

## **IMPORTANT MANUAL**

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**SEARS**

**Operator's  
Manual**

**Model No.  
358.356241**



**⚠ WARNING:**

Read the Operator's Manual and Follow All Warnings and Safety Instructions. Failure To Do So Can Result in Serious Injury.

**SEARS/CRAFTSMAN.**

**GASOLINE CHAIN SAW**

- Assembly
- Operation
- Maintenance
- Repair Parts

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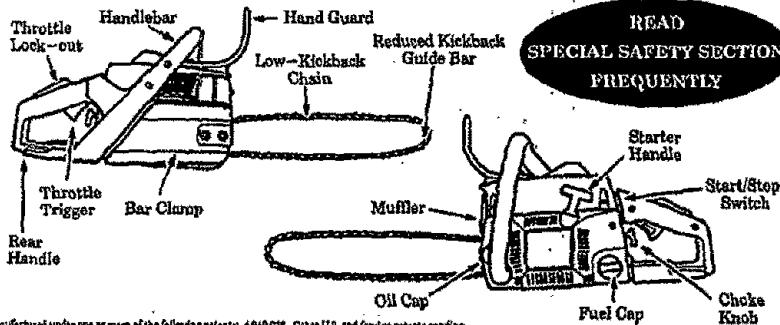
**ONE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN GASOLINE CHAIN SAW  
(Excluding Bar, Chain, Spark Plug, Air Filter, and Starter Rope)**

For One Year from date of purchase, when this chain saw is maintained, lubricated, and tuned up according to the operating and maintenance instructions in the operator's manual, Sears will repair free of charge any defect in material or workmanship. This warranty excludes the bar, chain, spark plug, air filter, and starter rope which are expendable parts and become worn during normal use. If this Chain Saw is used for commercial or rental purposes, this warranty applies for only 90 days from the date of purchase. **WARRANTY SERVICE IS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING THE NEAREST SEARS SERVICE CENTER/DEPARTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.** This warranty applies only while this product is in use in 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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**SPECIFICATIONS**

MODEL:	358.356241
DISPLACEMENT:	40cc
SPARK PLUG:	Champion (CJ-TY)
SPARK PLUG GAP:	.025"
IGNITION:	Solid State
MODULE AIR GAP:	.010" to .014"
OILER:	Automatic
FUEL MIX:	Gasoline/Oil Mixture - 40:1 (see "Fueling Your Engine")
GUIDE BAR:	18" Guide Bar -- Part No. 71-36574
CHAIN:	Low Profile 3/8" Pitch Chrome Cutters -- Part No. 71-3619
MUFFLER:	Temperature Limiting/Spark Arresting

## WARNINGS AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

(See Additional Safety Instructions throughout this Manual)

### GUARD AGAINST KICKBACK

Kickback is a dangerous reaction that can lead to serious injury. Do not rely only on the safety devices provided with your saw. As a chain saw user, you must take special safety precautions to help keep your cutting jobs free from accident or injury.

#### A KICKBACK WARNING

Kickback can occur when the moving chain contacts an object at the upper portion of the tip of the guide bar or when the wood closes in and pinches the saw chain in the cut. Contact at the upper portion of the tip of the guide bar can cause the chain to dig into the object, which stops the chain for an instant. The result is a lightning fast, reverse reaction which kicks the guide bar up and back toward the operator. If the saw chain is pinched along the top of the guide bar, the guide bar can be driven rapidly back toward the operator. Either of these reactions can cause loss of saw control which can result in serious injury.

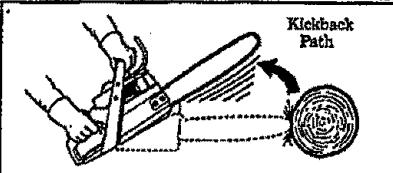


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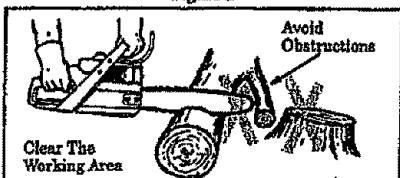


Figure 2



Figure 3

### REDUCE THE CHANCE OF KICKBACK

1. Recognize that kickback can happen. With a basic understanding of kickback, you can reduce the element of surprise which contributes to accidents.
2. Never let the moving chain contact any object at the tip of the guide bar. Figure 1.
3. Keep the working area free from obstructions such as other trees, branches, rocks, fences, stumps, etc. Figure 2. Eliminate or avoid any obstruction that your saw chain could hit while you are cutting through a particular log or branch.
4. Keep your saw chain sharp and properly tensioned. A loose or dull chain can increase the chance of kickback to occur. Follow manufacturer's chain sharpening and maintenance instructions. Check tension at regular intervals with the engine stopped, never with the engine running. Make sure the bar clamp nuts are securely tightened after tensioning the chain.
5. Begin and continue cutting at full throttle. If the chain is moving at a slower speed, there is greater chance for kickback to occur.
6. Cut one log at a time.
7. Use extreme caution when re-entering a previous cut.
8. Do not attempt plunge cuts.
9. Watch for shifting logs or other forces that could close a cut and pinch or fall into chain.
10. Use the Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar and Low-Kickback Chain specified for your saw.

### MAINTAIN CONTROL

1. Keep a good, firm grip on the saw with both hands when the engine is running and don't let go. Figure 3. A firm grip can neutralize kickback and help you maintain control of the saw. Keep the fingers of your left hand encircling your left thumb under the front handlebar. Keep your right hand completely around the rear handlebar whether you are right handed or left handed. Keep your left arm straight with the elbow locked.
2. Position your left hand on the front handlebar so it is in a straight line with your right hand on the rear handle when making bucking cuts. Figure 3. Never reverse right and left hand positions for any type of cutting.
3. Stand with your weight evenly balanced on both feet.
4. Stand slightly to the left side of the saw to keep your body from being in a direct line with the cutting chain. Figure 3.
5. Do not overreach. You could be drawn or thrown off balance and lose control of the saw.
6. Do not cut above shoulder height. It is difficult to maintain control of saw above shoulder height.

## WARNINGS AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS (continued)

### A WARNING

Because a chain saw is a high-speed wood-cutting tool, special safety precautions must be observed to reduce the risk of accidents. Careless or improper use of this tool can cause serious injury.

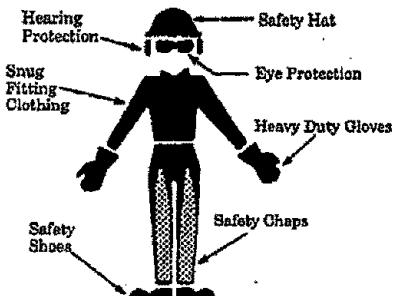


Figure 4

### KNOW YOUR SAW

1. Read your operator's manual carefully until you completely understand and can follow all safety rules, precautions, and operating instructions before attempting to operate the unit.
2. Restrict the use of your saw to adult users who understand and can follow safety rules, precautions, and operating instructions found in this manual.

### PLAN AHEAD

1. Wear protective gear, Figure 4. Always use steel-toed safety footwear with non-slip soles; snug-fitting clothing; heavy-duty, non-slip gloves; eye protection such as non-fogging, vented goggles or face screen; an approved safety hard hat; and sound barriers—ear plugs or mufflers to protect your hearing. Regular users should have hearing checked regularly as chain saw noise can damage hearing.
2. Keep children, bystanders, and animals a minimum of 30 feet (10 Meters) away from the work area. Do not allow other people or animals to be near the chain saw when starting or operating the chain saw.
3. Do not handle or operate a chain saw when you are fatigued, ill, or upset, or if you have taken alcohol, drugs, or medication. You must be in good physical condition and mentally alert. Chain saw work is strenuous. If you have any condition that might be aggravated by strenuous work, check with your doctor before operating a chain saw.

If situations occur which are not covered in this manual, use care and good judgment. Contact your Service Dealer if you need assistance.

4. Do not attempt to use your chain saw during bad weather conditions such as strong wind, rain, snow, ice, etc., or at night.
5. Carefully plan your sawing operation in advance. Do not start cutting until you have a clear work area, secure footing, and, if you are felling trees, a planned retreat path.

### AVOID REACTIVE FORCES

**Pinch-Kickback** and **Pull-In** occur when the chain is suddenly stopped by being pinched, caught, or by contacting a foreign object in the wood. This sudden stopping of the chain results in a reversal of the chain force used to cut wood and causes the saw to move in the opposite direction of the chain rotation. Pinch-Kickback drives the saw straight back toward the operator. Pull-In pulls the saw away from the operator. Either reaction can result in loss of control and possibly serious injury.

To avoid Pinch-Kickback:

1. Be extremely aware of situations or obstructions that can cause material to pinch the top of or otherwise stop the chain.
2. Do not cut more than one log at a time.
3. Do not twist the saw as the bar is withdrawn from an under-cut when bucking.

To avoid Pull-In:

1. Always begin cutting with the engine at full throttle and the saw housing against wood.
2. Use wedges made of plastic or wood, (never of metal) to hold the cut open.

### HANDLE FUEL WITH CAUTION

1. Eliminate all sources of sparks or flame in the areas where fuel is mixed, poured, or stored. There should be no smoking, open flames, or work that could cause sparks. Allow engine to cool before refueling.
2. Mix and pour fuel in an outdoor area on bare ground; store fuel in a cool, dry, well ventilated place; and use an approved, marked container for all fuel purposes.
3. Wipe up all fuel spills before starting saw.
4. Move at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the fueling site before starting the engine.
5. Do not smoke while handling fuel or while operating the saw.
6. Turn the engine off and let your saw cool in a non-combustible area, not on dry leaves, straw, paper, etc. Slowly remove fuel cap and refuel unit.
7. Store the unit and fuel in an area where fuel vapors cannot reach sparks or open flames from water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.

