

# **CRAFTSMAN ®** MODEL NUMBER 917.256701 OWNER'S MANUAL

- Assembly
- Operation
- Customer Responsibilities
- Service and Adjustments
- Repair Parts





CAUTION: Read and follow all safety rules and instructions before operating this equipment. FOR CONSUMER ASSISTANCE HOT LINE, CALL THIS TOLL FREE NUMBER: 1-800-659-5917

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### SAFETY RULES

#### Safe Operation Practices for Ride-On Mowers

**IMPORTANT:** THIS CUTTING MACHINE IS CAPABLE OF AMPUTATING HANDS AND FEET AND THROWING OBJECTS. FAILURE TO OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

#### I. GENERAL OPERATION

- Read, understand, and follow all instructions in the manual and on the machine before starting.
- Only allow responsible adults, who are familiar with the instructions, to operate the machine.
- Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade.
- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point it at anyone. Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher or the guard in place.
- Slow down before turning.
- Never leave a running machine unattended. Always turn off blades, set parking brake, stop engine, and remove keys before dismounting.
- Turn off blades when not mowing.
- Stop engine before removing grass catcher or unclogging chute.
- Mow only in daylight or good artificial light.
- Do not operate the machine while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Use extra care when loading or unloading the machine into a trailer or truck.

#### **II. SLOPE OPERATION**

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

#### DO:

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

#### DO NOT:

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

#### **III. CHILDREN**

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

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

#### **IV. SERVICE**

- Use extra care in handling gasoline and other fuels. They are flammable and vapors are explosive.
  - Use only an approved container.
  - Never remove gas cap or add fuel with the engine running. Allow engine to cool before refueling. Do not smoke.
  - Never refuel the machine indoors.
  - Never store the machine or fuel container inside where there is an open flame, such as a water heater.
- Never run a machine inside a closed area.
- Keep nuts and bolts, especially blade attachment bolts, tight and keep equipment in good condition.
- Never tamper with safety devices. Check their proper operation regularly.
- Keep machine free of grass, leaves, or other debris build-up. Clean oil or fuel spillage. Allow machine to cool before storing.
- Stop and inspect the equipment if you strike an object. Repair, if necessary, before restarting.
- Never make adjustments or repairs with the engine running.
- Grass catcher components are subject to wear, damage, and deterioration, which could expose moving parts or allow objects to be thrown. Frequently check components and replace with manufacturer's recommended parts, when necessary.
- Mower blades are sharp and can cut. Wrap the blade(s) or wear gloves, and use extra caution when servicing them.
- Check brake operation frequently. Adjust and service as required.



Look for this symbol to point out important safety precautions. It means CAUTION!!! BECOME ALERT!!! YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED.



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

## WARNING A

The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm. **CONGRATULATIONS** on your purchase of a Sears Tractor. It has been designed, engineered and manufactured to give you the best possible dependability and performance.

Should you experience any problem you cannot easily remedy, please contact your nearest Sears Authorized Service Center/Department. We have competent, welltrained technicians and the proper tools to service or repair this tractor.

Please read and retain this manual. The instructions will enable you to assemble and maintain your tractor properly. Always observe the "SAFETY RULES".

MODEL	
NUMBER	917.256701

SERIAL

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THE MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBERS WILL BE FOUND ON A PLATE UNDER THE SEAT.

YOU SHOULD RECORD BOTH SERIAL NUMBER AND DATE OF PURCHASE AND KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

### MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

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

### **CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES**

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

**WARNING:** This tractor is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest-covered, brush-covered or grass-covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped

### PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

HORSEPOWER:	18.0
GASOLINE CAPACITY AND TYPE:	3.5 GALLONS UNLEADED REGULAR
OIL TYPE (API-SF/SG):	SAE 30 (above 32°F) SAE 5W-30 (below 32°F)
OIL CAPACITY:	W/ FILTER: 4.0 PINTS W/O FILTER: 3.5 PINTS
SPARK PLUG: (GAP: .025")	CHAMPION RV17YC
VALVE CLEARANCE:	INTAKE: .003"006" EXHAUST: .013"016"
GROUND SPEED (MPH):	FORWARD: 1st 1.1 2nd 1.4 3rd 2.3 4th 3.5 5th 4.5 6th 5.7 REVERSE: 1.8
TIRE PRESSURE:	FRONT: 14 PSI REAR: 10 PSI
CHARGING SYSTEM:	15 AMPS @ 3600 RPM
BATTERY:	AMP/HR: 30 MIN. CCA: 240
	CASE SIZE: U1R

with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or state laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, it should be maintained in effective working order by the operator.

In the state of California the above is required by law (Section 4442 of the California Public Resources Code). Other states may have similar laws. Federal laws apply on federal lands. A spark arrester for the muffler is available through your nearest Sears Authorized Service Center/ Department (See REPAIR PARTS section of this manual).

### LIMITED TWO YEAR WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN RIDING EQUIPMENT

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

This Warranty does not cover:

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

### LIMITED 90 DAY WARRANTY ON BATTERY

For ninety (90) days from date of purchase, if any battery included with this riding equipment proves defective in material or workmanship and our testing determines the battery will not hold a charge, Sears will replace the battery at no charge.

IN-HOME WARRANTY SERVICE ON YOUR CRAFTSMAN RIDING EQUIPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO-CHARGE FOR 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PURCHASE. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR NEAREST SERVICE CENTER. AFTER 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PURCHASE, WARRANTY SERVICE IS AVAILABLE BY TAKING YOUR CRAFTSMAN RIDING EQUIPMENT TO YOUR NEAREST SEARS SERVICE CENTER. (IN-HOME WARRANTY SERVICE WILL STILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PURCHASE BUT A STANDARD TRIP CHARGE WILL APPLY.) THIS WARRANTY APPLIES ONLY WHILE THIS PRODUCT IS IN THE UNITED STATES.

This Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which may vary from state to state.

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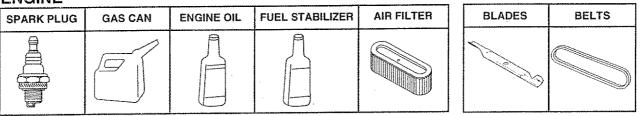
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## **ACCESSORIES AND ATTACHMENTS**

These accessories and attachments were available through most Sears retail outlets and service centers when the tractor was purchased. Most Sears stores can order these items for you when you provide the model number of your tractor.

#### ENGINE

MAINTENANCE



#### PERFORMANCE

Sears offers a wide variety of attachments that fit your tractor. Many of these are listed below with brief explanations of how they can help you. This list was current at the time of publication; however, it may change in future years - more attachments may be added, changes may be made in these attachments, or some may no longer be available or fit your model. Contact your nearest Sears store for the accessories and attachments that are available for your tractor.

Most of these attachments do not require additional hitches or conversion kits (those that do are indicated) and are designed for easy attaching and detaching.

**AERATOR** promotes deep root growth for a healthy lawn. Tapered 2.5-inch steel spikes mounted on 10-inch diameter discs puncture holes in soil at close intervals to let moisture soak in. Steel weight tray for increased penetration.

**BAGGER** lets you collect grass clippings and leaves for a healthier, neater looking lawn. Two Permanex containers hold 30-gallon plastic bags.

BUMPER protects front end of tractor from damage.

**CARTS** make hauling easy. Variety of sizes available, plus accessories such as side panel kits, tool caddy, cart cover, protective mat and dolly.

**CORING AERATOR** takes small plugs out of soil to allow moisture and nutrients to reach grass roots. 36-inch swath. 24 hardened steel coring tips. 150 lb. capacity weight tray.

EASY OIL DRAIN VALVE makes oil changes easier, faster.

**FRONT NOSE ROLLER** canters in front of mower deck to reduce chances of "scalping" on uneven terrain.

GANG HITCH lets you tow 2 or 3 pull-behind attachments at once, such as sweepers, dethatchers, aerators (not for use with rollers, carts or other heavy attachments).

**GAUGE WHEELS** on both sides of the mower deck reduce chances of "scalping" on uneven terrain. For mower decks not so equipped.

MULCH RAKE/DETHATCHER loosens soil and flips thatch and matted leaves to lawn surface for easy pickup. Twenty spring tine teeth. Useful to prepare bare areas for seeding. Available for front or rear mounting. HIGH PERFORMANCE REEL-ACTION SPRING TINE DETHATCHER covers 36-inch wide path and tosses thatch into large hopper. Mounts behind tractor.

MULCHING CLOSE-OUT PLATE KIT, once installed, lets you mulch, discharge or bag clippings (bagger optional) without changing blades. For models not equipped as 3-in-1 Convertible mowers. See "MOWER" in the Repair Parts section of this manual.

**RAMP TOPS AND FEET** let you load and unload tractor from a pickup truck. Use with  $2 \times 8$  or  $2 \times 10$  lumber.

**ROLLER** for smoother lawn surface. 36-inch wide, 18-inch diameter water-tight drum holds up to 390 lbs. of weight. Rounded edges prevent harm to turf. Adjustable scraper automatically cleans drum.

**SNOW BLADE** for snow removal only. 14-inch high, 48-inch wide blade clears 42-inch path when angled left or right. Raises, lowers with side lever. Adjustable skids; replaceable, reversible scraper bar. (Use with tire chains and wheel weights and/or rear drawbar weight.)

**SNOWTHROWER** has 40-inch swath. Drum-type auger handles powdery and wet/heavy snow. Mounts easily with simple pin arrangement. Discharge chute adjusts from tractor seat. 6-inch diameter spout discharges snow 10 to 50 feet. Lift controlled at tractor seat. (Use with chains and wheel weights and/or rear drawbar weight.)

**SPRAYERS** use 12-volt DC electric motor that connects to the tractor battery or other 12-volt source. Includes booms for automatic spraying and hand held wand for spot spraying. Wand has adjustable spray pattern. For applying herbicides, insecticides, fungicides and liquid fertilizers.

**SPREADER/SEEDERS** make seeding, fertilizing, and weed killing easy. Broadcast spreaders are also useful for granular deicers and sand.

SWEEPERS let you collect grass clippings and leaves.

TILLER has 5 hp engine and 36-inch swath to prepare seed beds, cultivate and compost garden residue. Tiller has its own built-in lift and depth control system and does NOT require a sleeve hitch. Fits any lawn, yard or garden tractor. Simply hook up to the tractor drawbar and go! **Optional accessories** convert unit for dethatching, aerating, hilling...without tools.

**TIRE CHAINS** are heavy duty; closely spaced extra-large cross links give smooth ride, outstanding traction.

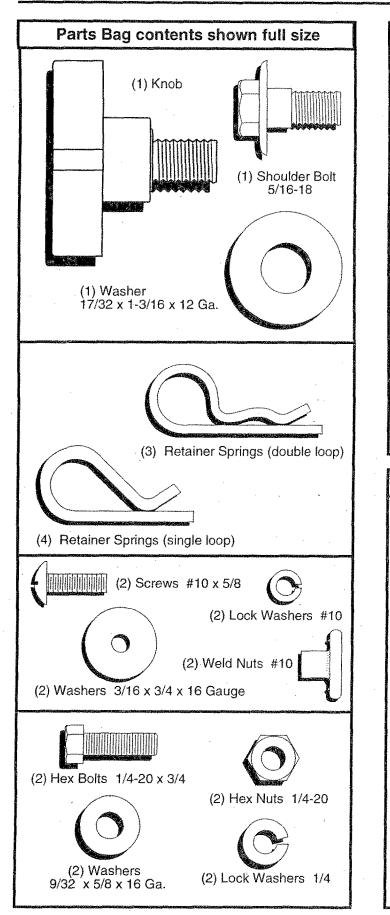
**TRACTOR CAB** has heavy duty vinyl fabric over tubular steel frame, ABS plastic top; clear plastic windshield offers 360 degree visibility. Hinged metal doors with catch. Keeps operator warm and dry. Remove vinyl sides and windshields for use as sun protector in summer. **Optional accessories include:** tinted/ tempered solid safety glass windshield with hand operated wiper; 12-volt amber caution light for mounting on cab top.

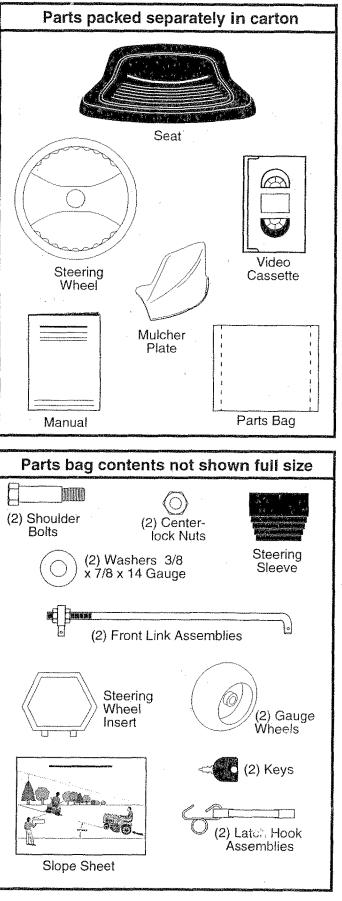
VACS for powerful collection of heavy grass clippings and leaves. Optional wand attachment to pick up debris in hard-to-reach places. VAC/CHIPPER includes a chipper-shredder.

