Remove the cardboard packing and discard.
- Place seat on seat pan and assemble shoulder bolt. Tighten shoulder bolt securely.
- Assemble adjustment knob 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 knob securely.



NOTE: You may now roll or drive your tractor off the skid. Follow the appropriate instruction below to remove the tractor from the skid.

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 forward off skid.
- Remove banding holding discharge guard up against tractor.

TO DRIVE TRACTOR OFF SKID

(See Operation section for location and function of controls)

AWARNING: Before starting, read, understand and follow all instructions in the Operation section of this manual. Be sure tractor is in a well-ventilated area. Be sure the area in front of tractor is clear of other people and objects.

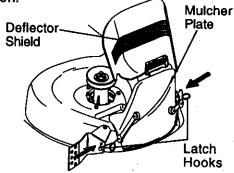
- Be sure all the above assembly steps have been completed.
- Check engine oil level and fill fuel tank with gasoline.
- Sit on seat in operating position, depress clutch/brake pedal and set the parking brake.
- Place gear shift lever in neutral (N) position.
- Press lift lever plunger and raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- Start the engine. After engine has started, move throttle control to idle position.
- Depress clutch/brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position and hold. Move gearshift lever to 1st gear.
- Slowly release clutch/brake pedal and slowly drive tractor off skid.
- Apply brake to stop tractor, set parking brake and place gearshift lever in neutral position.
- Turn ignition key to "OFF" position.
 Continue with the instructions that follow.

INSTALL MULCHER PLATE

(If previously removed)

- 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.

ACAUTION: Do not remove deflector shield from mower. Raise and hold shield 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.

CHECKTIRE 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" section 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:

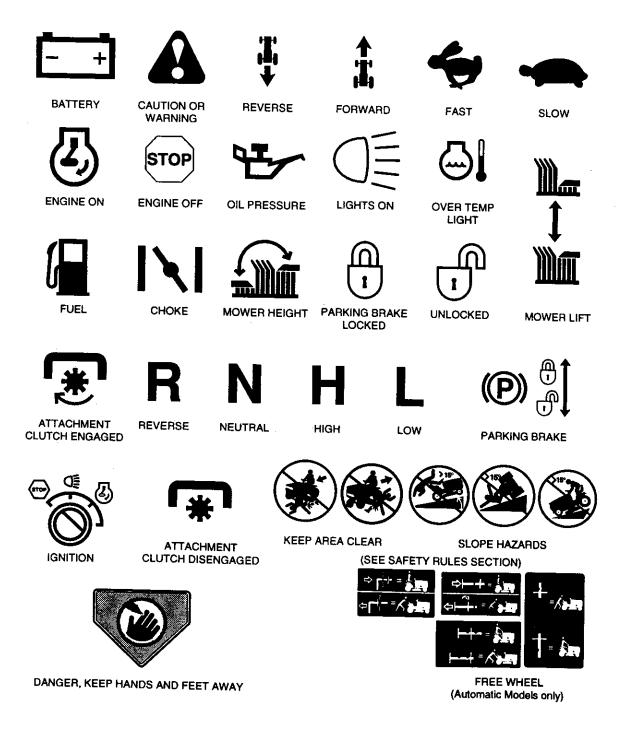
- All assembly instructions have been completed.
- ✓ No remaining loose parts in carton.
- Battery is properly prepared and charged. (Minimum 1 hour at 6 amps).
- Seat is adjusted comfortably and tightened securely.
- All tires are properly inflated. (For shipping purposes, the tires were overinflated 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
- 9 operating condition.

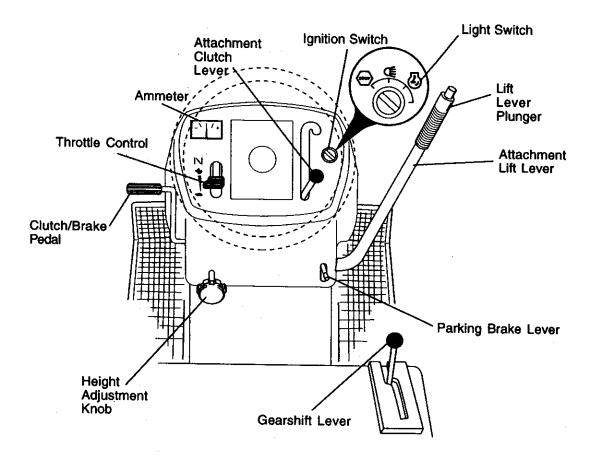
OPERATION

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



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.



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

AMMETER - Indicates charging (+) or discharging (-) of battery.

ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER - Used to engage the mower blades, or other attachments mounted to your tractor. ATTACHMENT LIFT LEVER - Used to raise, lower, and adjust the mower deck or other attachments mounted to your tractor.

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

GEARSHIFT LEVER - Selects the speed and direction of tractor.

IGNITION SWITCH - Used for starting and stopping the engine. LIFT LEVER PLUNGER - Used to release attachment lift lever when

changing its position.

LIGHT SWITCH - Turns the headlights on and off.

PARKING BRAKE LEVER - Locks clutch/brake pedal into the brake position.

THROTTLE/CHOKE CONTROL - Used for starting and controlling engine speed. HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT KNOB - Used to adjust the mower cutting height.



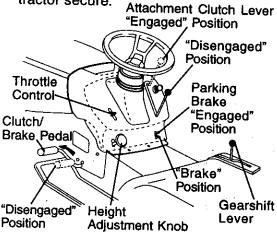
The operation of any tractor can result in foreign objects thrown into the eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Always wear safety glasses or eye shields while operating your tractor or performing any adjustments or repairs. We recommend a wide vision safety mask over spectacles or standard safety glasses.

HOW TO USE YOUR TRACTOR TO SET PARKING BRAKE

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 "EN-GAGED" position and release pressure from clutch/brake pedal. Pedal should remain in "BRAKE" position. Make sure parking brake will hold tractor secure.



STOPPING

MOWER BLADES -

 To stop mower blades,move attachment clutch lever to "DISENGAGED" position.

GROUND DRIVE -

- To stop 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.

IMPORTANT: Leaving the ignition switch in any position other than "OFF" will cause the battery to be discharged, (dead).

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.

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

TO USE THROTTLE CONTROL

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

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

The cutting height is controlled by turning the height adjustment knob in desired direction.

- Turn knob clockwise () to raise cutting height.
- Turn knob counterclockwise () to lower cutting height.

The cutting height range is approximately 1-1/2" to 4-1/2". 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.

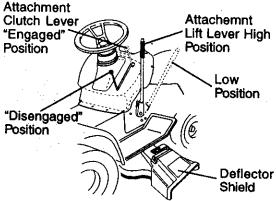
- The average lawn should be cut to approximately 2-1/2 inches during the cool season and to over 3 inches during hot months. For healthier and better looking lawns, mow often and after moderate growth.
- For best cutting performance, grass over 6 inches in height should be mowed twice. Make the first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

TO OPERATE MOWER

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.

A CAUTION: Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher, on mowers so equipped, or the deflector shield in place.



TO OPERATE ON HILLS

A 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.

TOTRANSPORT

- 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.).

TOWING CARTS AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

Tow only the attachments that are recommended by and comply with specifications of the manufacturer of your tractor. Use common sense when towing. Too heavy of a load, while on a slope, is dangerous. Tires can lose traction with the ground and cause you to lose control of your tractor.

BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL

- 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.
- Unthread and remove oil fill cap/ dipstick; wipe oil off. Reinsert the dipstick into the tube and rest oil fill cap on the tube. Do not thread the cap onto the tube. 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 Maintenance section in this manual.

ADD GASOLINE

• Fill fuel tank. Use fresh, clean, regularunleaded gasoline with a minimum of 87 octane. (Use of leaded gasoline will increase carbon and lead oxide deposits and reduce valve life). Do not mix oil with gasoline. Purchase fuel in quantities that can be used within 30 days to assure fuel freshness.

IMPORTANT: When operating in temperatures below 32°F(0°C), use fresh, clean winter grade gasoline to help insure good cold weather starting. A WARNING: 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 of 30 days or 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 Instructions for additional information. Never use engine or carburetor cleaner products in the fuel tank or permanent damage may occur.

ACAUTION: 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.

TO START ENGINE

When starting the engine for the first time or if the engine has run out of fuel, it will take extra cranking time to move fuel from the tank to the engine.

- Sit on seat in operating position, depress clutch/brake pedal and set parking brake.
- Place gear shift lever in neutral (N)
 position.
- Move attachment clutch to "DISEN-GAGED" position.

• Move throttle control to choke position. **NOTE:** Before starting, read the warm and cold starting procedures below. Insert key into ignition and turn key clockwise to "START" position and release key as soon as engine starts. Do not run starter continuously for more than fifteen seconds per minute. If the engine does not start after several attempts, move throttle control to fast position, wait a few minutes and try again. If engine still does not start, move the throttle control back to the choke position and retry.

WARM WEATHER STARTING (50° F and above)

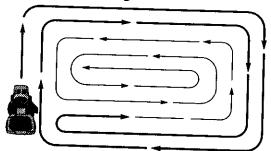
- When engine starts, move the throttle control to the fast position.
- The attachments and ground drive can now be used. If the engine does not accept the load, restart the engine and allow it to warm up for one minute using the choke as described above.

COLD WEATHER STARTING (50° F and below)

- When engine starts, allow engine to run with the throttle control in the choke position until the engine runs roughly, then move throttle control to fast position. This may require an engine warm-up period from several seconds to several minutes, depending on the temperature.
- The attachments can also be used during the engine warm-up period.
 NOTE: If at a high altitude (above 3000 feet) or in cold temperatures (below 32 F) the carburetor fuel mixture may need to be adjusted for best engine performance. See "TO ADJUST CARBURE-TOR" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

MOWINGTIPS

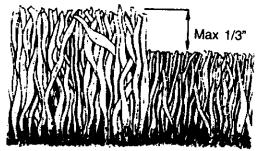
- Tire chains cannot be used when the mower housing is attached to tractor.
- Mower should be properly leveled for best mowing performance. See "TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.
- The left hand side of mower should be used for trimming.
- Drive so that clippings are discharged onto the area that has been cut. Have the cut area to the right of the tractor. This will result in a more even distribution of clippings and more uniform cutting.
- When mowing large areas, start by turning to the right so that 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.
- If grass is extremely tall, it should be mowed twice to reduce load and possible fire hazard from dried clippings. Make first cut relatively high; the second to the desired height.
- Do not mow grass when it is wet. Wet grass will plug mower and leave undesirable clumps. Allow grass to dry before mowing.
- Always operate engine at full throttle when mowing to assure better mowing performance and proper discharge of material. Regulate ground speed by selecting a low enough gear to give the mower cutting performance as well as the quality of cut desired.
- When operating attachments, select a ground speed that will suit the terrain and give best performance of the attachment being used.