## WARNINGS AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS (continued)

### OPERATE YOUR SAW SAFELY

1. Do not operate a chain saw that is damaged, improperly adjusted, or not completely and securely assembled.
2. Operate the chain saw only in outdoor areas.
3. Do not operate saw from a ladder or in a tree.
4. Position all parts of your body to the left of cut and away from the saw chain when the engine is running.
5. Cut wood only. Do not use your saw to pry or shave away limbs, roots, or other objects.
6. Make sure the chain will not make contact with any object while starting the engine. Never try to start the saw when the guide bar is in a cut or kerf.
7. Use extreme caution when cutting small size brush and saplings. Slender material can catch the saw chain and be whipped toward you or pull you off balance.
8. Be alert for springback when cutting a limb that is under tension so you will not be struck by the limb or saw when the tension in the wood fibers is released.
9. Do not put pressure on the saw at the end of a cut. Applying pressure can cause you to lose control when the cut is completed.
10. Stop the engine before setting the saw down.

### MAINTAIN YOUR SAW IN GOOD WORKING ORDER

1. Have all chain saw service performed by a qualified service dealer with the exception of the items listed in the maintenance section of this manual. For example, if improper tools are used to remove or hold the flywheel when servicing the clutch, structural damage to the flywheel can occur and cause the flywheel to burst.
2. Keep fuel and oil caps, screws, and fasteners securely tightened.
3. Keep the handles dry, clean, and free of oil or fuel mixture.
4. Make certain the saw chain stops moving when the throttle trigger is released. For correction, refer to "Carburetor Adjustments."
5. Stop the saw if the chain strikes a foreign object. Inspect the unit and repair or replace parts as necessary.
6. Disconnect the spark plug before performing any maintenance except for carburetor adjustments.
7. Never modify your saw in any way. Use only attachments supplied or specifically recommended by the manufacturer.
8. Always replace the handguard immediately if it becomes damaged, broken, or otherwise removed.

### CARRY AND STORE YOUR SAW SAFELY

1. Hand carry with the engine stopped, the muffler away from your body and the guide bar and chain to the rear covered preferably with a scabbard.

2. Before transporting in any vehicle or storing in any enclosure, allow your saw to cool completely, cover the bar and chain, and properly secure to avoid turnover, fuel spillage, or damage.
3. Run the fuel out of the fuel tank before storing the tool. Use up fuel left in the carburetor and fuel lines by starting the engine and letting it run until it stops.
4. Store unit and fuel in a dry area out of the reach of children. Do not store where fuel vapors can reach sparks or an open flame from hot water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.

**NOTE:** Exposure to vibrations through prolonged use of gasoline powered hand tools could cause blood vessel or nerve damage in the fingers, hands, and wrists of people prone to circulation disorders or abnormal swellings. 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 wrists, discontinue the use of this tool and seek medical attention. An anti-vibration 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.

**NOTICE:** Refer to the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1910.266(b); ANSI Z8.1 (American National Standard Safety Requirements); and relevant state safety codes when using a chain saw for producing income.

### KICKBACK SAFETY FEATURES

- Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar, designed with a small radius tip which reduces the size of the kickback danger zone on the bar tip. Figure 5. A Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar is one which has been demonstrated to significantly reduce the number and seriousness of kickbacks when tested in accordance with the safety requirements for gasoline powered chain saws as set by the American National Standards Institute, Inc., Standard B175.1 - 1985.
- Low-Kickback Chain, designed with a contoured depth gauge and guard link which deflect kickback force and allow wood to gradually ride into the cutter. Figure 5. Low-Kickback Chain is a chain which has met kickback performance requirements of ANSI B175.1 (Safety Requirements for Gasoline-Powered Chain Saws) when tested on a representative sample of chain saws below 3.8 cubic inch displacement specified in ANSI B175.1.
- Handguard, designed to reduce the chance of your left hand contacting the chain if your hand slips off the front handlebar.
- Position of front and rear handbars designed with distance between handles and "in-line" with each other. The spread and "in-line" position of the hands provided by this design work together to give balance and resistance in controlling the pivot of the saw back toward the operator if kickback occurs.

## WARNINGS AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS (continued)

### A. WARNING

The following features are included on your saw to help reduce the hazard of kickback; however, such features will not totally eliminate this dangerous reaction. As a chain saw user, do not rely only on safety devices. You must follow all safety precautions, instructions, and maintenance in this manual to help avoid kickback and other forces which can result in serious injury.

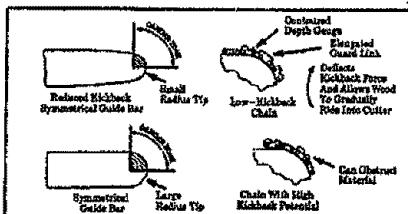


Figure 5

### STATE AND LOCAL REQUIREMENTS

Your saw is equipped with a temperature limiting muffler and spark arresting screen which meets the requirements of California Codes 4442 and 4449. All U.S. forest land and the states of California, Maine, Washington, and Oregon require many internal combustion engines to be equipped with a spark arrestor screen by law.

If you operate a chainsaw in a state or locale where such regulations exist, you are legally responsible for maintaining the operating condition of these parts. Failure to do so is a violation of the law. Refer to the "Spark Arrestor" section for maintenance.

### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

## KNOW YOUR UNIT

### A. INTRODUCTION

Your saw has been designed with safety in mind and includes the following safety features as standard equipment:

- Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar (Lo Kick®)
- Low-Kickback Chain (Xtra-Guard®)
- Handguard
- Spark Arrestor
- Temperature Limiting Muffler
- Anti-vibration System
- Turbo Clean™ Air Filter System

### B. CARTON CONTENTS

KEY NO.	QTY
1. Engine	1
2. Guide Bar	1
--- Operator's Manual (not shown)	1
--- Loose Parts Bag (not shown)	1

#### LOOSE PARTS BAG CONTENTS:

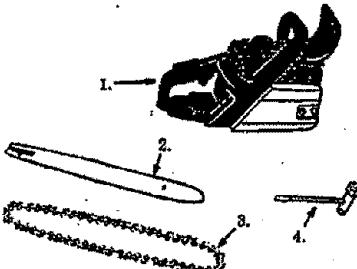
3. Chain	1
4. Screws	1

### C. UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

1. After removing the contents from the carton, check parts against the Carton Contents list.
2. Examine the parts for damage. Do not use damaged parts.

3. Notify your SEARS store immediately if a part is missing or damaged.

**NOTE:** It is normal to hear the fuel filter rattle in an empty fuel tank.



## ASSEMBLY

### A. GETTING READY

#### 1. READ YOUR OPERATOR'S MANUAL CAREFULLY

Your Operator's Manual has been developed to help you prepare your saw for use and to understand its safe operation. It is important that you read your manual completely to become familiar with the unit before you begin assembly or attempt operation. Your SEARS dealer is available to show you how to operate your saw. Be sure to ask for his assistance.

### B. ATTACHING THE BAR AND CHAIN

- Your saw is equipped with a Reduced-Kickback Bar and a Low-Kickback Chain.
- Always use the Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar and Low-Kickback Chain specified for your chain saw model when replacing these parts. See the "Specifications" section.

#### ▲ WARNING

Do not start the engine without the guide bar and chain completely assembled. Otherwise, the clutch can come off and serious injury can result!

**CAUTION:** Wear protective gloves when handling or operating your saw. The chain is sharp and can cut you even when it is not moving!

1. Remove the following parts as shown in Figure 6, using the Scrench provided with the unit.
  - a. Bar Clamp Nuts.
  - b. Bar Clamp.
2. Remove and discard the shipping spacer(s) on the bar stud(s).
3. Turn the Adjusting Screw (Figure 10) counterclockwise to move the Adjusting Pin (Figure 8) almost as far as it will go to the rear.
4. Mount the Guide Bar with the slotted end over the bar stud. Figure 8.
5. Hold the chain with the cutters facing as shown in Figure 9 (inset).
6. Place the chain over and behind the Clutch Drum and onto the Sprocket. Figure 9.
7. Slide the Guide Bar toward the rear of the saw as far as possible.
8. Fit the bottom of the Drive Links between the teeth in the Sprocket.
9. Start at the top of the Bar and fit chain Drive Links into the groove around the Guide Bar. Figure 9.
10. Pull the Guide Bar forward until the chain is snug in the Guide Bar Groove.
11. Hold the Guide Bar against the saw frame and install the Bar Clamp. Make sure that the adjusting pin is positioned in the small hole in the guide bar.
12. Replace the Bar Clamp Nuts and tighten finger tight only. Tighten Bar Clamp Nuts after chain is tensioned.
13. Proceed to the "Chain Tension" section.

#### 2. HAVE THE FOLLOWING AVAILABLE:

- a. Protective gloves.
- b. Approved, marked fuel container.
- c. One gallon regular unleaded gasoline.
- d. 2 cycle, air-cooled engine oil (See the "Fueling Your Engine" section).
- e. Bar and Chain Oil (See the "Bar and Chain Oil" section).
- f. Scrench.