**WEIGHT BRACKET** for drawbar for snow removal applications. Uses (1) 55 lb. weight.

**WHEEL WEIGHTS** for rear wheels provide needed traction for snow removal or dozing heavy materials.

## **CONTENTS OF HARDWARE PACK**





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

### TOOLS REQUIRED FOR ASSEMBLY

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

- (2) 7/16" wrenches 3/4" Socket w/drive ratchet
- (1) 1/2" wrench Tire pressure gauge
- (1) 9/16" wrench Phillips Screwdriver

#### Utility knife

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

### TO REMOVE TRACTOR FROM CARTON

#### **UNPACK CARTON**

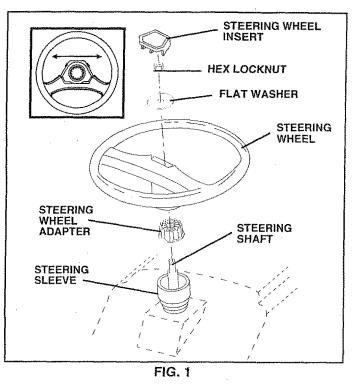
- Remove all accessible loose parts and parts cartons from carton (See page 6).
- Cut, from top to bottom, along lines on all four corners of carton, and lay panels flat.
- Check for any additional loose parts or cartons and remove.

#### **BEFORE ROLLING TRACTOR OFF SKID**

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

- Remove locknut and large flat washer from steering shaft.
- Position front wheels of the tractor so they are pointing straight forward.
- Slide the steering sleeve over the steering shaft.
- Position steering wheel so cross bars are horizontal (left to right) and slide onto adapter.
- Secure steering wheel to steering shaft with locknut and large flat washer previously removed. Tighten securely.
- Snap steering wheel insert into center of steering wheel.
- Remove protective plastic from tractor hood and grill.

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



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

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

#### **CONNECT BATTERY (See Fig. 2)**



CAUTION: Do not short battery terminals. Before connecting battery, remove metal bracelets, wristwatch bands, rings, etc.

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

- Lift hood to raised position.
- Open terminal access doors, remove terminal protective caps and discard.
- If this battery is put into service after month and year indicated on label (label located between terminals) charge battery for minimum of one hour at 6-10 amps.
- First connect RED battery cable to positive (+) battery terminal with hex bolt, flat washer, lock washer and hex nut as shown. Tighten securely.
- Connect BLACK grounding cable to negative (-) battery terminal with remaining hex bolt, flat washer, lock washer and hex nut. Tighten securely.
- Close terminal access doors.
- Use terminal access doors for:
- Inspection for secure connections (to tighten hard-ware).
- Inspection for corrosion.
- Testing battery.
- Jumping (if required).
- · Periodic charging.

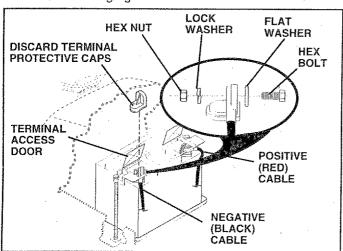


FIG. 2

#### **INSTALL SEAT (See Fig. 3)**

Adjust seat before tightening adjustment knob.

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

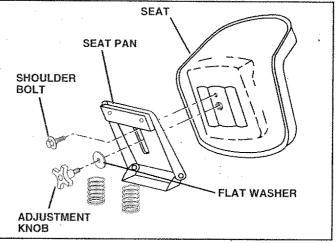


FIG. 3

#### **CHECK TIRE PRESSURE**

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

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

#### CHECK BRAKE SYSTEM

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

#### INSTALL MOWER AND DRIVE BELT (See Figs. 4 and 7)

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

- Cut and remove ties securing anti-sway bar and belts. Swing anti-sway bar to left side of mower deck.
- Slide mower under tractor with discharge guard to right side of tractor.

IMPORTANT: CHECK BELT FOR PROPER ROUTING IN ALL MOWER PULLEY GROOVES. INSTALL BELT INTO ELECTRIC CLUTCH PULLEY GROOVE.

- Install one front link in top hole of the R.H. front mower bracket and R.H. front suspension bracket. Retain with two single loop retainer springs as shown.
- Install second front link in L.H. front suspension bracket only and retain with single loop retainer spring as shown.
- Turn height adjustment knob counterclockwise until it stops.
- Lower mower linkage with attachment lift control.
- Place the L.H. suspension arm on outward pointing deck pin. If necessary, rock and raise front of mower to align deck pin with the hole in suspension arm.
- Slide left side of mower back and install the unattached front link in top hole of the L.H. front mower bracket. Retain with single loop retainer spring as shown.

- Place the R.H. suspension arm on outward pointing deck pin. If necessary, rock and raise front of mower to align deck pin with the hole in suspension arm.
- Connect anti-sway bar to chassis bracket under left footrest and retain with double loop retainer spring.
- Retain both suspension arms to deck pins with double loop retainer springs.
- Turn height adjustment knob clockwise to remove slack from mower suspension.
- Raise mower to highest position.
- Assemble gauge wheels (See "TO ADJUST GAUGE WHEELS" in the Operation section of this manual).

#### CHECK MOWER LEVELNESS

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

#### CHECK FOR PROPER POSITION OF ALL BELTS

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

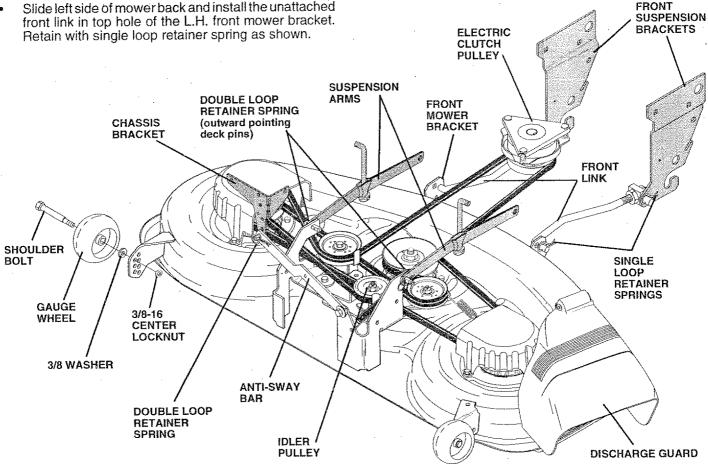


FIG. 4

#### **INSTALL MULCHER PLATE (See Figs. 5 and 6)**

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

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

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

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

#### TO CONVERT TO BAGGING OR DISCHARGING

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

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

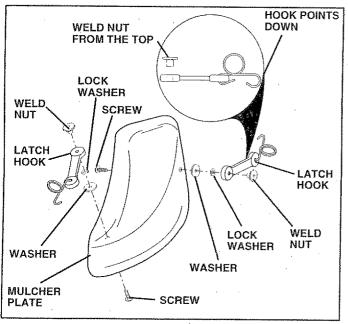


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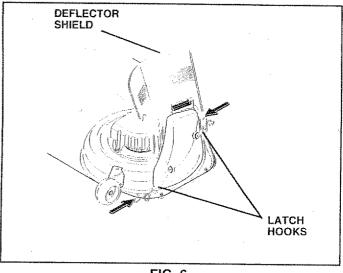


FIG. 6

### ✓ CHECKLIST

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

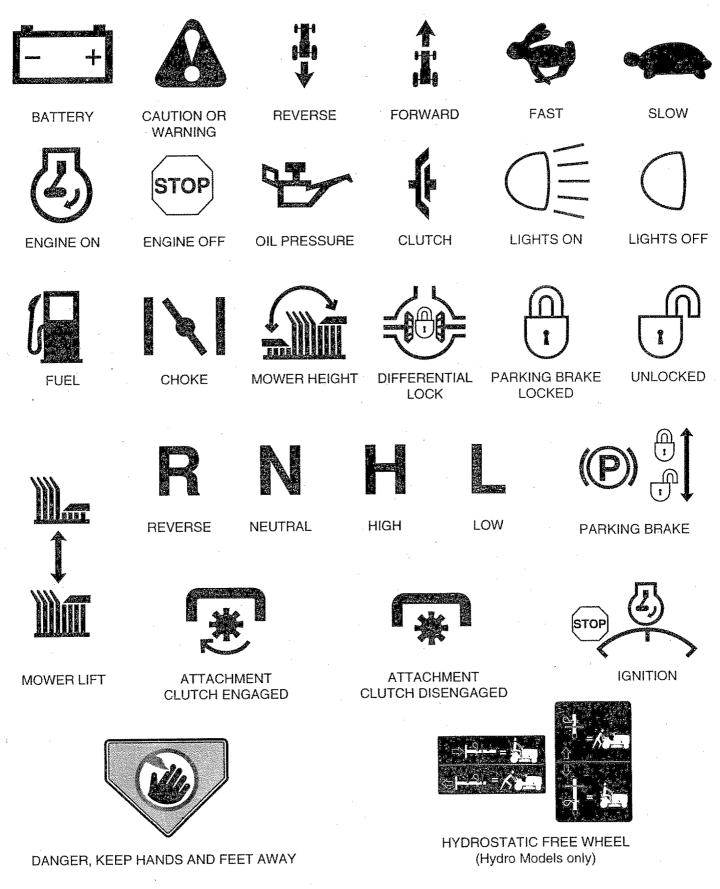
PLEASE REVIEW THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST:

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

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

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

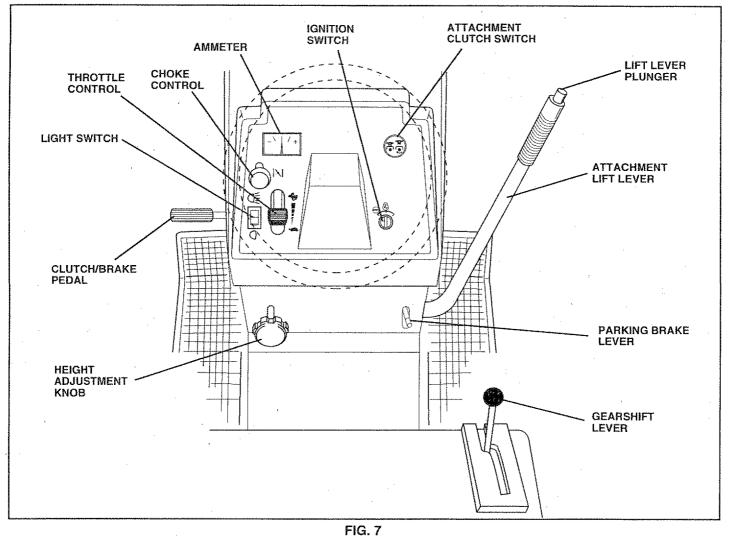
These symbols may appear on your tractor or in literature supplied with the product. Learn and understand their meaning.



### KNOW YOUR TRACTOR

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

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



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

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

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

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

HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT KNOB - Used to adjust the mower height.

LIGHT SWITCH - Turns the headlights on and off.

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

**IGNITION SWITCH** - Used to start and stop the engine. **PARKING BRAKE LEVER** - Locks clutch/brake pedal into the brake position.

THROTTLE CONTROL - Used to control engine speed.

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

**CHOKE CONTROL** - Used when starting a cold engine. **AMMETER** - Indicates charging (+) or discharging (-) of battery.



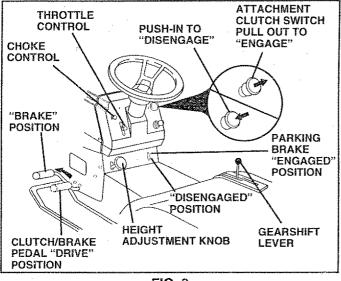
The operation of any tractor can result in foreign objects thrown into the eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Always wear safety glasses or eye shields while operating your tractor or performing any adjustments or repairs. We recommend a wide vision safety mask over the spectacles or standard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

### HOW TO USE YOUR TRACTOR

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

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

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



**FIG. 8** 

#### STOPPING (See Fig. 8)

MOWER BLADES -

- Move attachment clutch switch to "DISENGAGED" position.
- GROUND DRIVE -
- Depress clutch/brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position.
- Move gearshift lever to neutral (N) position.
- ENGINE -
- Move throttle control to slow (\*) position.

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

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

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



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

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

Always operate engine at full throttle.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

• Slowly release clutch/brake pedal to start movement. **IMPORTANT:** BRING TRACTOR TO A COMPLETE STOP BEFORE SHIFTING OR CHANGING GEARS. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL SHORTEN THE USEFUL LIFE OF YOUR TRANSAXLE.