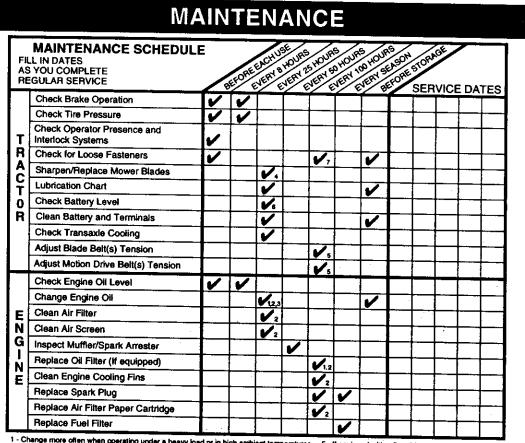


MULCHING MOWING TIPS

IMPORTANT: For best performance, keep mower housing free of built-up grass and trash. Clean after each use.

- The special mulching blade will recut the grass clippings many times and reduce them in size so that as they fall onto the lawn they will disperse into the grass and not be noticed. Also, the mulched grass will biodegrade quickly to provide nutrients for the lawn. Always mulch with your highest engine (blade) speed as this will provide the best recutting action of the blades.
- Avoid cutting your lawn when it is wet. Wet grass tends to form clumps and interferes with the mulching action. The best time to mow your lawn is the early afternoon. At this time the grass has dried and the newly cut area will not be exposed to the direct sun.
- For best results, adjust the mower cutting height so that the mower cuts off only the top one-third of the grass blades. For extremely heavy mulching, reduce your width of cut on each pass and mow slowly.
- Certain types of grass and grass conditions may require that an area be mulched a second time to completely hide the clippings. When doing a second cut, mow across or perpendicular to the first cut path.
- Change your cutting pattern from week to week. Mow north to south one week then change to east to west the next week. This will help prevent matting and graining of the lawn.





1 - Change more often when operating under a heavy load or in high ambient temperatures.

Service more often when operating in dirty or dusty conditions. 3 - If equipped with oil filter, change oil every 50 hours.

4 - Replace blades more often when mowing in sandy soil.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The warranty on this tractor does not cover items that have been subjected to operator abuse or negligence. To receive full value from the warranty, operator must maintain tractor as instructed in this manual. Some adjustments will need to be made periodically to properly maintain your

tractor.

All adjustments in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual should be checked at least once each season.

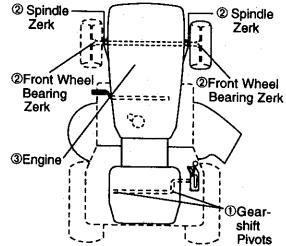
· Once a year you should replace the spark plug, clean or replace air filter, and check blades and belts for wear. A new spark plug and clean air filter assure proper air-fuel mixture and help your engine run better and last longer.

BEFORE EACH USE

- Check engine oil level.
- . Check brake operation.
- Check tire pressure.
- Check operator presence and interlock systems for proper operation.
- Check for loose fasteners.

- 5 If equipped with adjustable system.
- 6 Not required if equipped with maintenance-free battery. Tighten front axle pivot bolt to 36 ft.-lbs. maximum
- Do not overtighten.

LUBRICATION CHART



OSAE 30 or 10w30 MOTOR OIL @GENERAL PURPOSE GREASE ③REFER TO Maintenance "ENGINE" SECTION IMPORTANT: Do not oil or grease the pivot points which have special nylon bearings. Viscous lubricants will attract dust and dirt that will shorten the life of the self-lubricating bearings. If you feel they must be lubricated, use only a dry, powdered graphite type lubricant sparingly.

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" section 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. **OPERATOR PRESENCE SYSTEM**

Be sure operator presence and interlock systems are working properly. If your tractor does not function as described, repair the problem immediately.

- The engine should not start unless the clutch/brake pedal is fully depressed and attachement clutch control is in the disengaged position.
- · When the engine is running, any attempt by the operator to leave the seat without first setting the parking brake should shut off the engine.
- When the engine is running and the attachment clutch is engaged, any attempt by the operator to leave the seat should shut off the engine.
- · The attachment clutch should never operate unless the operator is in the seat.

BLADE CARE

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

BLADE REMOVAL

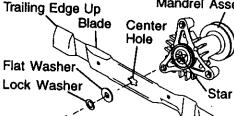
- · Raise mower to highest position to allow access to blades.
- · Remove hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer securing blade.
- · Install new or resharpened blade with trailing edge up towards deck as shown.

IMPORTANT: To ensure proper assembly, center hole in blade must align with star on mandrel assembly.

- · Reassemble hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer in exact order as shown.
- Tighten bolt securely (27-35 Ft. Lbs. torque).

IMPORTANT: Blade bolt is Grade 8 heat treated.

Mandrel Assembly



Hex Bolt (Grade) \sim *A Grade 8 heat treated bolt can be identified by six lines on the bolt head.

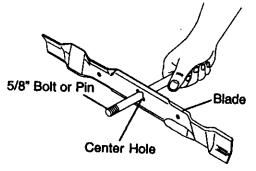
TO SHARPEN BLADE

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

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

 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.



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. **NOTE:** The original equipment battery on your tractor is maintenance free. Do not attempt to open or remove caps or covers. Adding or checking level of electrolyte is not necessary.

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 "REPLACING BATTERY" in the SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS section of this manual).

V-BELTS

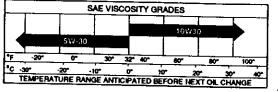
Check V-belts for deterioration and wear after 100 hours of operation and replace if necessary. The belts are not adjustable. Replace belts if they begin to slip from wear.

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.



Change the oil after every 50 hours of operation or at least once a year if the tractor is not used for 50 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

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" section of this manual.
- Use gauge on oil fill cap/dipstick for checking level. Insert dipstick into the tube and rest the oil fill cap on the tube. Do not thread the cap onto the tube when taking reading. Keep oil at "FULL" line on dipstick. Tighten cap onto the tube securely when finished.



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CLEAN AIR SCREEN

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.

CLEAN AIR INTAKE/COOLING AREAS

To insure proper cooling, make sure the grass screen, cooling fins, and other external surfaces of the engine are kept clean at all times.

Every 100 hours of operation (more often under extremely dusty, dirty conditions), remove the blower housing and other cooling shrouds. Clean the cooling fins and external surfaces as necessary. Make sure the cooling shrouds are reinstalled.

NOTE: Operating the engine with a blocked grass screen, dirty or plugged cooling fins, and/or cooling shrouds removed will cause engine damage due to overheating.

AIR FILTER

Your engine will not run properly using a dirty air filter. Clean the foam precleaner 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 and cover.
- Remove wing nut and air cleaner from base.

TO SERVICE PRE-CLEANER

- Slide foam pre-cleaner off cartridge.
- Wash it in liquid detergent and water.
- Squeeze it dry in a clean cloth. Allow it to dry.
- Saturate it in engine oil. Wrap it in clean, absorbent cloth and squeeze to remove excess oil.

TO SERVICE CARTRIDGE

Replace a dirty, bent, or damaged cartridge.

NOTE: Do not wash the paper cartridge or use pressurized air, as this will damage the cartridge.

- Reinstall the pre-cleaner (cleaned and oiled) over the paper cartridge.
- Reassemble air cleaner, wing nut, cover and tighten knob securely.

MUFFLER

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

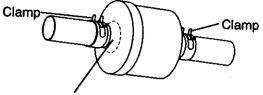
SPARK PLUGS

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" section of this manual.

IN-LINE FUEL FILTER

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.



Fuel Filter

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

- **ACAUTION:** 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.

TRACTOR

TO REMOVE MOWER

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

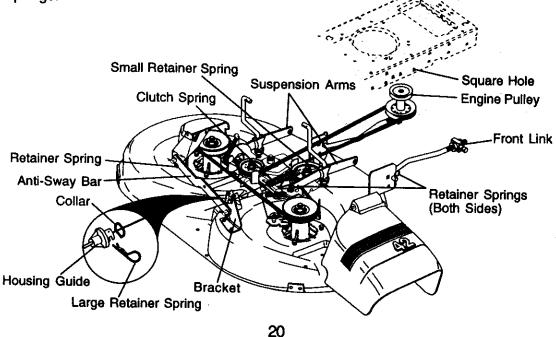
- Place attachment clutch in "DISEN-GAGED" position.
- Move attachment lift lever forward to lower mower to its lowest position.
- Roll belt off engine pulley.
- Remove small retainer spring, and lift clutch spring off pulley bolt.
- · Remove large retainer spring, slide collar off and push housing guide out of bracket.
- Disconnect anti-swaybar 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 deck is to be mounted on the tractor, remove the front links and hook the clutch spring onto square hole in frame.

TO INSTALL MOWER

- 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.



TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING

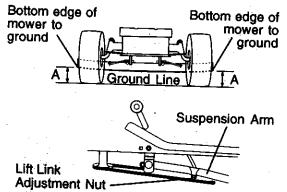
Adjust the mower while tractor is parked on level ground or driveway. Make sure tires are properly inflated (See "PROD-UCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual). If tires are over or underinflated, you will not properly adjust your mower.

SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT

- · 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.



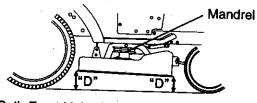
FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT IMPORTANT: Deck must be level side-to side. If the following front-to-back

adjustment is necessary, be sure to adjust both front links equally so mower will stay level side-to-side.

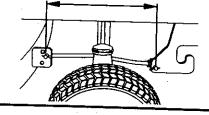
To obtain the best cutting results, the mower housing should be adjusted so that the front is approximately 1/8" to 1/2" lower than the rear when the mower is in its highest position.

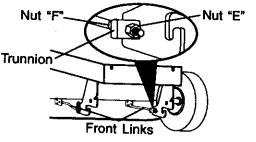
Check adjustment on right side of tractor. Measure distance "D" directly in front and behind the mandrel at bottom edge of mower housing as shown.

- 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.



Both Front Links Should be Equal in Length





TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE DRIVE BELT

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

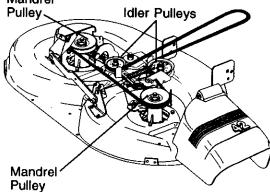
BELT REMOVAL -

- 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.

Mandrel



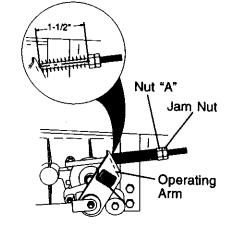
TO ADJUST BRAKE

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.

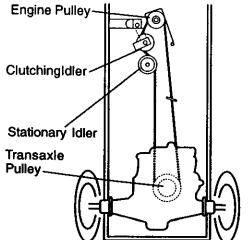
With Parking Brake "Engaged"



TO REPLACE MOTION DRIVE BELT

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 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.



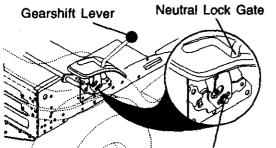
TRANSAXLE GEAR SHIFT LEVER NEUTRAL ADJUSTMENT

The transaxle should be in neutral when the gear shift lever is in neutral (N) (lock gate) position. The adjustment is preset at the factory; however, if adjustment is needed, proceed as follows:

• Make sure transaxle is in neutral (N). NOTE: When the tractor rear wheels move freely, the transaxle is in neutral.

- Loosen adjustment bolt in front of the right rear wheel.
- Position the gear shift lever in the neutral (N) position.

