

Owner's Manual



# GARDEN TRACTOR

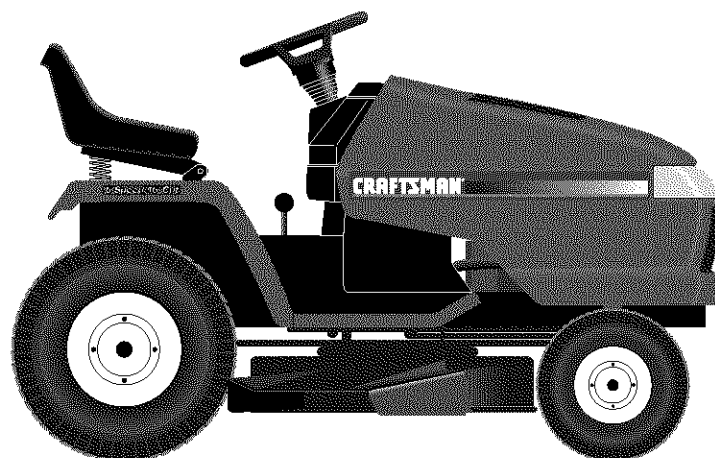
22.0 HP, 50" Mower

Electric Start

6 Speed Transaxle

Model No.

**917.275970**



**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.**

## **IMPORTANT:**

Read and follow all Safety Rules and Instructions before operating this equipment.

For answers to your questions about this product, Call:

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## WARRANTY

### LIMITED 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 that are found to be defective in material or workmanship according to the guidelines of coverage listed below. Sears will also provide free labor for these applicable warranted parts for the two full years. During the first 30 days of purchase, there will be no charges to service the product at your home for issues covered by this warranty. (See exclusions below). For your convenience, IN HOME warranty service will still be available after the first 30 days of purchase, but a trip charge will apply. This charge will be waived if the Craftsman product is dropped off at an authorized Sears location. For the nearest authorized Sears location, please call 1-800-4-MY-HOME®. This warranty applies only while this product is within the United States.

This Warranty does not cover:

- Expendable items which become worn during normal use, including but not limited to blades, spark plugs, air cleaners, belts, and oil filters.
- Standard Maintenance Servicing, oil changes, or tune-ups  
Tire replacement or repair caused by punctures from outside objects, such as nails, thorns, stumps, or glass.
- Repairs necessary because of operator abuse, including but not limited to, damage caused by towing objects beyond the capability of the riding equipment, impacting objects that bend the frame or crankshaft, or over-speeding the engine.
- Repairs necessary because of operator negligence, including but not limited to, electrical and mechanical damage caused by improper storage, failure to use the proper grade and amount of engine oil, failure to keep the deck clear of flammable debris, or failure to maintain the equipment according to the instructions contained in the owner's manual.
- Engine (fuel system) cleaning or repairs caused by fuel determined to be contaminated or oxidized (stale). In general, fuel should be used within 30 days of its purchase date.
- Normal deterioration and wear of the exterior finishes, or product label replacement.
- Riding equipment used for commercial or rental purposes.

### LIMITED 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. During the first 30 days of purchase, there will be no charges to replace the battery at your HOME. After the first 30 days, for your convenience, IN-HOME warranty service will still be available but a trip charge will apply. This charge will be waived if the Craftsman product is dropped off at an authorized Sears location. For the nearest authorized Sears location, please call 1-800-4-MY-HOME®.


This battery warranty applies only while this product is within the United States.


This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which 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.

 **WARNING:** 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.

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

 **WARNING:** 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.

 **WARNING:** Engine exhaust, some of its constituents, and certain vehicle components contain or emit chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

 **WARNING:** Battery posts, terminals and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. **Wash hands after handling.**

### I. 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 remove keys before dismounting.
- 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 mower-related injuries. These operators should evaluate their ability to operate the riding mower safely enough to protect themselves and others from serious injury.
- Keep machine free of grass, leaves or other debris build-up which can touch hot exhaust / engine parts and burn. Do not allow the mower deck to plow leaves or other debris which can cause build-up to occur. Clean any oil or fuel spillage before operating or storing the machine. Allow machine to cool before storage.

### II. SLOPE OPERATION

Slopes are a major factor related to loss-of-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.

## SAFETY RULES

### 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.

### III. 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.

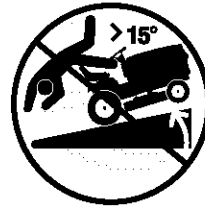
- Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the area.
- Before and when backing, look behind and *down* for small children.

- 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.

### IV. 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.
- 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.

## SAFETY RULES



- 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.
- Mow up and down slopes ( $15^\circ$  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.

## PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Gasoline Capacity and Type:	5 Gallons Unleaded Regular	
Oil Type (API-SF-SJ):	SAE 30 (above 32°F) SAE 5W-30 (below 32°F)	
Oil Capacity:	W/Filter 4.0 Pints W/O Filter 3.75 Pints	
Spark Plug: (Gap: .040")	Champion QC12YC	
Ground Speed (MPH):	Lo:	Hi:
	0.7	1.7
	1.4	3.3
	2.3	5.4
Reverse:	0.9	2.1
Tire Pressure:	Front:	14 PSI
	Rear:	10 PSI
Charging System:	16 Amps @ 3600 RPM	
Battery:	Amp/Hr:	35
	Min. CCA:	280
	Case size:	U1R
Blade Bolt Torque:	27-35 Ft. Lbs.	

**CONGRATULATIONS** on your purchase of a new 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 a Sears or other qualified 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".

### 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.

**⚠️ WARNING:** This tractor is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest-covered, brush-covered or grass-covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or 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 service center (See REPAIR PARTS section of this manual).

## REPAIR PROTECTION AGREEMENTS

Congratulations on making a smart purchase. Your new Craftsman® product is designed and manufactured for years of dependable operation. But like all products, it may require repair from time to time. That's when having a Repair Protection Agreement can save you money and aggravation.

*Purchase a Repair Protection Agreement now and protect yourself from unexpected hassle and expense.*

Here's what's included in the Agreement:

- **Expert service** by our 12,000 professional repair specialists.
- **Unlimited service and no charge** for parts and labor on all covered repairs.
- **Product replacement** if your covered product can't be fixed.
- **Discount of 10%** from regular price of service and service-related parts not covered by the agreement; also, 10% off regular price of preventive maintenance check.
- **Fast help by phone** – phone support from a Sears technician on products requiring in-home repair, plus convenient repair scheduling.

Once you purchase the Agreement, a simple phone call is all that it takes for you to schedule service. You can call anytime day or night, or schedule a service appointment online.

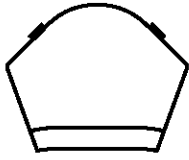
Sears has over 12,000 professional repair specialists, who have access to over 4.5 million quality parts and accessories. That's the kind of professionalism you can count on to help prolong the life of your new purchase for years to come. Purchase your Repair Protection Agreement today! **Some limitations and exclusions apply. For prices and additional information call 1-800-827-6655.**

### SEARS INSTALLATION SERVICE

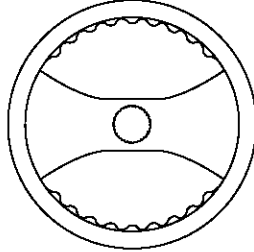
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# UNASSEMBLED PARTS

## Steering Wheel

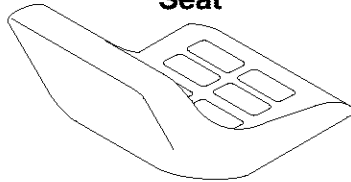


Steering Wheel Insert



Steering Wheel Adapter

## Seat

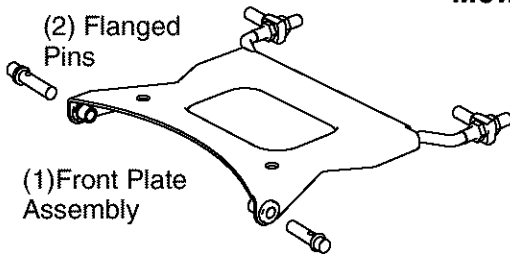


(1) Washer  
17/32 x 1-3/16 x 12 Gauge



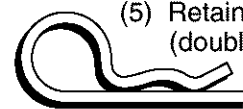
(1) Knob

## Mower



(2) Flanged Pins

(1) Front Plate Assembly



(5) Retainer Springs (double loop)

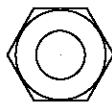


(2) Retainer Springs (single loop)

## Gauge Wheels



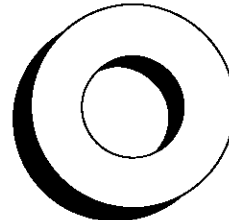
(2) Shoulder Bolts



(2) Centerlock Nuts

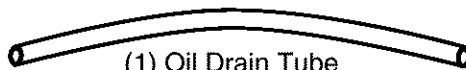
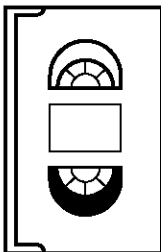


(2) Wheels



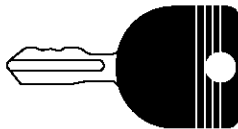
(2) Washers 3/8 x 3/4 x 14 Ga.

## Video Cassette



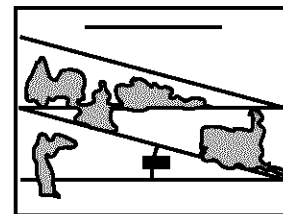
(1) Oil Drain Tube  
For Future Use

## Keys



(2) Keys

## Slope Sheet



## ASSEMBLY/PRE-OPERATION

Your new tractor has been assembled at the factory with the 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
- (1) 1/2" wrench
- (1) 3/4" socket with drive ratchet
- (1) Tire pressure gauge
- (1) Pliers
- (1) Utility knife

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

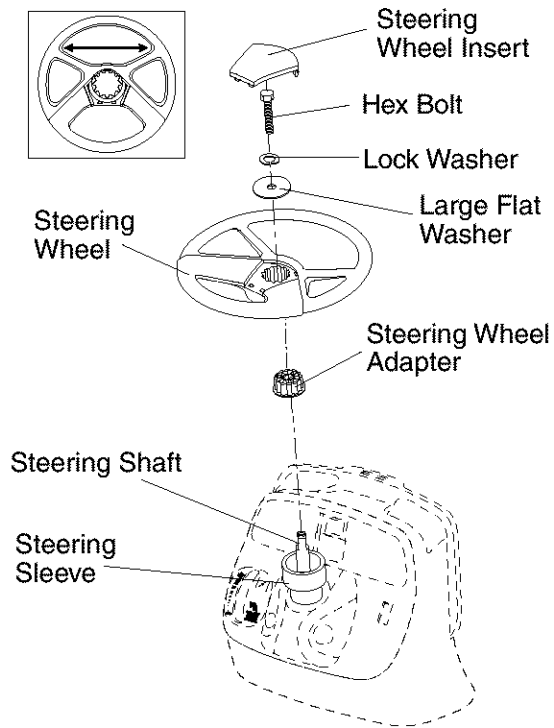
#### UNPACK CARTON

1. Remove all accessible loose parts and parts boxes from carton.
2. Cut along dotted lines on all four panels of carton. Remove end panels and lay side panels flat.
3. Remove mower and packing materials.
4. Check for any additional loose parts or cartons and remove.

### BEFORE REMOVING TRACTOR FROM SKID

#### ATTACH STEERING WHEEL

1. Remove hex bolt, lock washer and large flat washer from steering shaft.
2. Position front wheels of the tractor so they are pointing straight forward.
3. Slide the steering sleeve over the steering shaft.
4. Position steering wheel so cross bars are horizontal (left to right) and slide onto steering wheel adapter.
5. Secure steering wheel to steering shaft with hex bolt, lock washer and large flat washer previously removed. Tighten securely.
6. Snap steering wheel insert into center of steering wheel.
7. Remove protective materials from tractor hood and grill.

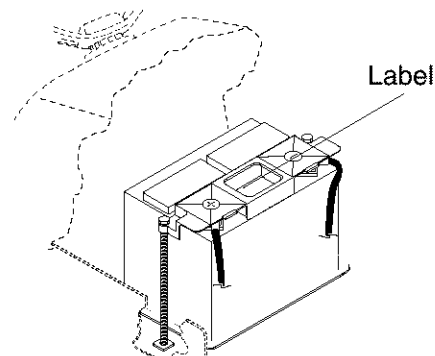


**IMPORTANT:** Check for and remove any staples in skid that may puncture tires where tractor is to roll off skid.

### HOW TO SET UP YOUR TRACTOR

#### CHECK BATTERY

1. Lift hood to raised position.
- NOTE:** 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 Maintenance section of this manual for charging instructions).

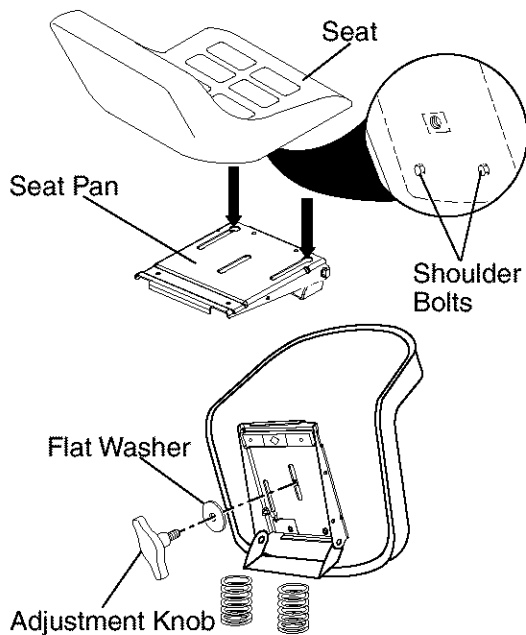




## INSTALL SEAT

Adjust seat before tightening adjustment knob.

1. Remove adjustment knob and flat washer securing seat to cardboard packing and set aside for assembly of seat to tractor.
2. Pivot seat upward and remove from the cardboard packing. Remove the cardboard packing and discard.
3. Place seat on seat pan so head of shoulder bolts are positioned over the large slotted holes in pan.
4. Push down on seat to engage shoulder bolts in slots and pull seat towards rear of tractor.
5. Pivot seat and pan forward and assemble adjustment knob and flat washer loosely. Do not tighten.
6. Lower seat into operating position and sit in seat.
7. Slide seat until a comfortable position is reached which allows you to press clutch/brake pedal all the way down.
8. Get off seat without moving its adjusted position.
9. 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)

1. Press lift lever plunger and raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
2. Release parking brake by depressing clutch/brake pedal.
3. Place gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
4. Roll tractor forward off skid.

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

**⚠WARNING:** 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.

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

## INSTALL MOWER AND DRIVE BELT

See MOWER AND DRIVE BELT ASSEMBLY Supplement Sheet for additional guidance on this assembly.

Be sure tractor is on level surface and mower suspension arms are raised with attachment lift control. Engage parking brake.

1. Cut and remove ties securing anti-sway bar and belts. Swing anti-sway bar to left side of mower deck.
2. Slide mower under tractor with deflector shield to right side of tractor.

**IMPORTANT:** Check belt for proper routing in all mower pulley grooves.

3. If equipped, turn height adjustment knob counterclockwise until it stops.
4. Lower mower linkage with attachment lift control.
5. Install belt into electric clutch pulley groove.
6. Place the suspension arms on inward pointing deck pins. Retain with double loop retainer spring with loops up as shown.
7. Install front plate assembly to tractor suspension brackets and retain with single loop retainer springs as shown.
8. Position front plate assembly between front mower brackets. Raise deck and plate assembly to align holes and insert flanged pins. Secure pins with double loop retainer springs between the plate and mower brackets.

**NOTE:** To assist in locating hole in flanged pin, the hole in pin is inline with notch on head of pin. If necessary, move mower side-to-side to give space between plate and mower brackets.

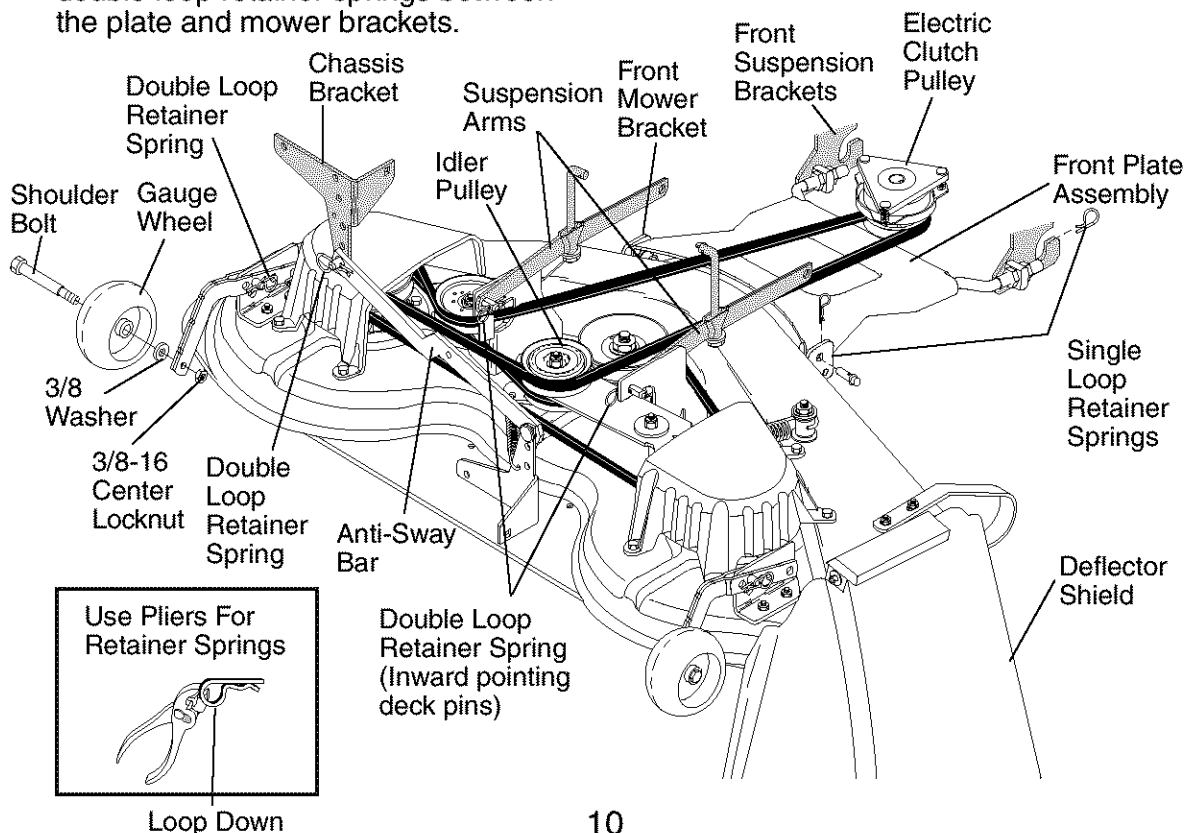
**IMPORTANT:** Check belt for proper routing in all mower pulley grooves.