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

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

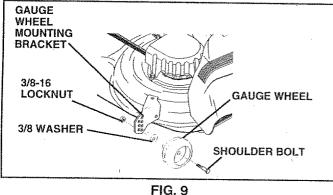
- Turn knob counterclockwise () →) to lower cutting height.
- The cutting height range is approximately 1-1/2" to 4". The heights are measured from the ground to the blade tip with the engine not running. These heights are approximate and may vary depending upon soil conditions, height of grass and types of grass being mowed.
- The average lawn should be cut to approximately 2-1/2 inches during the cool season and to over 3 inches during hot months. For healthier and better looking lawns, mow often and after moderate growth.
- For best cutting performance, grass over 6 inches in height should be mowed twice. Make the first cut relatively high; the second to desired height.

#### TO ADJUST GAUGE WHEELS (See Fig. 9)

Adjust gauge wheels with tractor on a flat level surface.

 Adjust mower to desired cutting height (See "TO AD-JUST MOWER CUTTING HEIGHT" in the Operation section of this manual).

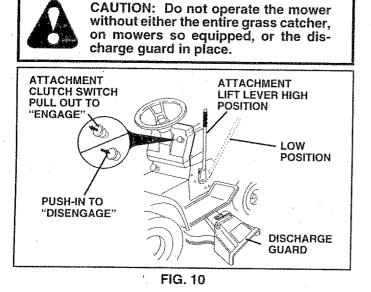
- With mower in desired height of cut position, gauge wheels should be assembled so they are slightly off the ground. Install gauge wheel in appropriate hole with shoulder bolt, 3/8 washer, and 3/8-16 locknut and tighten securely.
- Repeat for opposite side installing gauge wheel in same adjustment hole.



#### TO OPERATE MOWER (See Fig. 10)

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

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



#### TO OPERATE ON HILLS



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

- Choose the slowest speed before starting up or down hills.
- Avoid stopping or changing speed on hills.

- If slowing is necessary, move throttle control lever to slower position.
- If stopping is absolutely necessary, push clutch/brake pedal quickly to brake position and engage parking brake.
- Move gearshift lever to 1st gear. Be sure you have allowed room for tractor to roll slightly as you restart movement.
- To restart movement, slowly release parking brake and clutch/brake pedal.
- Make all turns slowly

#### **TO TRANSPORT**

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

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

### **BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE**

#### CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL (See Fig. 17)

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

#### ADD GASOLINE

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

**IMPORTANT:** WHEN OPERATING IN TEMPERATURES BELOW 32°F(0°C), USE FRESH, CLEAN WINTER GRADE GASOLINE TO HELP INSURE GOOD COLD WEATHER STARTING.

**WARNING**: Experience indicates that alcohol blended fuels (called gasohol or using ethanol or methanol) can attract moisture which leads to separation and formation of acids during storage. Acidic gas can damage the fuel system of an engine while in storage. To avoid engine problems, the fuel system should be emptied before storage of 30 days or longer. Drain the gas tank, start the engine and let it run until the fuel lines and carburetor are empty. Use fresh fuel next season. See Storage Instructions for additional information. Never use engine or carburetor cleaner products in the fuel tank or permanent damage may occur.



CAUTION: Fill to bottom of gas tank filler neck. Do not overfill. Wipe off any spilled oil or fuel. Do not store, spill or use gasoline near an open flame.

#### TO START ENGINE (See Fig. 8)

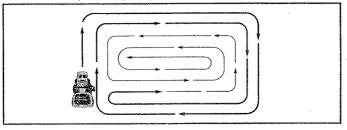
When starting engine for the first time or if engine has run out of fuel, it will take extra cranking time to move fuel from the tank to the engine.

- Depress clutch/brake pedal and set parking brake.
- Place gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
- Move attachment clutch to "DISENGAGED" position.
- Pull choke control out to choke (|\) position for cold engine start. For warm engine start do not use choke control.
- Move throttle control to midway between fast (4) and slow (4) positions.
- Insert key into ignition and turn key clockwise to "START" position and release key as soon as engine starts. Do not run starter continuously for more than fifteen seconds per minute. If engine does not start after several attempts, move throttle control to fast () position, wait a few minutes and try again.
- · When engine starts, slowly push choke control in.
- Move throttle control to fast ( ) position.
- Allow engine to warm up for a few minutes before engaging drive or attachments.

**NOTE:** If at a high altitude (above 3000 feet) or in cold temperatures (below 32°F), the carburetor fuel mixture may need to be adjusted for best engine performance. See "TO ADJUST CARBURETOR" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

#### **MOWING TIPS**

- Tire chains cannot be used when the mower housing is attached to tractor.
- Mower should be properly leveled for best mowing performance. See "TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.
- The left hand side of mower should be used for trimming.
- Drive so that clippings are discharged onto the area that has been cut. Have the cut area to the right of the machine. This will result in a more even distribution of clippings and more uniform cutting.
- When mowing large areas, start by turning to the right so that clippings will discharge away from shrubs, fences, driveways, etc. After one or two rounds, mow in the opposite direction making left hand turns until finished (See Fig. 11).



- If grass is extremely tall, it should be mowed twice to reduce load and possible fire hazard from dried clippings. Make first cut relatively high; the second to the desired height.
- Do not mow grass when it is wet. Wet grass will plug mower and leave undesirable clumps. Allow grass to dry before mowing.
- Always operate engine at full throttle when mowing to assure better mowing performance and proper discharge of material. Regulate ground speed by selecting a low enough gear to give the mower cutting performance as well as the quality of cut desired.
- When operating attachments, select a ground speed that will suit the terrain and give best performance of the attachment being used.

#### **MULCHING MOWING TIPS**

**IMPORTANT:** FOR BEST PERFORMANCE, KEEP MOWER HOUSING FREE OF BUILT-UP GRASS AND TRASH. CLEAN AFTER EACH USE.

- The special mulching blade will recut the grass clippings many times and reduce them in size so that as they fall onto the lawn they will disperse into the grass and not be noticed. Also, the mulched grass will biodegrade quickly to provide nutrients for the lawn. Always mulch with your highest engine (blade) speed as this will provide the best recutting action of the blades.
- Avoid cutting your lawn when it is wet. Wet grass tends to form clumps and interferes with the mulching action. The best time to mow your lawn is the early afternoon. At this time the grass has dried and the newly cut area will not be exposed to the direct sun.
- For best results, adjust the mower cutting height so that the mower cuts off only the top one-third of the grass blades (See Fig. 12). For extremely heavy mulching, reduce your width of cut on each pass and mow slowly.

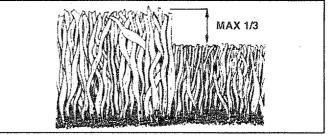


FIG. 12

- Certain types of grass and grass conditions may require that an area be mulched a second time to completely hide the clippings. When doing a second cut, mow across or perpendicular to the first cut path.
- Change your cutting pattern from week to week. Mow north to south one week then change to east to west the next week. This will help prevent matting and graining of the lawn.

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

2 - Service more often when operating in dirty or dusty conditions.

3 - If equipped with oil filter, change oil every 50 hours.

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

5 - If equipped with adjustable system.

6 - Not required if equipped with maintenance-free battery.
 7 - Tighten front axle pivot bolt to 35 ft.-lbs. maximum.

LUBRICATION CHART

Do not overtighten.

### **GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

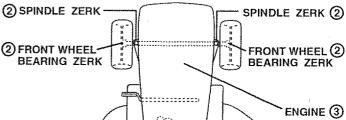
Some adjustments will need to be made periodically to properly maintain your tractor.

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

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

#### **BEFORE EACH USE**

- Check engine oil level.
- Check brake operation.
- Check tire pressure.
- Check for loose fasteners.



() ATTACHMENT CLUTCH PIVOT(S) GEARSHIFT () PIVOTS

SAE 30 OR 10W30 MOTOR OIL

**②GENERAL PURPOSE GREASE** 

③REFER TO CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES "ENGINE" SECTION

**IMPORTANT:** DO NOT OIL OR GREASE THE PIVOT POINTS WHICH HAVE SPECIAL NYLON BEARINGS. VISCOUS LUBRI-CANTS WILL ATTRACT DUST AND DIRT THAT WILL SHORTEN THE LIFE OF THE SELF-LUBRICATING BEARINGS. JF YOU FEEL THEY MUST BE LUBRICATED, USE ONLY A DRY, POW-DERED GRAPHITE TYPE LUBRICANT SPARINGLY.

### TRACTOR

Always observe safety rules when performing any maintenance.

#### **BRAKE OPERATION**

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

#### TIRES

- Maintain proper air pressure in all tires (See "PROD-UCT SPECIFICATIONS" on page 3 of this manual).
- Keep tires free of gasoline, oil, or insect control chemicals which can harm rubber.
- Avoid stumps, stones, deep ruts, sharp objects and other hazards that may cause tire damage.

#### **BLADE CARE**

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

#### **BLADE REMOVAL (See Fig. 13)**

- Raise mower to highest position to allow access to blades.
- Remove hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer securing blade.
- Install new or resharpened blade with trailing edge up towards deck as shown.
- Reassemble hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer in exact order as shown.
- Tighten bolt securely (30-35 Ft. Lbs. torque).
- IMPORTANT: BLADE BOLT IS GRADE 8 HEAT TREATED.

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

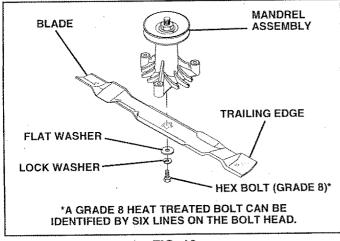


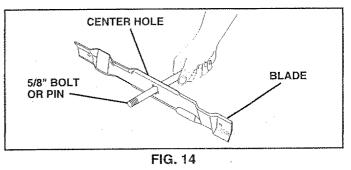
FIG. 13

#### TO SHARPEN BLADE (See Fig. 14)

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

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

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



#### BATTERY

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

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

#### TO CLEAN BATTERY AND TERMINALS

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

- · Remove terminal guard.
- Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and remove battery from tractor.
- Wash battery with solution of four tablespoons of baking soda to one gallon of water. Be careful not to get the soda solution into the cells.
- · Rinse the battery with plain water and dry.
- Clean terminals and battery cable ends with wire brush until bright.
- Coat terminals with grease or petroleum jelly.
- Reinstall battery (See "CONNECT BATTERY" in the Assembly section of this manual).

#### **V-BELTS**

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

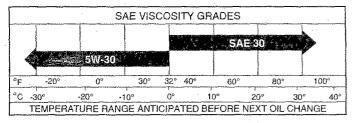
#### TRANSAXLE COOLING

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

### ENGINE

#### LUBRICATION

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



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

Change the oil after the first two hours of operation and every 50 hours thereafter or at least once a year if the tractor is not used for 50 hours in one year.

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

#### TO CHANGE ENGINE OIL (See Fig. 15)

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

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

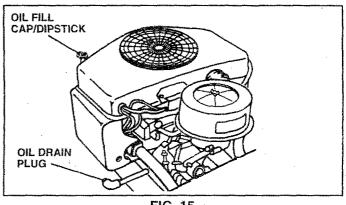


FIG. 15

#### AIR FILTER (See Fig. 16)

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

Service air cleaner more often under dusty conditions.

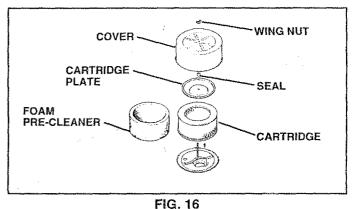
- Remove wing nut and cover.
- · Remove seal and cartridge plate.

TO SERVICE PRE-CLEANER.

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

#### TO SERVICE CARTRIDGE

- Gently tap the flat side of the paper cartridge to dislodge dirt. Do not wash the paper cartridge or use pressurized air, as this will damage the cartridge. Replace a dirty, bent, or damaged cartridge.
- Reinstall the pre-cleaner (cleaned and oiled) over the paper cartridge.
- Reassemble air cleaner, cartridge plate, and seal.
- Install the air cleaner cover and wing nut. Tighten wing nut 1/2 turn to 1 full turn after nut contacts cover. Do not overtighten.



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#### CLEAN AIR SCREEN (See Fig. 17)

Air screen must be kept free of dirt and chaff to prevent engine damage from overheating. Clean with a wire brush or compressed air to remove dirt and stubborn dried gum fibers.

#### **ENGINE COOLING FINS (See Fig. 17)**

Remove any dust, dirt or oil from engine cooling fins to prevent engine damage from overheating. Engine blower housing must be removed. Remove side panels and hood (See "TO REMOVE HOOD AND GRILL ASSEMBLY" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual).