• Tighten adjustment bolt securely. **NOTE:** If additional clearance is needed to get to adjustment bolt, move mower deck height to the lowest position.



Adjustment Bolt

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

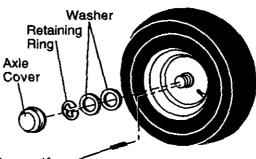
The front wheel toe-in and camber are not adjustable on your tractor. If damage has occurred to affect the front wheel toe-in or camber, contact your nearest authorized service center/department.

TO REMOVE WHEEL FOR REPAIRS

- · 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.



Square Key (Rear Wheel Only)

TO START ENGINE WITH A WEAK BATTERY

A 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. (See "BATTERY" in the MAINTENANCE section of this manual).

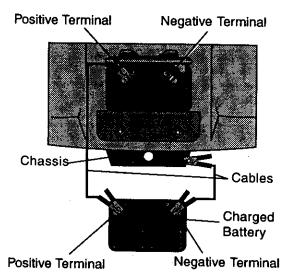
If "jumper cables" are used for emergency starting, follow this procedure: **IMPORTANT**: Your tractor is equipped with a 12 volt negative grounded system. The other vehicle must also be a 12 volt negative grounded system. Do not use your tractor battery to start other vehicles.

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.

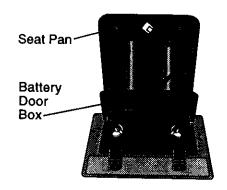


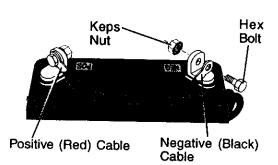
REPLACING BATTERY

A 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.

- Lift seat pan to raised position and open battery box door.
- Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and carefully remove battery from tractor.
- Install new battery with terminals in same position as old battery.
- First connect RED battery cable to positive (+) terminal with hex bolt and nut as shown. Tighten securely.
- Connect BLACK grounding cable to negative (-) terminal with remaining hex bolt and nut. Tighten securely.
- Close battery box door.





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.

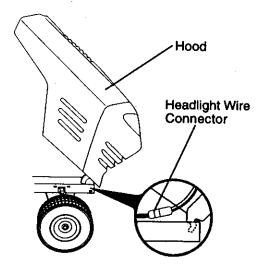
 Check wiring. See electrical wiring diagram in the Repair Parts section.

TO REPLACE FUSE

Replace with 15 amp automotive-type plug-in fuse. The fuse holder is located behind the dash.

TO REMOVE HOOD AND GRILL ASSEMBLY

- 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 procedure.



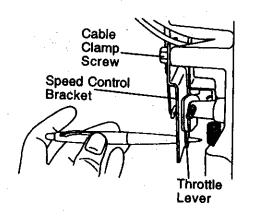
Maintenance, repair, or replacement of the emission control devices and systems, which are being done at the customers expense, may be performed by any non-road engine repair establishment or individual. Warranty repairs must be performed by an authorized engine manufacturer's service outlet.

ENGINE

TO ADJUST THROTTLE CONTROL CABLE

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 to see if hole in throttle lever and hole in speed control bracket are aligned.
- If holes are not aligned, loosen cable clamp screw and align the holes by inserting a pencil or a 1/4" drill bit through both holes.
- Pull throttle cable up to remove slack and tighten cable clamp screw. Remove alignment pencil or drill bit.



TO ADJUST CARBURETOR

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 the adjusting needles in (clockwise) decreases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a leaner fuel/air mixture. Turning the adjusting needles out (counterclockwise) increases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a richer fuel/air mixture.

IMPORTANT: Damage to the needles and the seats in carburetor may result if needle is turned in too tight.

NOTE: The carburetor on this engine is low emission. It is equipped with an idle fuel adjusting needle with a limiter cap, which allows some adjustment within the limits allowed by the cap. Do not attempt to remove the limiter cap. The limiter cap cannot be removed without breaking the adjusting needle.

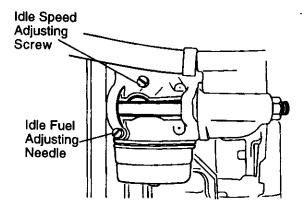
- Be sure you have a clean air filter and the throttle control cable is adjusted properly (see above).
- Start engine and allow to warm for five minutes. Make adjustments with engine running and shift/motion control lever in neutral (N) position.
- Idle speed setting With throttle control lever in slow position, engine should idle at 1750 RPM. If engine idles too slow or fast, turn idle speed adjusting screw in or out until correct idle is attained.

- Idle idle needle setting with throttle control lever in slow position, turn idle fuel adjustment needle in (clockwise) until engine begins to die and then turn out (counterclockwise) until engine runs rough. Turn needle to a point midway between those two positions.
- Recheck idle speed. Readjust if necessary.

ACCELERATION TEST -

 Move throttle control lever from slow to fast position. If engine hesitates or dies, turn idle fuel adjusting needle 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.



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.

A 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.

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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 Maintenance 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 Maintenance 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 Maintenance section of this manual).
- After cleaning, leave cables disconnected and place cables where they cannot come in contact with battery terminals.
- If battery is removed from tractor for storage, do not store battery directly on concrete or damp surfaces.

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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 9called 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 Maintenance section of this manual). CYLINDER(S)

- 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).

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- 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 areas are still warm.

TROUBLESHOOTING CHART

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Will not start	 Out of fuel. Engine not "CHOKED" properly. Engine flooded. Bad spark plug. Dirty air filter. Dirty fuel filter. Water in fuel. Loose or damaged wiring. Carburetor out of adjustment. Engine valves out of adjustment. 	 Fill fuel tank. See "TO START ENGINE" in Operation section. Wait several minutes before attempting to start. Replace spark plug. Clean/replace air filter. Replace fuel filter. Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter. Check all wiring.
Hard to start	 Dirty air filter. Bad spark plug. Weak or dead battery. Dirty fuel filter. Stale or dirty fuel. Loose or damaged wiring. Carburetor out of adjustment. Engine valves out of adjustment. 	 Clean/replace air filter. Replace spark plug. Recharge or replace battery. Replace fuel filter. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline. Check all wiring. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section. Contact an authorized service center/department.
Engine will not turn over	 Clutch/brake pedal not depressed. Attachment clutch is engaged. Weak or dead battery. Blown fuse. Corroded battery terminals. Loose or damaged wiring. Faulty ignition switch. Faulty solenoid or starter. Faulty operator presence switch(es). 	 Depress clutch/brake pedal. Disengage attachment clutch. Recharge or replace battery. Replace fuse. Clean battery terminals. Check all wiring. Check/replace ignition switch. Check/replace solenoid or starter. Contact an authorized service center/department.

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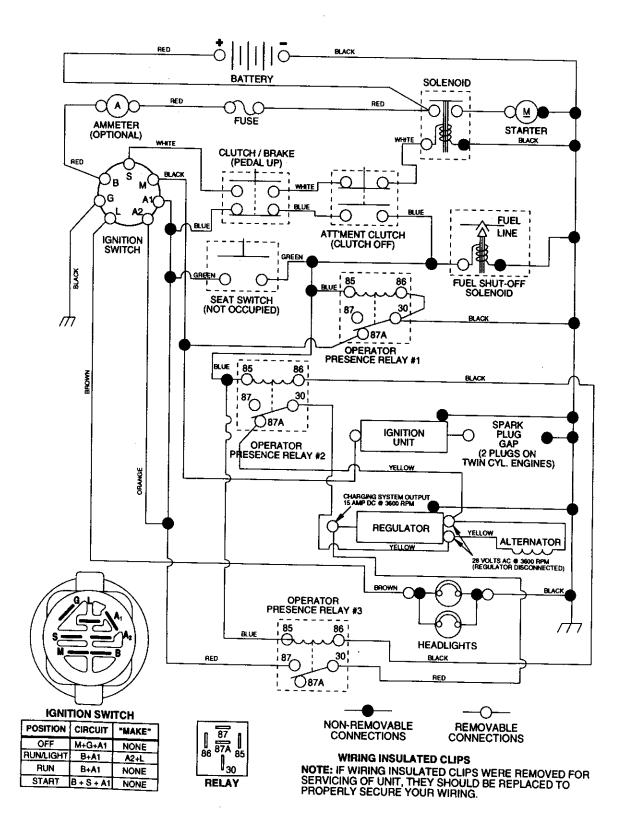
PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Engine clicks but will not start	 Weak or dead battery. Corroded battery terminals. Loose or damaged wiring. Faulty solenoid or starter. 	 Recharge or replace battery. Clean battery terminals. Check all wiring. Check/replace solenoid or starter.
Loss of power	 Cutting too much grass/too fast. Throttle in "CHOKE" position. Build-up of grass, leaves and trash under mower. Dirty air filter. Low oil level/dirty oil. Faulty spark plug. Dirty fuel filter. Stale or dirty fuel. Water in fuel. Spark plug wire loose. Dirty engine air screen/fins. Dirty/clogged muffler. Loose or damaged wiring. Carburetor out of adjustment. Engine valves out of adjustment. 	 Set in "Higher Cut" position/ reduce speed. Adjust throttle control. Clean underside of mower housing. Clean/replace air filter. Check oil level/change oil. Clean and regap or change spark plug. Replace fuel filter. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline. Drain fuel tank and carbure tor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter. Connect and tighten spark plug wire. Clean engine air screen/fins. Clean/replace muffler. Check all wiring. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section. Contact an authorized service center/department.
Excessive vibration	 Worn, bent or loose blade. Bent blade mandrel. Loose/damaged part(s). 	 Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt. Replace blade mandrel. Tighten loose part(s). Replace damaged parts.
Engine continues to run when operator leaves seat with attachment clutch engaged	 Faulty operator-safety presence control system. 	 Check wiring, switches and connections. If not corrected, contact an autho rized service center/ department.

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TROUBLESHOOTING CHART

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Poor cut - uneven	 Worn, bent or loose blade. Mower deck not level. Buildup of grass, leaves, and trash under mower. Bent blade mandrel. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels. 	 Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt. Level mower deck. Clean underside of mower housing. Replace blade mandrel. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.
Mower blades will not rotate	 Obstruction in clutch mechanism. Worn/damaged mower drive belt. Frozen idler pulley. Frozen blade mandrel. 	 Remove obstruction. Replace mower drive belt. Replace idler pulley. Replace blade mandrel.
Poor grass discharge	 Engine speed too slow. Travel speed too fast. Wet grass. Mower deck not level. Low/uneven tire air pressure. Worn, bent or loose blade. Buildup of grass, leaves and trash under mower. Mower drive belt worn. Blades improperly installed. Improper blades used. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels. 	 Place throttle control in "FAST" position. Shift to slower speed. Allow grass to dry before mowing. Level mower deck. Check tires for proper air pressure. Replace/sharpen blade. Tighten blade bolt. Clean underside of mower housing. Replace mower drive belt. Reinstall blades sharp edge down. Replace with blades listed in this manual. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.
Headlight(s) not working (if so equipped)	 Switch is "OFF". Bulb(s) burned out. Faulty light switch. Loose or damaged wiring. Blown fuse. 	 Turn switch "ON". Replace bulb(s). Check/replace light switch. Check wiring and connections Replace fuse.
Battery will not charge	 Bad battery cell(s). Poor cable connections. Faulty regulator (if so equipped). Faulty alternator. 	 Replace battery. Check/clean all connections. Replace regulator. Replace alternator.
Engine "backfires" when turning engine "OFF"	 Engine throttle control not set at "SLOW" position for 30 seconds before stopping engine. 	 Move throttle control to "SLOW" position and allow to idle for 30 seconds before stopping engine.