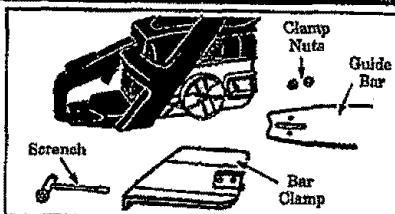


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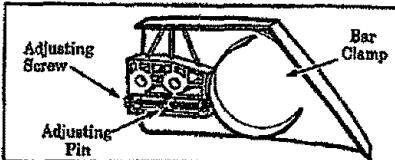


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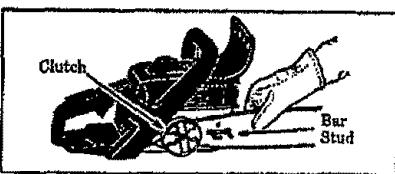


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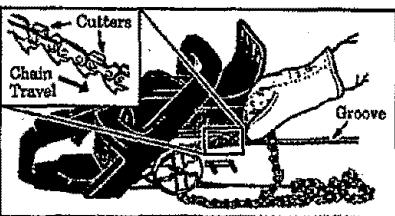


Figure 9

### C. CHAIN TENSION

- Chain Tension is very important--
  - A loose chain will wear the bar and itself.
  - A loose chain can jump off the bar while you are cutting.
  - A tight chain can break or damage the saw and/or bar.
- The chain stretches during use, especially when new. Check tension periodically as follows:
  - each time the saw is used;
  - more frequently when the chain is new;
  - as the chain warms up to normal operating temperature.
- Chain tension is correct when the chain can be lifted about  $1/8''$  from the Guide Bar at a point near the middle of the bar and will move freely around the bar.
- Chain tensioning procedure:

**WARNING:** Always wear gloves when handling the chain. The chain is sharp and can cut you even when it is not moving!

1. Lift up the tip of the Guide Bar and turn the Adjusting Screw clockwise until the chain does not sag beneath the Guide Bar. Figure 10.
2. Check the tension by lifting the chain from the Guide Bar at the center of the bar. Figure 11.
3. Continue adjusting the Adjusting Screw until the tension is correct.
4. Lift up the tip of the Guide Bar and tighten the Bar Clamp Nuts with the Srench.
5. Recheck chain tension.

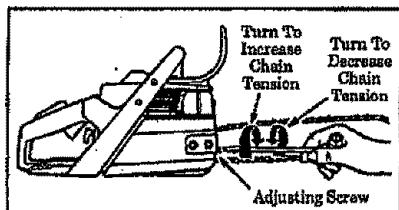


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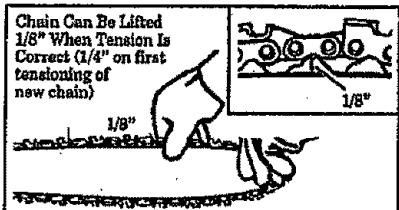


Figure 11

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## NOTES

## ENGINE INFORMATION

### A. FUELING YOUR ENGINE

#### 1. FUEL SAFETY

- a. Use only recommended fuel mixtures.
- b. Mix and pour fuel outdoors and where there are no sparks or flames.
- c. Use a container approved for fuel.
- d. Do not smoke or allow smoking near fuel or the unit or while using the unit.
- e. Wipe up all fuel spills before starting the engine.
- f. Move at least 10 feet away from the fueling site before starting engine.
- g. Stop engine before removing fuel cap.
- h. Before storing the unit, use up fuel left in the fuel lines and carburetor by starting the engine and letting it run until it stops.
- i. Store the unit and fuel in an area where fuel vapors cannot reach sparks or open flames from water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.

#### 2. FUEL MIXTURE

- Your unit is powered by a 2-cycle engine which requires a fuel mixture of regular unleaded gasoline and a high quality engine oil specially made for 2-cycle, air cooled engines. The internal design of the 2-cycle engine requires lubrication of moving parts. Lubrication is provided when recommended mixture of gasoline and oil is used.
- Gasoline must be clean and fresh. After a short period of time, gasoline will chemically break down and form compounds that cause hard starting and damage in 2-cycle engines.
- The correct measure of gasoline to oil is very important. Too much oil in the mixture will foul the spark plug.

**CAUTION:** Too little oil will cause the engine to overheat and seize.

- Always mix the fuel thoroughly in a container since gasoline and oil do not readily combine. *Do not mix gasoline and oil directly in the fuel tank.*

#### 3. USE THE FOLLOWING:

SEARS CRAFTSMAN 2-cycle engine oil mixed at 40:1 is strongly recommended. Consult the instructions on the oil container for proper mixing.

##### 1 PART OIL TO 40 PARTS GASOLINE -

1 GALLON GASOLINE TO 8.2 FL. OZ. OIL  
2.5 GALLON GASOLINE TO 8.0 FL. OZ. OIL  
Not all air cooled 2-cycle engine oils have the same qualities. If SEARS CRAFTSMAN 2-cycle engine oil is not available, use a good quality, 2-cycle engine oil recommended for air-cooled engines. Mix at a ratio of 16:1 (8 oz. oil to 1 gallon gasoline). A 16:1 fuel mixture with these oils will assure adequate lubrication for your engine.

#### 4. DO NOT USE:

- NMMA Oil -- National Marine Manufacturers Association (Formerly EIA) -- Does not have proper additives for 2-cycle, air cooled engines and can cause engine damage.
- AUTOMOTIVE OIL -- Does not have proper additives for 2-cycle, air cooled engines and can cause engine damage.

#### A CAUTION

Experience indicates that alcohol blended fuels (called gasohol or using ethanol or methanol) can attract moisture which leads to separation and formation of acids during storage. Acidic gas can damage the fuel system of an engine while in storage. To avoid engine problems, do not leave fuel in the unit when storing for 30 days or longer. Start the engine and let it run until the fuel lines and carburetor are empty. Use fresh fuel next season. See the "Storage" section for additional information. Never use engine or carburetor cleaner products in the fuel tank or permanent damage can occur.

#### 5. HOW TO MIX FUEL AND FILL TANK

- a. Pour the proper measure of engine oil into an approved, marked fuel container. Then, fill the container with regular unleaded gasoline.
- NOTE: If fuel is already in container, add the proper measure of 2-cycle engine oil. Then, close the container tightly and shake it momentarily.
- NOTE: Do not mix gasoline and oil directly in the fuel tank.
- b. Using a spout or funnel, fill the fuel tank with fuel mix.
- c. Reinstall the fuel cap securely.

## NOTES

## B. BAR AND CHAIN OIL

- The Guide Bar and Cutting Chain require continuous lubrication to remain in operating condition. Lubrication is provided by the automatic oiler system when the oil tank is kept filled.
  - Lack of oil will quickly ruin the Bar and Chain.
  - Too little oil will cause overheating shown by smoke coming from the chain and/or discoloration of the guide bar rails.
- Genuine SEARS Bar and Chain Oil is recommended to protect your unit against excessive wear from heat and friction. SEARS oil resists high temperature thinning. If SEARS Bar and Chain Oil is not available, use a good grade SAE 30 oil. Never use waste oil for bar and chain lubrication.
- In freezing weather oil will thicken, making it necessary to thin bar and chain oil with a small amount of #1 Diesel Fuel or kerosene. Bar and chain oil must be free flowing for the oil system to pump enough oil for adequate lubrication.

### 1. USE THE FOLLOWING:

30° or above -- 100% lubricant -- undiluted.  
30°-0°F -- 95% lubricant to 5% #1 Diesel Fuel or kerosene.  
Below 0°F -- 90% lubricant to 10% #1 Diesel Fuel or kerosene.

### 2. HOW TO FILL THE OIL TANK

- a. Stop the engine.
- b. Turn saw on its side with oil cap up. Figure 12.
- c. Loosen cap slowly and wait for pressure in the tank to be released before removing the cap.
- d. Fill the oil tank.
- e. Replace the oil cap securely.

## 3. USING THE OILER

- Your saw is equipped with an automatic oiler.
- The automatic oiler supplies lubrication to the bar and chain at all times.

## 4. IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

- a. Fill the oil tank each time you refill the fuel tank to ensure that there will be sufficient oil for the chain whenever you start and run the saw.
- b. The saw will normally use about 1/2 tank of chain oil for each tank of fuel mixture. If less oil is used, check for a plugged oil hole in the guide bar.
- c. Keep sawdust and debris cleaned from the oil holes in the guide bar to allow an adequate oil flow to the bar and chain.
- d. Keep spilled and spattered oil wiped from the unit to avoid sawdust and debris build-up. Pay particular attention to oil on the fan housing and starter assembly to avoid overheating the engines.
- e. It is normal for a small amount of oil to appear under the saw after the engine stops. This is excess oil draining from the bar and chain when the saw is not in use.

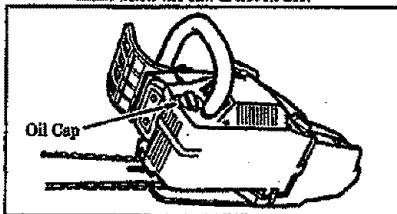


Figure 12

## NOTES

# USING YOUR SAW

## A. PRE-OPERATION CHECKS

Each time before operating your saw, always:

1. ✓ Check over the safety rules and precautions in this manual. Make certain you completely understand and can apply each one.
2. ✓ Check protective gear. Always use eye, hearing, and hand protection devices; safety footwear; protective gloves; and snug fitting clothing.
3. ✓ Check the saw for loose bolts, nuts, or fittings. Tighten, repair, or replace parts as necessary. Tools required are listed in "Getting Ready" section.
4. ✓ Check the air filter. Clean the filter before starting the engine. For location, see the "Air Filter" section.
5. ✓ Check the saw chain. The chain should be sharp and at the correct tension.
6. ✓ Check the fuel tank and oil tank. Both tanks should be filled.
7. ✓ Check the handles. Handles should be dry and free of fuel mixture and oil.
8. ✓ Check weather conditions. Do not use your saw at night or during bad conditions such as strong wind, rain, snow, etc.
9. ✓ Check the work area. Keep children, bystanders, and animals a safe distance away from the work area when starting or operating the saw—a minimum of 30 feet.

## B. STARTING INSTRUCTIONS (Refer to the "Specifications" section for location of controls.)

### 1. BASIC PROCEDURE

- a. Hold saw firmly on the ground as shown in Figure 16. Make sure the saw chain is free to turn without contacting any object.

- b. Move Ignition Switch to the "Start" position. Figure 13.