9. Connect anti-sway bar to chassis bracket under left footrest and retain with double loop retainer spring.
10. If equipped, turn height adjustment knob clockwise to remove slack from mower suspension.
11. Raise deck to highest position.
12. Assemble gauge wheels as shown using long shoulder bolts, 3/8 washers, and 3/8-16 center locknuts. Tighten securely.
13. Adjust gauge wheels before operating mower as shown in the Operation section of this manual.

## CHECK TIRE PRESSURE

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

- Reduce tire pressure to PSI shown in "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual.



## **CHECK MOWER LEVELNESS**

For best cutting results, mower 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, mower drive, 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 your new tractor, we wish to assure that you receive the best performance and satisfaction from this Quality Product.

Please review the following checklist:

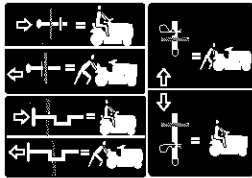
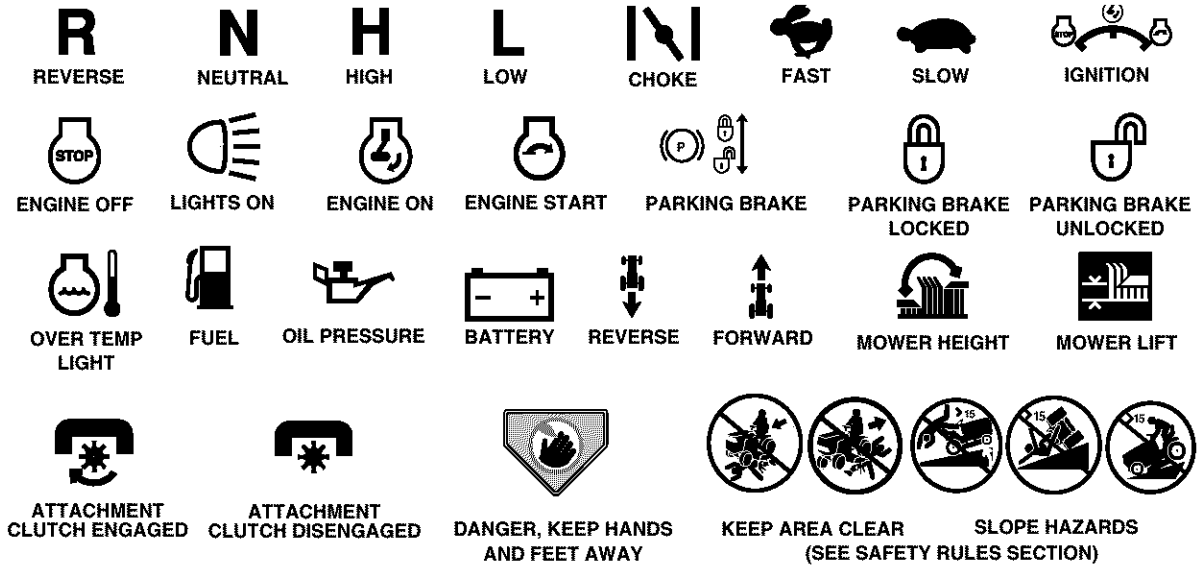
- ✓ All assembly instructions have been completed.
- ✓ No remaining loose parts in carton.
- ✓ Battery is properly prepared and charged. (Minimum 1 hour at 6 amps).
- ✓ Seat is adjusted comfortably and tightened securely.
- ✓ All tires are properly inflated. (For shipping purposes, the tires were overinflated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

While learning how to use your tractor, pay extra attention to the following important items:

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

# OPERATION

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



**FREE WHEEL**  
(Automatic Models only)



Failure to follow instructions could result in serious injury or death. The safety alert symbol is used to identify safety information about hazards which can result in death, serious injury and/or property damage.



**DANGER** indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



**WARNING** indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



**CAUTION** indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, might result in minor or moderate injury.

**CAUTION** when used **without** the alert symbol, indicates a situation that **could result in damage to the tractor and/or engine.**



**HOT SURFACES** indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, could result in death, serious injury and/or property damage.

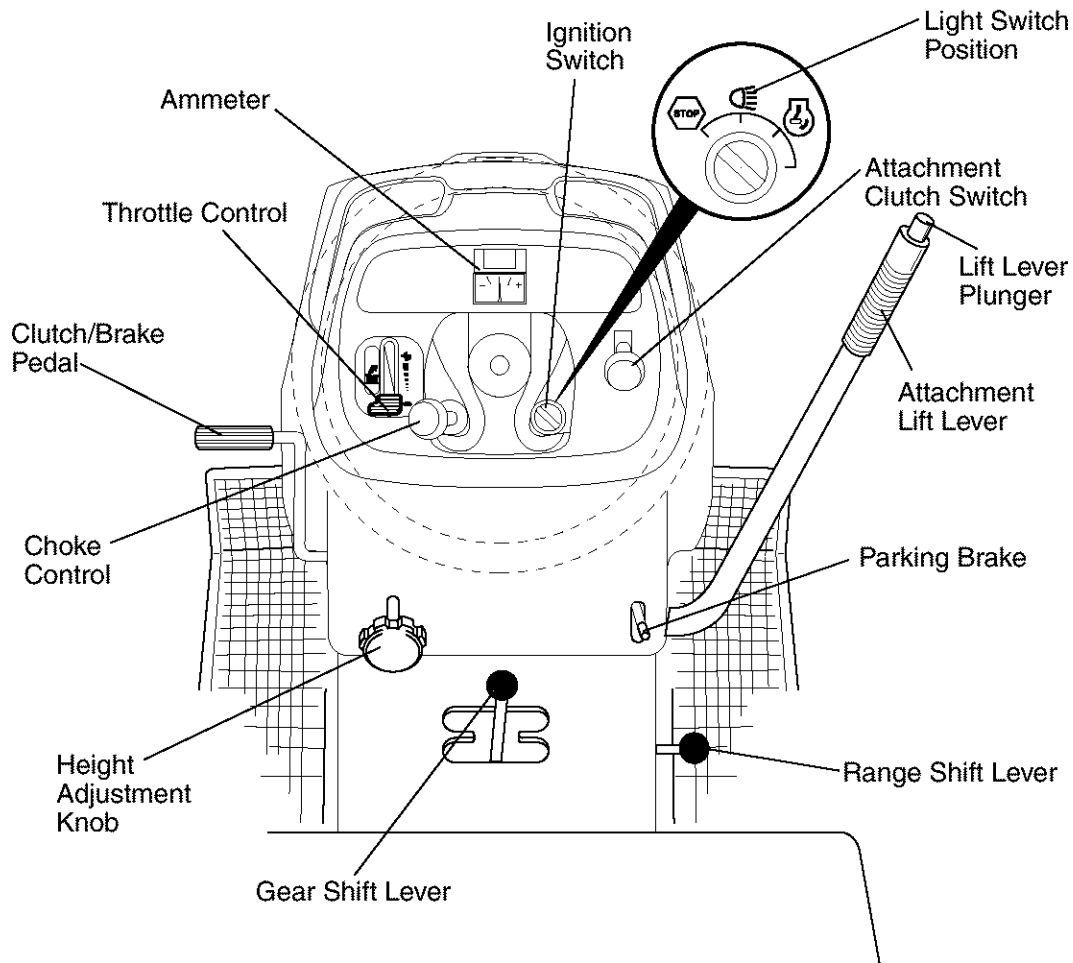


**FIRE** indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, could result in death, serious injury and/or property damage.

## 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.



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

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

**LIGHT SWITCH POSITION** - Turns the headlights on and off.

**THROTTLE CONTROL** - Used to control engine speed.

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

**CHOKE CONTROL** - Used when starting a cold engine.

**HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT KNOB** - Used to adjust the mower cutting height.

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

**RANGESHIFT LEVER** - Allows high (H) and low (L) speed for all forward and reverse gears.

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

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

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

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

**PARKING BRAKE** - Locks clutch/brake into the brake position.

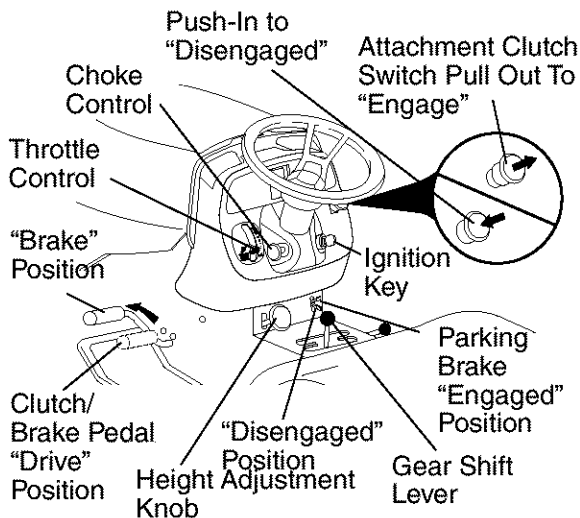


The operation of any tractor can result in foreign objects thrown into the eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Always wear safety glasses or eye shields while operating your tractor or performing any adjustments or repairs. We recommend standard safety glasses or a wide vision safety mask worn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

## 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.

1. Depress clutch/brake pedal all the way down and hold.
2. Pull parking brake lever up 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, push attachment clutch switch in to disengaged position.

### GROUND DRIVE -

- To stop ground drive, depress clutch/brake pedal all the way down.
- Move gearshift lever to neutral (N) position.

### ENGINE -

- Move throttle control to slow position.
- NOTE:** Failure to move throttle control to slow position to allow engine to idle before stopping may cause engine to “backfire”.
- Turn ignition key to “STOP” 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 “STOP” will cause the battery to discharge and go 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.

**CAUTION:** Always stop tractor completely, as described above, before leaving the operator's position.

## 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 mower performance.

## TO USE CHOKE CONTROL

Use choke control whenever you are starting a cold engine. Do not use to start a warm engine.

- To engage choke control, pull knob out. Slowly push knob in to disengage.

## TO MOVE FORWARD AND BACKWARD

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

1. Start tractor with clutch/brake pedal depressed and gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
2. Move gearshift and range shift levers to desired position.
3. 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.

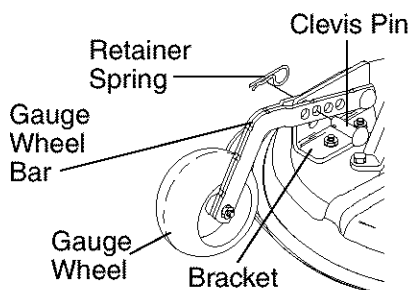
- The average lawn should be cut to approximately 2-1/2 inches during the cool season and to over 3 inches during hot months. For healthier and better looking lawns, mow often and after moderate growth.
- For best cutting performance, grass over 6 inches in height should be mowed twice. Make the first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

### TO ADJUST GAUGE WHEELS

Gauge wheels are properly adjusted when they are slightly off the ground when mower is at the desired cutting height in operating position. Gauge wheels then keep the deck in proper position to help prevent scalping in most terrain conditions.

**NOTE:** Adjust gauge wheels with tractor on a flat level surface.

1. Adjust mower to desired cutting height.
2. Lower mower with lift control. Remove rear retainer spring and clevis pin which secure each gauge wheel.
3. Lower gauge wheels to ground. Raise gauge wheels slightly to align holes in bracket and gauge wheel bar and insert clevis pins. Gauge wheels should be slightly off the ground.
4. Replace retainer springs into clevis pins.



### TO OPERATE MOWER

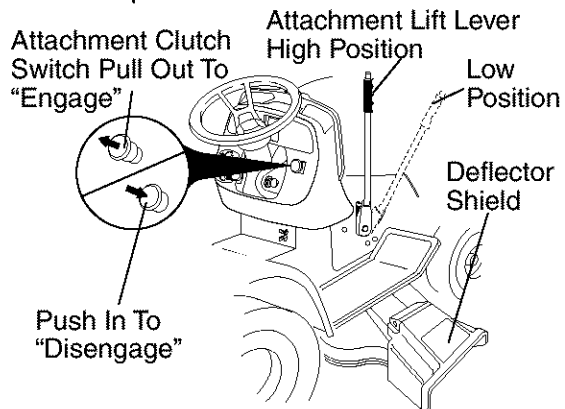
Your tractor is equipped with an operator presence sensing switch. Any attempt by the operator to leave the seat with the engine running and the attachment clutch engaged will shut off the engine.

1. Select desired height of cut.
2. Lower mower with attachment lift control.

3. Start mower blades by engaging attachment clutch control.

**TO STOP MOWER BLADES -** disengage attachment clutch control.

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



### TO OPERATE ON HILLS

**WARNING:** Do not drive up or down hills with slopes greater than 15° and do not drive across any slope. Use the slope guide at the back of this manual.

- 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 and range shift lever to low (L) position. Be sure you have allowed room for tractor to roll slightly as you restart movement.
- To restart movement, slowly release parking brake and clutch/brake pedal.
- Make all turns slowly.

### TO TRANSPORT

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

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

## 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.

1. Check engine oil with tractor on level ground.
  2. Remove oil fill cap/dipstick and wipe clean, reinsert the dipstick and screw cap tight, wait for a few seconds, remove and read oil level. If necessary, add oil until "FULL" mark on dipstick is reached. Do not overfill.
- For cold weather operation you should change oil for easier starting (See the oil viscosity chart in the Maintenance section of this manual).
  - To change engine oil, see the Maintenance section in this manual.

## ADD GASOLINE

- Fill fuel tank to bottom of filler neck. Do not overfill. Use fresh, clean, regular unleaded 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.

**⚠ CAUTION:** Wipe off any spilled oil or fuel. Do not store, spill or use gasoline near an open flame.

**IMPORTANT:** When operating in temperatures below 32°F (0°C), use fresh, clean winter grade gasoline to help insure good cold weather starting.

**CAUTION:** 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.

## 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.

1. Sit on seat in operating position, depress clutch/brake pedal and set parking brake.
2. Place gear shift lever in neutral (N) position.
3. Move attachment clutch to disengaged position.
4. Move throttle control to fast position
5. Pull choke control out for a cold engine start attempt. For a warm engine start attempt the choke control may not be needed.

**NOTE:** Before starting, read the warm and cold starting procedures below.

6. 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, push choke control in, wait a few minutes and try again. If engine still does not start, pull the choke control out and retry.

**WARM WEATHER STARTING (50° F and above)**

7. When engine starts, slowly push choke control in until the engine begins to run smoothly. If the engine starts to run roughly, pull the choke control out slightly for a few seconds and then continue to push the control in slowly.



- 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)

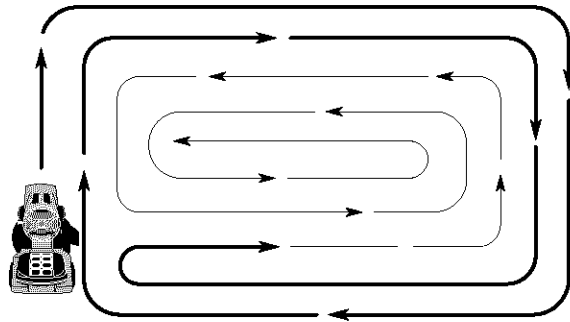
7. When engine starts, slowly push choke control in until the engine begins to run smoothly. Continue to push the choke control in small steps allowing the engine to accept small changes in speed and load, until the choke control is fully in. If the engine starts to run roughly, pull the choke control out slightly for a few seconds and then continue to push the control in slowly. This may require an engine warm-up period from several seconds to several minutes, depending on the temperature.

- The attachments can be used during the engine warm-up period and may require the choke control be pulled out slightly.

**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 CARBURETOR” in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

#### MOWING TIPS

- 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 already 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.

# MAINTENANCE

<b>MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE</b>		REGULAR SERVICE						SERVICE DATES						
FILL IN DATES AS YOU COMPLETE		BEFORE EACH USE	EVERY 8 HOURS	EVERY 25 HOURS	EVERY 50 HOURS	EVERY 100 HOURS	EVERY SEASON							
<b>T R A C T O R</b>	Check Brake Operation	✓	✓											
	Check Tire Pressure	✓	✓											
	Check Operator Presence and Interlock Systems	✓												
	Check for Loose Fasteners	✓				✓ <sup>5</sup>		✓						
	Sharpen/Replace Mower Blades			✓ <sup>3</sup>										
	Lubrication Chart			✓				✓						
	Check Battery Level			✓ <sup>4</sup>					✓					
	Clean Battery and Terminals			✓					✓					
	Check Transaxle Cooling			✓										
	Check V-Belts					✓								
<b>E N G I N E</b>	Check Engine Oil Level	✓	✓											
	Change Engine Oil (with oil filter)				✓ <sup>1,2</sup>			✓						
	Change Engine Oil (without oil filter)			✓ <sup>1,2</sup>				✓						
	Clean Air Filter			✓ <sup>2</sup>										
	Clean Air Screen			✓ <sup>2</sup>										
	Inspect Muffler/Spark Arrester				✓									
	Replace Oil Filter (If equipped)							✓ <sup>1,2</sup>						
	Clean Engine Cooling Fins							✓ <sup>2</sup>						
	Replace Spark Plug							✓	✓					
	Replace Air Filter Paper Cartridge							✓ <sup>2</sup>						
	Replace Fuel Filter								✓					

1 - Change more often when operating under a heavy load or in high ambient temperatures.  
2 - Service more often when operating in dirty or dusty conditions.

3 - Replace blades more often when mowing in sandy soil.  
4 - Not required if equipped with maintenance-free battery.  
5 - Tighten front axle pivot bolt to 35 ft.-lbs. maximum. Do not overtighten.

## 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.

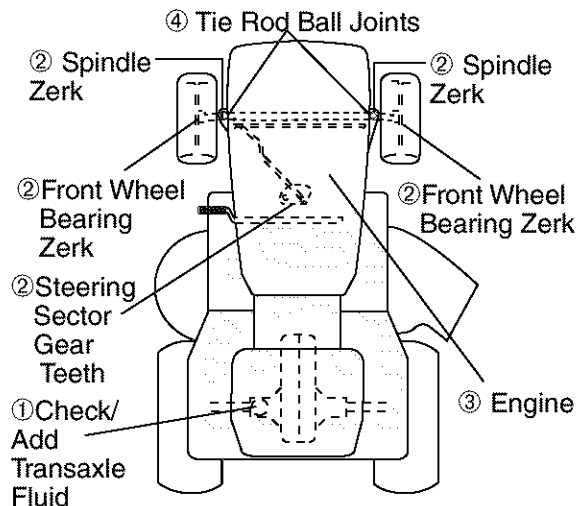
All adjustments in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual should be checked at least once each season.

- 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.

## LUBRICATION CHART



- SAE 30 or 10w30 motor oil
- General Purpose Grease
- Refer to Maintenance "ENGINE" Section
- Spray silicone lubricant (Move Boots to Lubricate)

**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 brake pedal is fully depressed and attachment 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.