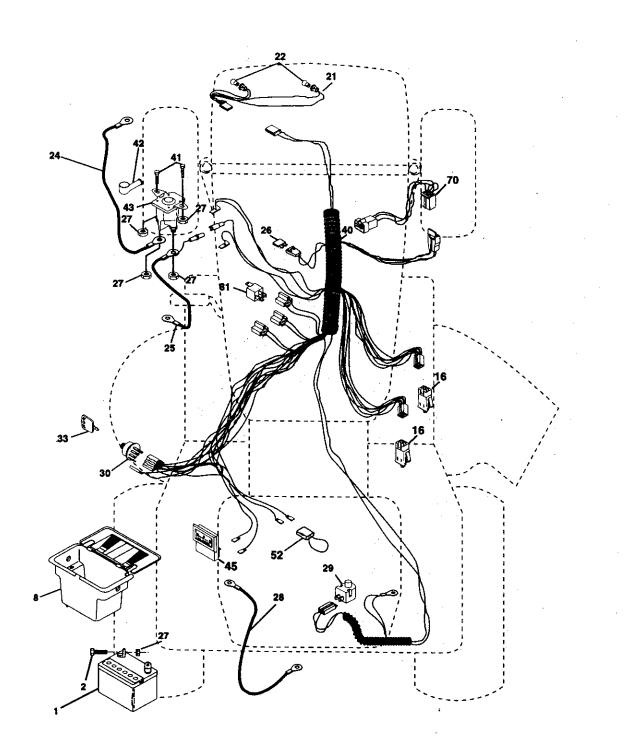
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REPAIR PARTS

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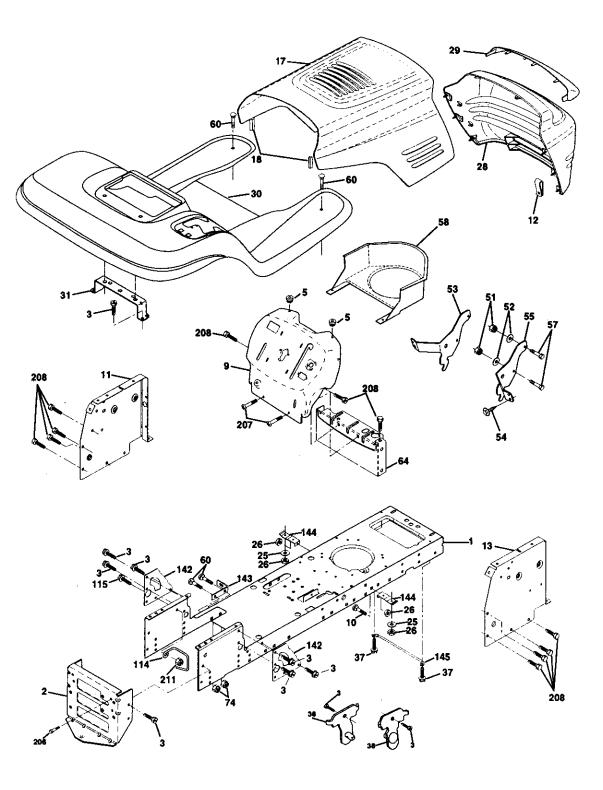
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KEY	PART	
NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	163465	Battery
2	74760412	Bolt Hex Hd 1/4-20unc x 3/4
8	156417	Case Battery
16	161343	Switch, Interlock
21	166182	Hamess Asm Light W/4152j
22	4152J	Bulb Light #1156
24	4799J	Cable Battery 6 Ga 11" red
25	146147	Cable Battery 6 Ga w/16 wire red
26	166180	Fuse 15 AMP
27	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 Unc
28	4207J	Cable Ground 6 Ga 12" black
29	160784	Switch Plunger Normal Op Olive
30	163968	Switch Ign
33	140403	Key Ign
40	170219	Harness Ign
41	71110408	Bolt Blk. Fin Hex 1/4-20 Unc x 1/2
42	131563	Cover Terminal Red
43	168327	Solenoid
45	121433X	Ammeter Rectangular 6 Amp
52	141940	Protection Wire Loop
70	170250	Harness Engine
81	109748X	Relay Asm

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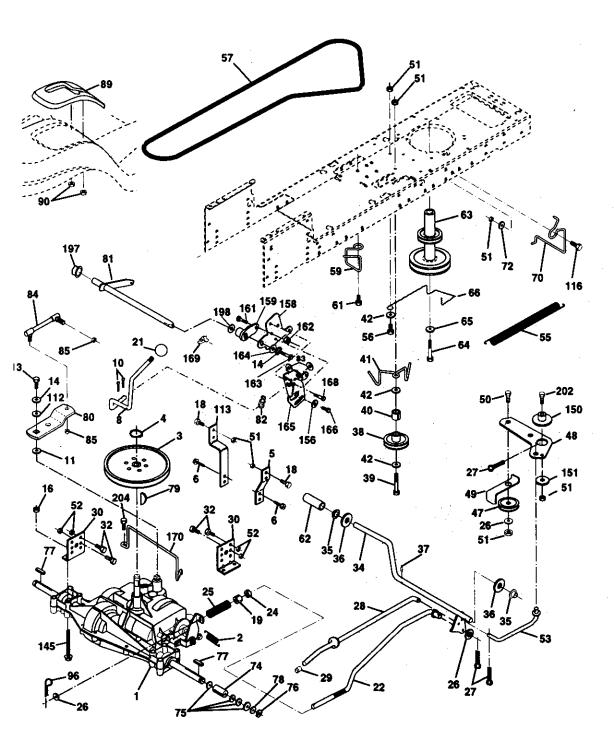
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KEY	PART	
NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	169830	Chassis
2 3	169061	Drawbar
5	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
9	155272	Bumper Hood/Dash
10	168337X013 STD533710	Dash
11	155927	Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 3/4
12	145660	Panel, Dash, L.H.
13	172108	Clip Tinnerman Grille P/L
17	144983X558	Panel, Dash, R.H. Hood Assembly
18	126938X	BumperHood
25	19131312	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 12 Gauge
26	STD541437	Nut
28	166271X558	Grille w/Clips MS-558
29	155217X599	Lens, Grille
30	164918X558	Fend/Ftrest
31 37	139976	Bracket, Fender Support
37	17490508	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 1/2
- 30 51	169834	Pivot Bracket Assembly, Rear
52	73800400	NUT LOCK W/Insert 1/4-20 UNC
53	19091416 145201	Washer 9/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga.
54	161464	Bracket Grille Pickoff LH
55	145202	Screw Hex Wshd 8-18 x 7/8
57	STD522507	Bracket Grille Pickoff RH
58	150127	Bolt, Fin Hex 1/4-20 UNC x .75 Duct Air Engine
60	72140606	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 3/8-16 UNC x 3/4
64	154798	DashLowerSTLT
74	STD541437	Nut Crownlock 3/8016 UNC
114	158112	Keeper Belt Rear Lh Stl P930
115	17060620	Screw 3/8-16 x 1-1/4
142	165867	Plate Reinforcement STLT
143	154966	Bracket Swavbar Chassis
144	154207	Bracket Pnt Footrest STI T
145 211	156524	Rod Pivot Chassis/Hood
211 206	145212	Nut Hex Flange Lock
200	170165	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 TT
207	17670508 17670608	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 1/2 Tv#
	5479J	Screw Indrol 3/8-16 x 1/2
	047.00	Plug, Button

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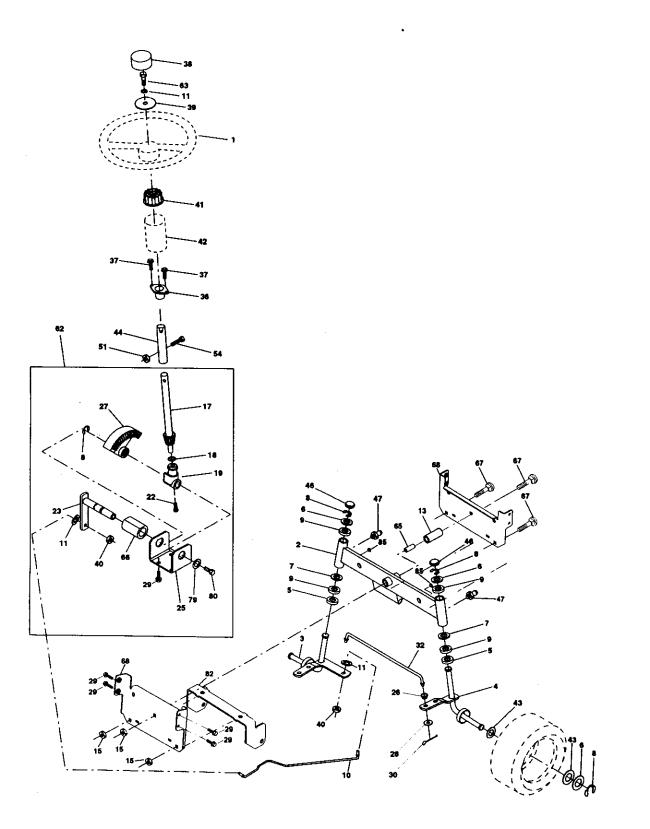
GROUND DRIVE