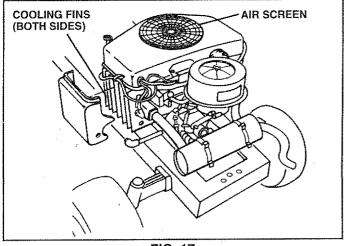


FIG. 17

#### **ENGINE OIL FILTER**

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

#### MUFFLER

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

#### SPARK PLUGS

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

#### **IN-LINE FUEL FILTER (See Fig. 18)**

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

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

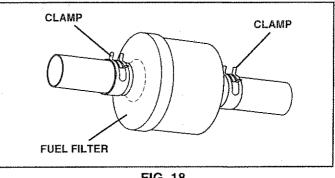


FIG. 18

### CLEANING

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

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



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

#### TO REMOVE MOWER (See Fig. 19)

- Place attachment clutch in "DISENGAGED" position.
- Turn height adjustment knob to lowest setting.
- Lower mower to its lowest position.
- Remove retainer spring holding anti-swaybar to chassis bracket and disengage anti-swaybar from bracket.
- Remove retainer springs from suspension arms at deck and disengage arms from deck.
- Raise attachment lift to its highest position.
- Remove two retainer springs from each front link and remove links.
- Slide mower forward and remove belt from electric clutch pulley.
- Slide mower out from under right side of tractor.

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

#### TO INSTALL MOWER

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

#### TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING

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

SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT (See Figs. 20 and 21)

- · Raise mower to its highest position.
- At the midpoint of both sides of mower, measure height from bottom edge of mower to ground. Distance "A" on both sides of mower should be the same or within 1/4" of each other.
- If adjustment is necessary, make adjustment on one side of mower only.
- To raise one side of mower, tighten lift link adjustment nut on that side.
- To lower one side of mower, loosen lift link adjustment nut on that side.
- **NOTE:** Each full turn of adjustment nut will change mower height about 1/8".
- Recheck measurements after adjusting.

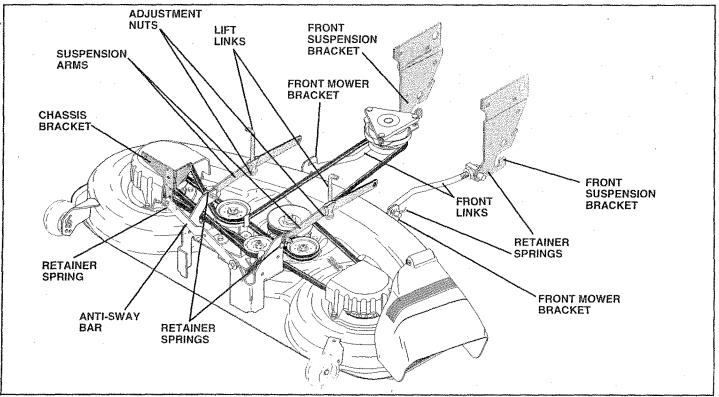


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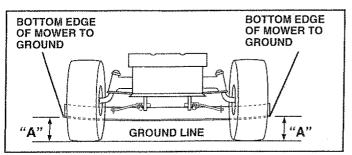
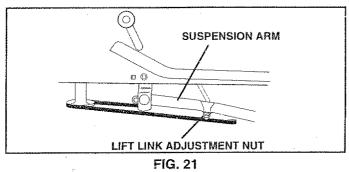


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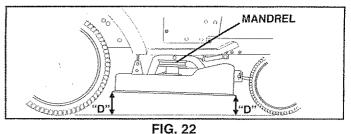
FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT (See Figs. 22 and 23) IMPORTANT: DECK MUST BE LEVEL SIDE-TO-SIDE. IF THE FOLLOWING FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT IS NECESSARY, BE SURE TO ADJUST BOTH FRONT LINKS EQUALLY SO MOWER WILL STAY LEVEL SIDE-TO-SIDE.

To obtain the best cutting results, the mower housing should be adjusted so that the front is approximately 1/4" to 3/4" lower than the rear when the mower is in its highest position.

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

- Before making any necessary adjustments, check that both front links are equal in length. Both links should be approximately 10-3/8".
- If links are not equal in length, adjust one link to same length as other link.
- To lower front of mower loosen nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns.
- When distance "D" is 1/4" to 3/4" lower at front than rear, tighten nuts "F" against trunnion on both front links.

- To raise front of mower, loosen nut "F" from trunnion on both front links. Tighten nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns.
- When distance "D" is 1/4" to 3/4" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "F" against trunnion on both front links.
- Recheck side-to-side adjustment.
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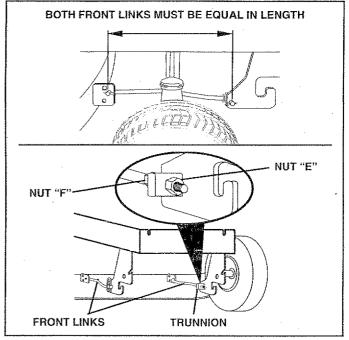


FIG. 23

#### TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE DRIVE BELT (See Fig. 24)

Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake.

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

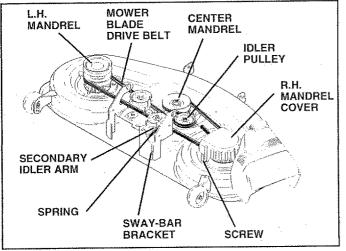


FIG. 24

## TO ADJUST ATTACHMENT CLUTCH (See Fig. 25)

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

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

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

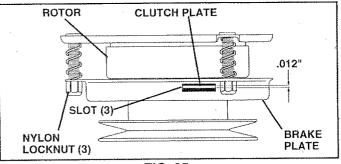


FIG. 25

#### TO ADJUST BRAKE (See Fig. 26)

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

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

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

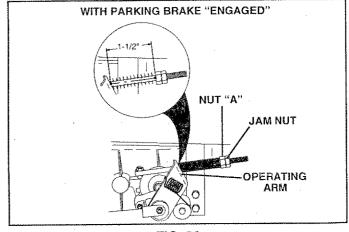


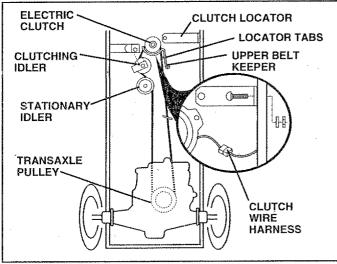
FIG. 26

## TO REPLACE MOTION DRIVE BELT (See Fig. 27)

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

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

**IMPORTANT:** MAKE SURE UPPER BELT KEEPER IS POSITIONED PROPERLY BETWEEN LOCATOR TABS AND ELECTRIC CLUTCH WIRE CONNECTION IS SECURE.

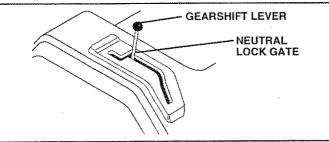




#### TRANSAXLE SHIFTER LINKAGE AND AD-JUSTMENT (See Figs. 28 and 29)

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

- Make sure transaxle is in neutral (N).
- Loosen two locknuts on tie rod.
- Turn center rod until gearshift lever falls into neutral lock gate on fender console.
- Tighten locknuts securely.



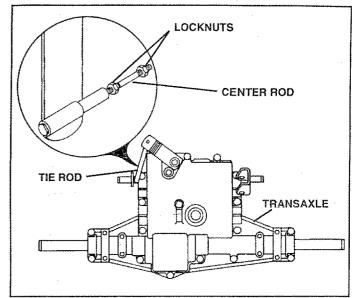


FIG. 29

#### TO ADJUST STEERING WHEEL ALIGNMENT

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

#### FRONT WHEEL TOE-IN/CAMBER

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

## TO REMOVE WHEEL FOR REPAIRS (See Fig. 30)

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

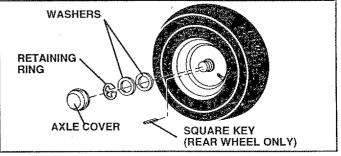


FIG. 30

FIG. 28

### TO START ENGINE WITH A WEAK BATTERY (See Fig. 31)



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

If your battery is too weak to start the engine, it should be recharged. If "jumper cables" are used for emergency starting, follow this procedure:

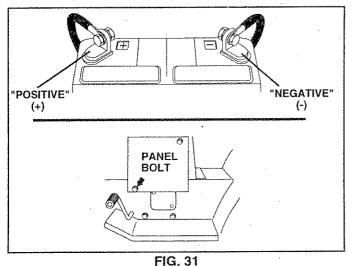
**IMPORTANT**: YOUR TRACTOR IS EQUIPPED WITH A 12 VOLT NEGATIVE GROUNDED SYSTEM. THE OTHER VEHICLE MUST ALSO BE A 12 VOLT NEGATIVE GROUNDED SYSTEM. DO NOT USE YOUR TRACTOR BATTERY TO START OTHER VEHICLES.

TO ATTACH JUMPER CABLES -

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

TO REMOVE CABLES, REVERSE ORDER -

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



TO REPLACE HEADLIGHT BULB

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

#### INTERLOCKS AND RELAYS

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

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

#### TO REPLACE FUSE

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

## TO REMOVE HOOD AND GRILL ASSEMBLY (See Fig. 32)

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

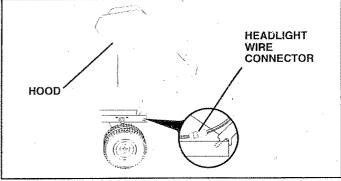


FIG. 32

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## TO ADJUST THROTTLE CONTROL CABLE (See Figs. 33 & 34)

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

- With engine not running, move throttle control lever to fast (+) position.
- Check that speed control lever is against stop screw. If it is not, loosen casing clamp screw and pull throttle cable until lever is against screw. Tighten clamp screw securely.

### TO ADJUST CARBURETOR (See Fig. 35)

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

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

**IMPORTANT:** DAMAGE TO THE NEEDLES AND THE SEATS IN CARBURETOR MAY RESULT IF SCREW IS TURNED IN TOO TIGHT.

#### **PRELIMINARY SETTING -**

- Be sure you have a clean air filter, and the throttle control cable is adjusted properly (see above).
- With engine off turn idle fuel adjusting needle in (clockwise) closing it finger tight and then turn out (counterclockwise) 1-1/4 turns.
- Turn main fuel adjusting needle in (clockwise) closing finger tight and then turn out (counterclockwise) 1 turn.

#### FINAL SETTING -

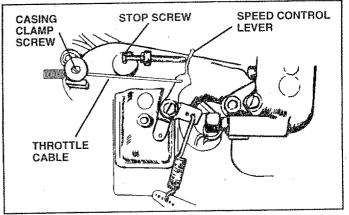
- Start engine and allow to warm for five minutes. Make final adjustments with engine running and shift/motion control lever in neutral (N) position.
- With throttle control lever in fast ( ) position, turn main fuel adjusting needle in (clockwise) until engine begins to die then turn out (counterclockwise) until engine runs rough. Turn needle to a point midway between those two positions.
- Idle speed setting With throttle control lever in slow (\*\*) position, engine should idle at 1400 RPM. If engine idles too slow or fast, turn idle speed adjusting screw in or out until correct idle is attained.
- Recheck idle speed. Readjust if necessary.

#### **ACCELERATION TEST -**

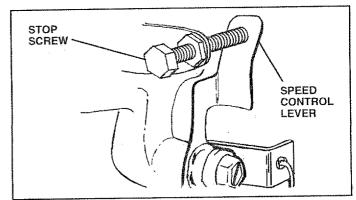
- position. If engine hesitates or dies, turn idle mixture screw **out** (counterclockwise) 1/8 turn. Repeat test and continue to adjust, if necessary, until engine accelerates smoothly.

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

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









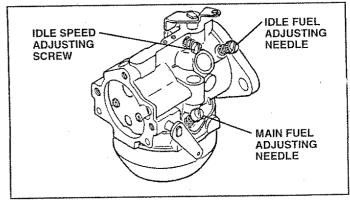


FIG. 35

## STORAGE

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



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

#### TRACTOR

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

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

#### BATTERY

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

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#### FUEL SYSTEM

**IMPORTANT:** IT IS IMPORTANT TO PREVENT GUM DEPOSITS FROM FORMING IN ESSENTIAL FUEL SYSTEM PARTS SUCH AS CARBURETOR, FUEL FILTER, FUEL HOSE, OR TANK DURING STORAGE. ALSO, EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT ALCOHOL BLENDED FUELS (CALLED GASOHOL OR USING ETHANOL OR METHANOL) CAN ATTRACT MOISTURE WHICH LEADS TO SEPARATION AND FORMATION OF ACIDS DURING STORAGE. ACIDIC GAS CAN DAMAGE THE FUEL SYSTEM OF AN ENGINE WHILE IN STORAGE.