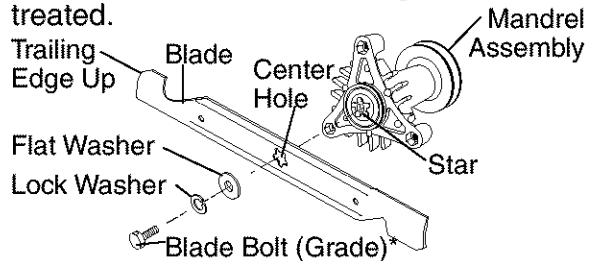
### BLADE REMOVAL

1. Raise mower to highest position to allow access to blades.
2. Remove blade bolt, lock washer and flat washer securing blade.
3. 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.

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

**IMPORTANT:** Blade bolt is grade 8 heat treated.



\*A Grade 8 heat treated bolt can be identified by six lines on the bolt head.

### TO SHARPEN BLADE

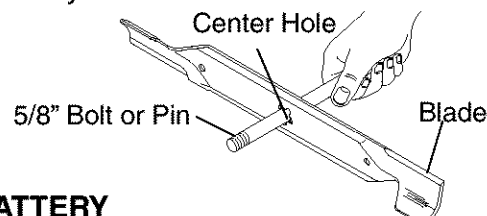
**NOTE:** We do not recommend sharpening blade - but if you do, be sure the blade is balanced.

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.



## ENGINE OIL FILTER

Replace the engine oil filter every season or every other oil change if the tractor is used more than 100 hours in one year.

## AIR FILTER

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

Service air cleaner more often under dusty conditions.

1. Remove knobs and cover.

### TO SERVICE PRE-CLEANER

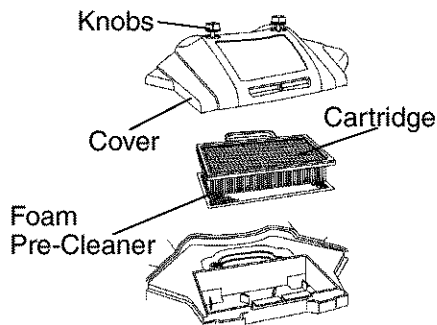
2. Wash it in liquid detergent and water.
3. Squeeze it dry in a clean cloth.
4. Saturate it in engine oil. Wrap it in clean, absorbent cloth and squeeze to remove excess oil.

**NOTE:** If very dirty or damaged, replace pre-cleaner.

### TO SERVICE CARTRIDGE

1. Clean cartridge by tapping gently on flat surface. If very dirty or damaged, replace cartridge.
2. Reinstall precleaner cartridge, cover and secure with knobs.

**IMPORTANT:** Petroleum solvents, such as kerosene, are not to be used to clean the cartridge. They may cause deterioration of the cartridge. Do not oil cartridge. Do not use pressurized air to clean or dry cartridge.



## 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.

## MUFFLER

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

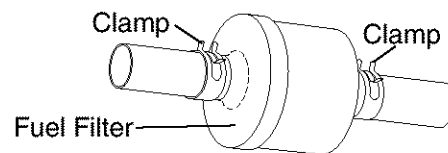
## SPARK PLUG(S)

Replace spark plug(s) 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.

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



## 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 or pressure washer to clean your tractor unless the engine and transmission are covered to keep water out. Water in engine or transmission will shorten the useful life of your tractor. Use compressed air or a leaf blower to remove grass, leaves and trash from tractor and mower.

## SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS



### **WARNING: TO AVOID SERIOUS INJURY, BEFORE PERFORMING ANY SERVICE OR ADJUSTMENTS:**

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

### **TRACTOR**

#### **TO REMOVE MOWER**

1. Place attachment clutch in "DISENGAGED" position.
2. Turn height adjustment knob to lowest setting.
3. Lower mower to its lowest position.
4. Remove retainer spring holding anti-swaybar to chassis bracket and disengage anti-swaybar from bracket.
5. Remove four retainer springs from front plate assembly and remove plate.
6. Remove retainer springs from suspension arms at deck and disengage arms from deck.
7. Raise attachment lift to its highest position.
8. Slide mower forward and remove belt from electric clutch pulley.
9. Slide mower out from under right side of tractor.

#### **TO INSTALL MOWER**

Follow procedure described in "INSTALL MOWER AND DRIVE BELT" in the Assembly section of this manual.

#### **TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING**

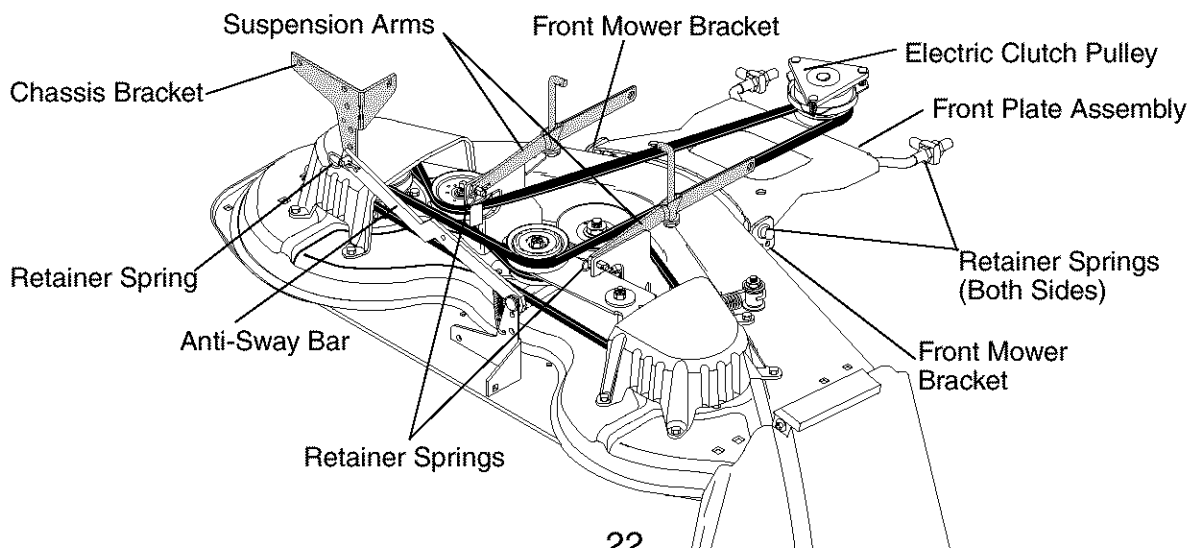
Adjust the mower while tractor is parked on level ground or driveway. Make sure tires are properly inflated (See "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual). If tires are over or underinflated, you will not properly adjust your mower.

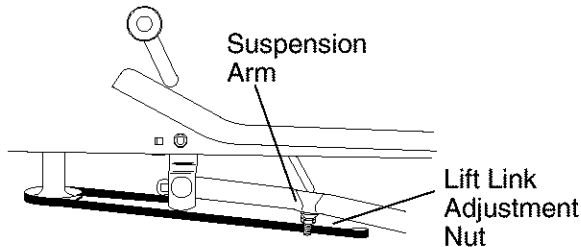
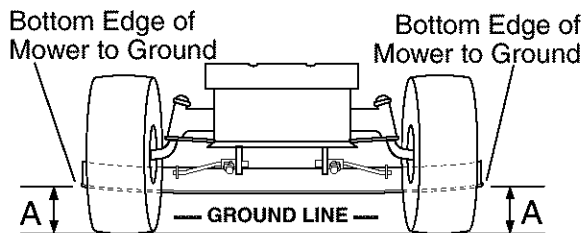
#### **SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT**

- Raise mower to its highest position.
- Measure height from bottom edge of mower to ground level at front corners of mower. Distance "A" on both sides of mower should be the same.
- 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 3/16".

- 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.

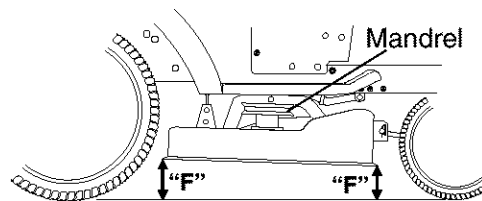
To obtain the best cutting results, the mower housing should be adjusted so the front is approximately 1/8" to 1/2" lower than the rear when the mower is in its highest position.

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

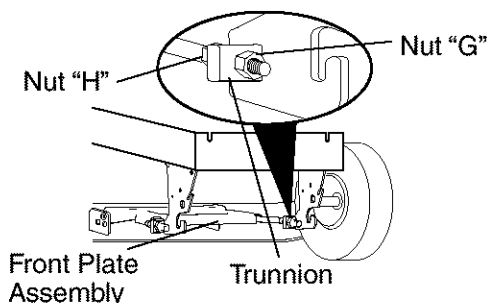
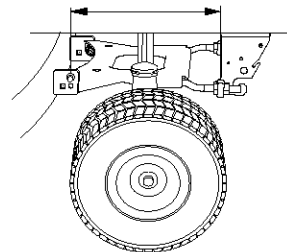
- Before making any necessary adjustments, check that both front plate links are equal in length.
- If links are not equal in length, adjust one link to same length as other link.
- To lower front of mower housing, loosen nut "G" on both front links an equal number of turns.
- When distance "F" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "H" against trunnion on both front links.
- To raise front of mower housing, loosen nut "H" from trunnion on both front links. Tighten nut "G" on both front links an equal number of turns. The two front links must remain equal in length.
- When distance "F" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "H" against trunnion on both front links.

**NOTE:** Each full turn of nut "G" will change distance "F" by approximately 3/8".

- Recheck side-to-side adjustment.



**BOTH FRONT PLATE LINKS MUST BE EQUAL IN LENGTH**



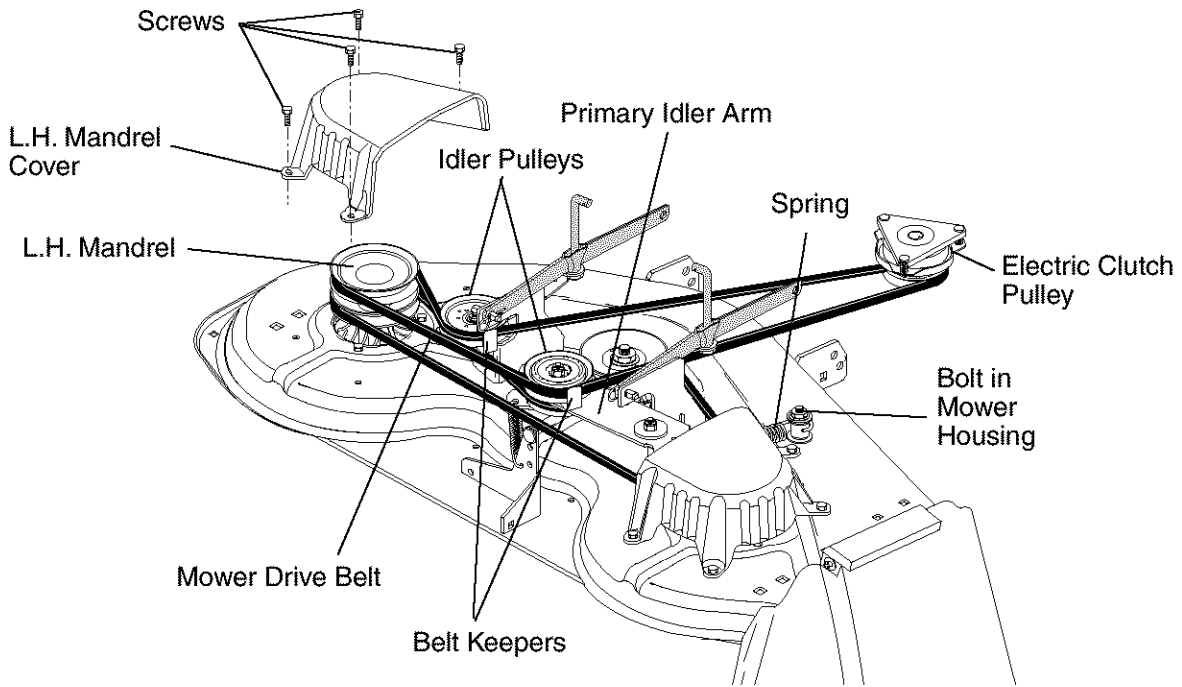
### TO REPLACE MOWER DRIVE BELT

#### MOWER DRIVE BELT REMOVAL

1. Park tractor on a level surface. Engage parking brake.
2. Remove screws from L.H. mandrel cover and remove cover.
3. Roll belt over the top of L.H. mandrel pulley.
4. Remove belt from electric clutch pulley.
5. Remove belt from idler pulleys.
6. Remove any dirt or grass clippings which may have accumulated around mandrels and entire upper deck surface.
7. Check primary idler arm and two idlers to see that they rotate freely.
8. Be sure spring is securely hooked to primary idler arm and bolt in mower housing.

#### MOWER DRIVE BELT INSTALLATION

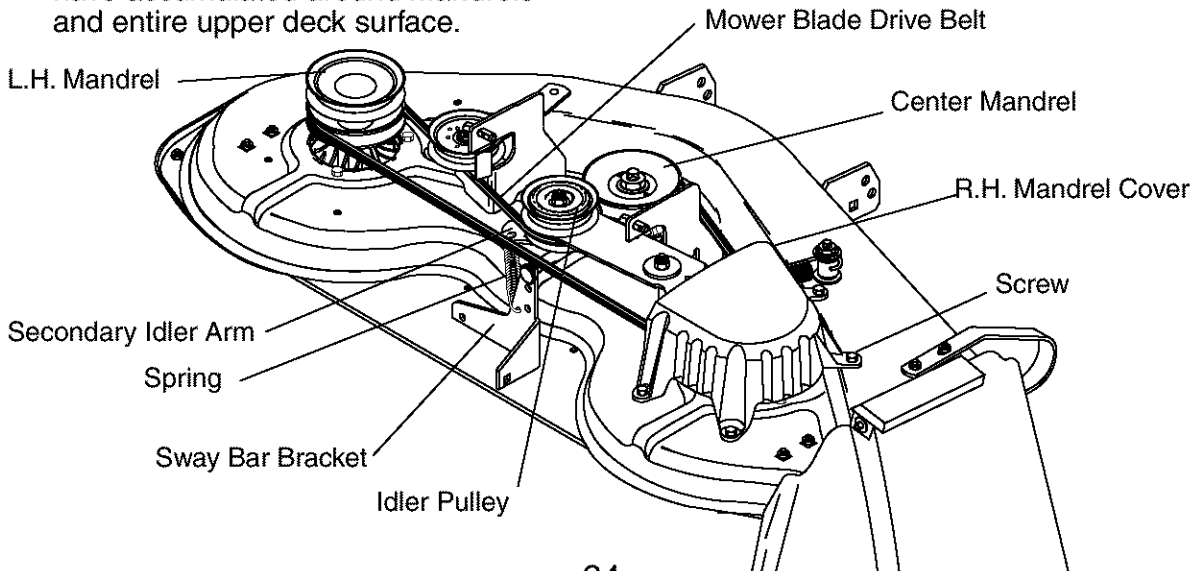
9. Install belt in both idlers. Make sure belt is in both belt keepers at the idlers as shown.
10. Install new belt onto electric clutch pulley.
11. Roll belt into upper groove of L.H. mandrel pulley.
12. Carefully check belt routing making sure belt is in the grooves correctly and inside belt keepers.
13. Reassemble L.H. mandrel cover.



## TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE DRIVE BELT

Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake.

1. Remove mower drive belt (See "TO REPLACE MOWER DRIVE BELT" in this section of this manual).
2. Remove mower (See "TO REMOVE MOWER" in this section of this manual).
3. Remove screws from R.H. mandrel cover and remove cover. Unhook spring from bolt on mower housing.
4. Carefully roll belt off R.H. mandrel pulley.
5. Remove belt from center mandrel pulley, idler pulley, and L.H. mandrel pulley.
6. Remove any dirt or grass which may have accumulated around mandrels and entire upper deck surface.
7. Check secondary idler arm and idler to see that they rotate freely.
8. Be sure spring is hooked in secondary idler arm and sway-bar bracket.
9. Install new belt in lower groove of L.H. mandrel pulley, idler pulley, and center mandrel pulley as shown.
10. Roll belt over R.H. mandrel pulley. Make sure belt is in all grooves properly.
11. Reconnect spring to bolt in mower housing and reinstall R.H. mandrel cover.
12. Reinstall mower to tractor (See "INSTALL MOWER AND DRIVE BELT" in the Assembly section of this manual).
13. Reassemble mower drive belt (See "TO REPLACE MOWER DRIVE BELT" in this section of this manual).



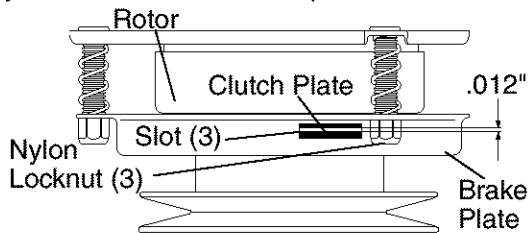


## TO ADJUST ATTACHMENT CLUTCH

The electric clutch should provide years of service. The clutch has a built-in brake that stops the pulley within 5 seconds. Eventually, the internal brake will wear which may cause the mower blades to not engage, or, to not stop as required. Adjustments should be made by a Sears or other qualified service center.

1. Make sure attachment clutch and ignition switches are in "OFF" position.
2. Adjust the three nylon locknuts until space between clutch plate and rotor measures .012" at all three slot locations cut in the side of brake plate.

**NOTE:** After installing a new electric clutch, run tractor at full throttle and engage and disengage electric clutch 10 cycles to wear in clutch plate.



## TO CHECK AND 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 five (5) feet to stop at highest speed in highest gear on a level, dry concrete or paved surface, then brake must be checked and adjusted.

### TO CHECK BRAKE

1. Park tractor on a level, dry concrete or paved surface, depress clutch/brake pedal all the way down and engage parking brake.
2. Place gear shift lever in neutral (N) position.

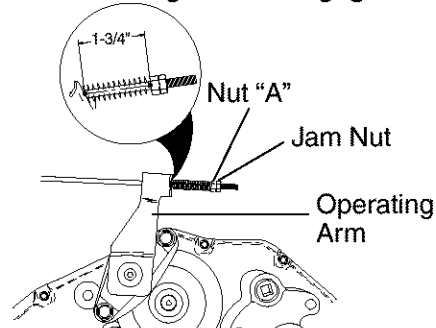
The rear wheels must lock and skid when you try to manually push the tractor forward. If the rear wheels rotate, the brake needs to be adjusted or the pads need to be replaced.

### TO ADJUST BRAKE

1. Depress clutch/brake pedal all the way down and engage parking brake.
2. Measure distance between brake operating arm and nut "A" on brake rod.
3. If distance is other than 1-3/4", loosen jam nut and turn nut "A" until distance becomes 1-3/4". Retighten jam nut against nut "A".