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	· · · · · · · · ·	Transaxle (See Breakdown)	64	71170764	Bolt, Hex 7/16-20 x 4 Grade 5
_		Peerless 206-545C	65	STD551143	Washer
2	146682	Spring, Return, Brake	66	154778	Keeper, Belt, Engine, Fool
3	123666X	Pulley, Transaxle			Proof
4	12000028	Ring, Retainer	70	134683	Guide, Mower Drive Belt, R.H.
5	121520X	Strap, Torque	72	19132012	Washer 13/32 x 1-1/4 x 12 Ga.
6	17060512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4	74	137057	Spacer, Axle
8 10	165866 STD561010	Rod Shifter Fender STLT	75	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
11	STD561210 105701X	Pin, Cotter	76	STD581075	E-Ring
13	74550412	Washer, Shift Plate	77	123583X	Key, Square 2.0 x .1845/1865
14	10040400	Bolt 1/4-28 UNF W/Patch Gr. 8	78	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga
16	STD541431	Washer Lock Hvy Helical Nut Lock Hx W/Ins	79	STD580025	Key Woodruff
10	510541451	5/16-18 x Gr.5	80	145090	Arm, Shift
18	STD523710	Bolt Fin Hex	81	165592	Shaft Asm Cross Tapered
.0	010020/10	3/8-16UNC x 1 Gr. 5			650 20
19	STD541437	Nut	82	165711	Spring, Torsion
21	106933X	Knob	83	19171216	Washer 17/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga.
22	130804	Rod, Brake	84	166231	Link Transaxle
24	STD541237	Nut	85	150360	Nut, Nylock
25	106888X	Spring, Brake Rod	89	158391X428	Console, Shift, STLT
26	STD551037	Washer	90 96	124346X	Nut, Self-Thding, Wsh Hd 1/4
27	STD561210	Pin	90 112	STD624003	Retainer Spring 1"
28	145204	Rod, Parking Brake	113	19091210 127285X	Washer 9/32 x 3/4 x 10 Ga.
29	71673	Cap, Parking Brake	116	72110610	Strap Torque 90 Degrees
30	169592	Bracket, Transaxle	110	72110010	Bolt Rdhd Sqneck 3/8-16 x 1.25
32	STD523107	Bolt	145	74490540	Bolt, Hex Fighd 5/16-18 Gr. 5
34	155071	Shaft Assembly, Foot Pedal	150	165850	Bushing Bellcrank Grd. Drive
35	120183X	Bearing, Nylon	151	19133210	Washer 13/32 x 2 x 10 Ga.
36	STD551062	Washer	156	166002	Washer Srrted 5/16ID x 1,125
37	STD571810	Roll Pin	158	165589	Bracket Shift Mount
38	131494	Pulley, Idler, Flat	159	165494	Hub Tapered Flange Shift Lt
39 40	STD533727	Bolt	161	72140406	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 1/4-20 x 3/4
40	4470J	Spacer, Split .395 x .59			Gr.5
41	165838 19131312	Keeper, Belt, Idler	162	73680400	Nut Crownlock 1/4-20 Unc
47	127783	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 12Ga.	163	74780416	Bolt Hex Fin
48	154407	Pulley, Idler, V-Groove, Plastic			1/4-20Unc x 1 Gr 5
49	123205X	Bellcrank Clutch Grnd Drv Stl	164	19091010	Washer 5/8 x .281 x 10 Ga
50	STD523715	Retainer, Belt Bolt	165	165623	Bracket Pivot Lever
-51	STD541437	Nut Crown Lock 3/8-16 UNC	166	166880	Screw 5/16-18 x 5/8
52	STD541431	Nut Crown Lock 5/16-18 UNC	168	165492	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 x .561
53	105710X	Link, Clutch	169	165580	Plate Fastening Lt
55	105709X	Spring, Clutch Return	170	165849	Keeper Belt Transaxle Gear
56	STD523712	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 x 1-1/4	197	169613	Nyliner Snap-In
57	130801	V-Belt, Ground Drive	198	169593	WasherNyliner
59	169691	Keeper, Belt, Center Span	202	72110612	Bolt Carr. SH
61	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4	204	17000510	3/8-16 x 1-1/2 Gr. 5
62	8883R	Cover, Pedal	NOTE:	17060516	Screw 5/16-18 x 1 SMGML
63	140186	Pulley, Engine	INVIE:	inches 1 inch	dimensions given in U.S.
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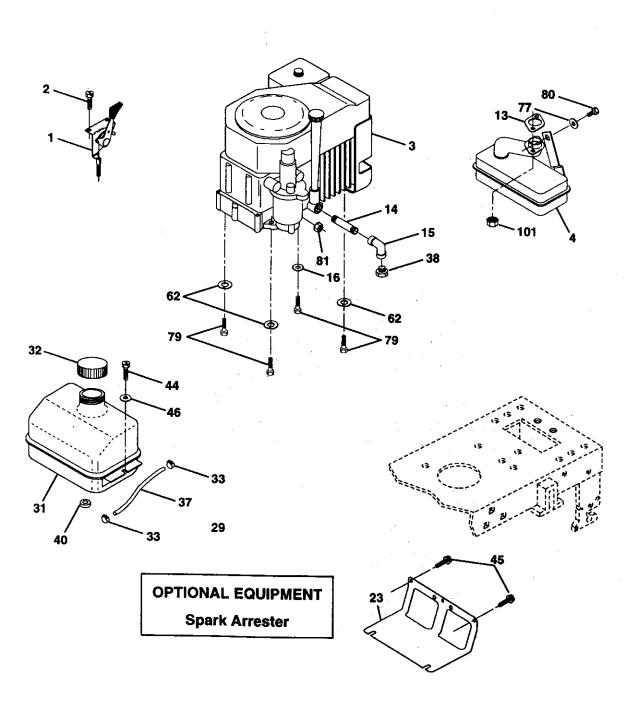


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KEY NO.	PART NO.	BEOODIDTION
NU.	NU.	DESCRIPTION
1	139768	Steering Wheel
2	154427	Axle Assembly STMP Dropped STL
3	169840	Spindle Assembly, L.H.
4	169839	Spindle Assembly, R.H.
5	6266H	Bearing, Race, Thrust, Hardened
6	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Gauge
7	19272016	Washer 27/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Gauge
8 9	12000029	Ring, Klip
10	3366R	Bearing, Steering Column
11	169832 STD551137	Draglink
13	136518	Washer, Lock
15	145212	Spacer Bearing Axle Front Nut, Hex Flange Lock
17	156546	Shaft Assembly, Steering
18	57079	Washer, Thrust .515 x .750 x .033
19	160395	Support, Shaft
22	165857	Screw, Hex Wsh Hd Torx
23	165851	Pittman Shaft Assembly
25	154406	Bracket, Steering
26	126847X	Bushing, Link, Drag
27	136874	Gear, Sector
28	19131416	Washer 13/32 x 7/8 x 16 Gauge
29 30	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
32	STD561210	Pin Cotter
36	130465 155099	Rod, Tie
37	152927	Bushing, Steering
38	139769	Screw
39	19133812	Insert, Steering Wheel Washer 13/32 x 2-3/8 x 12 Gauge
40	STD541537	Nut Lock Center 3/8-24 Unf
41	100711L	Adaptor, Steering Wheel
42	145054X428	Boot, Steering Shaft
43	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Gauge
44	153720	Extension Shaft Steering LR.LT
46	121232X	Cap, Spindle
47	6855M	Fitting, Grease
51	STD541431	Nut Lock Hex w/Ins. 5/16-18 UNC
54	74780520	Bolt Fin Hex 5/16-18 UNC x 1-1/4
62 63	167902	Kit Steering Asm Service
65	STD523710	Bolt, Fin Hex 3/8-16 UNC x 1 Gr 5
66	160367 154404	Spacer Brace Axle
67	72140618	Bearing Arm Pittman
68	169829	Bolt RDHD Sqnk 3/8-16 x 2-1/4 Axie, Brace
79	19132012	Washer 13/32 x 1-1/4 x 12 Ga.
80	74950612	Bolt Hex Nylon 3/8-16 x 3/4
82	169835	Bracket Susp. Chassis Front
85	133835	Fastener Christmas Tree

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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	162156	Control, Throttle
2	17720410	Screw, Hex Head, Thread Cutting
		1/4-20 x 5/8
3		Engine, (See Breakdown)
		Kohler Model CV16S-42519
4	159420	Muffler
13	12-041-03	Gasket
14	13280328	Nipple, Pipe 3/8 NPT x 3-1/2
15	13200300	Elbow, Standard 90°, 3/8-18 NPT
16	STD551231	Washer
23	169837	Shield Brn/Dbr Guard
29	137180	Arrestor, Spark
31	109202X	Tank, Fuel
32	158990	Cap Assembly, Fuel Sears, Vented
33	123487X	Clamp, Hose
37	137040	Line, Fuel
38		Plug, Oil Drain (See Engine Breakdown)
40	124028X	Bushing, Snap, Fuel Line
44	17670412	Screw, Hex Washer Head, Thd., Roll. 1/4-20 x 3/4
45	17000612	Screw Hexwsh Thdr 3/8-16 x 3/4
46	19091416	Washer 9/32 x 7/8 x 16 Gauge
62	STD551131	Washer, Lock
77	19101216	Washer 5/16 x 3/4 x 16 Ga.
79	M740108025	Bolt Hex
80	74760508	Bolt Hex Hd 5/16-18 Unc x 1/2
81	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 Unc
101	M73030800	Nut Flange M8-1.25 Non-Lk Zinc
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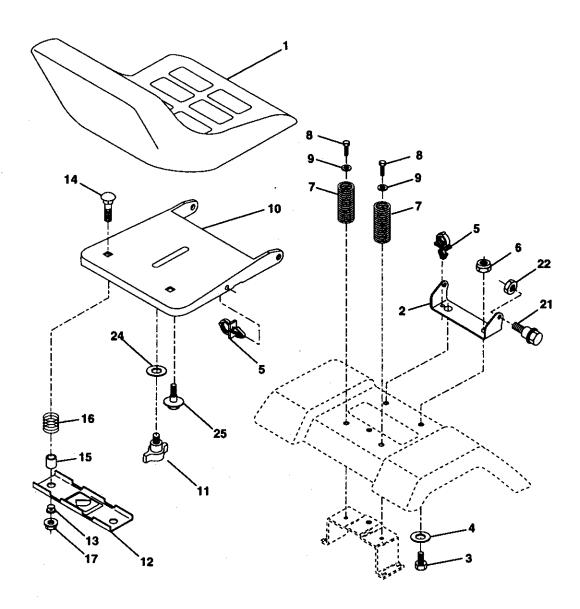
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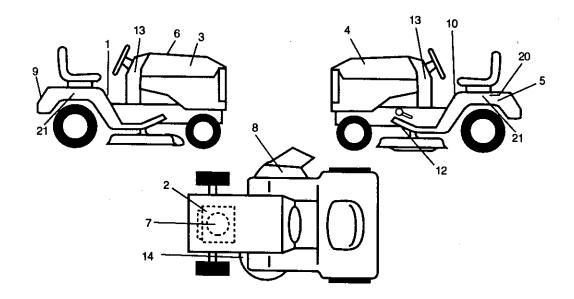
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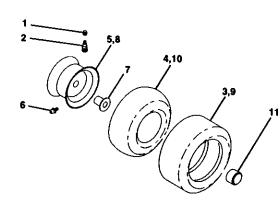
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DECALS



KEY PART	KEY	PART	DESCRIPTION
NO. NO. DESCRIPTION	NO.	NO.	
1 156368 Decal, Oper. Instr. 2 169638 Decal, Replacement 3 163200 Decal, Hood, R.H. 4 163202 Decal, Hood, L.H. 5 138047 Decal, Battery 6 133644 Decal, Customer Ma 7 168921 Decal, Hp Engine 8 166887 Decal, Deck Mower 9 163204 Decal, Fender, Craft 10 156439 Decal, Fender Dang	14 20 21 intenance EZ Isman	146046 163262 160396 149516 163207 138311 165800X428 165799X428 173622 173623	Decal, V-Belt Drive Schematic Decal, Dash Panel Decal, V-Belt Schematic Decal Battery Dngr/Psn Eng Decal, Fender Sd. Wht Decal, Lift Handle Pad Footrest LH STLT Pad Footrest RH STLT Owner's Manual, English Owner's Manual, Spanish