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

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

#### **ENGINE OIL**

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

#### CYLINDERS

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

### OTHER

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

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

## **TROUBLESHOOTING POINTS**

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION			
Will not start	<ol> <li>Out of fuel.</li> <li>Engine not "CHOKED" properly.</li> <li>Engine flooded.</li> <li>Bad spark plug.</li> <li>Dirty air filter.</li> <li>Dirty filter.</li> <li>Dirty filter.</li> <li>Water in fuel.</li> <li>Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Fill fuel tank.</li> <li>See "TO START ENGINE" in Operation section.</li> <li>Wait several minutes before attempting to start.</li> <li>Replace spark plug.</li> <li>Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter.</li> <li>Check all wiring.</li> <li>Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> <li>Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>			
Hard to start	<ol> <li>Dirty air filter.</li> <li>Bad spark plug.</li> <li>Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>Stale or dirty fuel.</li> <li>Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>Replace spark plug.</li> <li>Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline.</li> <li>Check all wiring.</li> <li>Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> <li>Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>			
Engine will not turn over	<ol> <li>Clutch/brake pedal not depressed.</li> <li>Attachment clutch is engaged.</li> <li>Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>Blown fuse.</li> <li>Corroded battery terminals.</li> <li>Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>Faulty ignition switch.</li> <li>Faulty solenoid or starter.</li> <li>Faulty operator presence switch(es).</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Depress clutch/brake pedal.</li> <li>Disengage attachment clutch.</li> <li>Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>Replace fuse.</li> <li>Clean battery terminals.</li> <li>Check all wiring.</li> <li>Check/replace ignition switch.</li> <li>Check/replace solenoid or starter.</li> <li>Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>			
Engine clicks but will not start	<ol> <li>Weak or dead battery.</li> <li>Corroded battery terminals.</li> <li>Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>Faulty solenoid or starter.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Recharge or replace battery.</li> <li>Clean battery terminals.</li> <li>Check all wiring.</li> <li>Check/replace solenoid or starter.</li> </ol>			
Loss of power	<ol> <li>Cutting too much grass/too fast.</li> <li>Throttle in "CHOKE" position.</li> <li>Build-up of grass, leaves and trash under mower.</li> <li>Dirty air filter.</li> <li>Low oil level/dirty oil.</li> <li>Faulty spark plug.</li> <li>Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>Stale or dirty fuel.</li> <li>Water in fuel.</li> <li>Spark plug wire loose.</li> <li>Dirty engine air screen/fins.</li> <li>Dirty/clogged muffler.</li> <li>Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>Carburetor out of adjustment.</li> <li>Engine valves out of adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Set in "Higher Cut" position/reduce speed.</li> <li>Adjust throttle control.</li> <li>Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>Clean/replace air filter.</li> <li>Check oil level/change oil.</li> <li>Clean and regap or change spark plug.</li> <li>Replace fuel filter.</li> <li>Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline.</li> <li>Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter.</li> <li>Connect and tighten spark plug wire.</li> <li>Clean/replace muffler.</li> <li>Clean/replace muffler.</li> <li>Check all wiring.</li> <li>Contact an authorized service center/department.</li> </ol>			
Excessive vibration	<ol> <li>Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>Bent blade mandrel.</li> <li>Loose/damaged part(s).</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>Replace blade mandrel.</li> <li>Tighten loose part(s). Replace damaged parts.</li> </ol>			

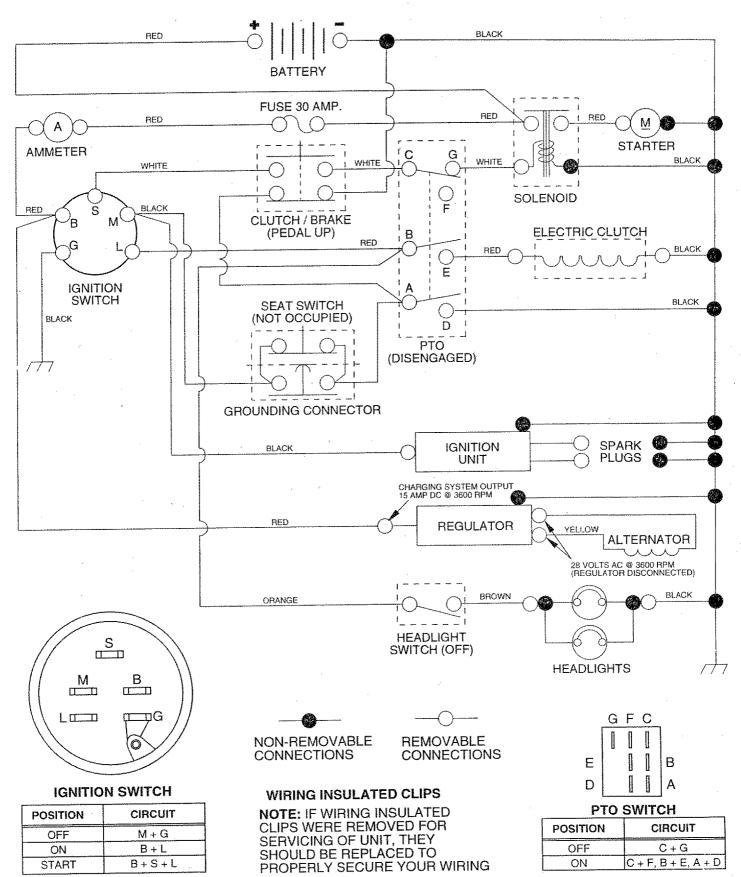
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## **TROUBLESHOOTING POINTS**

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Engine continues to run when operator leaves seat with attachment clutch engaged	1. Faulty operator-safety presence control system.	<ol> <li>Check wiring, switches and connections. If not corrected, contact an authorized service center/ department.</li> </ol>
Poor cut - uneven	<ol> <li>Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>Mower deck not level.</li> <li>Buildup of grass, leaves, and trash under mower.</li> <li>Bent blade mandrel.</li> <li>Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>Level mower deck.</li> <li>Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>Replace blade mandrel.</li> <li>Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.</li> </ol>
Mower blades will not rotate	<ol> <li>Obstruction in clutch mechanism.</li> <li>Worn/damaged mower drive belt.</li> <li>Frozen idler pulley.</li> <li>Frozen blade mandrei.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Remove obstruction.</li> <li>Replace mower drive belt.</li> <li>Replace idler pulley.</li> <li>Replace blade mandrel.</li> </ol>
Poor grass discharge	<ol> <li>Engine speed too slow.</li> <li>Travel speed too fast.</li> <li>Wet grass.</li> <li>Mower deck not level.</li> <li>Low/uneven tire air pressure.</li> <li>Worn, bent or loose blade.</li> <li>Buildup of grass, leaves and trash under mower.</li> <li>Mower drive belt worn.</li> <li>Blades improperly installed.</li> <li>Improper blades used.</li> <li>Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Place throttle control in "FAST" position.</li> <li>Shift to slower speed.</li> <li>Allow grass to dry before mowing.</li> <li>Level mower deck.</li> <li>Check tires for proper air pressure.</li> <li>Replace/sharpen blade. Tighten blade bolt.</li> <li>Clean underside of mower housing.</li> <li>Replace mower drive belt.</li> <li>Replace with blades sharp edge down.</li> <li>Replace with blades listed in this manual.</li> <li>Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.</li> </ol>
Headlight(s) not working (if so equipped)	<ol> <li>Switch is "OFF".</li> <li>Bulb(s) burned out.</li> <li>Faulty light switch.</li> <li>Loose or damaged wiring.</li> <li>Blown fuse.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Turn switch "ON".</li> <li>Replace bulb(s).</li> <li>Check/replace light switch.</li> <li>Check wiring and connections.</li> <li>Replace fuse.</li> </ol>
Battery will not charge	<ol> <li>Bad battery cell(s).</li> <li>Poor cable connections.</li> <li>Faulty regulator (if so equipped).</li> <li>Faulty alternator.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Replace battery.</li> <li>Check/clean all connections.</li> <li>Replace regulator.</li> <li>Replace alternator.</li> </ol>
Engine "backfires" when turning engine "OFF"	<ol> <li>Engine throttle control not set at "SLOW" position for 30 seconds before stopping engine.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Move throttle control to "SLOW" position and allow to idle for 30 seconds before stopping engine.</li> </ol>

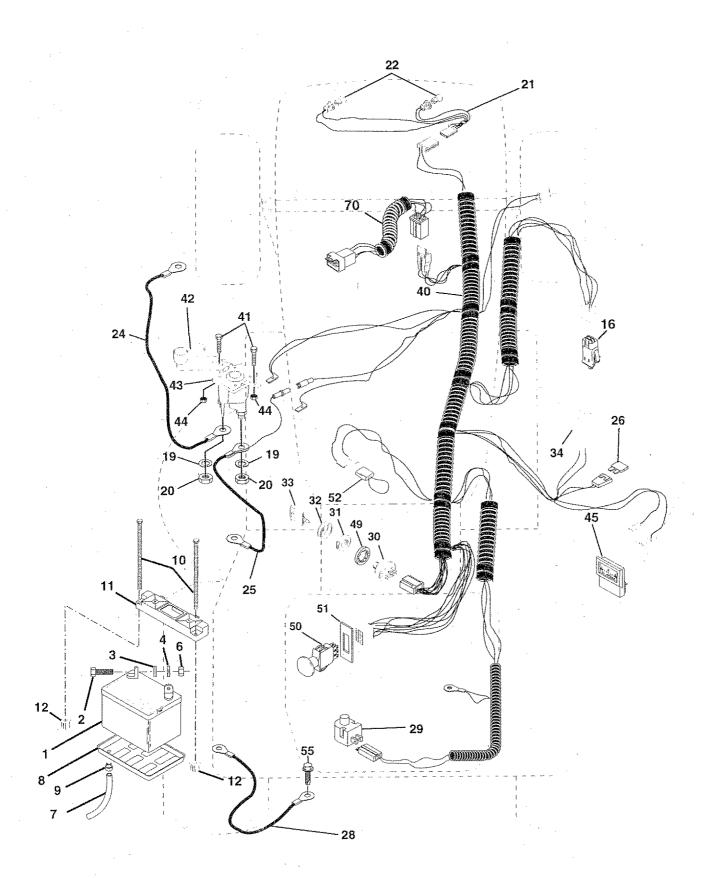
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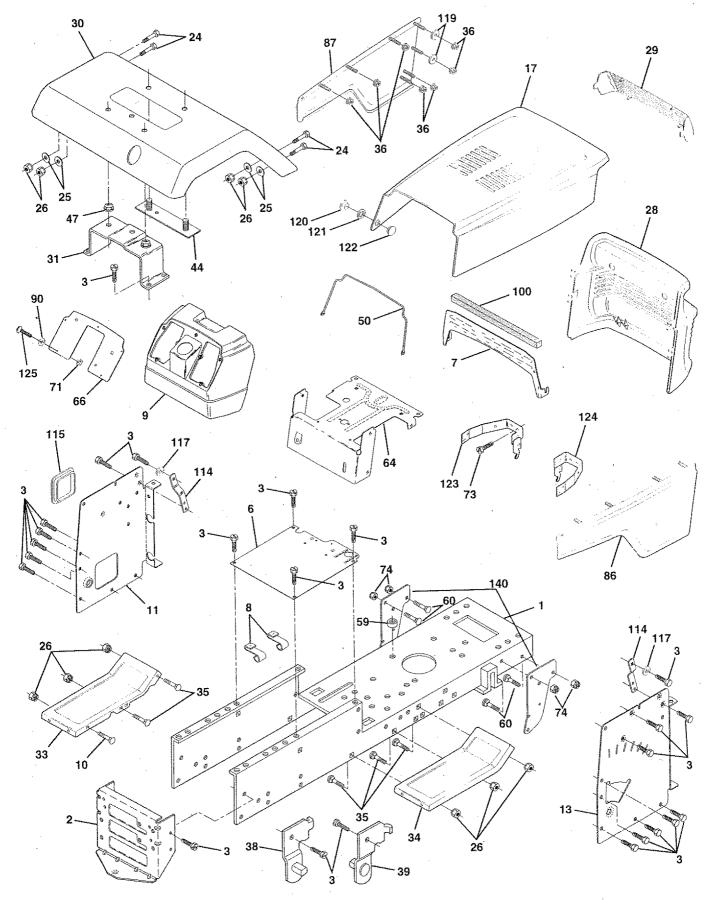
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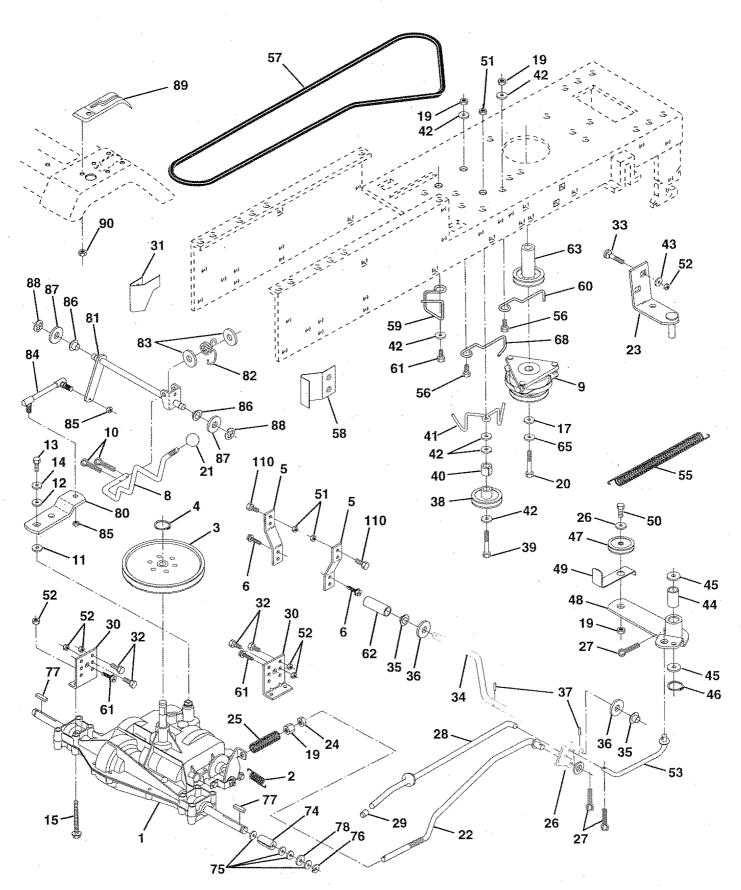
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17 24 25 26 28 29 30 31 33 34 35 36 38 39 44 75 90 64 66 71 73 74 86 87 90 100	72140606 150272 143485X014 73640400 17580408 STD541437 136670X558 136671X558 STD551025 105037X 145349 121794X 144283 19092016 137271 137269 137270 136814 136813 74180412	Chassis Drawbar Screw, Thdrol. 3/8-16 x 3/4 Type TT Saddle Shield Heat Kohler MV18 Clip, Fuel Line Dash, Plastic Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 1 Panel, Dash, LH Panel, Dash, RH Hood Assembly Bolt Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 12 Gauge Nut Grill Lens, Bar, Clear Fender Bracket Assembly, Fender Footrest, LH Footrest, RH Bolt Nut, Pal Bracket Assembly, Pivot, LH Bracket Assembly, Pivot, RH Fender Strap Nut, Push, Nylon Rod, Support Hood Bushing, Snap, Split Bolt Rdhd Sq NK 3/8-16 x 3/4 Dash, Lower Plate, Dash Nut Screw Tap Tite 1/4-20 x 1/2 Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 UNC Panel Assembly, RH Panel Assembly, LH Washer 17/64 Strip Foam 18" Bracket, Support, Dash Cover, Access Washer Serrated Disk 13/32 x 1 Washer 9/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga. Rivet, Rachet, Female Washer, Nylon Rivet, Rachet, Male Bracket Assembly, Front Pivot Hinge, LH Bracket Assembly, Front Pivot Hinge, RH Screw, Machine 1/4-20 x 3/4 Bracket Chassis Front Plug Dash Blk 500 Dia E. Lift