4. Road test tractor for proper stopping distance as stated above. Readjust if necessary. If stopping distance is still greater than five (5) feet in highest gear, further maintenance is necessary. Replace brake pads or contact a Sears or other qualified service center.

### With Parking Brake "Engaged"



## TO REPLACE MOTION DRIVE BELT

Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake. For ease of service there is a belt installation guide decal on bottom of left footrest. It is not necessary to remove mower.

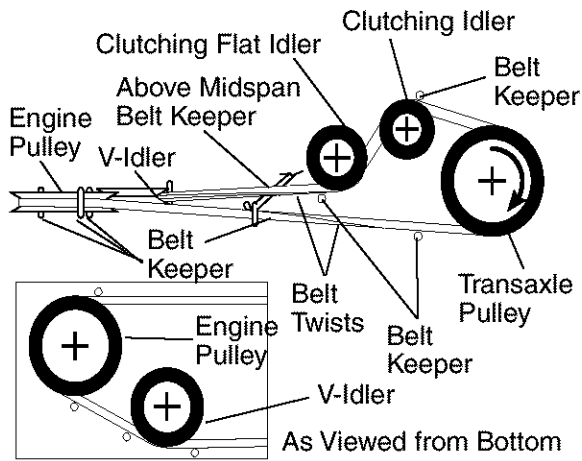
### BELT REMOVAL -

1. Engage parking brake (creates slack in belt).
2. Remove mower drive belt from electric clutch pulley only (See "TO REPLACE MOWER DRIVE BELT" in this section of this manual).
3. Roll motion drive belt off transaxle pulley.
4. Roll belt off clutching idler pulleys, then off engine pulley and front V-idler pulley.
5. Pull belt out of all belt keepers.

### BELT INSTALLATION -

1. Place V part of belt into grooves on engine pulley and front V-idler, making sure to route belt inside of belt keepers.
2. Put belt coming from V-idler above mid-span belt keeper, then onto clutching idler pulleys as shown.
3. Make sure V part of belt engages V-idler.
4. Place belt around transaxle pulley, beginning at top. V part of belt should engage transaxle pulley.
5. Place long lower section of belt through loop in midspan belt keeper.
6. Check to be sure belt is on proper side of all belt keepers.
7. Reinstall mower drive belt onto electric clutch pulley.

**25 IMPORTANT:** Check Brake Adjustment.



## 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 with crossbars horizontal. Tighten securely.

## 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 a Sears or other qualified service center.

## TO REMOVE WHEEL FOR REPAIRS

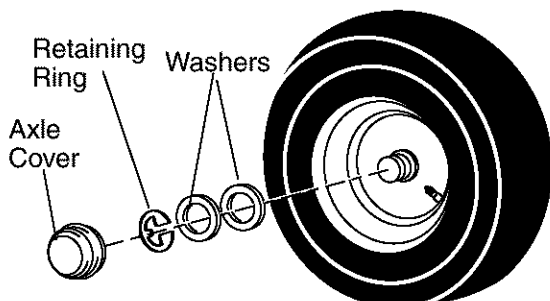
### FRONT WHEEL -

1. Block up axle securely.
2. Remove axle cover, retaining ring and washers to allow wheel removal.
3. Repair tire and reassemble.
4. Replace washers and snap retaining ring securely in axle groove.
5. Replace axle cover.

### REAR WHEEL -

1. Block rear axle securely.
2. Remove five (5) hub bolts to allow wheel removal.
3. Repair tire and reassemble. Replace and tighten hub bolts securely.

**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.



## TO START ENGINE WITH A WEAK BATTERY

**WARNING:** 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:

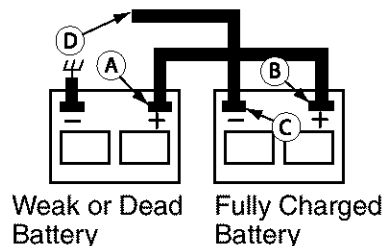
**IMPORTANT:** Your tractor is equipped with a 12 volt system. The other vehicle must also be a 12 volt system. Do not use your tractor battery to start other vehicles.

## TO ATTACH JUMPER CABLES -

1. Connect one end of the RED cable to the POSITIVE (+) terminal of each battery(A-B), taking care not to short against tractor chassis.
2. Connect one end of the BLACK cable to the NEGATIVE (-) terminal (C) of fully charged battery.
3. Connect the other end of the BLACK cable (D) to good chassis ground, away from fuel tank and battery.

## TO REMOVE CABLES, REVERSE ORDER -

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



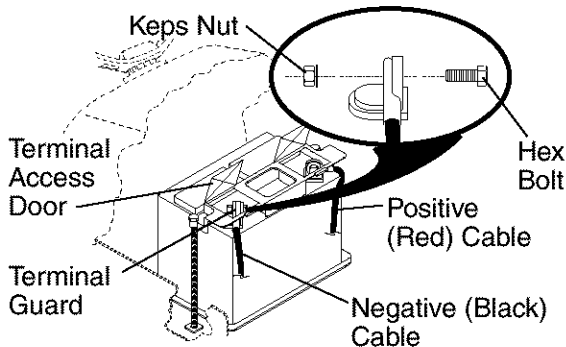
## REPLACING BATTERY

**WARNING:** 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.

1. Lift hood to raised position.
2. Remove terminal guard.
3. Disconnect BLACK battery cable then RED battery cable and carefully remove battery from tractor.
4. Install new battery with terminals in same position as old battery.

5. Reinstall terminal guard.
6. First connect RED battery cable to positive (+) battery terminal with hex bolt and keps nut as shown. Tighten securely.
7. Connect BLACK grounding cable to negative (-) battery terminal with remaining hex bolt and keps nut. Tighten securely
8. Close terminal access doors.
9. Close hood.



### TO REPLACE HEADLIGHT BULB

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

### INTERLOCKS AND RELAYS

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

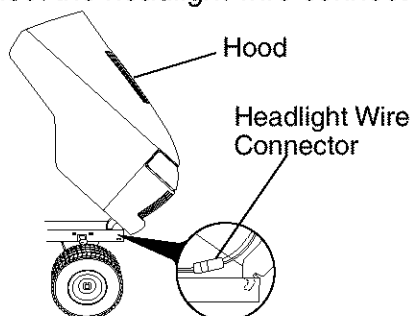
- Check wiring. See electrical wiring diagram in the Repair Parts section.

### TO REPLACE FUSE

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

### TO REMOVE HOOD AND GRILL ASSEMBLY

1. Raise hood.
2. Unsnap headlight wire connector.
3. Stand in front of tractor. Grasp hood at sides, tilt toward engine and lift off of tractor.
4. When replacing hood, be sure to re-connect the headlight wire connector.



## ENGINE

Maintenance, repair, or replacement of the emission control devices and systems, which are being done at the customer's 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.

### 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:

1. With engine not running, move throttle control lever to fast position.
2. Check that swivel is against stop. If it is not, loosen cable clamp screw and pull cable back until swivel is against stop. Tighten cable clamp screw securely.

### TO ADJUST CHOKE CONTROL

The choke 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:

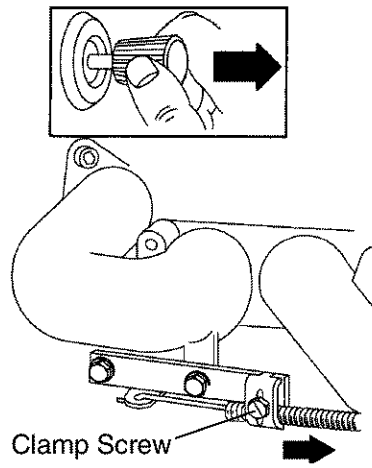
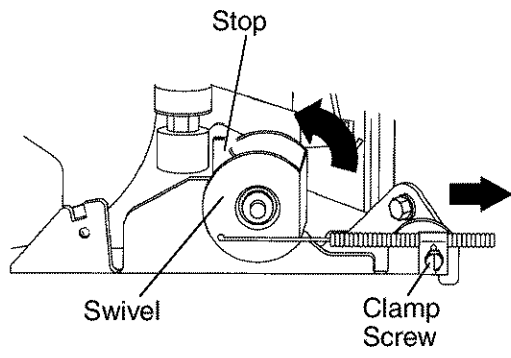
1. With engine not running, move choke control (located on dash panel) to full choke position.
2. Loosen knob and remove cover assembly from air cleaner.
3. Choke should be closed. If it is not, loosen casing clamp screw and move choke cable until choke is completely closed. Tighten casing clamp screw securely.
4. Replace air cleaner cover assembly and tighten knob.

### TO ADJUST CARBURETOR

Your carburetor is not adjustable. If your engine does not operate properly due to suspected carburetor problems, take your tractor to an authorized service center for repair and/or adjustment.

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 a Sears or other qualified service center, 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.

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

### TRACTOR

Remove mower from tractor for winter storage. When mower is to be stored for a period of time, clean it thoroughly, remove all dirt, grease, leaves, etc. Store in a clean, dry area.

1. Clean entire tractor (See "CLEANING" in the Maintenance section of this manual).
2. Inspect and replace belts, if necessary (See belt replacement instructions in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual).
3. Lubricate as shown in the Maintenance section of this manual.
4. Be sure that all nuts, bolts and screws are securely fastened. Inspect moving parts for damage, breakage and wear. Replace if necessary.
5. 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.

### ENGINE

#### FUEL SYSTEM

**IMPORTANT:** It is important to prevent gum deposits from forming in essential fuel system parts such as carburetor, fuel hose, or tank during storage. Also, 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.

1. Drain the fuel tank.
2. 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)

1. Remove spark plug(s).
2. Pour one ounce of oil through spark plug hole(s) into cylinder(s).
3. Turn ignition key to start position for a few seconds to distribute oil.
4. Replace with new spark plug(s).

#### OTHER

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

**IMPORTANT:** Never cover tractor while engine and exhaust areas are still warm.

**TROUBLESHOOTING CHART:**

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<b>PROBLEM</b>	<b>CAUSE</b>	<b>CORRECTION</b>
<b>Will not start</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Out of fuel.</li> <li>2. Engine not "CHOKED" properly.</li> <li>3. Engine flooded.</li> <li>4. Bad spark plug.</li> <li>5. Dirty air filter.</li> <li>6. Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>7. Water in fuel.</li> <li>8. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>9. Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>10. Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fill fuel tank.</li> <li>2. See "TO START ENGINE" in Operation section.</li> <li>3. Wait several minutes before attempting to start.</li> <li>4. Replace spark plug.</li> <li>5. Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>6. Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>7. Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter.</li> <li>8. Check all wiring.</li> <li>9. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service and Adjustments section.</li> <li>10. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> </ol>
<b>Hard to start</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dirty air filter.</li> <li>2. Bad spark plug.</li> <li>3. Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>4. Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>5. Stale or dirty fuel.</li> <li>6. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>7. Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>8. Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>2. Replace spark plug.</li> <li>3. Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>4. Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>5. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline.</li> <li>6. Check all wiring.</li> <li>7. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service and Adjustments section.</li> <li>8. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> </ol>
<b>Engine will not turn over</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clutch/brake pedal not depressed.</li> <li>2. Attachment clutch is engaged.</li> <li>3. Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>4. Blown fuse.</li> <li>5. Corroded battery terminals.</li> <li>6. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>7. Faulty ignition switch.</li> <li>8. Faulty solenoid or starter.</li> <li>9. Faulty operator presence switch(es).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Depress clutch/brake pedal.</li> <li>2. Disengage attachment clutch.</li> <li>3. Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>4. Replace fuse.</li> <li>5. Clean battery terminals.</li> <li>6. Check all wiring.</li> <li>7. Check/replace ignition switch.</li> <li>8. Check/replace solenoid or starter.</li> <li>9. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> </ol>
<b>Engine clicks but will not start</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>2. Corroded battery terminals.</li> <li>3. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>4. Faulty solenoid or starter.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>2. Clean battery terminals.</li> <li>3. Check all wiring.</li> <li>4. Check/replace solenoid or starter.</li> </ol>

**TROUBLESHOOTING CHART:**

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<b>PROBLEM</b>	<b>CAUSE</b>	<b>CORRECTION</b>
<b>Loss of power</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cutting too much grass/too fast.</li> <li>2. Throttle in "CHOKE" position.</li> <li>3. Build-up of grass, leaves and trash under mower.</li> <li>4. Dirty air filter.</li> <li>5. Low oil level/dirty oil.</li> <li>6. Faulty spark plug.</li> <li>7. Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>8. Stale or dirty fuel.</li> <li>9. Water in fuel.</li> <li>10. Spark plug wire loose.</li> <li>11. Dirty engine air screen/fins.</li> <li>12. Dirty/clogged muffler.</li> <li>13. Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>14. Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>15. Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Set in "Higher Cut" position/ reduce speed.</li> <li>2. Adjust throttle control.</li> <li>3. Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>4. Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>5. Check oil level/change oil.</li> <li>6. Clean and regap or change spark plug.</li> <li>7. Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>8. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline.</li> <li>9. Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter.</li> <li>10. Connect and tighten spark plug wire.</li> <li>11. Clean engine air screen/fins.</li> <li>12. Clean/replace muffler.</li> <li>13. Check all wiring.</li> <li>14. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service and Adjustments section.</li> <li>15. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> </ol>
<b>Excessive vibration</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>2. Bent blade mandrel.</li> <li>3. Loose/damaged part(s).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>2. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> <li>3. Tighten loose part(s). Replace damaged parts.</li> </ol>
<b>Engine continues to run when operator leaves seat with attachment clutch engaged</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Faulty operator-safety presence control system.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check wiring, switches and connections. If not contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> </ol>
<b>Poor cut - uneven</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>2. Mower deck not level.</li> <li>3. Buildup of grass, leaves, and trash under mower.</li> <li>4. Bent blade mandrel.</li> <li>5. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>2. Level mower deck.</li> <li>3. Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>4. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> <li>5. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.</li> </ol>

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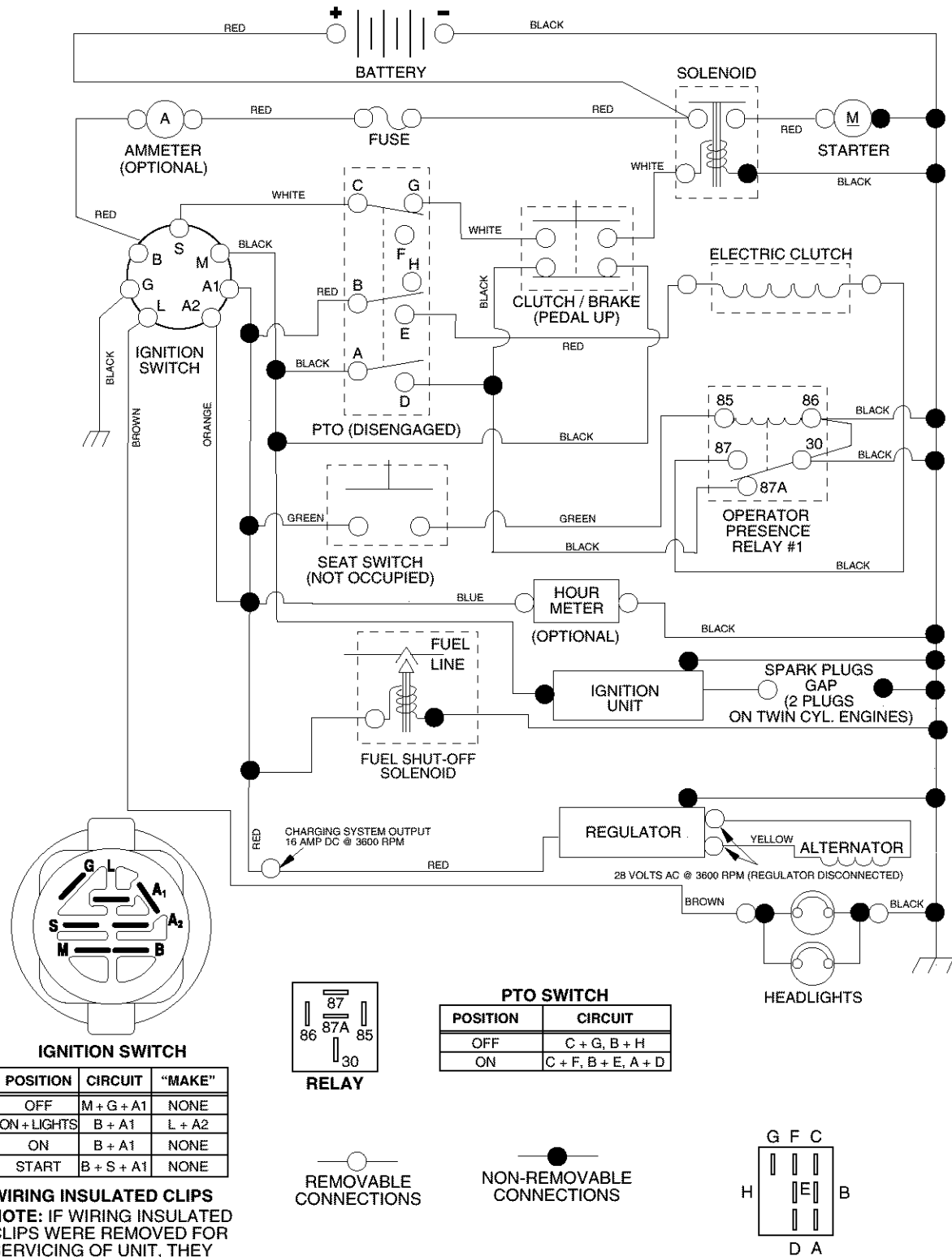
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<b>PROBLEM</b>	<b>CAUSE</b>	<b>CORRECTION</b>
<b>Mower blades will not rotate</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Obstruction in clutch mechanism.</li> <li>2. Worn/damaged mower drive belt.</li> <li>3. Frozen idler pulley.</li> <li>4. Frozen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