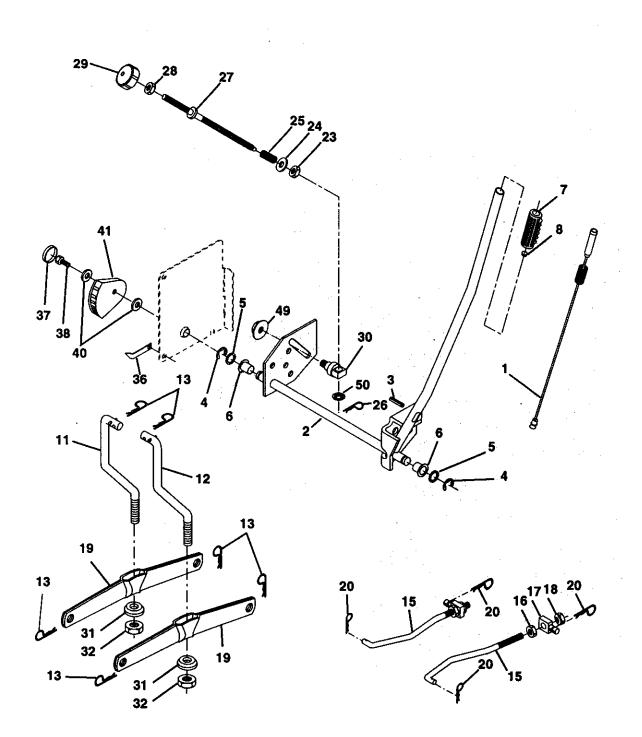
WHEELS & TIRES



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	59192	Cap Value Tire
2	65139	Stem Value
3	106222X	Tire F Ts 15 X 6 0 - 6 Service
4	59904	Tube Inner Front #35060
5	106732X427	Rim Asm 6"front White Service
6	278H	Fitting Grease
7	9040H	Bearing Flange
8	106108X427	Rim Asm 8"rear White Service
9	122082X	Tire R Ts 20 X 10-8 Service
10	7152J	Tube Rear 9 5 X 8 Service
11	104757X	Cap Axle Blk 1 50 X 1 00
	144334	Sealant, Tire (10 oz. tube)

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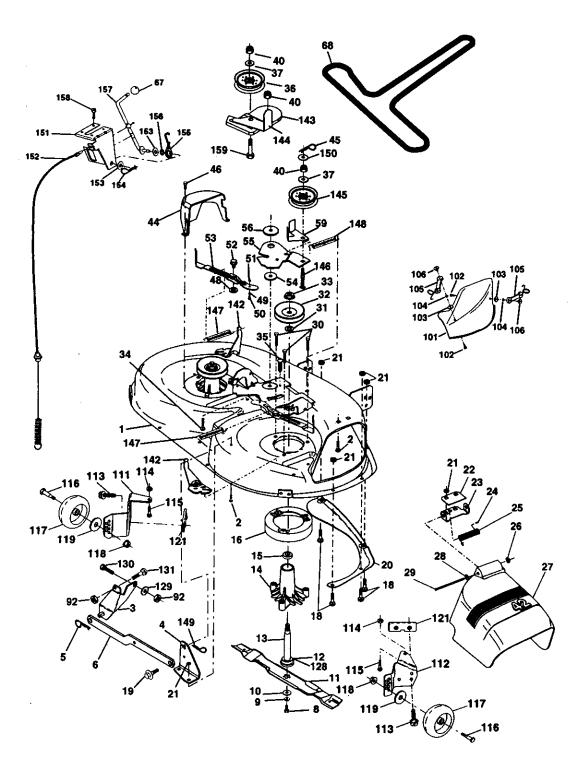
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1	159460	Lift Lever Inner Wire Asm.
2	159471	Shaft Asm. Lift
3	105767X	Pin Groove
4	12000002	ERing
5	19211621	Washer 21/32 x 1 x 21 Ga.
6	120183X	Bearing Nylong
7	125631X	Grip Handle Fluted
8	122365X	Button Plunger Read
- 11	139865	Link Asm Lift L.H.
12	139866	Link Asm Lift R.H.
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 1/2-13 Unc
19	139868	Arm Suspension Mower
20	163552	Retainer Spring
23	110807X	Nut, Special
24	19131016	Washer 13/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga.
25	2876H	Spring
26	169484	RetainerClip
27	126971X	Rod, Adjust Life
28	73350600	Nut, Hex Jam 3/8-16 UNC
29	138057	Knob, Infinite Height Admustment
30	150233	Trunnion, Inf. Height
· 31	140302	Bearing, Pvt. Lift. Spherical
32	73540600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-24
- 36	155097	Pointer Height Indicator
37	123935X	Plug Hole Bik 1.485/1.515 Dia
38	17060516	Screw 5/16-18 x 1
40	19112410	Washer 11/32 x 1-1/2 x 10 Ga
41	155098	Indicator Height Stit
49	145212	Nut, Hex Flange Lock
50	110452X	Nut, Push Phos. &-Oil

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NOTE: All component dimensions given in U.S. inches 1 inch = 25.4 mm

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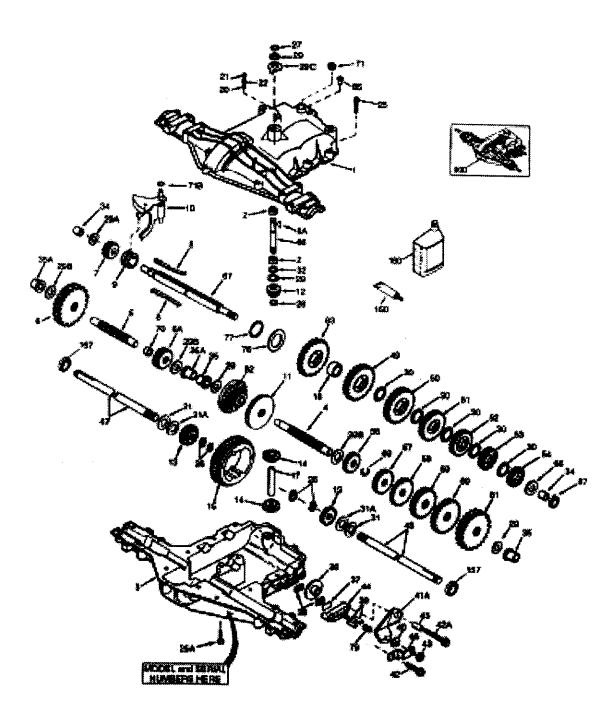
MOWER DECK



MOWER DECK

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	165892	Mower Deck Assembly, 42"	68	144959	V-Belt
2	STD533107	Bolt	92	STD541437	Nut
3	138017	Bracket Assembly, Sway Bar,	101	136420	MulcherCover
		Front	102	71161010	Screw
4	165460	Bracket Sway Bar 38/42" Deck	103	19061216	Washer #10
5	STD624008	Retainer Spring	104	STD551110	Washer, Lock
6	130832	Arm, Suspension, Rear	105	160793	Latch Assembly, Bagger
8	850857	Bolt, Hex 3/8-24 x 1.25 Gr. 8	106	2029J	Nut, Weld
9	STD551137	Washer, Lock	111	155197	Bracket Gauge Wheel Lh
10	140296	Washer, Hardened	112	155198	Bracket Gauge Wheel Rh
11 12	134149	Blade, Mulching	113	17060512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4
13	129895	Bearing, Ball	114	73510500	Nut Keps 5/16-18 Unc
15	137645	Shaft Assembly, Mandrel,	115	72110504	Bolt Carr 5/16-Unc x 1/2
		Vented (Includes Key	116	4898H	Bolt Shoulder
14	128774	Number 12) Nousing Mandral Vented	117	165746	Wheel Gauge Std
15	110485X	Housing, Mandrel, Vented Bearing, Ball, Mandret	118	73930600	Nut Centerlock 3/8-16 Unc
16	140329	Stripper, Vented Mower Deck	119 121	19121414	Washer 3/8 x 7/8 x 4 Ga.
18	72140505	Bolt, Carriage 5/16-18 x 5/8	121	143723 153390	Bracket Extruded Gauge Wheel
19	132827	Bolt, Shoulder	120	19131312	Washer Felt
20	159770	Baffle, Vortex	130	STD523710	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 12Ga.
21	STD541431	NutCrownlock 5/16-18 UNC	150	310523/10	Bolt, Fin Hex 3/8-16 UNC x 1 Gr. 5
22	134753	Stiffener Bracket	131	STD533710	Bolt, Rdhd Sqnk 3/8-16UNC x1
23	131267	Bracket, Deflector	142	165890	Arm Spring Brake Mower
24	105304X	Cap, Sleeve	143	157109	Bracket Arm Idler 42"
25	123713X	Spring, Torsion, Deflector	144	158634	Keeper Belt 42" Clutch Cable
26	110452X	Nut, Push	145	165888	Pulley Idler Flat
27	130968X428	Shield, Deflector	146	165891	Bolt Carriage Idler
28	19111016	Washer 11/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga.	147	131335	Spring Extension
29	131491	Rod, Hinge	148	169022	Spring Return Idler
30 31	157722	Screw Thdrol Washer Head	149	165898	Retainer Spring Yellow Zinc
32	129963 153535	Washer, Spacer	150	19091216	Washer 9/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga.
33	137266	Pulley, Mandrei	151	169670	Bracket Clutch
34	STD533717	Nut, Toplock, Flanged Bolt	152	169676	Cable Clutch 42 In
35	133835	Fastner, Christmas Tree	153	169674	Washer Flat 3/8" Type B
36	131494	Pulley, Idler, Flat	154	169675	Spring Retainer
37	STD551037	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 16Ga.	155 156	169671	Spring Retention Lever
40	STD541437	NutCrownlock 3/8-16 UNC	156	169672 169669	Spacer
44	140088	Guard, Mandrel, L.H.	158	17720410	Rod Clutch
45	STD624003	Retainer	100	17720410	Screw Hex Thd Cut 1/4-20 x 5/ 8
46	137729	Screw, Thd. Roll 1/4-20 x 5/8	159	72140614	-
48	133944	Washer, Hardened		130794	Bolt Rdhd Sqn 3/8-16 Unc x 3/4 Mandrei Assembly (Includes
49	155066	Roller Assembly, Cam Follower		100104	Key Numbers 8-10, 12-15, 31
50	131340	Bolt, Shoulder #10-24 Grade 5			and 32)
51	STD541410	Locknut		169583	Mower Deck, Complete
52	139888	Bolt, Shoulder 5/16-18 UNC			(Standard Deck, Order
53	131845	Arm Assembly, Pad, Brake			Separately Mulcher Plate and
54	133943	Washer, Hardened			Gauge Wheel Components, Key
55	155046	Arm, Idler			Nos. 101-106 and 111-121)
56 50	165723	Spacer, Retainer			*
59 67	141043	Guard, TUV Idler	NOTE:	All componer	nt dimensions given in U.S.
07	149846	Knob Custom Oval		inchest inch =	= 25.4 mm