NOTE: When the choke knob is pulled out to the full extent, the correct throttle setting for starting is set automatically.

#### • For a cold engine:

- 1.) Pull the choke lever out to the full extent. Figure 14A.
- 2.) Pull the starter rope quickly with your right hand until the engine attempts to start, then push the choke lever in half way. Figure 14B.
- 3.) Pull the starter rope quickly with your right hand until the engine starts. Figure 15.
- 4.) Allow the engine to run for approximately five seconds. Then, squeeze the Throttle Trigger to release the throttle lock, allowing the engine to idle.

#### • For a warm engine:

- 1.) Pull the choke lever out to the full extent to set the throttle, then return the choke lever to the original, inward position.
- 2.) Pull the starter rope quickly with your right hand until the engine starts. Figure 15.
- 3.) Squeeze the Throttle Trigger to release the throttle lock, allowing the engine to idle.

#### ⚠ WARNING

The chain must not move when the engine runs at idle speed. Refer to the "Carburetor Adjustments" section for correction.

- c. Stop the engine by moving the Ignition Switch to the "Stop" position. Figure 13.

#### ⚠ WARNING

Always wear gloves; safety footwear; snug fitting clothing; and eye, hearing, and head protection devices when operating a chain saw.

IGNITION SWITCH  
TOP VIEW

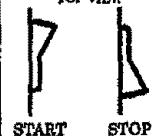


Figure 13

CHOKE

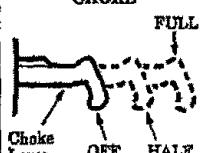


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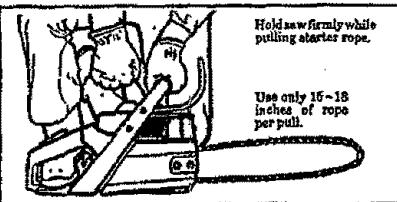


Figure 15

### 2. IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

- a. When pulling the starter rope, do not use the full extent of the rope as this can cause the rope to break. Do not let the starter rope snap back—hold the handle and let the rope rewind slowly.
- b. If the engine floods, let the unit sit for a few minutes, then repeat starting procedure using the half-choke position.
- c. For cold weather starting, allow the engine to warm up (1-2 min.) at the half-choke position, then move choke to the "OFF" position. Do not cut material with the choke at the "Full" or "Half" position.

## TYPES OF CUTTING

### A. BASIC CUTTING TECHNIQUE

#### 1. IMPORTANT POINTS

- Cut wood only. Do not cut metal; plastics; masonry; non-wood building materials; etc.
- Stop the saw if the chain strikes a foreign object. Inspect the saw and repair or replace parts as necessary.
- Keep the chain out of dirt and sand. Even a small amount of dirt will quickly dull a chain and thus increase the possibility of kickback.

#### A WARNING

Kickback can occur when the moving chain contacts an object at the upper portion of the tip of the guide bar or when the wood closes in and pinches the saw chain in the cut. Contact at the upper portion of the tip of the guide bar can cause the chain to dig into the object and stop the chain for an instant. The result is a lightning fast, reverse reaction which kicks the guide bar up and back toward the operator. If the saw chain is pinched along the top of the guide bar the guide bar can be driven rapidly back toward the operator. Either of these reactions can cause loss of saw control which can result in serious injury.

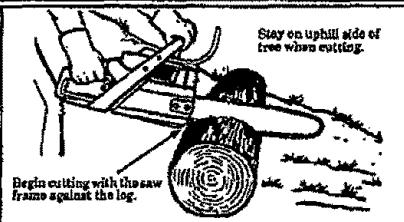


Figure 16

### B. TREE FELLING TECHNIQUES

#### 1. CAREFULLY PLAN YOUR SAWING OPERATION IN ADVANCE

- Clear the work area. You need a clear area all around the tree where you can have secure footing.
- Study the natural conditions that can cause the tree to fall in a particular direction.
  - THE WIND direction and speed.
  - THE LEAN of the tree.
- WEIGHTED and BRANCHES on one side.
- SURROUNDING TREES and OBSTACLES.
- Look for decay and rot. If the trunk is rotted, it can snap and fall toward the operator.
- Check for broken or dead branches which can fall on you while cutting.
- Make sure there is enough room for the tree to fall. Maintain a distance of 2 1/2 tree lengths from the nearest person or other objects. Engine noise can drown out a warning call.

#### 2. UNDERSTANDING REACTIVE FORCES

Pinch-kickback and Pull-in occur when the chain is suddenly stopped by being pinched, caught, or by contacting a foreign object in the wood. This stopping of the chain results in a reversal of the chain force used to cut wood and causes the saw to move in the opposite direction of chain rotation. Either reaction can result in loss of control and possible serious injury.

##### \* Pinch-Kickback -

--occurs when the chain on top of the bar is suddenly stopped.

--rapidly drives the saw straight back toward the operator.

##### \* Pull-In -

--occurs when the chain on the bottom of the bar is suddenly stopped.

--pulls the saw rapidly forward.

#### 3. PROCEDURE

Practice cutting a few small logs using the following technique to get the "feel" of using your saw before you begin a major sawing operation.

- Accelerate engine to full throttle before entering cut by squeezing the throttle trigger.
- Begin cutting with the saw frame against the log. Figure 18.
- Keep the engine at full throttle the entire time you are cutting.
- Allow the chain to cut for you; exert only light downward pressure. If you force the cut, damage to the bar, chain, or engine can result.
- Release the throttle trigger as soon as the cut is completed, allowing the engine to idle. If you run the saw at full throttle without a cutting load, unnecessary wear can occur to the chain, bar, and engine.
- To avoid losing control when cut is complete, do not put pressure on saw at end of cut.
- Stop the engine before setting the saw down after cutting.

f. Remove dirt, stones, loose bark, nails, staples, and wire from the tree where cuts are to be made.

g. Plan to stand on the up-hill side when cutting on a slope. Figure 17.

h. Plan a clear retreat path to the rear and diagonal to the line of fall. Figure 18.

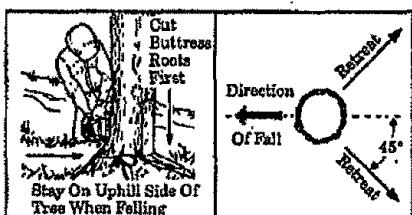


Figure 17

Figure 18

## 2. FELLING SMALL TREES--LESS THAN 6" IN DIAMETER

- If you know the direction of fall:
  - Make a single felling cut on the side away from the direction of fall.
  - Cut all the way through.
  - Stop the saw, put it down, and get away quickly on your planned retreat path.
- If you are not sure which way the tree will fall, use the notch method described for felling large trees.

### A WARNING

#### DO NOT CUT:

- near electrical wires or buildings.
- if you do not know the direction of tree fall.
- at night since you will not be able to see well.
- during bad weather -- rain, snow, strong wind, etc.

## 3. FELLING LARGE TREES--6" IN DIAMETER OR MORE

The notch method is used to fell large trees. A notch is cut on the side of the tree in the desired direction of fall. After a felling cut is made on the opposite side of the tree, the tree will tend to fall into the notch.

**NOTE:** If the tree has large buttress roots, remove them before making the notch. Cut into the buttresses vertically, then horizontally. Figure 19.

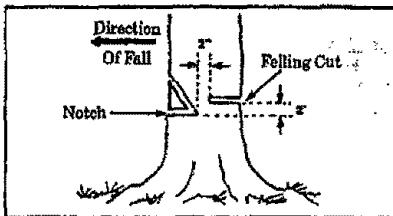


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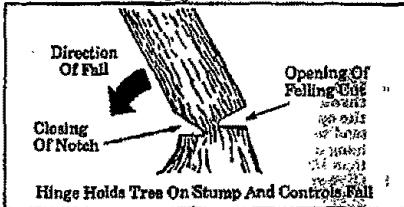


Figure 20

### A WARNING

Stay on the uphill side of the terrain to avoid injury from the tree rolling or sliding downhill after it is felled. Figure 18.

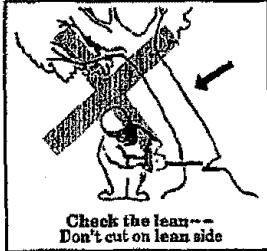
**NOTE:** Before the felling cut is complete, use wedges to open the cut when necessary to control the direction of fall. Use wood or plastic wedges, but never steel or iron, to avoid kickback and chain damage.

- Be alert to signs that the tree is ready to fall:
  - Cracking sounds.
  - Widening of the Felling Cut.
  - Movement in the upper branches.
- As the tree starts to fall, stop the saw, put it down, and get away quickly on your planned retreat path.
- Be extremely cautious with partially fallen trees that may be poorly supported. When a tree doesn't fall completely, set the saw aside and pull down the tree with a cable winch, block and tackle, or tractor. To avoid injury, do not cut down a partially fallen tree with your saw.

## DON'T PUT YOURSELF IN THESE POSITIONS



Check the wind--  
Don't cut down wind



Check the lean--  
Don't cut on lean side



Check the balance--  
Don't cut on weighted side

### C. BUCKING

Bucking is the term used for cutting a fallen tree to the desired log size.

#### 1. IMPORTANT POINTS

- Cut only one log at a time.
- Cut shattered wood very carefully. Sharp pieces of wood could be flung toward the operator.
- Use a sawhorse to cut small logs. Never allow another person to hold the log while cutting and never hold the log with your leg or foot.
- Do not cut in an area where logs, limbs, and roots are tangled such as in a blown down area. Drag the log into a clear area before cutting by pulling out exposed and cleared logs first.
- Make the first bucking cut 1/3 of the way through the log and finish with a 2/3 cut on the opposite side. As the log is being cut, it will tend to bend. The saw can become pinched or hung in the log if you make the first cut deeper than 1/3 of the diameter of the log.
- Give special attention to logs under strain to prevent the saw from pinching. Make the first cut on the pressure side to relieve the stress on the log. Figure 21.