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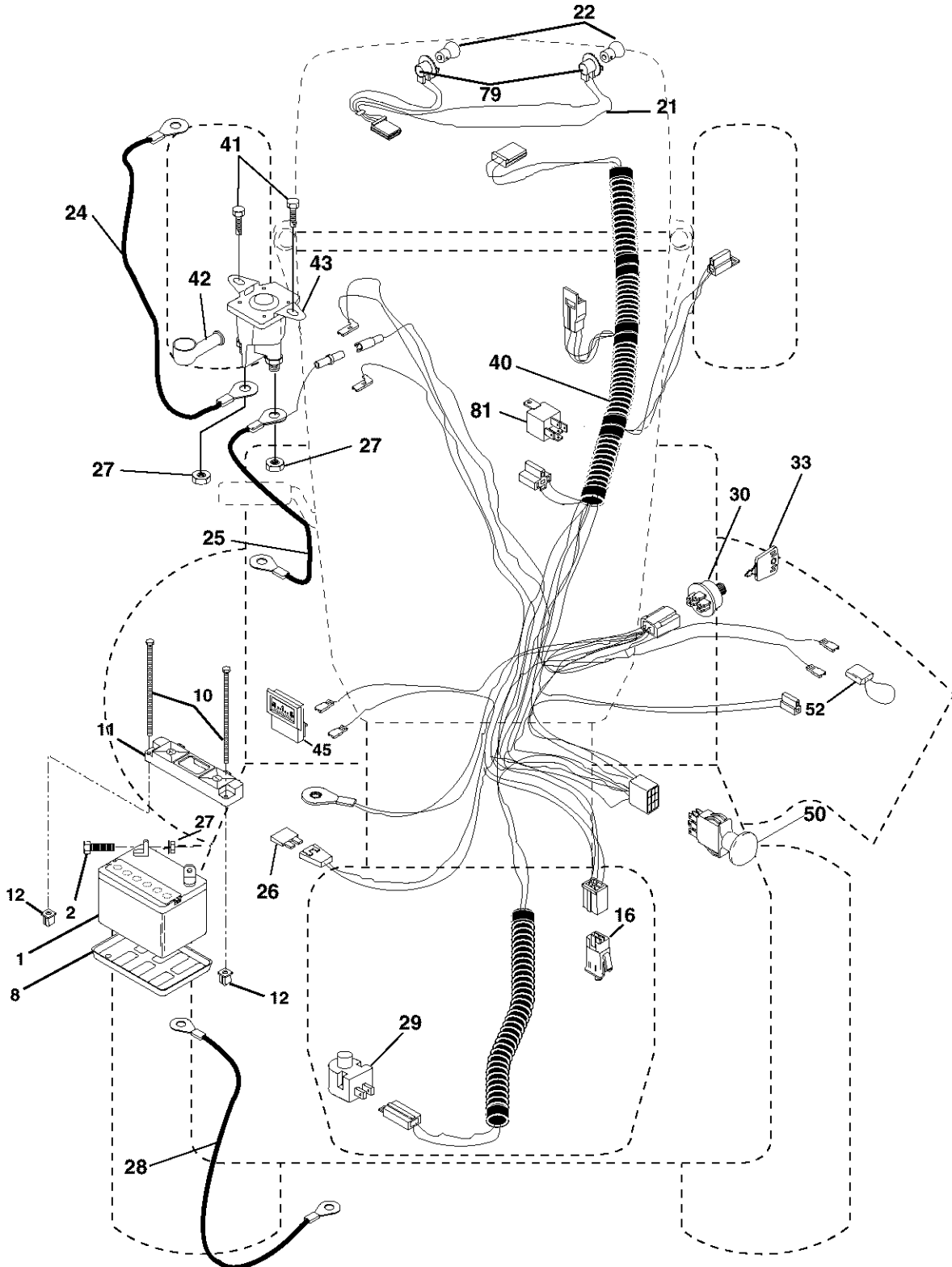
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# REPAIR PARTS

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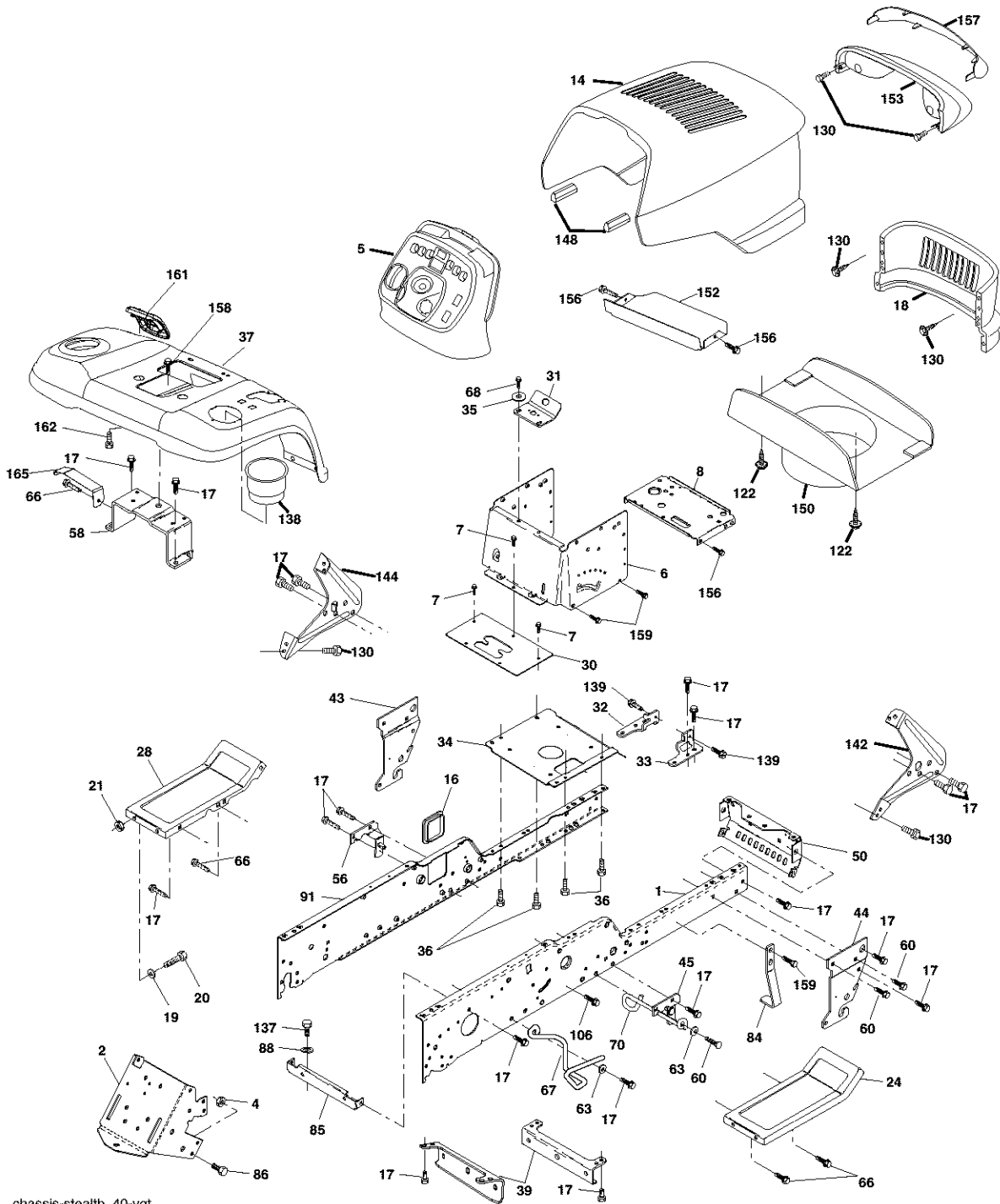
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	144927	Battery
2	74760412	Bolt Hex Head 1/4-20 x 3/4
8	7603J	Tray, Battery
10	145211	Bolt 1/4-20 x 7.5 Zinc
11	150109	Hold down Battery Dash Mount
12	145769	Nut Push Nylon 1/4"
16	176138	Switch Interlock
21	175688	Harness Socket Light W/4152J
22	4152J	Bulb Light
24	185464	Cable Battery
25	146149	Cable Battery
26	108824X	Fuse
27	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 Unc
28	170697	Cable, Ground
29	160784	Switch, Plunger
30	175566	Switch, Ign
33	140403	Key, Ignition
40	170238	Harness Ign.
41	17720408	Screw Thd Cut 1/4-20 x 1/2
42	131563	Cover, Terminal
43	178861	Solenoid
45	122822X	Ammeter
50	174652	Switch, PTO
52	141940	Protection Wire Loop
79	175242	Light Asm.
81	109748X	Relay Asm.

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## CHASSIS AND ENCLOSURES



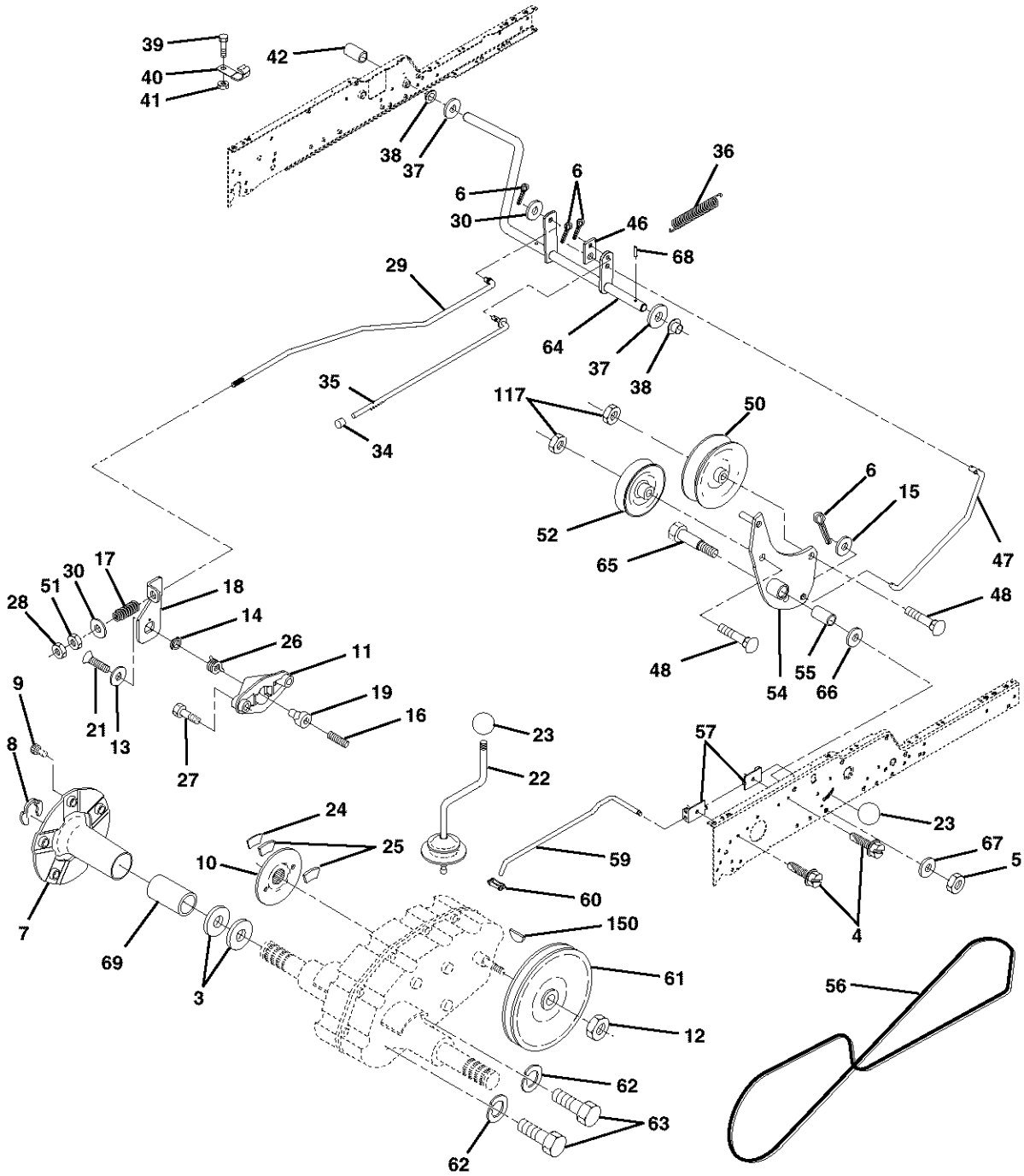
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<b>KEY NO.</b>	<b>PART NO.</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
1	180375	Rail, Frame RH
2	175282	Drawbar, Gt
4	73680700	Nut, Crownlock Hex 7/16-14UNC
5	163976X428	Dash YTGT 2 Cyl
6	157882	Dash, Lower Vgt One Piece
7	17720408	Screw, Thd Cut 1/4-20 x 1/2
8	184668	Support, Battery
14	175260X613	Hood Asm., Pnt Stealth YTGT
16	121794X	Cover, Access
17	17060612	Screw
18	174515X613	Grille
19	19131312	Washer 13/32x13/16x12 Ga.
20	STD523710	Bolt, Fin Hex 3/8-16 x 1
21	STD541437	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 Unc
24	179717X613	Footrest, RH
28	179716X613	Footrest, LH
30	145051X014	Saddle, Silscr Vgt
31	161419	Brace, Supt 1-pc VGT Strg
32	161327	Bracket, Pivot Chassis Lh
33	161326	Bracket, Pivot Chassis Rh
34	177018	Plate Asm
35	19111116	Washer 11/32x11/16x16 Ga.
36	17060512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4
37	179772X613	Fender
39	175278	Bracket, Axle Front
43	136939	Bracket, Spnsn Front Lh
44	136940	Bracket, Spnsn Front Rh
45	154913	Bracket Asm., Susp Chassis Rh
50	175476	Bracket, Chassis Front
56	154914	Bracket Asm., Susp Chassis Lh
58	183569	Bracket Fender
60	17000616	Screw 3/8-16 x 1
63	19131614	Washer 13/32 x 1 x 14 Ga.
66	17490608	Screw Thdr 3/8-16 x 1/2
67	156973	Guide, Belt Gear Drive
68	17490508	Screw Thdrol. 5/16-18 x 1/2
70	177679	Keeper, Belt
84	142992	Stop, Over Center Mower
85	144911	Bracket, Support Transaxle
86	74780716	Bolt Fin Hex 7/16-14 x 1 Gr. 5
88	STD551143	Washer, Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 7/16
91	180374	Rail, Frame Lh
106	17580520	Screw, Thdrol Hex Head Zinc Mwr
122	161464	Screw Hex Wshd 8-18 x 7/8
130	171875	Screw HWHD Hi-Lo #13-16 x 3/4
137	74780716	Bolt Fin Hex 7/16-14 x1 Gr. 5
138	179125X428	Cupholder
139	171873	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 TT
142	161897	Bracket Dash Rh
144	161900	Bracket Dash Lh
148	164655	Extrusion Bumper
150	175352	Duct Heat Hood
152	177956	Shield Browning
153	179761	Lens Asm. Stealth Bar
156	17000512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4
157	161840	Lens Bar Stealth Bar
158	17670608	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 1/2
159	17000612	Screw Hexwsh Thdr 3/8-16 x 3/4
161	179612X428	Console Fuel Window
162	142432	Screw Hex Wsh Hi-Lo 1/4-1/2 Unc
165	183554	Bracket Support Fuel Tank

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**GROUND DRIVE**



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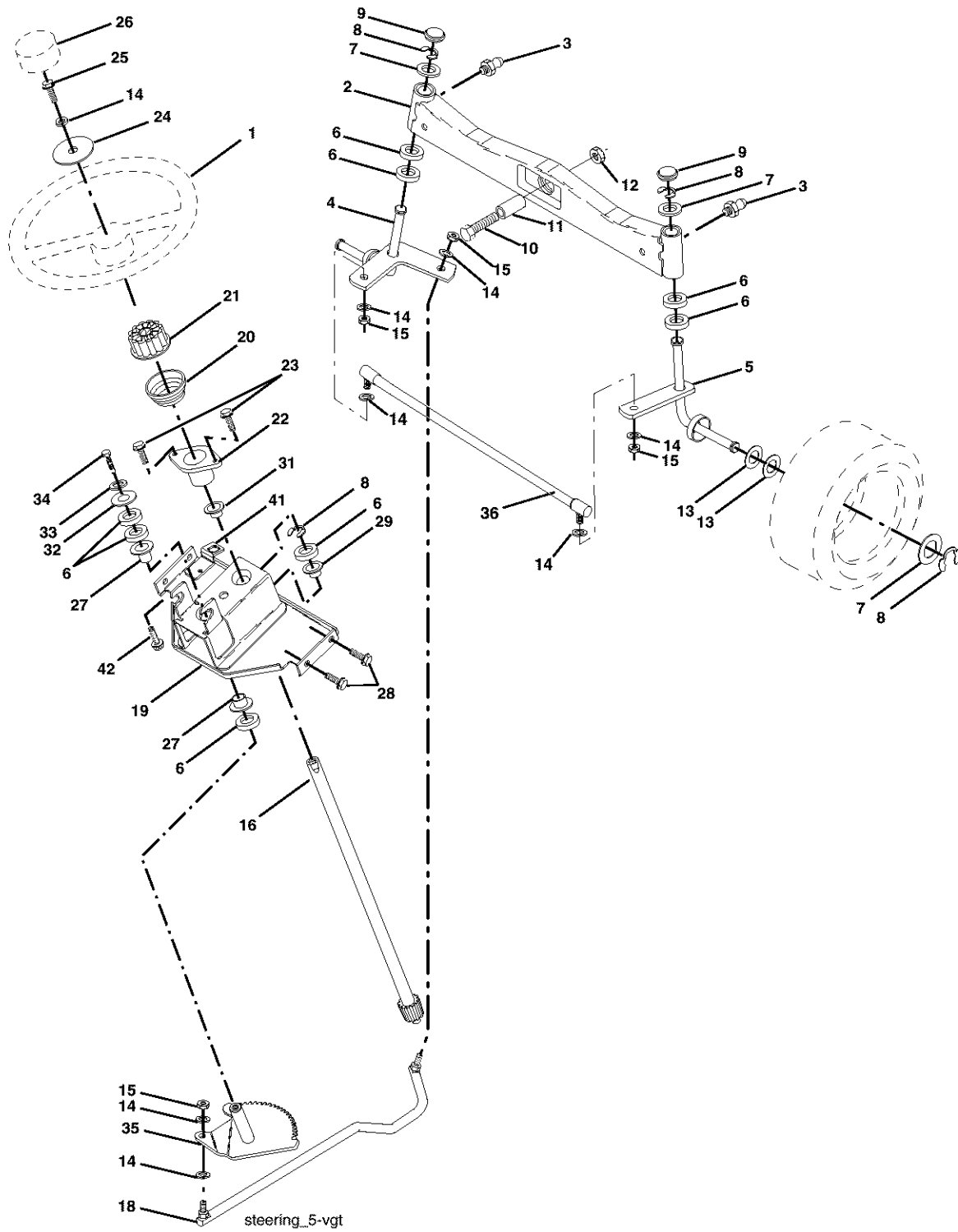
## GROUND DRIVE