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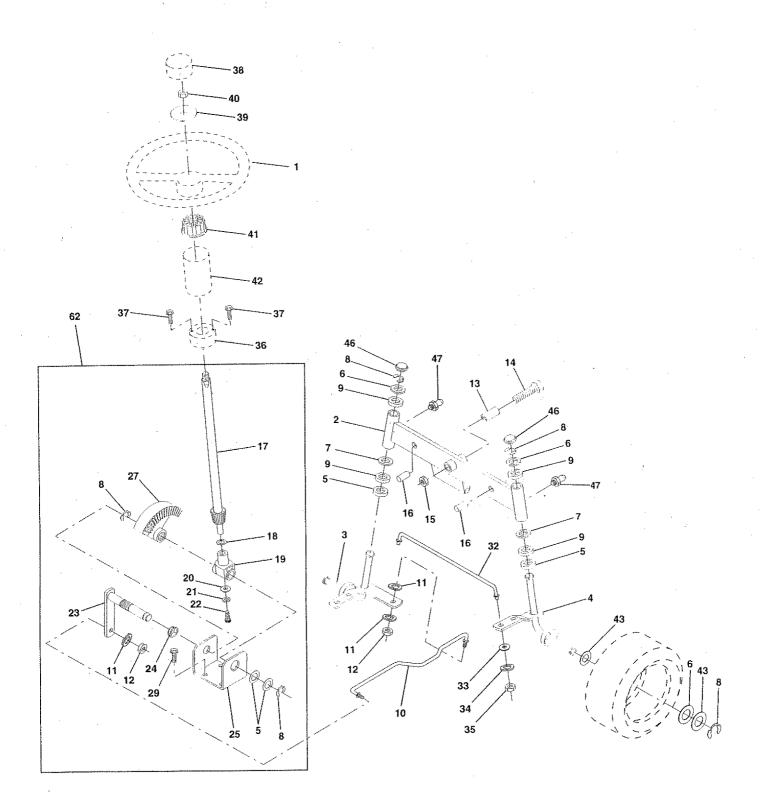
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#### DRIVE

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STEERING ASSEMBLY



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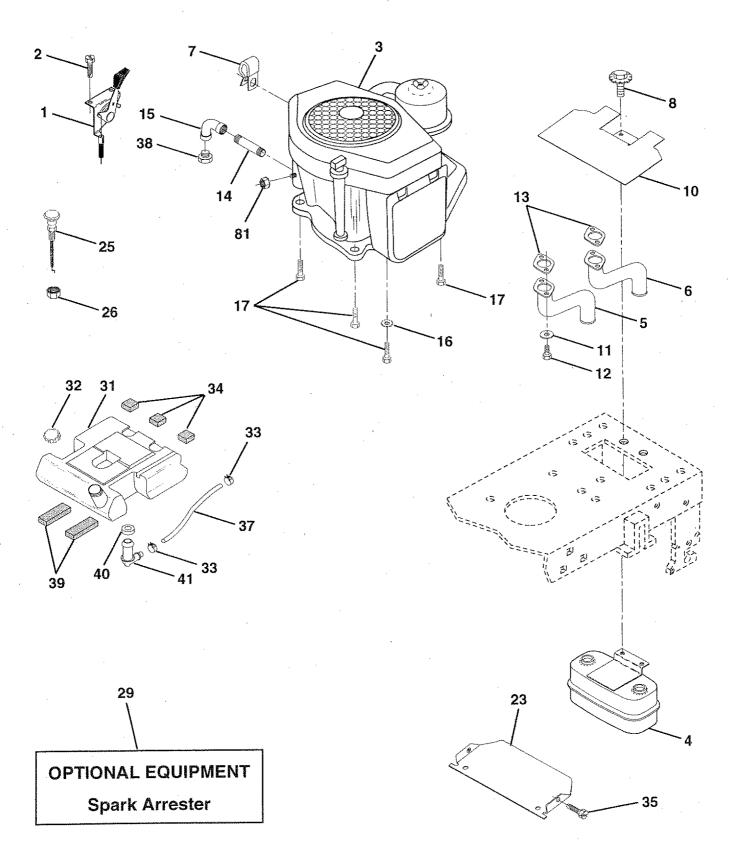
### STEERING ASSEMBLY

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	121472X	Steering Wheel
2	142033	Axle Assembly, Front
3	135227	Spindle Assembly, LH
4	135228	Spindle Assembly, RH
5	6266H	Bearing, Race, Thrust, Hardened
6	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Gauge
7	19272016	Washer 27/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Gauge
8	12000029	Ring, Klip
9 10	3366R 130468	Bearing Link, Drag Weather Look
11	STD551137	Washer, Lock
12	73610600	Nut, Hex, Fin. 3/8-24 UNF
13	110438X	Spacer, Bearing, Front Axle
14	74011056	Bolt, Hex 5/8-11 UNC x 3-1/2
15	73901000	Locknut, Hex, Jam, w/Washer Insert
16 17	132624 128758	5/8-11 UNC Pin, Axle, Large 5/8 x 1.55/1.54 Shaft Assembly, Steering
18	57079	Washer, Thrust .515 x .750 x .033
19	124035X	Support, Shaft
20	126684X	Washer, Shim 1/4 x 5/8 x .062
21	STD551125	Washer
22	71100410	Screw, Cap Sckt Hd Phos & Oil
23	127501	Shaft Assembly, Pittman
24	109816X	Nyliner, Snap-In
27		Bracket, Steering Gear, Sector
29	17490612	Screw, Thdrol 3/8-16 x 3/4
32	130467	Tie Rod
33	19111216	Washer 11/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga.
34	STD551131	Washer Lock Hvy Hllcl Spr. 5/16
35	73810500	Locknut 5/16-24 UNF
36	145207	Bushing, Steering
37	152927	Screw TT #10-32 5 3/8 Flange
38	126805X	Insert, Cap, Steering Wheel
39	100712K	Washer .53 x 2.25 x .160
40	STD541350	Nut
41	100711L	Adapter, Steering Wheel
42	140216	Column, Steering
43	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Gauge
46	121232X	Cap, Spindle
47	6855M	Fitting, Grease
62	149682	Kit, Steering Assembly

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### ENGINE



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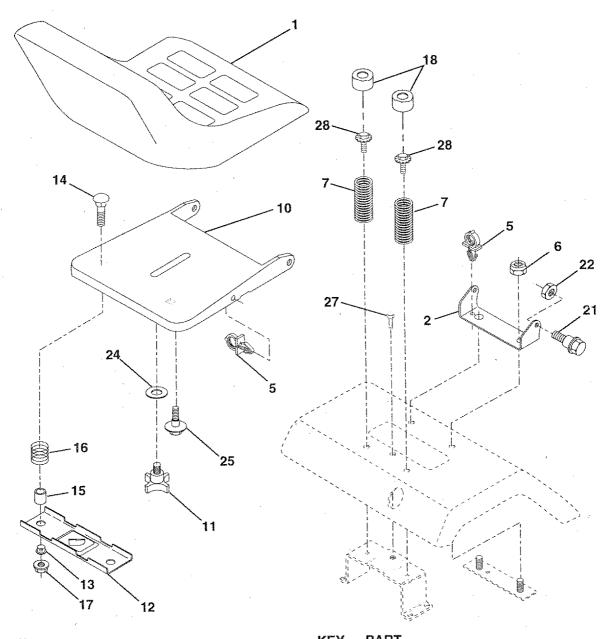
### ENGINE

KEY NO.		DESCRIPTION
1	132755	Control, Throttle
2	17720410	Screw, Hex Head, Thread Cutting 1/4-20 x 5/8
3	141948	Engine, Kohler Model No.
	+ 40700	MV18S-58560 Muffler, Asm. Twin Lo-Tone
4	149723	Tube Manifold LH Kohler MV18
5 6	136215 136216	Tube Manifold RH Kohler MV18
7	138129	Clamp Tube Double Engine
. 8	150176	Bolt 5/16-18 UNC x 3/4 w/Sems
10	145552	Shield Heat
11	STD551131	Washer Lock Hvy HLCL Spr. 5/16
12	74570512	Screw Hex Skt 5/16 UNV x 3/4
13		Gasket (Order From Engine Manufacturer)
14		Nipple, Pipe
15	13200300	Elbow, Standard 90°, 3/8-18 NPT
16	11050600	Washer, Lock
	17490624	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 1-1/2 TT
23	150554	Shield, Browning
25	138672 73920600	Control Choke Nut Keps 3/8-24 UNF
	137180	Arrester, Spark
	151346	Tank, Fuel
	151296	Cap Assembly, Fuel
	123487X	Clamp, Hose
	106082X	Spacer, Pad
	17490512	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 3/4 TYT
37	8543R	Line, Fuel
38		Plug, Oil Drain
		(Order From Engine Manufacturer)
39	109227X	Spacer Pad
40		Bushing
41		Stem, Fuel Tank
81	128861	Nut Flange 1/4-20 Starter Nut
		and dimensions given in LLC inches

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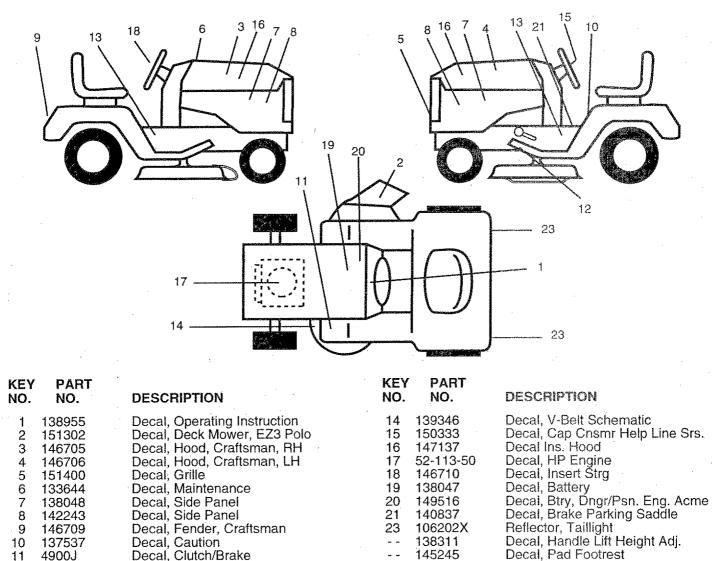
SEAT ASSEMBLY