#### 2. TYPES OF CUTTING USED (Figure 22):

- Overcutting -- begin on the top side of the log with the bottom of the saw against the log; exert light pressure downward.
- Undercutting -- begin on the under side of the log with the top of the saw against the log; exert light pressure upward. During undercutting, the saw will tend to push back at you. Be prepared for this reaction and hold the saw firmly to maintain control.

#### **A WARNING**

Never turn the saw upside down to undercut. The saw cannot be controlled in this position.

#### **A WARNING**

If saw becomes pinched or hung in a log, don't try to force it out. You can lose control of the saw resulting in injury and/or damage to the saw. Stop the saw, drive a wedge of plastic or wood into the cut until the saw can be removed easily. Figure 23. Restart the saw and carefully reenter the cut. To avoid kickback and chain damage, do not use a metal wedge. Do not attempt to restart your saw when it is pinched or hung in a log.

#### 3. BUCKING WITHOUT A SUPPORT

- Overcut with a 1/3 diameter cut.
- Roll log over and finish with an overcut.

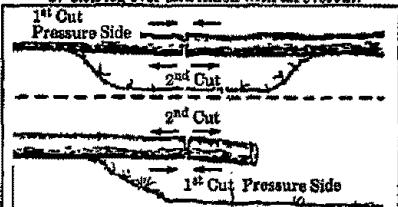


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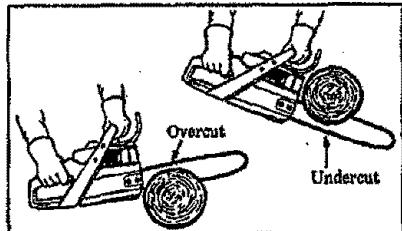


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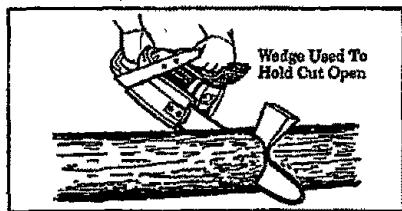


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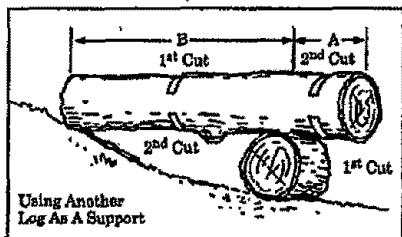


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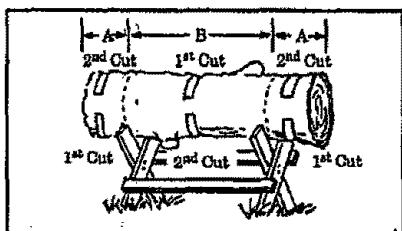


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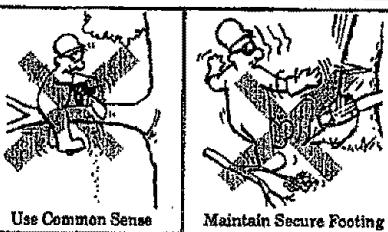
#### 4. BUCKING USING ANOTHER LOG AS A SUPPORT

- a. In area A:
  - 1.) Undercut 1/3 of the way through the log.
  - 2.) Finish with an overcut.
- b. In area B:
  - 1.) Overtcut 1/3 of the way through the log.
  - 2.) Finish with an undercut.

#### 5. BUCKING USING A STAND

- a. In area A:
  - 1.) Undercut 1/3 of the way through the log.
  - 2.) Finish with an overcut.
- b. In area B:
  - 1.) Overtcut 1/3 of the way through the log.
  - 2.) Finish with an undercut.

**A WARNING**  
Do not stand on the log being cut. Any portion can roll causing loss of footing and control.



### D. LIMBING AND PRUNING

- Work slowly, keeping both hands firmly gripped on the saw. Maintain secure footing and balance.
- Watch out for springpoles. Use extreme caution when cutting small size limbs. Slender material may catch the saw chain and be whipped toward you or pull you off balance.
- Be alert for springback. Watch out for branches that are bent or under pressure as you are cutting to avoid being struck by the branch or the saw when the tension in the wood fibers is released.
- Keep a clear work area. Frequently clear branches out of the way to avoid tripping over them.

**A WARNING**

Never climb into a tree to limb or prune. Do not stand on ladders, platforms, a log, or in any position which can cause you to lose your balance or control of the saw.

#### 2. PRUNING

- a. Limit pruning to limbs shoulder height or below. Do not cut if branches are higher than your shoulder. Get a professional to do the job.
- b. Refer to Figure 27 for the pruning technique.
  - 1.) Undercut 1/3 of the way through the limb near the trunk of the tree.
  - 2.) Finish with an overcut farther out from the trunk.
  - 3.) Keep cut off the way of the falling limb.
  - 4.) Cut the stump flush near the trunk of the tree.

**A WARNING**  
Be alert for and guard against kickback. Do not allow the moving chain to contact any other branches or objects at the nose of the guide bar when limbing or pruning. Allowing such contact can result in serious injury.

#### 1. LIMBING

- a. Always limb a tree after it is cut down. Only then can limbing be done safely and properly.
- b. Leave the larger limbs underneath the felled tree to support the tree as you work.
- c. Start at the base of the felled tree and work toward the top, cutting branches and limbs. Remove small limbs with one cut. Figure 28.
- d. Keep the tree between you and the chain. Cut from the side of the tree opposite the branch you are cutting.
- e. Remove larger supporting branches with the 1/3, 2/3 cutting techniques described in the bucking section.
  - 1.) Undercut 1/3 of the way through the log.
  - 2.) Finish with an overcut.
- f. Always use an overcut to cut small and freely hanging limbs. Undercutting could cause limbs to fall and pinch the saw.



Figure 28

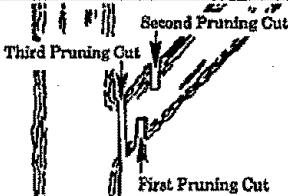


Figure 27

## GENERAL MAINTENANCE

A good maintenance program of regular inspection and care will increase the service life and help to maintain the safety and performance of your saw.

- Make all adjustments or repairs (except carburetor adjustments) with:
  - spark plug wire disconnected.
  - engine cool as opposed to a saw that has just been run.

- Check the saw for loose bolts, screws, nuts, and fittings regularly. Loose fasteners can cause an unsafe condition as well as damage to your saw.

### ▲ WARNING

Have all chain saw service performed by a qualified service dealer other than the items listed in the maintenance section of this manual.

### A. GUIDE BAR AND CHAIN

Increase the service life of your Guide Bar and Chain by:

- Using the saw properly and as recommended in this manual.
- Maintaining correct chain tension, page 8.
- Proper lubrication, page 10.
- Regular maintenance as described in this section.

### 1. CHAIN MAINTENANCE

- Sharpen the chain when:
  - wood chips are small and powdery. Wood chips made by the saw chain should be about the size of the teeth of the chain.
  - saw has to be forced through the cut.
  - saw cuts to one side.

**CAUTION!** Always wear gloves when handling the chain. The chain can be sharp enough to cut you even though it is dull to cut wood.

#### a. SHARPENING INSTRUCTIONS

Items required:

Gloves                      Flat File  
5/32" Diameter File      Depth Gauge  
6" File Holder

- 1.) Stop Engine.
- 2.) Adjust the chain for proper tension, Page 8.
- 3.) Work at the midpoint of the bar, moving the chain forward by hand as each cutter is filed.

#### 4.) Sharpen Cutters.

- a.) Position the file holder level at a 10° angle on the top plate of the cutter and depth gauge. Figure 28.
- b.) Align the 25° file holder marks with the bar and parallel to the center of the chain. Figures 29 & 31.

**NOTE:** If your file holder has a 30° mark, disregard this mark and file at a 25° angle.

- c.) File from inside toward outside of cutter, straight across on forward stroke in one direction only. Use 2 or 3 strokes per cutting edge. Figure 30.
- d.) Keep all cutters the same length. Figure 30.
- e.) File enough to remove any damage to the cutting edges (side plates and top plate) of the cutter. Figure 30.
- f.) File chain to meet specifications shown in Figure 31.

### ▲ WARNING

Maintain the proper hook angle according to the manufacturer's specification for the chain you are using. Too much hook angle will increase the chance of kickback which can result in serious injury. Figures 31 & 33.

#### 5.) Correct Depth Gauges

- a.) Place depth gauge tool over each cutter depth gauge. Figure 32.
- b.) File depth gauge with a flat file until it is level with the top of the depth gauge tool.

- c.) Maintain rounded front corner of depth gauge with a flat file. Figures 32 & 33.

**NOTE:** The very top of the depth gauge should be flat with the front half rounded off with a flat file.

### ▲ WARNING

The Depth Gauge Tool is required to insure proper depth gauge. Filing the depth gauge too deep will increase the chance of kickback which can result in serious injury.

#### b. CHAIN REPLACEMENT

- 1.) Use only the Low-Kickback replacement chain specified for your saw in the "Specifications" section.
- 2.) Replace the chain when cutters or links break.
- 3.) See a qualified service dealer to replace or sharpen your chain.
- 4.) Always have a worn sprocket replaced by a qualified service dealer when installing a new chain to avoid excessive wear to the chain.

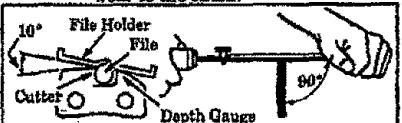


Figure 28



Figure 29

## 2. GUIDE BAR MAINTENANCE

- Conditions which can require guide bar maintenance:
  - saw cuts to one side.
  - saw has to be forced through a cut.
  - inadequate supply of oil to bar and chain.
- Check the condition of the guide bar each time the chain is sharpened. A worn guide bar will damage the chain and make cutting more difficult.
- Replace the guide bar when:
  - the inside groove of guide bar rails is worn.
  - the guide bar is bent or cracked. See Figure 35.