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
3	7563R	Washer, Thrust, Axle
4	17490508	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 3/4
5	STD541437	Nut, Crownlock 3/8-16
6	STD561210	Pin, Cotter
7	149176	Wheel, Hub Assembly
8	12000034	Klip, Ring
9	140080	Bolt, Hub
10	142509	Disc, Brake
11	136927	Yoke, Brake Disc
12	73750800	Nutlock 1/2-20 Unf
13	139419	Washer, Special
14	138901	Bushing
15	STD551037	Washer 13/32x13/16 x 16 Ga.
16	143012	Set, Screw 1/4-28 x 3/4
17	126909X	Spring
18	137104	Lever, Brake
19	136926	Cam, Brake Disc
21	23260412	Screw, Flat Head 1/4-28 x 3/4
22	633A109	Gearshift, Lever Assembly
23	106932X	Knob
24	136925	Support, Puck Brake
25	136923	Puck, Brake Top
26	137552	Spring, Return
27	17490528	Screw, Hex Wsh Thd. 5/16-18 x 1-3/4
28	73350600	Nut, Hex Jam 3/8-16
29	137213	Brake, Rod
30	19131616	Washer 13/32 x 1 x 16 Ga.
34	71673	Cap, Plunger
35	137648	Rod, Parking Brake
36	149412	Spring, Drive Ground
37	121749X	Washer 25/32 x1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
38	150035	Nyliner
39	74321016	Screw, Fin. #10-24 x 1
40	178575	Actuator, Interlock Switch
41	73931000	Locknut #10-24
42	8883R	Cover, Pedal
46	145170	Retainer, Spring
47	138228	Clutch Rod
48	72110612	Bolt, Carr. 3/8-16 x 1-1/2 Gr. 5
50	131494	Pulley, Idler, Flat
51	STD541437	Nut, Crownlock 3/8-16 UNC
52	139123	Pulley, Idler, Grooved
54	161590	Clutch, Arm Assembly
55	105706X	Bearing, Idler
56	137153	V-Belt
57	141756	Bracket, Shift Rod, Hi-Lo
59	122253X	Shift Rod, Hi-Lo
60	122268X	Spring Clip, Connecting Link
61	137524	Pulley, Transaxle
62	STD551143	Washer, Lock 7/16
63	74780720	Bolt, Fin Hex 7/16-14 x 1-1/4 Gr. 5
64	154752	Shaft, Clutch/Brake Pedal
65	179163	Bolt, Shoulder
66	140296	Washer, Hardened
67	19131312	Washer, Flat
68	5142H	Pin, Roll
69	136327	Hub, Cover
117	73900600	Nut, Lock Flg. 3/8-16 Unc
150	9858M1	Key, Woodruff

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## STEERING ASSEMBLY





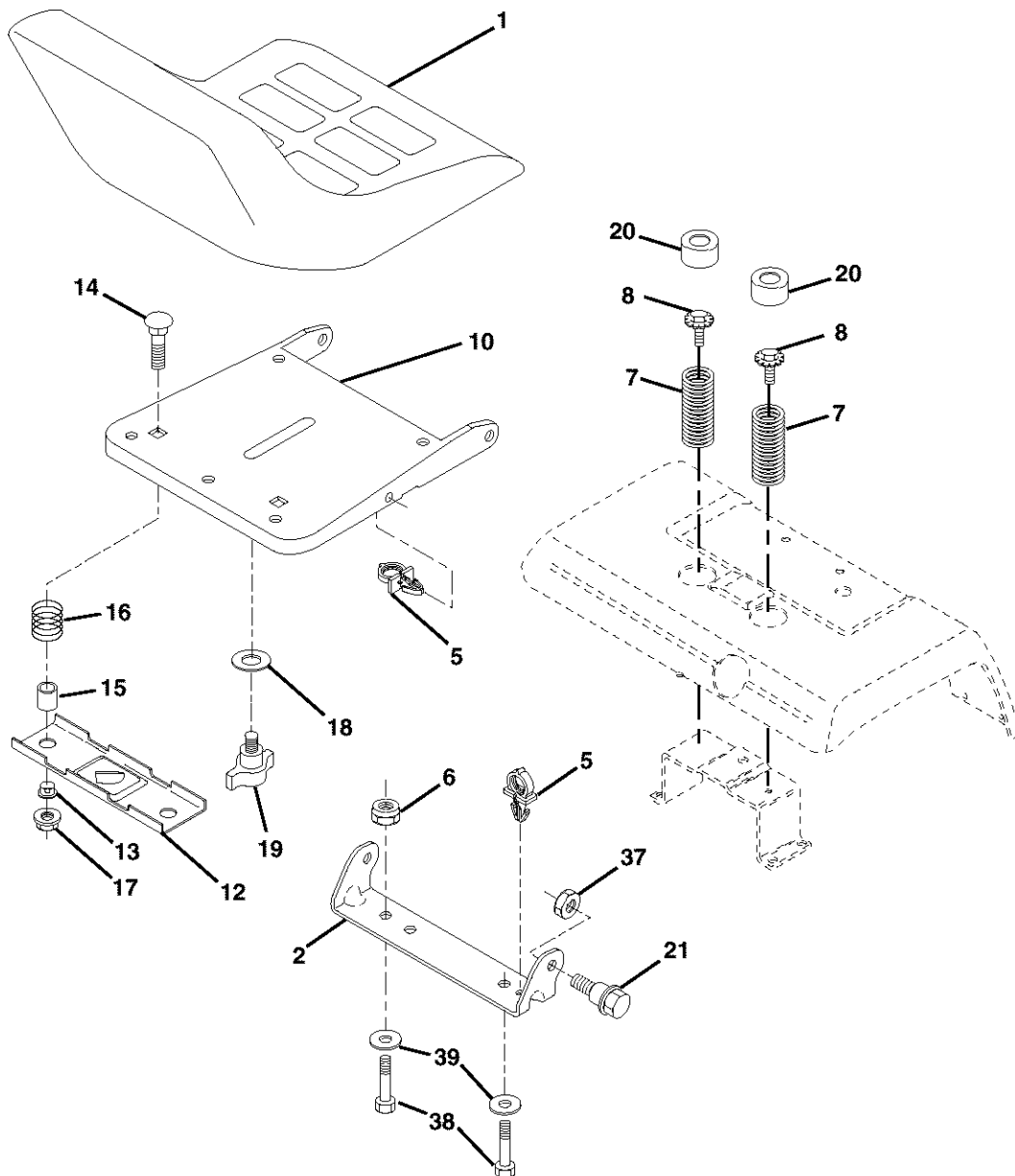
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**STEERING ASSEMBLY**

<b>KEY NO.</b>	<b>PART NO.</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
1	139768	Wheel, Steering
2	178557	Axle Asm., Front
3	6855M	Fitting, Grease
4	161849	Spindle Asm, LH
5	161848	Spindle Asm., RH
6	6266H	Bearing, Race Thrust Harden
7	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga.
8	12000029	Ring, Klip #T5304-75
9	184946X505	Cap, Spindle
10	74781044	Bolt, Fin Hex 5/8-11 x 2-3/4
11	136518	Spacer Bearing Axle Front
12	73901000	Nut, Lock Flange 5/8-11 Unc
13	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
14	STD551137	Washer, Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 3/8
15	STD541537	Nut, Lock Center 3/8-24 UNF
16	145103	Shaft Asm., Steering
18	175572	Draglink, Ball Joint Solid Vgt
19	156011	Support Asm., Steering Vgt
20	172020X428	Boot, Steering
21	100711L	Adapter, Wheel Steering
22	155105	Bushing, Strg. Blk
23	152927	Screw
24	19133812	Washer 13/32 x 2-3/8 x 12 Ga.
25	STD523710	Bolt, Fin Hex 3/8-16 x 1 Gr. 5
26	139769	Cap, Wheel Steering
27	3366R	Bearing, Col. Strg.
28	17000612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
29	104239X	Bearing, Flange
31	138136	Bushing, Nyliner Snap
32	19111610	Washer 11/32 x 1 x 10 Ga.
33	STD551131	Washer, Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 5/16
34	74780512	Bolt, Fin Hex Hd 5/16-18 x 3/4
35	138059	Gear, Sector Steering
36	186799	Tie Rod
41	155246	Bracket Switch Interlock VGT 97
42	17490508	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 1/2 Tyt

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**SEAT ASSEMBLY**



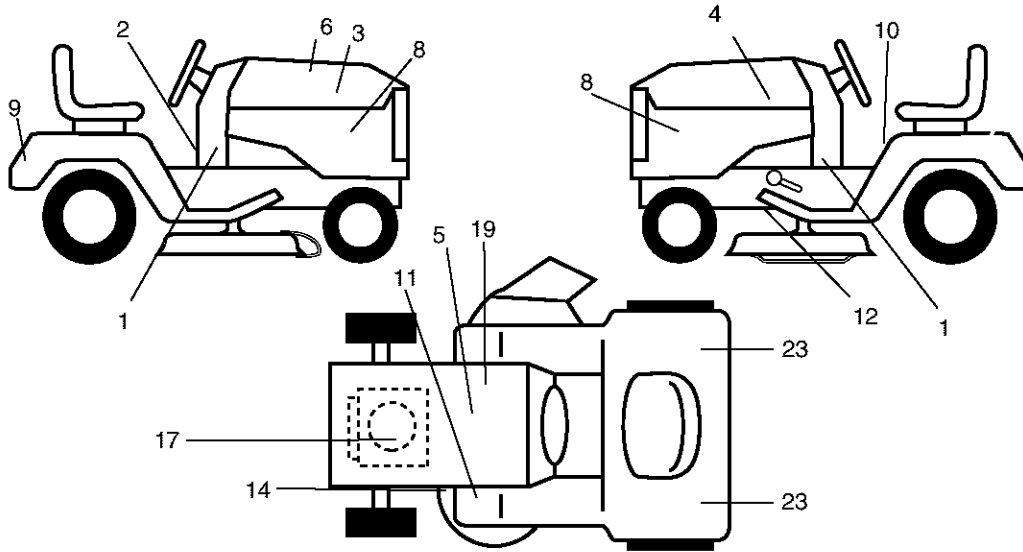
KEY PART NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	180597	Seat
2	180166	Bracket Pivot Fender
5	145006	Clip, Push In, Hinged
6	STD541437	Nut, Crownlock 3/8-16 Unc
7	124181X	Spring, Seat Cprsn
8	171877	Bolt 5/16-18Uncx 3/4 w/Sems
10	180186	Pan, Seat
12	121246X	Bracket, Mounting Switch
13	121248X	Bushing, Snap
14	72050412	Bolt, Carriage 1/4-20 X 1-1/2
15	134300	Spacer, Split

KEY PART NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
16	121250X	Spring, Cprsn
17	123976X	Nut, Lock 1/4 Lge Flg Gr. 5
18	19171912	Washer 17/32x1-3/16x12 Ga.
19	166369	Knob, Seat
20	124238X	Cap, Spring Seat
21	171852	Bolt, Shoulder 5/16-18
37	STD541431	Nut, Crownlock 5/16-18 Unc
38	71110616	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 Unc x 1
39	19131610	Washer Flat 13/32 x 1 x 10 Ga.

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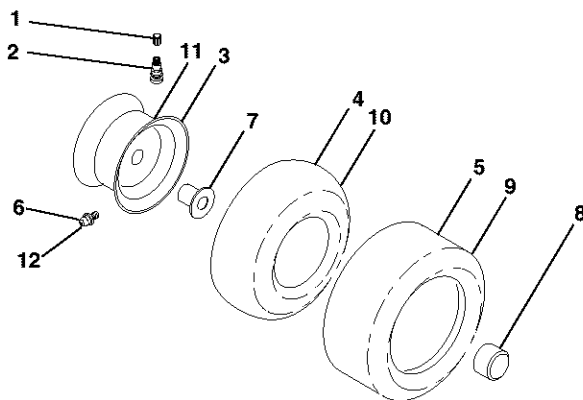
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## DECALS



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	182168	Decal, Dash Panel	11	181249	Decal, Clutch/Brake
2	164085	Decal, Dash	12	146047	Decal, V-Belt Drive Schematic
3	186316	Decal, Hood, Craftsman, RH	14	160397	Decal, V-Belt Schematic
4	186317	Decal, Hood, Craftsman, LH	17	186399	Decal, Engine
5	149516	Decal, Battery DNGR/PSN ENG Asm	19	138047	Decal, Battery
6	133644	Decal, Maintenance	23	106202X	Reflector, Taillight
8	186318	Decal SD, PNL	--	179768X428	Pad, Footrest LH
9	186282	Decal, Fender, Craftsman	--	179769X428	Pad, Footrest RH
10	156439	Decal, Fender Danger	--	185380	Manual, Owner's (Eng)
			--	185381	Manual, Owner's (Span)

## WHEELS & TIRES

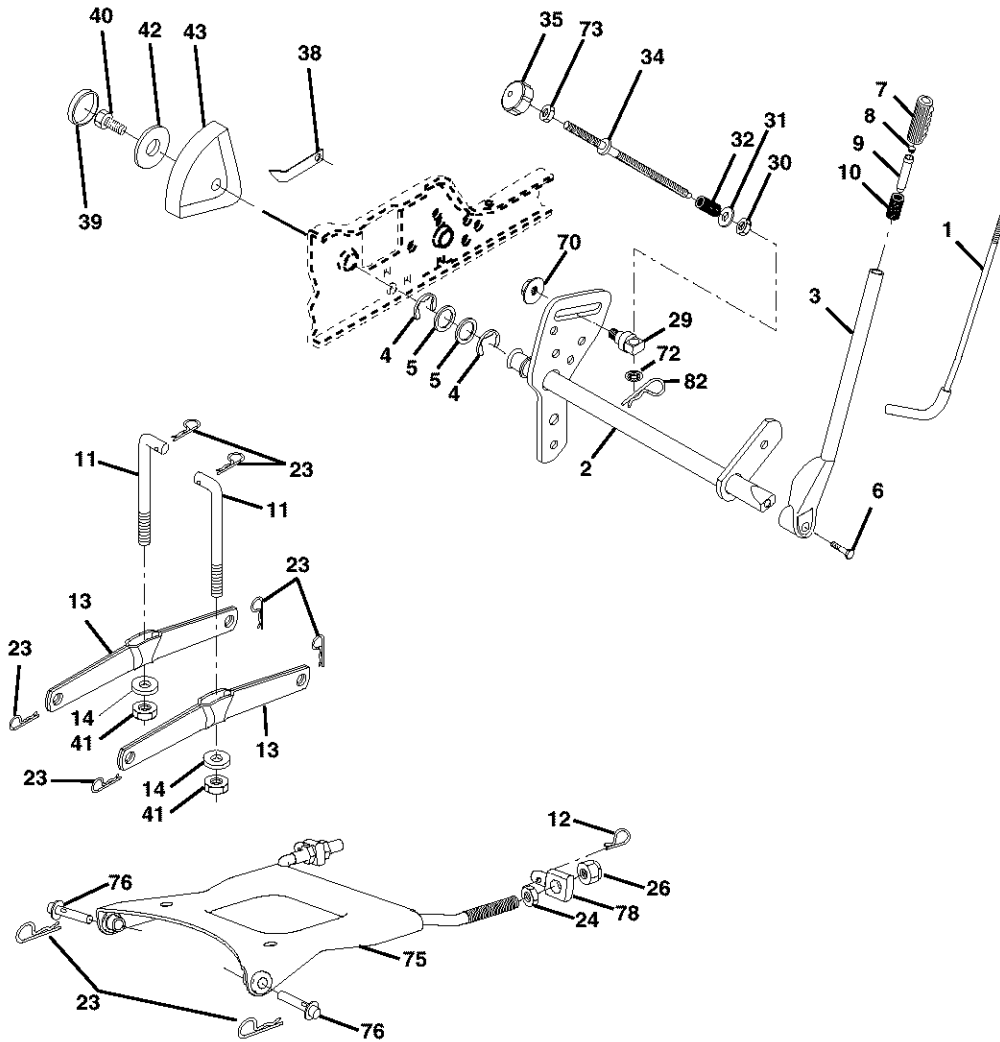


KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	59192	Cap, Valve, Tire
2	65139	Stem, Valve
3	106228X624	Rim Assembly, Front
11	106277X624	Rim Assembly, Rear
4	8134H	Tube, Front (Service Item Only)
10	7154J	Tube, Rear (Service Item Only)
5	106230X	Tire, Front
9	140183	Tire, Rear
6	278H	Fitting, Grease (Front Wheel Only)
12	6856M	Fitting, Grease
7	9040H	Bearing, Flange (Front Wheel Only)
8	104757X428	Cap, Axle (Front Wheel Only)
--	144334	Sealant, Tire (10 oz. Tube)

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## LIFT ASSEMBLY



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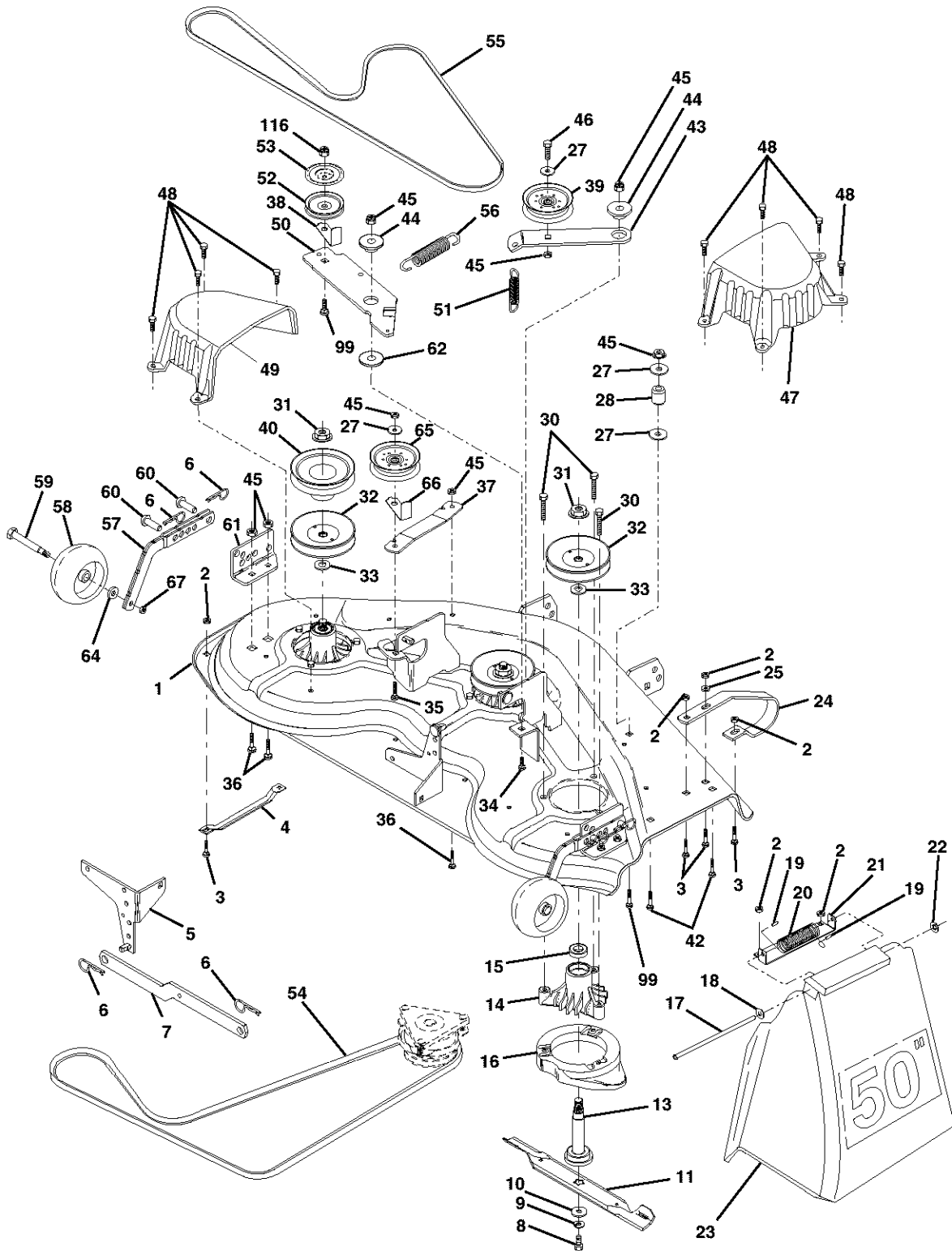
KEY PART NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	121006X	Rod Asm., Lever
2	180045	Shaft Asm., Lift Vgt
3	159189	Lever Asm., Lift Rh
4	1200022	E-Ring Truarc #5133-87
5	19292016	Washer 29/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
6	71110624	Bolt, Fin Hex 3/8-16 x 1-1/2
7	125631X	Grip, Handle Fluted
8	122365X	Button, Plunger
9	122364X	Plunger, Button
10	183894	Spring 0.62 OD x 2.125
11	146704	Link Lift
12	163552	Retainer, Spring
13	139868	Arm, Suspension Vgt
14	169865	Bearing
23	STD624008	Retainer, Spring
24	73350800	Nut, Jam Hex 1/2-13 Unc
26	73800800	Nut, Lock w/Wsh 1/2-13 Unc
29	150233	Trunnion, Infn Height
30	110807X	Nut, Special
31	19131016	Washer 13/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga.

