

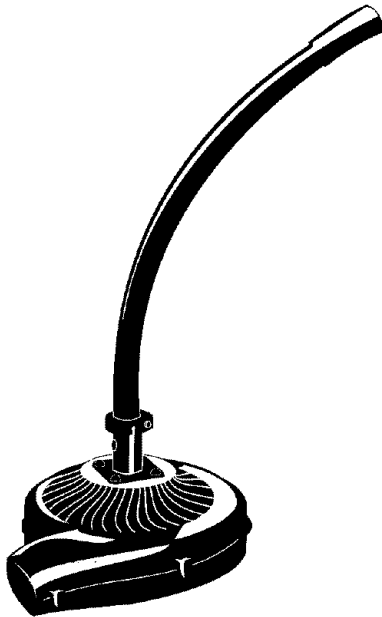
Instruction Manual



BLOWER ATTACHMENT

Model No.
C944.511601

- **Safety**
- **Assembly**
- **Operation**
- **Maintenance**
- **Parts List**



WARNING:

Read and follow all Safety Rules and Operating Instructions before first use of this product.

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WARRANTY STATEMENT

LIMITED TWO (2) YEAR WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN® BLOWER ATTACHMENT

For two (2) years from the date of purchase, Sears Canada, Inc., will repair or replace free of charge, at Sears option, parts which are defective as a result of material or workmanship.

COMMERCIAL OR RENTAL USE:

Warranty on Blower Attachment will be 90 days from the date of purchase if used for commercial or rental purposes.

This warranty excludes expendable parts that become worn during normal use.

Warranty service is available by returning the Blower Attachment to the nearest Sears Service Centre/Department in Canada. This warranty applies only while this product is in use in Canada.

This warranty is in addition to any statutory warranty and does not exclude or limit legal rights you may have but shall run concurrently with applicable provincial legislation. Furthermore, some provinces do NOT allow limitations on how long an implied warranty will last, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

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SAFETY RULES

IMPORTANT WARNINGS AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING:

When using electric gardening appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and serious injury. The warnings and safety instructions in this manual must be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury, and to provide reasonable safety and efficiency in using this unit. The operator is responsible for following the warnings and instructions in this manual and on the unit. Read the entire instruction manual before assembling and using the unit! Restrict the use of this unit to persons who read, understand, and follow the warnings and instructions in this manual and on the unit. Never allow children to use this unit. Do not allow the unit to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used near children. Always disconnect unit from power source when making repairs, adjustments, and when changing accessories and attachments. Nonconforming replacement components or the removal of safety devices may cause damage to the unit and possible injury to the operator or bystanders. Use only accessories and replacement parts as recommended. Use only for jobs explained in this manual (or manuals for optional attachments).

KNOW YOUR UNIT

- Read your instruction manual carefully until you completely understand and can follow all warnings and safety rules before operating this attachment.
- Restrict use of this attachment to users who understand and will follow all warnings and safety rules in this manual.

PLAN AHEAD

- Always wear eye protection when operating, servicing, or performing maintenance on this attachment. Wearing eye protection will help to prevent rocks or debris from being blown or ricocheting into eyes and face which can result in blindness and/or serious injury. Eye protection should be marked ANSI Z87.
- Always wear foot protection. Do not go barefoot or wear sandals.
- Always wear respirator or face mask when working with unit in dusty environments.
- Secure hair above shoulder length. Secure or remove jewelry, loose clothing, or clothing with loosely hanging straps, ties, tassels, etc. They can be caught in moving parts.
- Do not operate unit when you are tired, ill, upset, or if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication.
- Keep children, bystanders, and animals away from work area a minimum of 30 feet (10 meters) when starting or operating unit. Do not point blower discharge opening in the direction of people or pets.
- Inspect area before use. Remove all debris and hard objects such as rocks, glass, wire, etc. that can ricochet, be thrown, or otherwise cause injury or damage during operation.

FUEL SAFETY (for gas powerheads)

- Eliminate all sources of sparks or flame (including smoking, open flames, or work that can cause sparks) in the areas where fuel is mixed, poured, or stored.
- Mix and pour fuel in an outdoor area; store fuel in a cool, dry, well ventilated place; use an approved, marked container for all fuel purposes.
- Do not smoke while handling fuel or while operating the unit.
- Make sure the attachment is properly assembled and in good operating condition.
- Do not fill fuel tank while engine is running.
- Avoid spilling fuel or oil. Wipe up fuel spills before starting engine.
- Move at least 10 feet (3 meters) away from fuel and fueling site before starting engine.
- Always store gasoline in a container approved for flammable liquids.