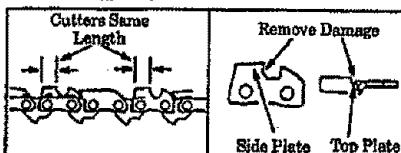


Figure 30

- Use only the replacement Reduced-Kickback Guide Bar specified for your saw in the "Specification" section.
- a. Remove the guide bar to service.
- b. Clean the oil holes at least once after every five hours of operation.
- c. Remove sawdust from the guide bar groove periodically with a putty knife or a wire. Figure 34.
- d. Remove burns by filing the side edges of the guide bar grooves square with a flat file. Figure 35.
- e. Restore square edges to an uneven rail top by filing with a flat file. Figure 35.

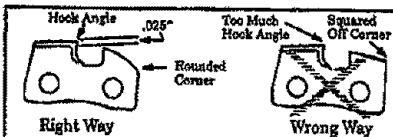


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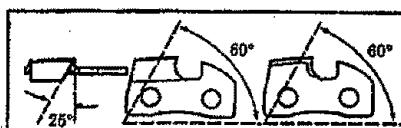


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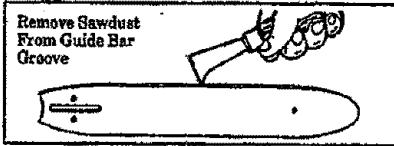


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Figure 32

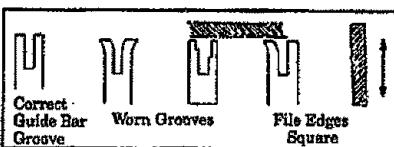


Figure 35

## B. SPARK ARRESTOR

- Carbon deposits build up on the spark arrestor as the saw is used and must be removed to avoid creating a fire hazard or causing engine damage.
- Replace the spark arrestor if breaks occur.
- Keep the spark arrestor clean at all times. Clean: -- as required. -- at least once for each 25-30 hours of operation.

Items required: wire brush, 3/8" wrench

1. Disconnect the spark plug wire.
2. Remove the Muffler Cover Screws and Muffler Cover. Figure 36.
3. Remove the Spark Arrestor Screen. Figure 36.
4. Clean the screen with a wire brush or replace if breaks are found.
5. Reassemble parts.



Figure 36

READ  
SPECIAL SAFETY SECTION  
FREQUENTLY

## C. STARTER ROPE

- Replace a broken starter or a rope that is badly frayed.

**NOTE:** A recoil spring lies beneath the pulley and is under tension. If the recoil spring is disturbed, considerable time and effort will be required to reinstall. For this reason you may want to let a qualified service dealer handle this repair. If you try to repair the starter rope and the recoil spring pops out, take the unit to your dealer.

### A WARNING

Always wear eye protection when servicing the starter rope. The recoil spring beneath the pulley is under tension. If the spring pops out, serious injury can result.

- Remove the four screws on the side of the fan housing. Figure 37.
- Separate the fan housing from the unit.
- If the starter rope is not broken, release the spring tension by pulling about 10 inches of rope from the pulley as shown in Figure 38. Catch the rope on one of the tabs. Figure 38.
- Carefully turn the pulley counterclockwise until the spring tension is released.
- Remove the pulley screw in the center of the pulley. Figure 39.
- Lift the pulley carefully while gently twisting it counterclockwise.
- Remove the Rope Retainer Screw and remove the old rope. Figure 39.
- Melt away from the fuel tank and melt the end of the rope to be installed.
- Allow the melted end to drip once. Then, while the rope is still hot, pull the melted end through a rag to obtain a smooth, pointed end.
- Insert one end of the rope through the Handle and secure with a knot. Leave a  $3/16$ " pigtail behind the knot. Figure 40 (Inset—upper left).
- Feed the rope through the round starter rope hole in the fan housing. Figure 39.
- Guide the rope inside the pulley, then up through the pulley hole (on the Pulley Ratchet side). Figure 39. It might be necessary to insert a small screwdriver through the underside hole to push the rope through the Pulley Hole. Figure 39 (Inset).
- Wrap the rope counterclockwise around the pulley ratchet and tuck loose end back under the rope leaving a 1 inch tail between the retainer rib and screw post. Figure 39. Pull rope tightly.
- Rewind all the rope onto the pulley in a clockwise direction.
- Set the pulley into the housing; push it down and engage the spring.
- Replace and tighten the pulley screw.
- Pull out 10 inches of rope. Catch the rope on one of the tabs on the pulley. Figure 40.
- Turn the pulley 2 complete turns clockwise winding up the spring.
- Hold the pulley and pull the starter rope to the full extent of length. Let rope rewind slowly.
- Replace fan housing.

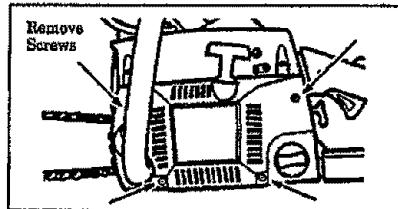


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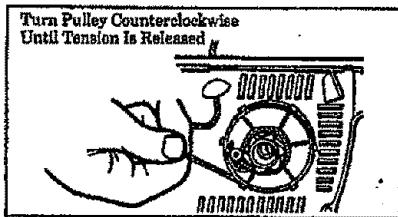


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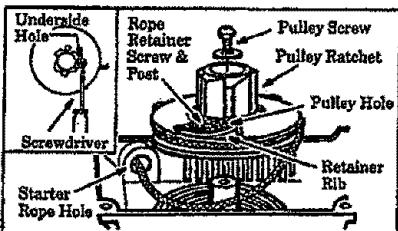


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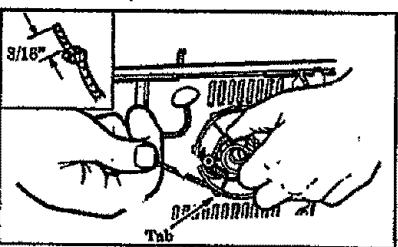


Figure 40

## D. CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENTS

- Poor engine performance can be a result of other causes such as dirty air filter, carbon build-up on muffler outlets, etc. See the "Trouble Shooting Chart" before proceeding with carburetor adjustments.
- For best results, it is recommended that you have a qualified service dealer make all carburetor adjustments. Your dealer has the training, experience, and tools necessary to properly adjust your saw to meet our factory performance specifications. This service is not covered by warranty. If it becomes necessary for you to make carburetor adjustments yourself, follow the described procedures very carefully.
- The carburetor has been adjusted at the factory for sea level conditions. Adjustments may become necessary if the saw is used at significantly higher altitudes or if you notice any of the following conditions:

**NOTE:** Be sure to properly prepare the saw as described in "1. Preparation" (below) before making any adjustments.

- Chain moves when the engine runs at idle speed. See "2. Idle Speed Adjustment."
- Saw will not idle. See "2. Idle Speed Adjustment" and "3. Low Speed Mixture Adjustment."
- Engine dies or hesitates when it should accelerate. See "4. Acceleration Adjustment."
- Loss of cutting power which is not corrected by air filter cleaning. See "5. High Speed Mixture Adjustment."

**CAUTION!** Permanent damage will occur to any 2-cycle engine if incorrect carburetor adjustments are made.

- If the unit will not operate properly after making these adjustments, take the saw to a qualified service dealer.

### ▲ WARNING

The chain will be moving during most of this procedure. Wear your protective gear and observe all safety precautions.

#### 1. PREPARATION

- a. Stop the engine.
- b. Use a fresh fuel mixture with proper gasoline/oil ratio.
- c. Place the saw on a solid, flat surface and make sure the chain will not contact any object.
- d. Locate the three (3) carburetor adjusting screw openings to the right of the air filter cover. Figure 41.
- e. Start the engine and allow engine to idle three (3) minutes to warm up. The engine must be at operating temperature for proper adjustments to be made.

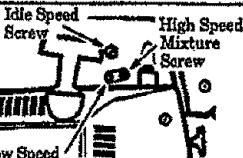


Figure 41

#### 2. IDLE SPEED ADJUSTMENT

- a. Allow the engine to idle.
- b. Adjust the Idle Speed Screw until the engine continues to run without stalling and without the chain moving.
  - Turn screw clockwise to increase engine speed if engine stalls or dies.
  - Turn screw counterclockwise to slow engine down and/or to keep the chain from turning.
- c. No further adjustments are necessary if the chain does not move at idle speed and if performance is satisfactory.

### ▲ WARNING

In "3. Low Speed Mixture Adjustment," recheck idle speed after each adjustment. The chain must not move at idle speed.

#### 3. LOW SPEED MIXTURE ADJUSTMENT

- a. Allow engine to idle.
- b. Turn the Low Speed Mixture Screw slowly clockwise until the RPM starts to drop. Note the position.
- c. Turn the Low Speed Mixture Screw slowly counterclockwise until the RPM speeds up and starts to drop again. Note the position.
- d. Set the Low Speed Mixture Screw at the midpoint between the two positions.

#### 4. ACCELERATION ADJUSTMENT

If the engine dies or hesitates instead of accelerating, turn the Low Speed Mixture Screw 1/16 of a turn at a time counterclockwise until you have smooth acceleration.

#### 5. HIGH SPEED MIXTURE ADJUSTMENT

**CAUTION!** Adjustments as small as 1/16 of a turn can affect engine performance. It is important to turn the screw only 1/16 of a turn per adjustment and test the performance of the saw before making further adjustments.