### KEY PART NO. NO.

KEY PART NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
32	137150	Spring, Compression Infn Hgt
34	137167	Rod, Adj Lift
35	138057	Knob, Infn 3/8-16 Unc
38	155097	Pointer, Height Indicator
39	123935X	Plug, Hole
40	17060516	Screw 5/16-18 x 1
41	73540600	Nut, Crownlock 3/8-24
42	19112410	Washer 11/32 x 1-1/2 x 10 Ga.
43	123934X	Scale, Indicator Height
70	145212	Nut Hex Flange Lock
72	110452X	Nut Push Phos & Oil
73	73350600	Nut Hex Jam 3/8-16
75	175805	Plate Asm Susp Front
76	175560	Pin Flange
78	175689	Trunnion Front Susp.
80	126684X	Washer Shim
82	169484	Retainer Clip

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**MOWER DECK**  
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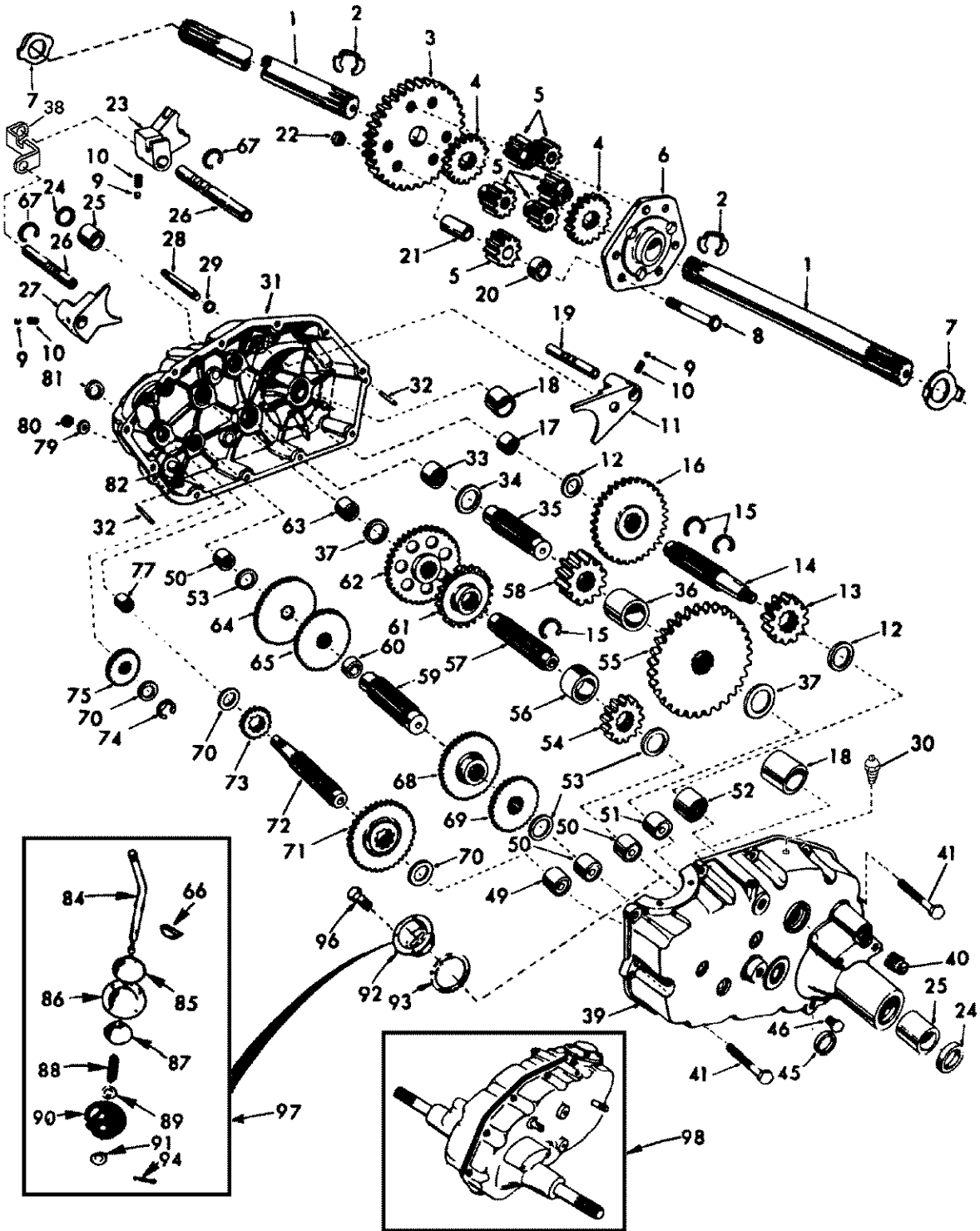
### MOWER DECK

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	181606	Mower Deck Weldment 50	38	173979	Keeper, Belt Idler
2	STD541413	Nut, Crownlock 5/16-18	39	131494	Pulley, Idler Flat
3	72110506	Bolt, Carriage 5/16-18 x 3/4	40	174375	Pulley, Driven
4	7631J	Runner, Mower LH	42	STD533107	Bolt 5/16-18 Unc x 3/4
5	138457	Bracket Asm., Sway Bar	43	136460	Arm, Idler Secondary
6	STD624008	Retainer, Spring	44	165723	Spacer, Retainer
7	178024	Bar, Sway Deck	45	STD541437	Nut, Crownlock 3/8-16 Unc
8	850857	Bolt 3/8-24 x 1.25 Gr. 8 Patched	46	74760628	Bolt, Fin Hex 3/8-16 Unc x 1-3/4
9	STD551137	Washer, Lock Hvy 3/8 Unplated	47	137200	Cover, Mandrel RH
10	140296	Washer, Hard Blade Mower Vented (The following blades are available)	48	137729	Screw, Thd Roll 1/4-20 x 5/8
11	137380	Blade, 50" Hi-Lift Std	49	136574	Cover, Mandrel LH
--	156468	Blade, 50" Hi-Lift Premium (For better wear )	50	137272	Arm, Idler Primary
13	137553	Shaft Asm., W/Lower Brg	51	137273	Spring, Secondary
14	137152	Housing, Mandrel 50" Vent	52	184058	Pulley, Idler V Groove
15	110485X	Bearing, Ball Mandrel	53	180807	Shield, Idler
16	174493	Stripper, Mower Vented	54	148763	V-Belt, Mower Primary
17	106735X	Rod, Hinge	55	144959	V-Belt, Mower Secondary
18	19111016	Washer 11/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga.	56	138687	Spring, Primary
19	105304X	Cap, Sleeve	57	136577	Bar Asm., Wheel Gauge
20	123713X	Spring, Torsion Deflector	58	133957	Wheel, Gauge
21	137607	Bracket, Deflector	59	184219	Bolt, Shoulder
22	110452X	Nut, Push	60	139031	Pin, Clevis
23	110509X428	Shield, Deflector Mower	61	136573	Bracket, Wheel Gauge
24	136320	Runner, RH	62	178515	Washer Hardened
25	19111216	Washer 11/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga.	63	72110504	Bolt Carriage 5/16 x 1/2
27	STD5511037	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 16 Ga.	64	19121414	Washer 3/8 x 3/4 x 14 Ga
28	132823	Spacer, Spring Stop Idler	65	151831	Pulley Idler Flat Mower
30	173984	Screw Thdrol Rolling Washer Head	66	156009	Keeper, Belt Idler 44/50"
31	178342	Nut, Flg Top Lock Cntr 9/16	67	73930600	Nut, Centerlock 3/8-16
32	153535	Pulley, Mandrel	99	72110614	Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 1-3/4 Gr.5
33	129963	Washer, Spacer Mower Vented	116	73680500	Nut Crown Lock 5/16-18
34	72140610	Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 1-1/4	--	143651	Mandrel Assembly (Includes Key Nos. 8-10, 13-15, 31 and 33)
35	72110616	Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 2	--	181689	Replacement Mower, Complete
36	72110608	Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 1 Gr. 5			
37	137166	Stiffener, Arm Idler			

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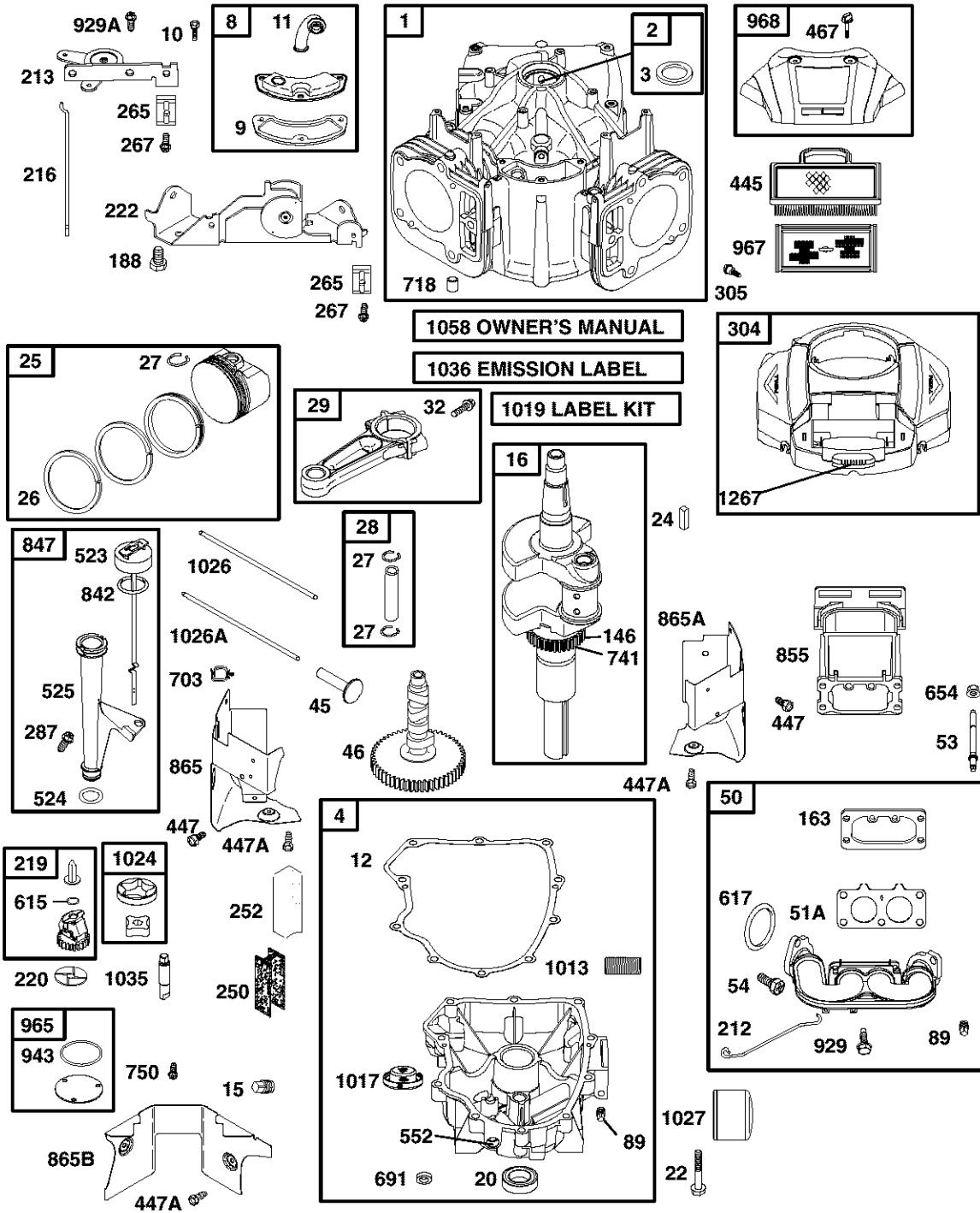
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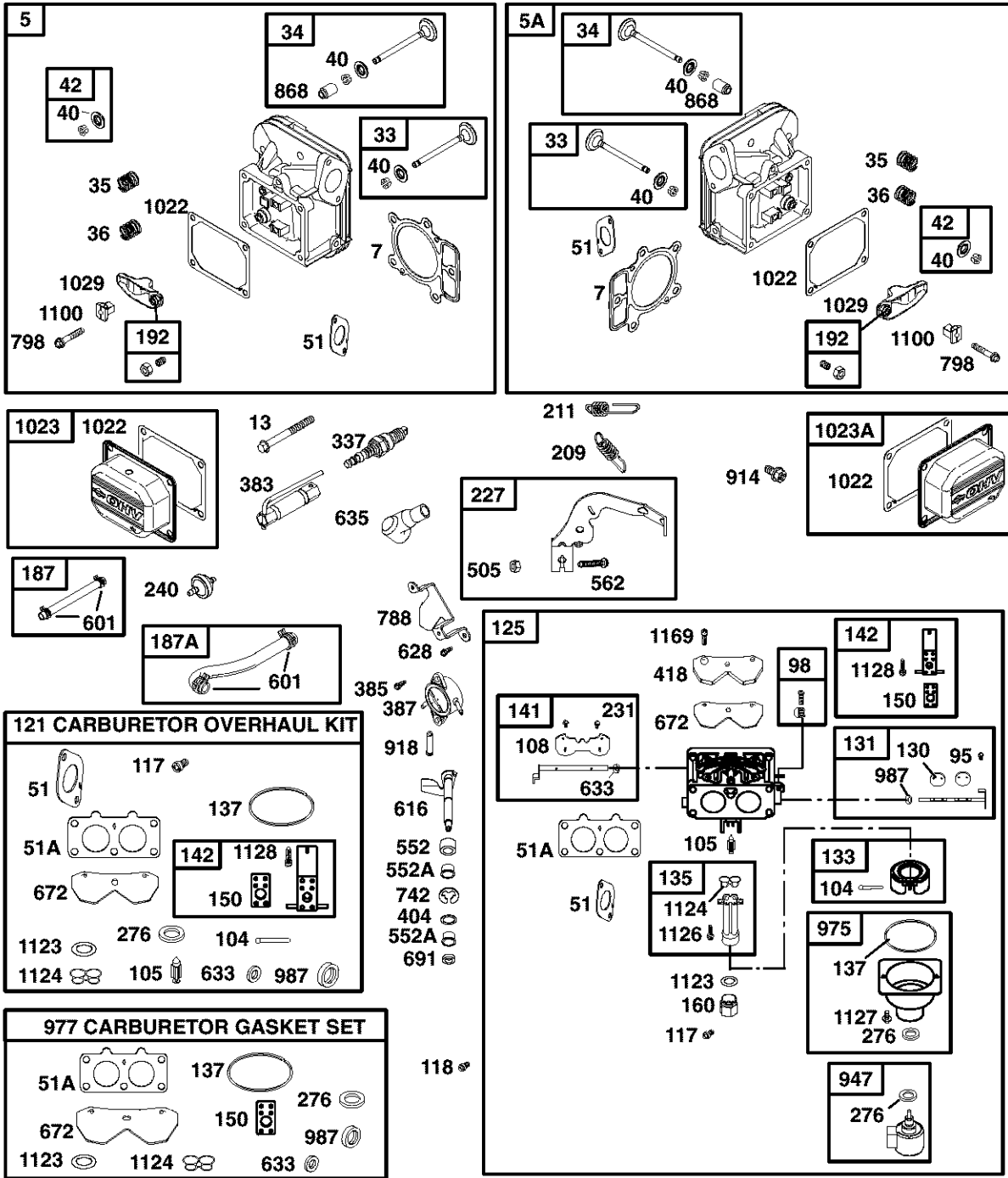
KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	4197R	Axle Shaft	52	8119M	Needle Bearing
2	12000034	Retaining Ring	53	4220R	Thrust Bearing Race
3	4199R	Final Drive Gear	54	4209R	3rd Reduction Pinion, Low
4	4216R	Differential Gear	55	4213R	4th Reduction Gear
5	4215R	Differential Pinion	56	4442R	3rd Reduction Pinion Spacer
6	4217R	Differential Carrier	57	4195R	2nd Reduction Gear Shaft
7	174728	Axle Thrust Washer	58	4214R	Final Drive Pinion
8	74020652	Bolt, Hex Head 3/8-24 x 3-1/4 (1" Thread Length)	59	4194R	1st Reduction Gear Shaft
9	7392M	Steel Ball	60	7528R	1st Reduction Shaft Spacer
10	137261	Spring Shift Fork Detent	61	4208R	3rd Reduction Pinion High
11	4985R	Shift Fork, High-Low Range	62	4207R	2nd Reduction Gear
12	6266H	Thrust Bearing Race	63	7398H	Needle Bearing
13	4212R	4th Reduction Pinion	64	4203R	Low Speed Gear and 2nd Reduction Pinion Cluster Reverse Gear
14	137125	Shaft, Brake	65	4204R	Reverse Gear
15	6276H	Snap Ring, Crescent Type	66	2898J	Key, Hi-Pro 1/8 x 17/32
16	633A63	High-Low Range Gears	67	12000033	Klip Ring
17	8118M	Needle Bearing	68	4205R	Intermediate Speed Gear
18	8740H1	Sintered Iron Bearing	69	4206R	High Speed Gear
19	122238X	Shift Fork Shaft, High-Low Range	70	1370H	Thrust Bearing Race
20	4218R	Differential Pinion Spacer	71	633A69	Intermediate and High Speed Cluster Pinions
21	6252H1	Differential Pinion Bushing	72	139120	Input Shaft
22	7810H	Gripco Centerlock Nut 3/8-24	73	4201R	Low Speed Pinion
23	6262H	Shift Fork, R.H.	74	12000008	E-Ring
24	7393R	Oil Seal	75	1153R	Reverse Idler Gear
25	992R1	Sintered Iron Bearing	77	6803J	Needle Bearing
26	139111	Shift Fork Shaft	79	1167R	Sealing Washer
27	4986R	Shift Fork, L.H.	80	73360700	Nut, Hex, Jam 7/16-20
28	122254X	Shift Shaft, High-Low Range	81	6270H	Oil Seal
29	6269H	Oil Seal	82	136984	Reverse Idler Shaft
30	5855H	Pressure Relief Valve	84	5384J	Gearshift Lever, Bent
31	174731	Gearcase, Reverse Idler Shaft and Bearings, R.H. (Includes Key No.'s 17, 18, 25, 33, 50, 63, 77 and 82)	85	2978J	Gearshift Cap
32	6277H	Dowel Pin	86	633A85	Gearshift Ball Cover and Pin
33	4225R	Needle Bearing	87	8739H1	Shift Lever Guide Ball, Keyed
34	7396H	Thrust Bearing Race	88	4924H	Spring
35	4198R	4th Reduction Gear Shaft	89	19151516	Washer 15/32 x 15/16 x 16 Ga.
36	4200R	4th Reduction Gear Spacer	90	110542X	Shift Mechanism Seal
37	7395H	Thrust Bearing Race	91	19181511	Washer 9/16 x 15/16 x 12 Ga.
38	160789	Gate, Lower, Shift	92	75J	Gearshift Gate and Reinforcement
39	174729	Gearcase and Bearings, L.H. (Includes Key Numbers 18, 25, 49, 50 (2), 51 and 52)	93	6274H	Shift Ball Cover Gasket
40	13320400	Pipe Plug 1/2-14 N.P.T.	94	76020412	Cotter Pin 1/8 x 3/4
41	17580520	Bolt, Hex 5/16-18 UNC x 1-1/4	96	159783	Screw, Hex, Washer, HD.
45	6271H	Oil Seal	97	633A109	Gearshift Lever Assembly
46	13060200	Pipe Plug 1/4-18 N.P.T.	98	174741	Transaxle, 6 Speed, Complete Assembly
49	4895H	Needle Bearing			
50	4222R	Needle Bearing			
51	1529R	Needle Bearing			