ELECTRICAL SAFETY (for electric powerheads)

WARNING:

Avoid a dangerous environment. To reduce the risk of electrical shock, do not use in rain, in damp or wet locations, or around swimming pools, hot tubs, etc. Do not expose to snow, rain, or water to avoid the possibility of electrical shock. Do not use on wet surfaces. Do not handle extension cord plug or unit with wet hands. Avoid dangerous situations. Do not use in the presence of flammable liquids or gases to avoid creating a fire or explosion and/or causing damage to unit. Do not abuse cord. Never carry the unit by the extension cord or yank extension cord to disconnect unit. To unplug, grasp the plug, not the cord. Do not use cord as a handle, close a door on cord, or pull cord around sharp edges or corners. Turn off all controls before unplugging. Do not expose cords to heat, oil, or water. Do not use with damaged cord or plug. If unit is not working as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, return it to your authorized service dealer for repair. Unplug the unit from the power source when not in use, before servicing, and when changing accessories and/or attachments. Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep free of dust, lint, hair and anything that may reduce air flow.

- Use only a voltage supply as shown on the nameplate of the powerhead.
- Avoid dangerous environments. Do not use in unventilated areas or where dust or explosive vapors can build up.
- To reduce the risk of electric shock, the powerhead may have a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other); if so, it will require the use of a polarized extension cord. The appliance plug will fit into a polarized extension cord only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the extension cord, reverse the plug. If the plug still does not fit, obtain a correct polarized extension cord. A polarized extension cord will require the use of a polarized wall outlet. This plug will fit into the polarized wall outlet only one way. If plug does not fit fully into the wall outlet, reverse the plug. If it

still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper wall outlet. Do not change the equipment plug, extension cord receptacle, or extension cord plug in any way.

- To reduce risk of electrical shock, use extension cords specifically marked as suitable for outdoor appliances having electrical rating not less than the rating of unit. Cord must be marked with suffix "W-A" (in Canada "W"). Make sure your extension cord is in good condition. Inspect extension cord before use and replace if damaged. Do not use a damaged cord. Cord insulation must be intact with no cracks or deterioration. Plug connectors must be undamaged. The extension cord used to reach the power source must be heavy enough to carry current from the power source the full length of the extension cord to the unit. An undersized extension cord will cause a drop in line voltage resulting in loss of power and overheating. If in doubt, use the next heavier gauge. The lower the gauge number, the heavier the cord.
- Do not use multiple cords. • Keep the extension cord clear of operator and obstacles at all times.
- Tie cord to cord retainer and connect to recessed plug as shown in this manual to prevent damage to unit and/or extension cord and to reduce the possibility of the extension cord disconnecting from the unit during operation.
- Do not attempt to repair unit. Inspect the insulation and connectors on the powerhead and extension cord before each use. If there is any damage, do not use until damage is repaired by your authorized service dealer.
- Do not use the powerhead if the switch does not turn the unit on and off properly. Have the unit repaired by your authorized service dealer.
- Avoid unintentional starting of the unit. Never carry unit with your finger on the switch. Be sure the switch is in the OFF position and never touch the switch when connecting extension cord.
- Avoid any body contact with any grounded conductor, such as metal fences, or pipes, to avoid the possibility of electric shock.

- Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) protection should be provided on the circuit or outlet to be used for the powerhead. Receptacles are available having built-in GFCI protection and may be used for this measure of safety.
- Stop the motor immediately if you are approached.

BLOWER SAFETY

⚠ WARNING: Never put hands or other objects into blower housing to avoid serious injury from the rotating impeller.

⚠ WARNING: Inspect the area before using the unit. Remove all debris and hard objects such as rocks, glass, wire, etc., that can ricochet, be thrown, or otherwise cause injury or damage during operation.