- a. Make a test cut.
- b. Adjust the High Speed Mixture Screw 1/16 of a turn as follows:
  - Clockwise if saw smokes or loses power.
  - Counterclockwise if the saw has speed out of the cut but lacks power in the cut.
- c. Repeat test cut.
- d. Continue 1/16 of a turn adjustments until the saw runs smoothly in cut.

**CAUTION!** A too lean high speed setting (clockwise adjustment) will cause engine damage to any 2-cycle engine from overheating and lack of lubrication. Never set the high speed mixture screw so far clockwise that you have high speed but lack power while cutting. An effective approach follows.

- Turn screw counterclockwise until engine loses power while cutting.
- Then, turn screw clockwise in 1/16 of a turn increments only until the engine has power while cutting.

**NOTE:** If the unit will not operate properly after making these adjustments, take the saw to a qualified service dealer.

## E. AIR FILTER

- A dirty air filter:
    - reduces cutting power.
    - increases fuel consumption.
  - Clean the air filter as follows:
    - check filter after 20 hours of operation
    - more frequently in very dusty conditions.
1. Clean off the carburetor cover and the area around it to keep dirt and sawdust from falling into the carburetor chamber when the cover is removed.
  2. Remove the carburetor cover screws and carburetor cover. Figure 42.
  3. Remove the Air Filter screws. Figure 42.
  4. Pull out the air filter. Figure 42.
  5. Wash the filter in soap and water.

**[CAUTION]** Do not use gasoline or other flammable liquid to clean the filter to avoid creating a fire hazard.

6. Reverse steps to reassemble.

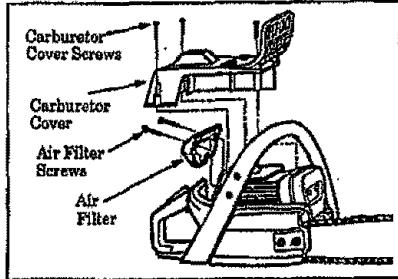


Figure 42

**[CAUTION]** To avoid damage to the engine, do not operate the unit without the air filter in place.

## F. STORAGE

When your saw is to be stored for over 30 days, always:

1. Drain fuel tank in a safe manner. See "Fueling Your Engine—Fuel Safety."
2. Start engine and allow to run at idle speed until the engine stops.

**NOTE:** Running the engine until it stops will remove most of the fuel from the fuel system.

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

3. Drain oil from oil tank.

**[CAUTION]** Wear protective gloves when handling the chain. The chain is sharp and can cut you even when it is not moving.

4. Remove, clean, and dry the bar and chain.
5. Store the chain in a container filled with oil to prevent rust.
6. Apply a coating of oil to the entire surface of the bar and wrap it in heavy paper, cloth, or plastic.
7. Clean the outside surfaces of the engine.
8. Store the saw in a dry place, out of the reach of children, and away from where fuel vapors can reach open flames from hot water heaters, furnaces, etc.

## NOTES

## G.TROUBLE SHOOTING CHART

SYMPTOM	CAUSE	REMEDY
Engine will not start or will run only for a few seconds after starting.	1. Fuel tank empty. 2. Engine flooded. 3. Spark plug not firing. 4. Fuel not reaching carburetor. 5. Carburetor requires adjustment. 6. Ignition Switch Off. 7. None of the above.	1. Fill tank with correct fuel mixture 2. See "Starting Instructions." 3. Install new plug/check ignition system. 4. Clean fuel filter; inspect fuel line. 5. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 6. Move switch to the "START" position. 7. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Engine will not idle properly.	1. Idle speed set too fast or too slow. 2. Low speed mixture requires adjustment. 3. Crankshaft seals worn. 4. Compression low. 5. None of the above.	1. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 2. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 3. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept. 4. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept. 5. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Engine will not accelerate, lacks power, or dies under a load.	1. Air filter dirty. 2. Spark plug fouled. 3. Carburetor requires adjustment. 4. Exhaust ports or muffler outlets plugged. 5. Compression low. 6. None of the above.	1. Clean or replace air filter 2. Clean or replace spark plug and re-gap. 3. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 4. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept. 5. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept. 6. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Engine smokes excessively.	1. Air filter dirty. 2. Fuel mixture incorrect. 3. High speed mixture requires adjustment. 4. Choke partially on. 5. Crankcase leak.	1. Clean or replace air filter. 2. Refill with correct fuel mixture. 3. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 4. Push Choke knob in. 5. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Engine runs hot.	1. Fuel mixture incorrect. 2. High speed mixture set too low (Lean). 3. Spark plug incorrect. 4. Exhaust ports or muffler outlets plugged. 5. Carbon build-up on muffler outlet screen. 6. Fan housing/cylinder fins dirty. 7. None of the above.	1. See "Fueling Your Unit." 2. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 3. Replace with correct plug. 4. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept. 5. Clean spark arrestor screen. 6. Clean area. 7. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Oil inadequate for bar and chain lubrication.	1. Oil tank empty. 2. Oil pump or oil filter clogged. 3. Guide bar oil hole blocked.	1. Fill oil tank. 2. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept. 3. Remove bar and clean.
Chain moves at Idle Speed.	1. Idle speed requires adjustment. 2. Clutch requires repair.	1. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 2. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Chain does not move when engine is accelerated.	1. Chain tension too tight. 2. Carburetor requires adjustment. 3. Guide bar rails pinched. 4. Clutch slipping.	1. See "Chain Tension." 2. See "Carburetor Adjustments." 3. Repair or replace. 4. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Chain clatters or cuts roughly.	1. Chain tension incorrect. 2. Cutters damaged. 3. Chain worn. 4. Cutters dull, improperly sharpened, or depth gauges too high. 5. Sprocket worn.	1. See "Chain Tension." 2. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept. 3. Resharpen or replace chain. 4. See the chain sharpening instructions. 5. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Chain stops within the cut.	1. Chain cutter tops not filed flat. 2. Guide bar burred or bent; rails uneven. 3. Clutch slipping.	1. See the chain sharpening instructions. 2. Repair or replace guide bar. 3. Contact your Sears Service Center/Dept.
Chain cuts at an angle.	1. Cutters damaged on one side. 2. Chain dull on one side. 3. Guide bar bent or worn.	1. Resharpen until all cutters have equal angles and lengths. 2. Resharpen until all cutters have equal angles and lengths. 3. Replace guide bar.

## B. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITY--MAINTENANCE CHART

		before starting work	after finishing work or daily	after each refueling stop	weekly	monthly	annually
Complete machine.	Visual inspection (condition, leaks)	✓					
	Clean		✓				
Throttle trigger; safety throttle lock; stop switch.	Check operation	✓	✓				
Filter in fuel tank.	Replace pick-up -- when clogged or dirty;						
Fuel tank.	Inspect	✓				✓	
Chain oil tank.	Clean					✓	
Chain lubrication.	Fill				✓		
Saw chain.	Inspect (sharpness, wear, damage)	✓	✓				
	Check chain tension	✓		✓			
	Sharpen -- when dull						
Guide bar.	Inspect (wear, damage)	✓		✓			
	Clean				✓		
	Deburr					✓	
	Replace -- when worn or damaged						
Chain sprocket.	Check -- when replacing chain						
Air filter.	Clean				✓		
	Replace -- when worn or damaged						
Cylinder fins.	Clean				✓		
Carburetor	Check idle adjustment -- chain must not turn at idle						
	Readjust idle -- when engine runs poorly						
Spark plug.	Replace -- when fouled or damaged						
All accessible screws and nuts (not adjusting screws).	Retighten			✓			
Vibration mounts.	Inspect -- for broken or disconnected springs		✓				
	Replace -- when broken						
Spark arrestor screen.	Clean -- when clogged or dirty						
	Replace -- when worn or damaged						

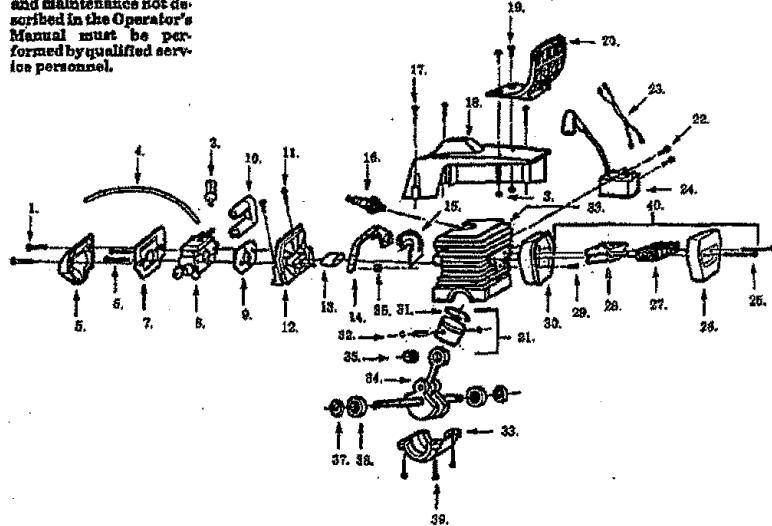
## ACCESSORIES

The following items are available through your nearest Sears Store, Catalog Sales Office, or Service Center/Department, but may not be furnished with your saw.