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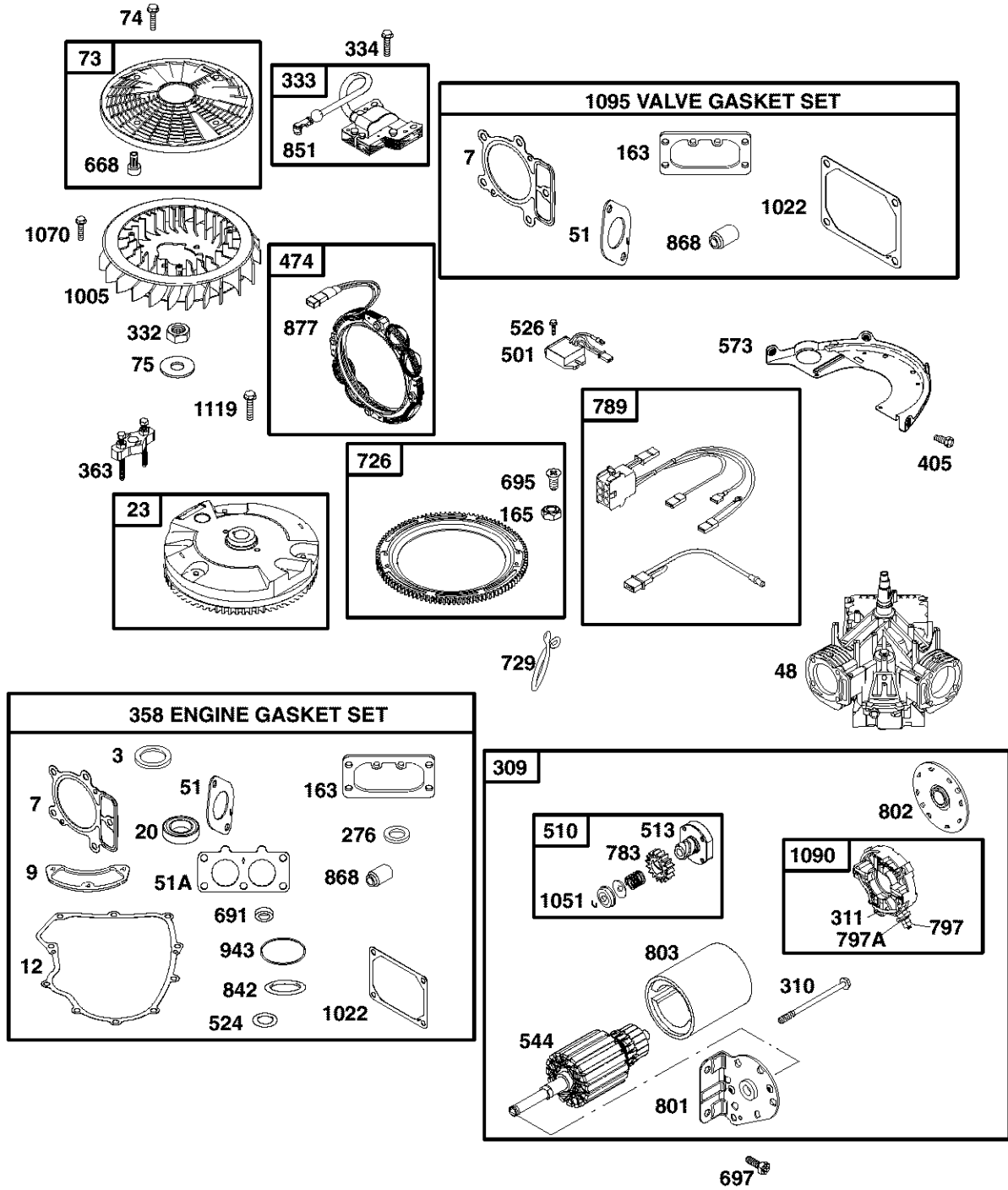
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1	690231	Cylinder Assembly	121	499811	Kit-Carburetor Overhaul
2	499585	Kit-Bushing/Seal (Magneto Side)	125	499804	Carburetor
3	391086	• Seal-Oil (Magneto Side)	130	690993	Valve-Throttle
4	690069	Sump-Engine	131	499805	Kit-Throttle Shaft
5	697580	Head-Cylinder (Cylinder 1)	133	499806	Float-Carburetor
5A	697581	Head-Cylinder (Cylinder 2)	135	499803	Tube-Fuel Transfer
7	690962	•+ Gasket-Cylinder Head	137	690994	Ø‡ Gasket-Float Bowl
8	499601	Breather Assembly	141	499807	Kit-Choke Shaft
9	690937	• Gasket-Breather	142	499808	Ø Nozzle-Carburetor
10	690960	Screw (Breather Assembly)	146	690979	Key-Timing
11	690942	Tube-Breather	150	690995	Ø‡ Gasket-Nozzle
12	690945	• Gasket-Crankcase	160	690996	Retainer-Solenoid
13	690360	Screw (Cylinder Head)	163	691001	•+ Gasket-Air Cleaner
15	690946	Plug-Oil Drain	165	693148	Nut (Ring Gear)
16	691047	Crankshaft	187	691050	Line-Fuel (Cut to Required Length)
20	690947	• Seal-Oil (PTO Side)	187A	697712	Line-Fuel (Molded)
22	694966	Screw (Engine Sump)	188	690960	Screw (Control Bracket)
23	691053	Flywheel	192	690083	Adjuster-Rocker Arm
24	222698	Key-Flywheel	209	697674	Spring-Governor
25	698429	Piston Assembly (Standard)	211	691019	Spring-Governed Idle
25	698433	Piston Assembly (.010" Over-size)	212	695238	Link-Throttle
25	698434	Piston Assembly (.020" Over-size)	213	691021	Bracket-Choke Control
25	698435	Piston Assembly (.030" Over-size)	216	691022	Link-Choke
26	698430	Ring Set-Piston (Standard)	219	698231	Gear-Governor
26	698436	Ring Set-Piston (.010" Over-size)	220	690412	Washer (Governor Lever)
26	698437	Ring Set-Piston (.020" Over-size)	222	691023	Bracket-Control
26	698438	Ring Set-Piston (.030" Over-size)	227	691048	Lever-Governor Control
27	690975	Lock-Piston Pin	231	690718	Screw (Choke Valve)
28	690229	Pin-Piston	240	695666	Filter-Fuel
29	499583	Rod-Connecting	250	690957	Retainer-Breather
32	690976	Screw (Connecting Rod)	252	690956	Collector-Oil
33	697576	Valve-Exhaust	265	691024	Clamp-Casing
34	499597	Valve-Intake	267	695134	Screw (Casing Clamp)
35	690963	Spring-Valve (Intake)	276	690997	•Ø+ Washer-Sealing
36	690963	Spring-Valve (Exhaust)	287	690960	Screw (Dipstick Tube)
40	690964	Retainer-Valve	304	698073	Housing-Blower
42	499586	Keeper-Valve	305	691005	Screw (Blower Housing)
45	690977	Tappet-Valve	309	691262	Motor-Starter
46	690978	Camshaft	310	691263	Bolt (Starter Motor)
48	698178	Short Block (40H777-0241-E2 Replacement Engine)	311	497608	Brush Set
50	695241	Manifold-Intake	332	691059	Nut (Flywheel)
51	690949	•Ø+ Gasket-Intake	333	691060	Armature-Magneto
51A	690950	•Ø‡ Gasket-Intake	334	691061	Screw (Magneto Armature)
53	690951	Stud (Carburetor)	337	491055	Plug-Spark
54	695240	Screw (Intake Manifold)	358	694012	Set-Engine Gasket
73	691055	Screen-Rotating	363	691062	Flywheel Puller
74	698425	Screw (Rotating Screen)	383	690966	Wrench-Spark Plug
75	691056	Washer (Flywheel)	385	690960	Screw (Fuel Pump)
89	690283	Plug-Oil	387	808656	Pump-Fuel
95	690718	Screw (Throttle Valve)	404	690442	Washer (Governor Crank)
98	499802	Kit-Idle Speed	RPM Settings:		Low Speed: 1900-2100
104	690984	Ø Pin-Float Hinge			High Speed: 3000-3200
105	690985	Ø Valve-Float Needle			
108	690986	Valve-Choke			
117	690232	Ø Jet-Main (Standard)			
118	690989	Jet-Main (High Altitude)			

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- ‡ Included in Carburetor Gasket Set, Key. No. 977
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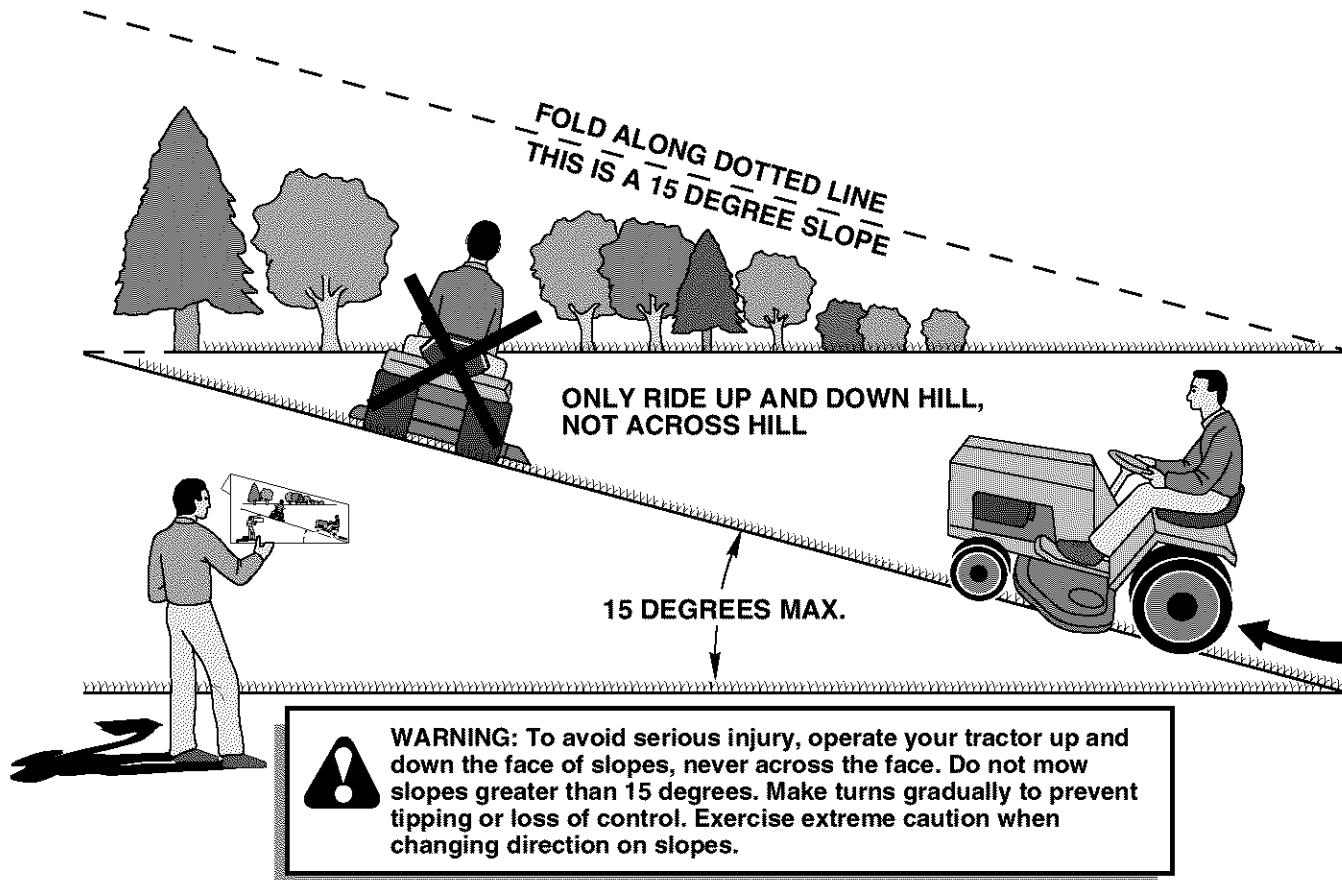
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405	697820	Screw (Back Plate)	865A	691014	Cover-Air Guide
418	690999	Plate-Carburetor	865B	691015	Cover-Air Guide
445	695667	Filter-Air Cleaner Cartridge	868	690968	•+ Seal-Valve
447	691003	Screw (Air Guide Cover)	877	393456	Wire/Connector- Alternator
447A	690960	Screw (Air Guide Cover)	914	691127	Screw (Rocker Cover)
467	691008	Knob-Air Cleaner	918	694000	Hose-Vacuum
474	691063	Alternator	929	695239	Screw (Choke Control Bracket)
501	691185	Regulator	929A	691003	Screw (Choke Control Bracket)
505	691029	Nut (Governor Control Lever)	943	690589	• Seal-O Ring (Oil Pump Cover)
510	497606	Drive-Starter	947	499809	Solenoid-Fuel
513	692024	Clutch-Drive	965	499613	Cover-Oil Pump
523	691036	Dipstick	967	273638	Filter-Pre Cleaner
524	691032	• Seal-Dipstick Tube	968	698075	Cover-Air Cleaner
525	691037	Tube-Dipstick	975	499810	Bowl-Float
526	690960	Screw (Regulator)	977	499812	Gasket Set-Carburetor
544	---	Armature-Starter (Service with 691262 Starter Motor)	987	691000	Ø‡ Seal-Throttle Shaft
			1005	499603	Fan-Flywheel
552	690552	Bushing-Governor Crank	1013	690954	Nipple-Oil Filter
552A	690553	Bushing-Governor Crank	1017	690770	Screen-Oil Pump
562	690311	Bolt (Governor Control Lever)	1019	690103	Kit-Label
573	691009	Plate-Back	1022	690971	•+ Gasket-Rocker Cover
601	691038	Clamp-Hose	1023	499599	Cover-Rocker (Cylinder 1)
615	690317	Retainer-Governor Shaft	1023A	499600	Cover-Rocker (Cylinder 2)
616	691045	Crank-Governor	1024	499054	Pump-Oil
617	697891	Seal-O Ring (Intake Manifold)	1026	690981	Rod-Push (Steel)
628	690960	Screw (Fuel Pump Bracket)	1026A	690982	Rod-Push (Aluminum)
633	690998	Ø‡ Seal-Choke/Throttle Shaft	1027	696854	Filter-Oil
635	66538	Boot-Spark Plug	1029	690972	Arm-Rocker
654	690958	Nut (Carburetor)	1035	691042	Shaft-Pump
668	691215	Spacer	1036	695704	Label-Emission
672	690234	Ø‡ Gasket-Carburetor Plate	1051	691265	Ring-Retaining
691	690657	• Seal-Governor Shaft	1058	274794	Owner's Manual
695	693149	Screw (Ring Gear)	1070	691058	Screw (Flywheel Fan)
697	690372	Screw (Drive Cap)	1090	691293	Retainer-Brush
703	691010	Clip	1095	694013	Kit-Valve Overhaul
718	690959	Pin-Locating	1100	690973	Pivot-Rocker Arm
726	499612	Gear-Ring	1119	691183	Screw (Alternator)
729	694123	Clip-Wire	1123	690987	Ø‡ Seal-O Ring (Solenoid Retainer)
741	690980	Gear-Timing			
742	690328	Retainer-E Ring	1124	690988	Ø‡ Seal-O Ring (Fuel Transfer Tube)
750	691033	Screw (Oil Pump Cover)			
783	693058	Gear-Pinion	1126	690991	Screw (Fuel Transfer Tube)
788	691039	Bracket-Fuel Pump	1127	690992	Screw (Float Bowl)
789	698330	Harness-Wiring	1128	690990	Ø Screw (Carburetor Nozzle)
797	691029	Nut (Brush Retainer)	1169	693140	Screw (Carburetor Cover Plate)
797A	693167	Nut (Brush Retainer)	1267	698440	Latch-Blower Housing
798	697890	Screw (Rocker Arm)			RPM Settings: Low Speed: 1900-2100 High Speed: 3000-3200
801	691283	Cap-Drive			
802	691286	Cap-End			
803	---	Housing-Starter (Service with 691262 Starter Motor)			
842	691031	• Seal-Dipstick/Tube			• Included in Engine Gasket Set, Key. No. 358
847	499602	Dipstick/Tube Assembly			Ø Included in Carburetor Overhaul Kit, Key. No. 121
851	493880	Terminal-Sparkplug			‡ Included in Carburetor Gasket Set, Key. No. 977
855	698072	Adapter-Air			+ Included in Valve Overhaul Kit, Key. No. 1095
865	691012	Cover-Air Guide			

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