- Inspect attachment before each use for worn, loose, missing, or damaged parts. Do not use until unit is in proper working order.
- Keep outside surfaces free from oil and fuel.
- Never start or run engine inside a closed room, building or other unventilated area. Breathing exhaust fumes can kill.
- Avoid dangerous environments. Do not use in unventilated areas or where explosive vapors or carbon monoxide build-up could be present.
- Do not set unit on any surface except a clean, hard area while engine is running. Debris such as gravel, sand, dust, grass, etc. could be picked up by the air intake and thrown out through discharge opening, damaging unit, property, or causing serious injury to bystanders or operator.
- Do not overreach or use from unstable surfaces such as ladders, trees, steep slopes, rooftops, etc. Keep firm footing and balance at all times.
- Never place objects inside the discharge opening; always direct the blowing debris away from people, animals, glass, and solid objects such as trees, automobiles, walls, etc. The force of air can cause rocks, dirt, or sticks to be thrown or to ricochet which can hurt people or animals, break glass, or cause other damage.

- Check air intake opening frequently. Keep vents and discharge opening free of debris which can accumulate and restrict proper air flow.
- Never place any object in air intake opening as this could restrict proper air flow and cause damage to the unit.
- Never use for spreading chemicals, fertilizers, or other substances which may contain toxic materials.
- To avoid spreading fire, do not use near leaf or brush fires, fireplaces, barbecue pits, ashtrays, etc.
- Wear hearing protection.
- Use only in daylight or good artificial light.

MAINTAIN YOUR UNIT PROPERLY

⚠ WARNING: Disconnect powerhead spark plug (or disconnect powerhead from power source) before performing maintenance.

- Have all maintenance other than the recommended procedures described in the instruction manual performed by your Sears Service Centre.
- Always see your Sears Service Centre to replace a damaged impeller. Parts that are chipped, cracked, broken, or damaged in any other way can fly apart and cause serious injury. Have damaged parts replaced before using attachment.
- Use only recommended Craftsman® replacement parts; use of any other parts may void your warranty and cause damage to your unit.

- Never douse or squirt the attachment with water or any other liquid.

TRANSPORTING AND STORAGE

- Hand carry the unit with the engine stopped.
- Allow the powerhead and attachment to cool and secure the unit before storing or transporting in a vehicle.
- Store unit and fuel in area where fuel vapors cannot reach sparks or open flames from water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.
- Store in a high, cool, dry, indoor area out of reach of children.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Exposure to vibrations through prolonged use of gasoline powered hand tools could cause blood vessel or nerve damage in the fingers, hands, and joints of people prone to circulation disorders or abnormal swelling. Prolonged use in cold weather has been linked to blood vessel damage in otherwise healthy people. If symptoms occur such as numbness, pain, loss of strength, change in skin color or texture, or loss of feeling in the fingers, hands, or joints, discontinue the use of this tool and seek medical attention. An antivibration system does not guarantee the avoidance of these problems. Users who operate power tools on a continual and regular basis must monitor closely their physical condition and the condition of this tool.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

ASSEMBLY

CARTON CONTENTS

Check carton contents against the following list.

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- Blower Attachment
- Hanger

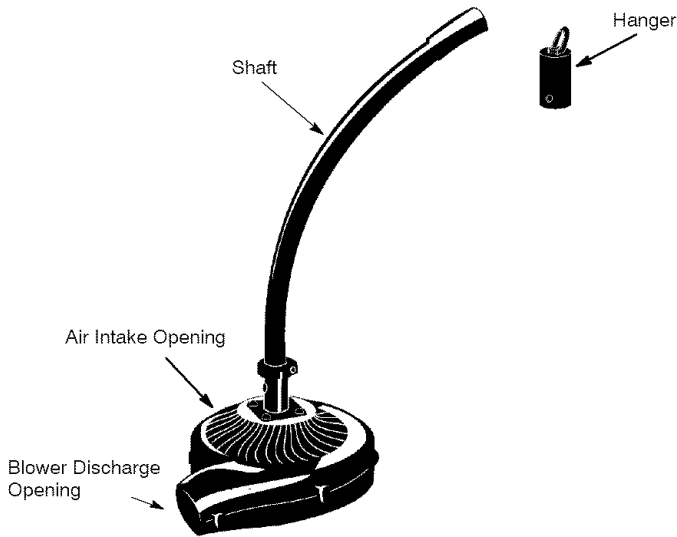
ASSEMBLY

Your attachment is fully assembled; no assembly is necessary.

OPERATION

KNOW YOUR BLOWER ATTACHMENT

READ THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND SAFETY RULES BEFORE OPERATING YOUR BLOWER ATTACHMENT. Compare the illustrations with your unit to familiarize yourself with the location of the various controls and adjustments. Save this manual for future reference.