File - round - 6 3/8" .....	71-36524	2-cycle Engine Oil .....	71-36555
Depth Gauge .....	71-36557	Bar & Chain Lubricant .....	71-36554
Spark Plug .....	71-35552	1 qt. ....	71-36556
Reduced Kickback Guide Bar - 14" .....	71-36366	1 gal. ....	71-36557
Low-Kickback Chain - 14" .....	71-36228	Screwdriver .....	580-031135
Reduced Kickback Guide Bar - 15" .....	71-36374	Safety Glasses .....	952-062008
Low-Kickback Chain - 15" .....	71-3619	Operator's Manual .....	580-065830

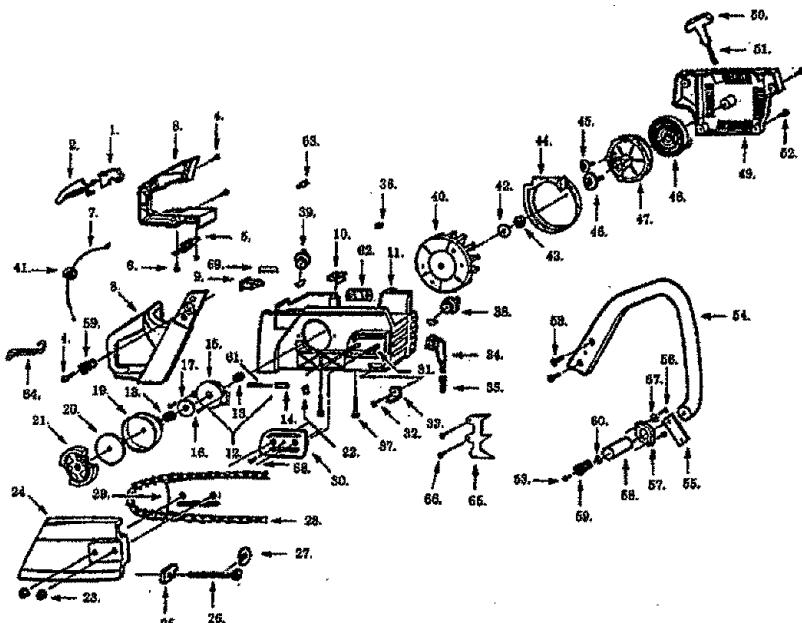
## SEARS CHAIN SAW REPAIR PARTS LIST - MODEL 358.356241- 2.5-18"

**WARNING**  
All repairs, adjustments and maintenance not described in the Operator's Manual must be performed by qualified service personnel.



Ref.	Part No.	Description	Ref.	Part No.	Description	Ref.	Part No.	Description
1.	530-016899	Screw	12.	530-016595	Screw	Not Shown	530-031135	Screen
2.	530-014159	Fuel Pick-up	13.	530-031229	Switch Wire Ass'y.		530-068336	Operator Manual
3.	530-001843	Nut	14.	530-039143	Ignition Module		530-061474	Carton
4.	530-069247	Fuel Line	15.	-	Bolt		530-068316	Clutch Drum (Rim)
5.	530-036141	Air Filter (Top)	16.	530-016328	5mm		530-014535	Carton Contents Bag
6.	530-016970	Screw	17.	530-016443	5mm		530-031136	Worm Gear Puller
7.	530-036134	Air Filter (Bottom)	18.	530-036099	Muffler Cover		530-031132	Clutch Assy. Tool
8.	530-023352	Carburetor	19.	530-036108	Spark Screen		530-038389	Rep'l. Bar & Chain
9.	530-018172	Gasket	20.	530-036103	Diffuser		Detail	
10.	530-036106	Carb. Grommet	21.	530-011592	Muffler Body		530-086401	Fax Reg. Decal
11.	530-016985	Screw	22.	530-037245	Piston Ring		530-038402	Clutch Cover Decal
12.	530-036131	Carb. Adaptor	23.	530-028982	Piston Pin Retainer			
13.	530-028814	Intake Sleeve	24.	530-012657	Cylinder Kit			
14.	530-019177	Turbo Clean Seal	25.	530-056414	O' shaft & Rod Ass'y.			
15.	530-028813	Turbo Air Cleaner	26.	530-0232794	Piston Pin Bearing			
16.	71-55452	Ass'y.	27.	530-019171	Impulse Seal			
17.	530-016903	Screw	28.	530-019170	O' shaft Seal			
18.	530-036089	Cylinder Shield	29.	530-032118	O' shaft Bearing			
19.	530-016406	Screw	30.	530-016597	Screw			
20.	530-029181	Handguard	31.	530-069416	Muffler Kit (Incl. 25,26,28,30)			
21.	530-069454	Flap Kit (Incl. 31,32 & 33)						

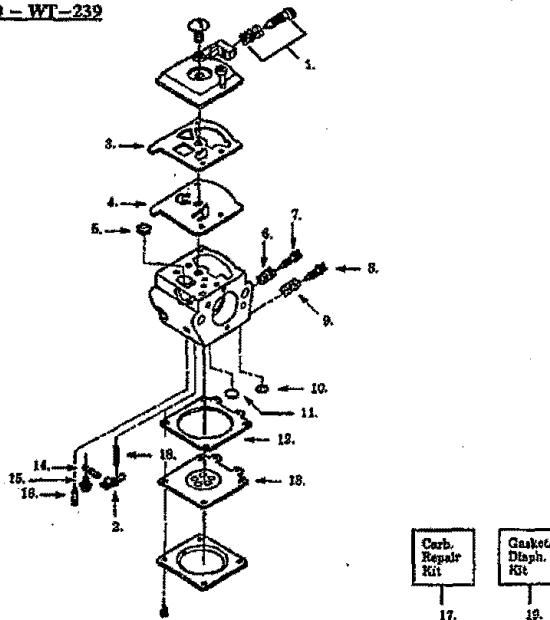
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Ref.	Part No.	Description	Ref.	Part No.	Description	Ref.	Part No.	Description
1.	530-036097	Throttle Trigger	24.	530-036133	Clutch Cover	48.	530-015591	Recoil Spring
2.	530-036238	Throttle Lockout	25.	530-015626	Bar Adjusting Pin	49.	530-014471	Firg Hdg. Ass'y.
3.	530-036037	Rear Pro Handle	26.	530-015782	Screw	50.	530-037659	Starter Handle
4.	530-016957	Screw	27.	530-024410	B-Ring	51.	530-056232	Hole Kit
5.	530-036581	Isolator Spring	28.	71-3619	Chain 18"	52.	530-015882	Screw
6.	530-016506	Screw	29.	71-36374	Bar 18"	53.	530-015984	Screw
7.	530-036104	Throttle Cable	30.	530-029836	Bar Plate	54.	530-036201	Handle
8.	530-036092	Handle Cover	31.	530-015877	Bar Bolt	55.	530-035115	Front Strap
9.	530-036112	Ignition Switch	32.	530-015937	Screw	56.	530-015925	Plate Screw
10.	530-016922	Speed Nut	33.	530-029850	Chain Catcher	57.	530-035101	Isolator Wash
11.	530-036230	Chassis Ass'y.	34.	530-038023	Oil Pick-up	58.	530-038142	Spring Sleeve
12.	530-014410	Oil Pump Ass'y. (clcl. 14, 15, & 51)	35.	530-315181	Oil Intake Screen	59.	530-038350	Isolator Spring
13.	530-029853	Oil Pump Worm	36.	530-029889	Vent Plug	60.	530-015116	Washer
14.	530-029834	Oil Pump Barrel	37.	530-015881	Screw	61.	530-032838	Plunger & Gear Ass'y.
15.	530-029835	Oil Pump Hdg.	38.	530-010546	Oil Cap Ass'y.	62.	530-038043	Base Stud Plate
16.	530-015893	Screw	39.	530-010845	Fuel Cap Ass'y.	63.	530-038119	Check Valve
17.	530-015907	Thrust Washer	40.	530-039147	Flywheel Ass'y.	64.	530-035107	Choke Lever
18.	530-032119	Clutch Bearing	41.	530-038109	Grommet	65.	530-014459	Spoke (Optional)
19.	530-036318	Clutch Drum	42.	530-015137	Washer	66.	530-015906	Screw (Optional)
20.	530-015611	Clutch Washer	43.	530-015071	Nut	67.	530-015629	Washer
21.	530-014232	Clutch Ass'y.	44.	530-029800	Baffle Plate	68.	530-015636	Screw
22.	530-019174	Oil Seal	45.	530-015825		69.	530-037071	Protector Cap
23.	530-015917	Bar Mounting Nut	46.	530-015920				
			47.	530-059315	Starter Pulley			

**SEARS CHAIN SAW REPAIR PARTS LIST – MODEL 358.356241 – 2.5–18"**

**Carburetor #530-035330 – WT-239**



Ref.	Part No.	Description	Ref.	Part No.	Description
1.	530-034296	Idle Adv. Screw Kit	14.	530-035028	Metering Lever Pin
2.	530-035031	Metering Lever	15.	530-035010	Metering Lever Pin Screw
3.	530-034164	Fuel Pump Gasket	16.	530-035223	Idle Needle Valve
4.	530-035166	Fuel Pump Diaphragm	17.	530-035295	Carburetor Repair Kit (Incl. 3-5 & 10-18)
5.	530-035300	Fuel Inlet Screen	18.	530-035305	Metering Lever Spring
6.	530-035323	Needle Spring (Low Speed)			Gasket/Diaphragm Kit (Incl. 3, 4, 12, & 13)
7.	530-035281	Low Speed Needle			
8.	-	High Speed Needle			
9.	530-035294	WT-202			
10.	530-035229	WT-239			
11.	530-035225	Needle Spring (High Speed)			
12.	530-035162	Witch Plug (5/16)			
13.	530-035225	Cop Plug			
14.	530-035185	Metering Diaphragm Gasket			
15.	530-035014	Metering Diaphragm			

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## Operator's Manual

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### How to Order Repair Parts

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The Model Number will be found below the top handle with the Serial Number. Always mention the Model Number when requesting service or repair parts for your unit.

All parts listed herein may be ordered from any Sears Service Center and most Sears Stores.

WHEN ORDERING REPAIR PARTS ALWAYS GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS SHOWN IN THIS LIST:

- |                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. The PART NUMBER  | 3. The PART DESCRIPTION |
| 2. The MODEL NUMBER | 4. The NAME OF ITEM --  |
- 358.356241      Gasoline Chain Saw

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