1 140123 Seat 16 121250X Spring	
1       140123       Geat       17       123976X       Nut, Flangelock 1/4 Grade 3         2       140551       Bracket, Pivot, Seat       17       123976X       Nut, Flangelock 1/4 Grade 3         5       145006       Clip Push-In       18       124238X       Cap, Spring, Seat         6       73800600       Nut, Lock Hex w/Ins. 3/8-16 UNC       21       153236       Bolt, Shoulder 5/16-18 UNC         7       124181X       Spring, Seat       24       19171912       Washer 17/32 x 1-3/16 x 12         10       140552       Pan, Seat       25       127018X       Bolt, Shoulder 5/16-18 x .62         11       120068X       Knob, Seat       25       127018X       Bolt, Shoulder 5/16-18 x .62         12       121246X       Bracket, Switch Mounting       27       17490608       Screw Thdrol. 3/8-16 x 1/2         13       121248X       Bushing, Snap, Nylon       28       150176       Bolt 5/16-18 x 3/4 w/Sems         14       72050411       Bolt, Carriage 1/4-20 x 1-3/8       NOTE: All component dimensions given in U.S       1 inch = 25.4 mm	Gauge

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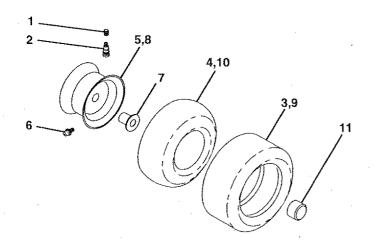


Decal, Clutch/Brake 4900J Decal, V-Belt Drive Schematic 146046 Decal, Chassis, 46" 6 Sp Srs. Polo 151452

#### WHEELS & TIRES

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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	59192	Cap, Valve, Tire
2	65139	Stem, Valve
3	106222X	Tire, Front
4	59904	Tube, Front (Service Item Only)
5	106732X427	Rim Assembly, Front
6	278H	Fitting, Grease (Front Wheel Only)
7	9040H	Bearing, Flange (Front Wheel Only)
8	106108X427	Rim Assembly, Rear
9	122082X	Tire, Rear
10	7152J	Tube, Rear (Service Item Only)
11	104757X	Cap, Axle

Fastener Pop-In Footrest

Manual, Owner's (Eng) Manual, Owners (Span)

Sealant, Tire (10 oz. Tube)

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

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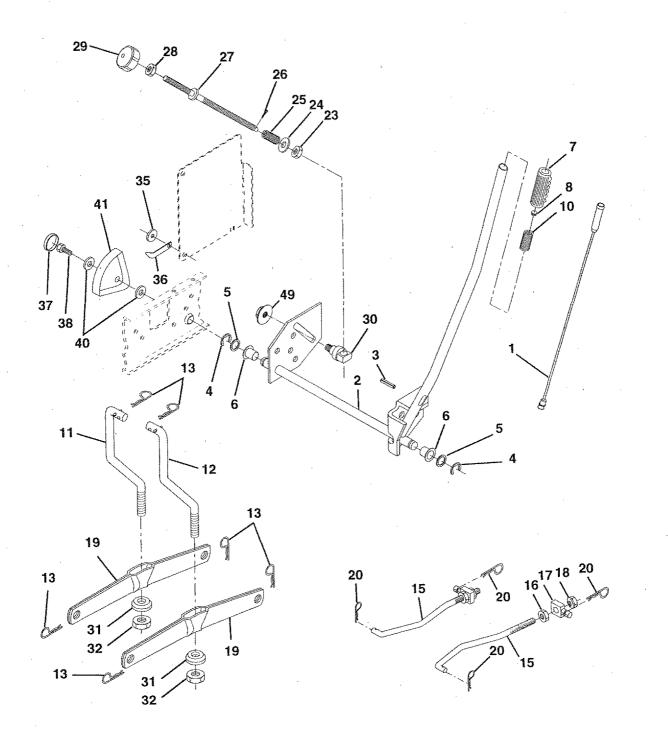
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**MOWER LIFT** 



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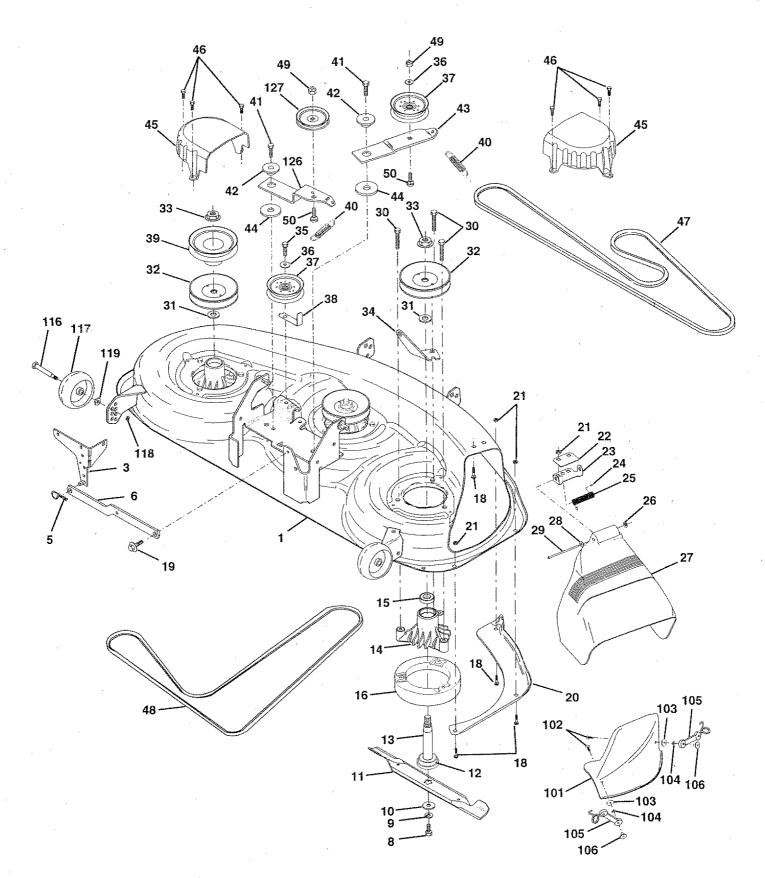
### MOWER LIFT

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 11 12 13	136971 136968 138284 12000002 19211621 120183X 125631X 122365X 122512X 139865 139866 STD624008 127218	Wire Asm., Inner w/plunger Shaft Asm Lift Pin Groove E Ring #5133-62 Washer 21/32 X 1 X 21 Ga Bearing Nylon Grip Handle Fluted Button, Plunger Spring Oprsn Link Lift Lh Link Lift Rh Retainer Spring Link Front Nut Jam Hex 1/2-13 Unc Trunnion Blk Zinc Nut Lock W/Wsh 1/2-13 Unc Arm Suspension Rear Spring Retainer Nut Special Washer 13/32 X 5/8 X 16 Ga Spring" Pin Cotter 3/32 x 1/2 Rod Adjust Lift Nut Hex Jam 3/8-16 Unc Knob Infinite 3/8-16 Unc Black Trunnion Infin Height Bearing Pvt. Lift Spherical Nut, Crownlock 3/8-24 Washer, Nylon .44 x .75 x .032 Pointer, Height Indicator Plug, Hole Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 3/4 Washer 11/32 x 1-1/2 x 10 Gauge Scale, Height Indicator Nut Hex Flange Lock

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**MOWER DECK** 



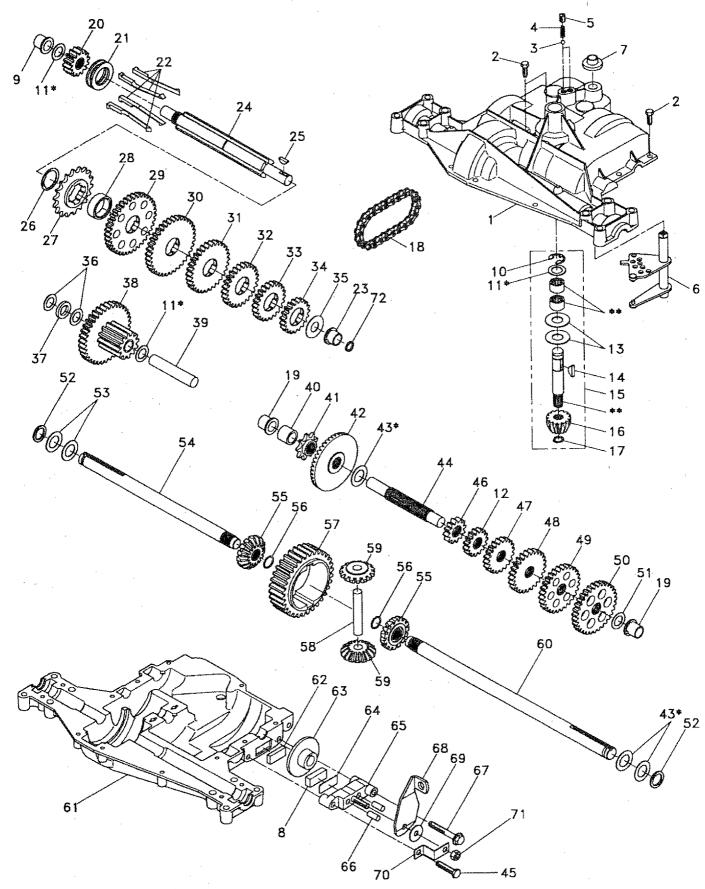
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### MOWER DECK

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	153125	Housing, Mower 46"	38	137554	Keeper, Belt, Idler
3	138457	Bracket Asm., Sway Bar	39	144917	Pulley, Idler, Driven
5	STD624008	Retainer Spring	40	137273	Spring, Secondary 44/46/50 Vent
6	130832	Arm, Suspension, Rear (Sway Bar)	41	17490620	Screw, Thdroll 3/8-16 x 1-1/4 Tytt
	850857	Bolt, Patched 3/8-24 x 1-1/4 Gr. 8	42	122052X	Spacer, Retainer
9	STD551137	Washer, Lock Hvy., Unplated 3/8	43	144949	Arm, Idler Secondary
10	140296	Washer, Hard Blade, Mower	44	133943 145059	Washer, Hardened
	450440	Vented	45 46	137729	Cover, Mandrel Deck Screw, Thdroll. 1/4-20 x 5/8
11	152443	Blade, 46" Mower Deck	40	144959	V-Belt, Mower, Secondary
12	129895	Bearing, Ball, Mandrel #6204 Shaft Asm. w/Lower Bearing	48	148763	V-Belt, Mower, Primary
13	137553	(Includes Key No. 12)	49	STD541437	Nut, Crownlock 3/8-16 UNC
14	137152	Housing, Mandrel		72110612	Bolt, Carriage 3/8-16 x 1-1/2 Gr. 5
15	110485X	Bearing, Ball, Mandrel		145579	Cover, Mulching
16	140329	Stripper, Mower Round		71161010	Screw
18	72140505	Bolt, Carriage 5/16-18 x 5/8		10071000	Washer, Lock #10
19	132827	Bolt, Hex Head, Shoulder 5/16-18		19061216	Washer
20	145055	Baffle, Vortex Mower 46"	105	130758	Latch Asm. Bagger
21	STD541431	Nut, Crownlock 5/16-18 UNC	106	2029J	Nut, Weld
22	134753		116	137644	Bolt, Shoulder
23	131267	Bracket, Deflector		133957	Gauge Wheel, Wide
24	105304X	Cap, Sleeve		73930600	Nut, Centerlock 3/8-16 UNC
25	123713X	Spring, Torsion, Deflector		19121414	Washer 3/8 x 7/8 x 14 Ga.
26	110452X	Nut, Push		144948	Arm, Idler, Primary Deck 46"
27	145325	Shield, Deflector Mower	127	146763	Pulley, Idler, V-Groove Dim. 4.25
28	19111016	Washer 11/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga.		151775	Deck Complete (Std. Deck-Order
29	131491	Rod, Hinge			separately mulcher plate and gauge
30	138776	Screw, Hex Head, Thdroll		÷	wheel components Key Nos. 101-
31	129963	Washer, Spacer Mower Vented			106 and 116-118)
32	153531	Pulley, Mandrel		143651	Mandrel Assembly (Includes Key
33	137266	Nut, Flg. Top Lock Cntr. 9/16			Numbers 8-10, 12-15, 31 and 33)
34	144945	Anchor, Spring Deck 46"			
35	17490628	Screw, Thdroll 3/8-16 x 1-3/4 Tytt	NOT	E: All compor	ent dimensions given in U.S. inches
36	19131316	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 16 Ga.		1 inch = 25	
37	131494	Pulley, Idler, Flat			

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### DANA TRANSAXLE - MODEL NUMBER 4360-97