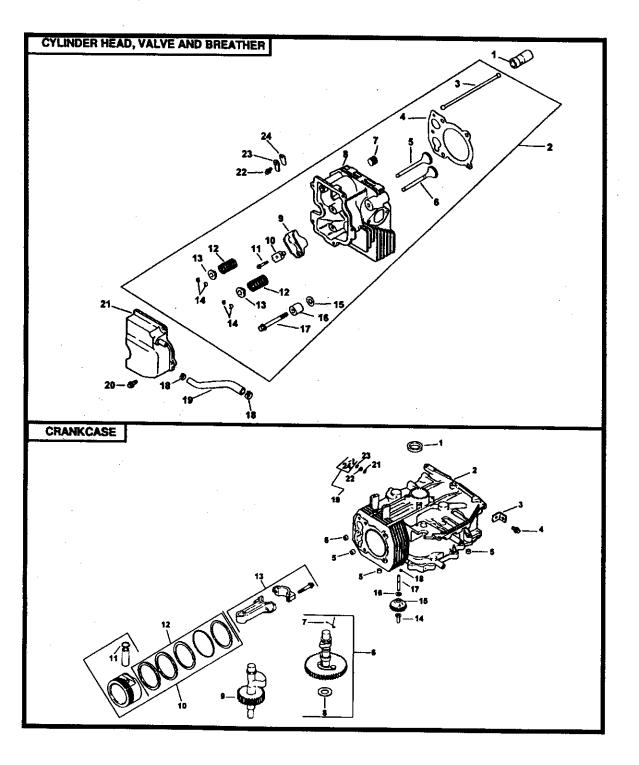
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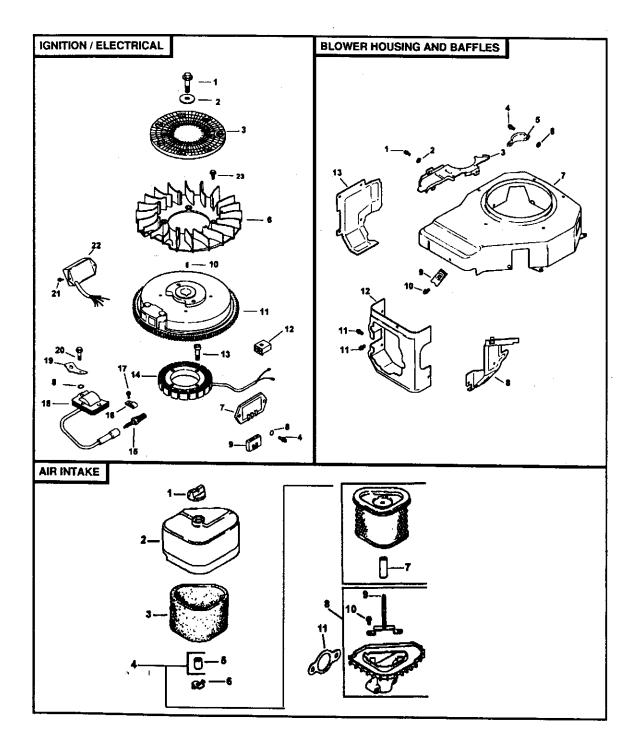


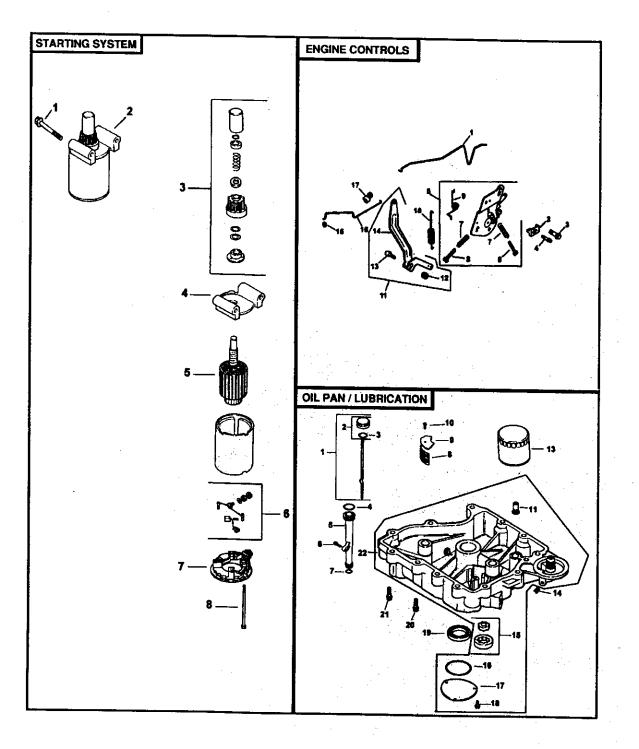
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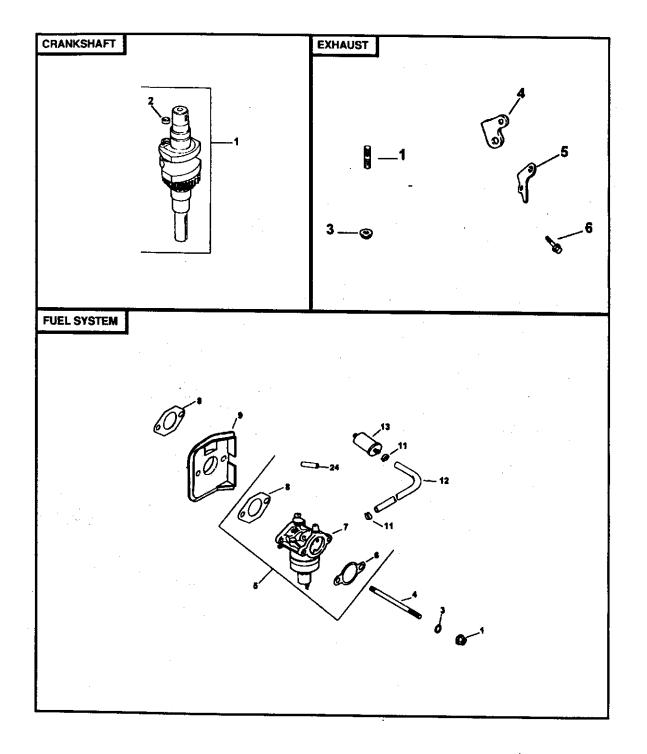
REF NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	REF NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	772147	Transaxle Cover	41A	790079	Brake Lever
2	780086A		42	792073A	
3	770128	Transaxle Case	42A	792085A	Screw 1/4 - 20 x 2 1/4"
4	776395	Countershaft	43	792075	Locknut 5 / 16 - 24
5	776409	Output Shaft	44	790025	Brake Pad Holder
6	778364	Spur Gear (38 teeth)	45	786066	Spacer .2625 x 1.0
6A	778369	Spur Gear (15 teeth)	46	786086	Brake Lever Bracket
7	778330	Spur Gear (11 teeth)	47	774690	Axie (11-15 / 16" Lona)
8	792180	Shift Key	48	774691	Axle (16 - 1 / 2" long)
8A	792047	Shift Key #9 Shift Collar	49	778356	Spur Gear (29 teeth)
9 10	784352			778338	Spur Gear (27 teeth) Spur Gear (23 teeth) Spur Gear (19 teeth)
11	784378 778334	Shift Rod & Fork Bevel Gear (30 teeth) Input Bevel Pinion (13 teeth) Bevel Gear (13 teeth) (Include. 14) Bevel Pinion (13 teeth) (Include. 13) Ring Gear (43 teeth) Drive Pin Spacer 1 120 X 605	51	778354	Spur Gear (23 teeth)
12	778309	Input Royal Divisor (12 to stb)	52	778352	Spur Gear (19 teeth)
13	778368	Bevel Gear (12 teeth)	53	778350	Spur Gear (16 teeth) Spur Gear (15 teeth)
	//0000	(Include 14)	56	778346 778355	Spur Gear (15 teeth)
14	778368	Bevel Pinion (13 teeth)	57	778337	Spur Gear (11 teeth)
- •		(include, 13)	58	778353	Spur Gear (13 teeth) Spur Gear (17 teeth)
15	778370	Ring Gear (43 teeth)	59	778351	Spur Gear (21 teeth)
17	786188	Drive Pin	60	778349	Spur Gear (24 teath)
18	786102	Spacer 1.130 X .695 Ball 5/16" dia Set Screw 3/8 - 16 x 3/8" Spring .310 OD x .625 L Screw 1/4 - 20 x 1-1/4"	61	778345	Spur Gear (24 teeth) Spur Gear (25 teeth)
20	792077A	Ball 5/16" dia	65	780189	Flat Washer .563 ID x .062W
21	792078	Set Screw 3/8 - 16 x 3/8"	66	776422	Input Shaft
22	792079	Spring .310 OD x .625 L	67	776396	Shifter & Brake Shaft
25	792073A	Screw 1/4 - 20 x 1-1/4"	69	792170	Retaining Ring
25A	792177	Screw 1/4-20 x 1-3/8"	70	786187	Spacer .890
26	792125	Retaining Ring (pkg of 2)	71	788069	Square Cut Ring
27 28	792035	Retaining Ring	71B	788092	"O" Ring
29	788040 780072	Screw 1/4 - 20 x 1-1/4" Screw 1/4-20 x 1-3/8" Retaining Ring (pkg of 2) Retaining Ring Retaining Ring Thrust Washer	76	780090	Flat Washer
23	/800/2	Thrust Washer .627 ID x.031W Thrust Washer .762 ID x.031W	77	7000704	1.128 ID x .058W
29A	780160	Thrust Machar	77 79	788078A	Inverted Retaining Ring
	,00100		82	792144	Spring .430 OD x .5000 L
29B	780051	Thrust Washer	02	778333	Bevel & Spur Gear
		.762 ID x.031W	83	778338	(30 & 13 teeth)
29C	780199	Anti-Rotation Washer .632	85	792154	Spur Gear (27 teeth) Oil Fill Plug
30	780108	Cup Washer	87	788089A	Oil Seal 9 / 16"
	•	1.127 ID x .032W	150	788093A	Liquid Gasket RTV Silicone
31	780001	Flat Washer .750 ID x .056W	157	788088A	Oil Seal 3 /4"
		(Use As Needed)	180	730229A	Gear Oil 80W90
31A	780195	Flat Washer .750 ID x .062W	900	794712	Replacement
32	788083	Oil Seal 5/8"			MST - 206-545C Transaxle
34 35	780194	Bushing .563			
35 35A	780193	Flanged Bushing 5 / 8" ID	NOTE:	All compor	ent dimensions given in U.S.
36	780197 790075	Flanged Bushing .751		inches1 inc	ch = 25.4 mm
37	790075	Brake Disk Brake Bod Dista			
38	799021	Brake Pad Plate			
39	786026	Brake Pad (pkg of 2) Dowel Pin			
40	792076A	Flat Washer .312 ID x .059W			