OPERATING THE COUPLER

Your powerhead is equipped with a coupler which enables optional attachments to be installed. The optional attachments are:

- Edger 71-51157
- Cultivator 71-51158
- Pruner 71-51161
- Brushcutter* 71-51159

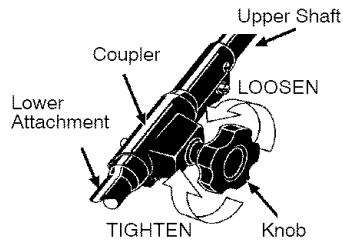
*not designed for use with electric powerheads

⚠ WARNING: Always disconnect powerhead spark plug (or disconnect powerhead from power source) before removing or installing attachments.

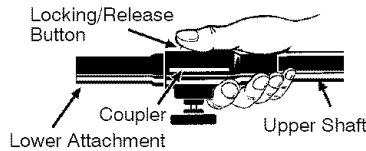
REMOVING ATTACHMENT

CAUTION: When removing or installing attachments, place the unit on a flat surface for stability.

1. Loosen the coupler by turning the knob counterclockwise.



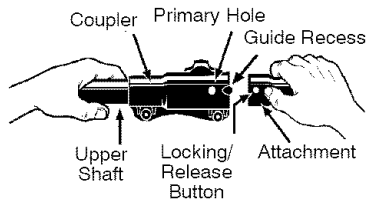
2. Press and hold the locking/release button.



3. While securely holding the upper shaft, pull the attachment straight out of the coupler.

INSTALLING ATTACHMENT

1. Remove the shaft cap from the attachment (if present) and discard.
2. Position locking/release button of attachment into guide recess of upper shaft coupler.



3. Push the attachment into the coupler until the locking/release button snaps into the primary hole.
4. Before using the unit, tighten the knob securely by turning clockwise.

INSTALLING ATTACHMENT HANGER

An attachment hanger is provided for storage when attachment is not in use. To install hanger on attachment:

1. Remove the shaft cap from the attachment (if present) and discard.
2. Press and hold the locking/release button.
3. Push hanger onto the attachment until the locking/release button snaps into the hole.

OPERATING POSITION

ALWAYS WEAR:



WARNING: Inspect the area before using the unit. Remove all debris and hard objects such as rocks, glass, wire, etc., that can ricochet, be thrown, or otherwise cause injury or damage during operation.

Use your blower attachment for:

- Sweeping debris or grass clippings from driveways, sidewalks, patios, etc.
- Blowing grass clippings, straw, or leaves into piles, or removing debris from corners, around joints, or between bricks.

Control air flow by directing the blower discharge opening down or to one side. Always work away from solid objects such as walks, large stones, vehicles, and fences. Clean corners by starting in corners and moving outward. This will help prevent an accumulation of debris which could fly into your face. Be careful when working near plants. The force of the air could damage tender plants.

MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

WARNING: Always stop unit and disconnect spark plug wire (or disconnect powerhead from power source) before performing maintenance.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE TASK	WHEN TO PERFORM
Check for loose fasteners and parts	Before each use
Check for damaged or worn parts	Before each use
Inspect and clean unit and labels	After each use

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The warranty on this unit does not cover items that have been subjected to operator abuse or negligence. To receive full value from the warranty, the operator must maintain attachment as instructed in this manual.

CHECK FOR LOOSE FASTENERS AND PARTS

- Housing Screws

CHECK FOR DAMAGED OR WORN PARTS

Contact Sears Service Center for replacement of damaged or worn parts.

INSPECT AND CLEAN UNIT AND LABELS

- After each use, inspect complete unit for loose or damaged parts. Clean the unit and labels using a damp cloth with a mild detergent.
- Wipe off unit with a clean dry cloth.

STORAGE

⚠ WARNING: Perform the following steps after each use:

- Allow attachment to cool before storing or transporting.
- Store in a high, cool, dry, indoor area out of reach of children.

SEASONAL STORAGE

Prepare attachment for storage at end of season or if it will not be used for 30 days or more.

If your blower attachment is to be stored for a period of time:

- Clean the entire unit.
- Inspect attachment for any loose or damaged parts. Tighten any loose screws.
- Replace any damaged, worn or broken parts.
- At the beginning of the next season, use only fresh fuel having the proper gasoline to oil ratio.