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CYLINDER HEAD/VALVE/BREATHER			CRANKCASE		
KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 2	25-351-01 12-755-81	Lifter, valve (2) Kit, cylinder head (Includes 3-17)	1 2	12-032-03	Seal, crankshaft Block, cylinder (Use Short Block 12 522 18)
	12-041-01 12-041-02 12-041-03	Carburetor gasket(2) Air cleaner base gasket Exhaust maniford gasket	3 4	12-445-02 M-0839025	Strap, lifting Screw, hex. flange M8x1.25x25
3 4 5	12-411-01 12-041-10 12-017-01	Rod, push (2) Gasket, cylinder head Valve, intake (Std.)	5 6 7	12-380-17 12-755-49 12-089-31	Dowel, locating (4) Kit, camshaft (Includes 7,8) Spring, actuating
6	12-017-02 12-016-01 12-016-02	Valve, intake (.25) Valve, exhaust (Std.) Valve, exhaust (.25)	8	12-422-08 12-422-09 12-422-10	Shim, camshaft (A.R.) blue Shim, camshaft (A.R.) red Shim, camshaft (A.R.)
7 8 9 10	X-75-23 12-318-19 25-186-01 12-599-03	Plug, allen hd. pipe 1/8 Cylinder Head Arm, rocker (2) Pivot, rocker arm (2)		12-422-11 12-422-12	yellow Shim, camshaft (A.R.) green Shim, camshaft (A.R.) gray
11	M-0640034	Screw, hex. flange M6xI.0x34 (2) Spring, valve (2)	9 10	12-422-13 12-422-07 12-144-27 12-874-07	Shim, camshaft (A.R.) black Shim, camshaft (A.R.) white Shaft, balance
13 14 15	12-173-01 12-755-03 12-468-05	Cap, valve spring (2) Kit, retainer (2) Washer, plain 13/32	,	24-874-07 12-874-11 12-874-08	Piston w/Ring Set (Std.) (Includes 11-12) Piston w/Ring Set (.08) Piston w/Ring Set (.08)
16 17	12-112-13 12-086-15	Spacer, head bolt exhaust port Screw, hex. flange	11 12	12-014-08 12-018-02 12-108-07	Piston w/Ring Set (.25) Piston w/Ring Set (.50) Retainer, piston pin (2) Ring Set (Std.)
18 19	X-426-9 12-326-03	M10x1.5x81 (5) Clamp, hose (2) Hose, breather	13	12-108-08 12-108-09 12-067-05	Ring Set (.25) Ring Set (.50) Connecting Rod (Std.)
20 21	M-0645020 12-096-07	Screw, hex. flange M6x1.0x20 (5) Cover, valve w/nipple	14	12-067-06 12-380-01 12-043-05	Connecting Rod (.25) Pin, governor regulating Gear, governor assembly
22 23	M-0545010 12-018-01	Screw, hex. flange M5x0.8x10 Retainer, breather reed	16 17 18	M-0631005 12-144-02 52-139-09	Washer, plain 6mm Shaft, governor gear Plug, cup
24	12-402-02	Reed, breather	19 21	12-755-64 X-25-102	Kit, gov. cross shaft w/clip (Includes 24) washer, plain 1/4
			22 23 24	12-032-01	Seal, governor cross shaft Washer, plain 6mm

24 12-154-05 Clip, hitch pin

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BLOWER HOUSING & BAFFLES

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	12-086-14	Screw, hex. flange MIOx1.5x46	1	M-0545010	Screw, hex. flange M5x0.8x10 (8)
2 3	12-468-03	Washer, plain 3/8	2	24-468-10	Washer plain 1/4
3	24-162-03	Screen, grass	3	12-146-07	Washer, plain 1/4
4	M-0639016	Screw, hex. flange M6x1.0x16 (6)	2 3 4	24-086-18	Plate, blower housing Screw, phillip hd M4x0.7 X8 (2)
6	12-157-03	Fan	5	24-096-05	Cover, pinion
7	41-403-09	Regulator, rectifier	6	220534	Washer, plain 5/16 (2)
8 9	X-22-11	Washer, lock (2)	6 7	12-027-54	Housing blower
9	236602	Connector	8	12-063-10	Housing, blower Baffle, intake side
10	X-42-15	Key	9	25-154-02	Clip mounting (0)
11	12-025-35	Flywheel	10	12-086-37	Clip, mounting (3)
12	41-155-02	Connector (4 contact)		12-000-07	Screw, captive washer
13	M-0548025	Screw, hex. cap M5x0.8x25	11	M-0645016	M5 X0.8 X20 (3) Screw, hex. flange
		(2)	••	11-00-0010	M6x1.0x16 (2)
14	12-085-01	Stator assembly - 15 amp	12	12-063-08	Baffle ovlinder head
15	12-132-02	Spark Plug	13	12-063-09	Baffle, cylinder head
16	X-728-1	Clip, cable		12-000-03	Baffle, cylinder
17	M-0545010	Screw, hex. flange	ΝΟΤ	ILLUSTRATE	
		M5x0.8x10 (2)			
18	12-584-08	Module, ignition		X-20-92 ¥	Vasher, Plain 3/16" (2)
19	12-452-02	Terminal			
20	12-086-35	Screw, hex. socket			
		M5x0.8x20 (2)	AID		
21	M-0461013	Screw, pan head M4.2x13		NTAKE/FILTI	RATION
22	12-584-12	(2) Module speed advance	KEY	PART	

 22
 12-584-12
 Module, speed advance
 KEY
 PART

 23
 25-086-47
 Shoulder M6X1.0X16 (4)
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25-518-29	Lead				
25-518-05	Lead				
12-176-36	Harness				
X-25-5	Washer, plain 5/16"				
12-155-02	Connector				
23-517-03	Clip Cable				

NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	25-341-03	Knob, air cleaner cover
2	12-096-24	Cover, air cleaner
2 3 4	12-083-12	Precleaner, element
4	12-083-10	Kit air cleaner element (Includes 5,7)
5	1230046	Seal 3/4"
6	12-100-01	Wing Nut
7	12-032-11	Seal 1-7/16"
8	12-094-07	Base, air cleaner(Includes 10.11)
9	12-072-04	Stud, mounting plate M6X1.0X75
10	12-086-01	Screw, #10 Hi-Lo thread forming (2)
11	12-041-02	Gasket, air cleaner

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12-113-53 Decal, air cleaner

STARTING SYSTEM

ENGINE CONTROLS

					
KE NC		DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	M-0839070		1	12-079-07	Linkage, choke
2	25-098-05	M8x1.25x70 (2) Starter assembly (Includes 3-8)	2 3	12-237-01 M-0664020	Clamp, cable Screw, lobed socket
3 4 5 6 7 8	12-755-54 12-227-06 12-170-05 12-221-01 12-227-13 12-211-01	Kit, drive end Cap, drive end Armature Kit, brush & spring Cap, commutator end Bolt, hex. flange 1/4-20x4-	4 5 6 7	24-086-43 12-536-10 M-0443025 M-0443020	M6xI.0x20 (2) Screw, hex. flange Control, speed assembly (Includes 6,8,9) Screw, pan head M4x0.7x25 Screw, pan head
01	L PAN/LUBRIC	5/8 (2)	8 9 10 11	12-089-11 12-089-23 12-089-24	M4x0.7x20 Spring, choke (2) Spring, choke return Spring, governor
KE NC		DESCRIPTION	12 13	12-755-83 12-100-07 52-211-04	Kit, governor lever (Includes 12-14) Nut, hex flange 1/4 - 20" Bolt, 1/4 - 20 X 1"
1	12-038-01	Dipstick assembly (Includes 2-3)	14 15	12-090-28 25-158-08	Lever, governor Bushing, throttle linkage
2 3 4 5 6	25-755-13 12-153-03 12-153-02 12-123-04 M-0545020	Kit, oil fill cap (Includes 3) O-Ring, oil fill cap O-Ring, upper oil fill tube Tube, oil fill Screw, hex. flange	16 17	12-079-01 25-158-11	Linkage, throttle Bushing, throttle linkage
7 8 9 10	12-153-01 25-162-07 12-096-03 M-0545016			 	
11 13 14 15 16	X-75-10 12-393-01 12-153-06	M5x0.8x16 Valve, oil pressure relief Filter, oil Plug, sq. hd. solid 3/8 Pump, oil assembly O-Ring, oil pump cover			
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19 20	12-032-03 24-086-16	M5x0.8x16 (3) Seal, oil (P.T.O. end) Screw, hex. flange			
21	24-086-17	M8x1.25x45 (11) Screw, hex. flange M8x1.25x45			
22	12-199-53	Assembly,Pan, oil (Incl. 11,15-18)			

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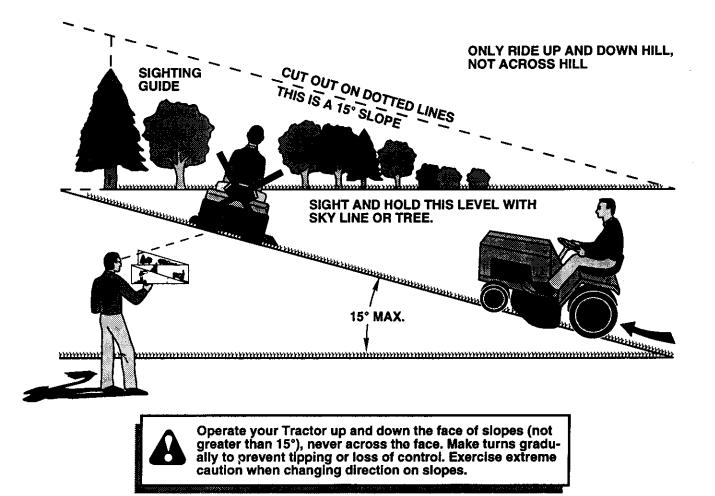
CRANKSHAFT

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1	M-0641060	Nut, hex. flange M6x1.0 (2)		10.014.07	
้่ง	X-22-11	Washer, star 1/4	1	12-014-37	Crankshaft (Includes 2)
4	M-0629116	Stud M6x1.0x116 (2)	2	12-139-01	Plug, cup
4 5	12-853-95	Kit, carburetor w/gasket			
5	12-000-30	(includes 6,7,8 gtv 1	EXHA	UST	
		12-454-01, 25452-20)			
6	12-041-02	Gasket, air cleaner	KEY	PART	
6 7	12-053-95	Carburetor assembly		• •	
'	12-000-00	(For information only not	NO.	NÔ.	DESCRIPTION
		available separately)			
8	12-041-01	Gasket, carburetor (2)	1	25-072-04	Stud (2)
8 9	12-265-04	Deflector, heat	2	12-041-03	Gasket, exhaust manifold
ĭo	47-154-01	Clip cable	2 4 5 6	12-126-11	
11	X-426-09			12-445-06	Bracket, muffler
		Clamp, hose (2)	5		Strap, lifting
12	25-353-10	Line, fuel 9"	6	M-0645025	Screw, hex. flange
13	25-050-02	Filter, fuel			M6xl.0x25 (2)
				12-522-18	Short Block
				12-755-82	Gasket Set
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12-757-02	Kit, float
12-757-03	Kit, carburetor repair
12-041-01	Gasket, carburetor
12-041-02	Gasket, air cleaner
12-041-05	Gasket, bowl
12-041-06	Gasket, bowl screw
12-032-06	Seal, solenoid
12-757-33	Kit, solenoid repair
12-041-06	Gasket, bowl screw
12-454-01	Tie, wire
25-452-20	Terminal
12-454-03	Tie cable
M-0561010	Screw, thread forming
	M5X0.8X10
M-0645020	Screw, hex. flange
	M6X1.0X20 (2)
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