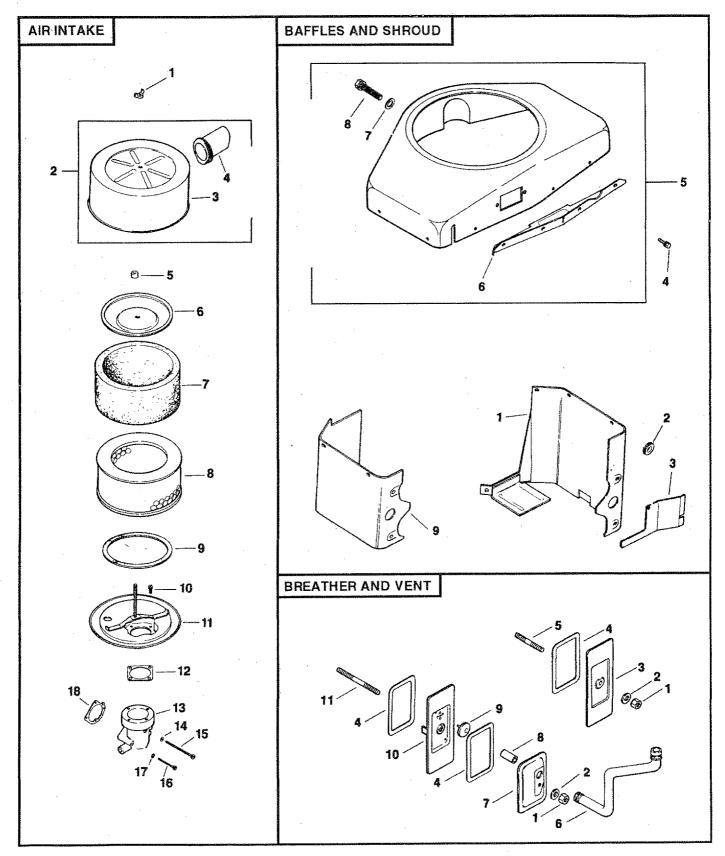
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### **DANA TRANSAXLE - MODEL NUMBER 4360-97**

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION		' PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 2	132671 2274J	Housing, Upper Screw, Tapping, Large 1/4-20 x .734	39 40 41	124639X 120472X 105928X	Shaft, Idler Spacer .633 x .87 x .755 Sprocket, 9 Teeth (Reverse)
	134400	Ball, Detent	42	106605X	Gear, Bevel, 42 Teeth
	105904X	Spring, Detent	43	134394	Assembly, Kit, Shim, .750 Shaft
5	105905X	Screw, Set	44	120473X	Shaft, Drive
6	134788	Kit, Shifter Assembly	45	106596X	Screw, Tapping, Large
8	134399 120951X 148266	Boot, Shifter Puck, Friction Bearing, Flange	46 47	142678 120407X	5/16-18 x 1.44 Gear, Spur, 12 Teeth (1∗) Gear, Spur, 20 Teeth (3∞)
10	2225J	Ring, Retaining	48	106589X	Gear, Spur, 25 Teeth (4»)
11	134793	Assembly, Kit, Shim, .625 Shaft	49	120408X	Gear, Spur, 28 Teeth (5°)
13	143679	Gear, Spur, 15 Teeth (2~)	50	105937X	Gear, Spur, 31 Teeth (6°)
	120415X	Washer, Plain .632 x 1.38 x .046	51	2226J	Washer, Plain .632 x 1.00 x .060
	142674	Key, Woodruff, #9	52	134401	Washer, Neoprene
15	106846X	Assembly, Kit, Input Shaft	53	2264J	Washer, Plain .758 x 1.25 x .031
16	106095X	Pinion, Bevel, 14 Teeth	54	120474X	Axle, L.H.
18	105909X	Ring, Retaining	55	110081X	Gear, Miter, 15 Teeth
	105910X	Chain, 24 Pitches	56	105941X	Ring, Retaining
	105911X	Bearing, Flange	57	110071X	Gear, Spur, 32 Teeth
20	142675	Gear, Špur, 14 Teeth	58	120952X	Shaft, Cross
21	138246	Collar, Clutch	59	106592X	Gear, Miter, 15 Teeth
23	138238	Assembly, Kit, Clutch Keys	60	120475X	Axle, R.H.
	148268	Bearing, Flange	61	142680	Housing, Lower
	143673	Shaft, Intermediate	62	120961X	Puck, Friction
25	2244J	Key, Woodruff, #61	63	7294J	Disc, Brake
26	105916X	Ring, Retaining	64	108989X	Spacer
28	120470X	Sprocket, 18 Teeth (Reverse)	65	120953X	Jaw, Brake
	110070X	Spacer	66	120954X	Pin, Dowel
	142677	Gear, Spur, 37 Teeth (1-)	67	134799	Screw, Tapping 5/16-18 x 2.25
30 31	142681 124644X 108980X	Gear, Spur, 35 Teeth (2 <sup>∞</sup> ) Gear, Spur, 30 Teeth (3 <sup>∞</sup> ) Gear, Spur, 25 Teeth (4 <sup>∞</sup> )	68 69 70	138244 108996X 120956X	Lever, Actuating Washer, Plain .321 x 1.00 x .055 Bracket, Anti-Rotation
33	120406X	Gear, Spur, 22 Teeth (5°)	71	73810500	Locknut 5/16-24
34	134796	Gear, Spur, 19 Teeth (6°)	72	148269	Seal, Oil
36	105925X 2232J 108978X	Washer, Plain .640 x 1.37 x .061 Washer, Plain .632 x 1.00 x .026 Spacer .630 x 1.00 x .169	73	120416X	Grease
	110079X	Assembly, Gear, Combination, 12 Teeth and 35 Teeth	NOT	E: All compon 1 inch = 25	ent dimensions given in U.S. inches .4 mm

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#### **AIR INTAKE** WEN DADT

	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 2	X-276-7 52 755 83	Wing Nut 1/4-20 Kit, Cover and Tube
3 4	, 52 096 35 52 123 21	(Includes Key Numbers 3 and 4) Cover, Air Cleaner Tube, Air Intake
5 6 7	52 123 21 231032 52 082 04 45 083 01 45 083 02 237423	Seal, Element Cover Cover, Air Cleaner Element Pre-Cleaner
89	45 083 02 237423	Element Seal, Air Cleaner Cover
	X-67-98 52 201 06	Screw, Hex Washer Head #10-32 x 9/16 (4) Base, Air Cleaner
12	277093 52 054 39	Gasket, Air Cleaner (2) Elbow, Air Intake
14	X-25-79 X-50-37	Washer, Plain #10 Screw, Slotted Pan Head
16	X-50-57	#10-32 x 2-1/4 Screw, Slotted Pan Head
17	X-22-9	#10-32 x 1-3/4 (2) Washer, Lock, Internal Tooth
18	25 041 06	#10 (2) Gasket, Air Cleaner Elbow
NOT	ILLUSTRATED 25 113 15	Decal, Air Cleaner

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	52 1	13 30	Decal
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#### **KEY PART** DESCRIPTION NO. NO. Baffle, #2 Cylinder Head Grommet (2) 52 063 41 1 2 52 313 05 Baffle, Fuel Pump Screw, Hex Washer Head 1/4-20 x 7/16 (14) Kit, Blower Housing 3 52 063 42 4 X-67-83 52 755 70 5 (Includes Key Numbers 6 thru 8) Support, Upper Housing Washer, Flat (2) Screw 1/4-20 x 5/8 (6) Baffle, #1 Cylinder Head 6 52 217 01 7 52 468 16 8 52 086 11 9 52 124 23 NOT ILLUSTRATED 52 113 46 Decal, Horsepower (3) - -**BREATHER & VENT KEY PART** DESCRIPTION NO. NO. Nut, Hex 1/4-20 (2) Washer, Plain 1/4 (2) Cover, #2 Cylinder Valve X-81-1 1 X-25-12 2 3 52 096 18 Gasket, Cover (3) Stud, #2 Cylinder Valve Cover 4 52 055 01 5 X-352-39 1/4-20 x 2-1/4 52 326 12 6 Hose, Breather Cover, #1 Upper Cylinder Valve Seal, Breather 7 52 096 08 8 52 032 04

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#### Cover, #1 Lower Cylinder Valve Stud, #1 Cylinder Valve Cover 275220 1/4-20 x 3-1/4

Valve, Umbrella

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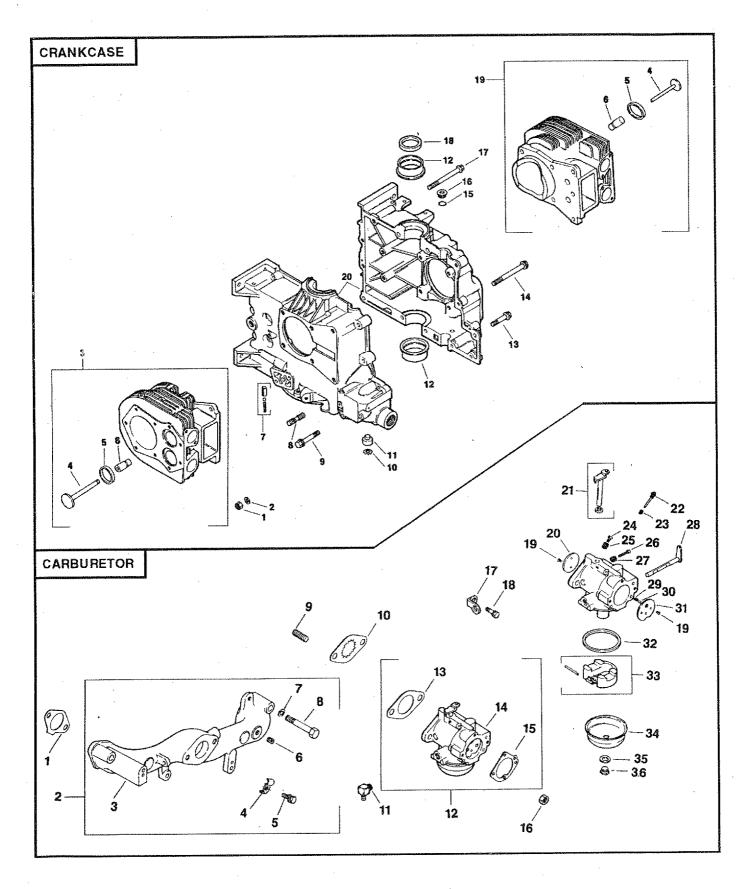
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#### CRANKCASE

#### DESCRIPTION **KEY PART** NO. NO. Nut, Hex 5/16-18 (12) Washer, Flat 5/16 (12) 1 X-82-2 52 468 12 2 Kit, #1 Cylinder Barrel (Includes Key Numbers 4 thru 6) З 82 755 16 Valve, Exhaust 52 016 05 4 Insert, Valve Seat (2) Guide, Valve (2) Kit, Oil Relief 52 031 01 5 52 316 06 6 7 52 755 50 Kir, Oli Heiler Step Stud 5/16-18 x 3/4, 3/8-16 x 5/8, 2" Long (12) Screw, Hex Flange 5/16-18 x 2 (2) Ring, Retaining Shaft, Governor 52 072 12 8 9 25 086 12 X-269-43 10 52 078 05 11 Shaft, Governor Bearing, Sleeve, Standard (2) Bearing, Sleeve .010" (2) Bearing, Sleeve .020" (2) Screw, Hex Flange 5/16-18 x 1-1/2 (3) 52 030 10 12 52 030 11 52 030 12 13 25 086 10 Screw, Hex Flange 3/8-16 x 3-5/8 (2) 25 086 13 14 O-Ring 52 141 02 15 Plug 52 139 08 16 Screw, Hex Flange 25 086 11 17 5/16-18 x 3-1/2 (8) Seal, Oil, Front 52 032 10 18 Kit, #2 Cylinder Barrel 19 82 755 17 (Includes Key Numbers 4 thru 6) Crankcase (Service with Short Block, 20 \_ \_ \_ Part Number 82 522 30)

#### CARBURETOR

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 2	52 041 09 52 755 91	Gasket, Intake (2) Kit, Manifold (Includes Key Numbers 3 thru 8)
3 4 5 6	52 164 15 X-21-1 X-6-29 X-75-23	Manifold, Intake Washer, Lock 5/16 (4) Screw, Hex Cap 5/16-18 x 2 (4) Plug, Hex, Countersunk 1/8 N.P.T.F.
	235778 X-67-97	Clamp, Cable (2) Screw, Hex Washer Head #10-24 x 3/8 (2)
9 10 11 12	41 072 19 52 063 40 25 155 02 52 853 25	Stud 5/16-18 x 1 (2) Baffle, Carburetor Connector, Hose Kit, Carburetor with Gasket (Includes Key Numbers 12 thru 14)
13 14	271030 52 053 54	Gasket, Carburetor (2) Carburetor Assembly (Information Only - Not Available Separately) (Includes Key Numbers 18 thru 35)
15 16 17 18	25 041 06 X-77-2 232867 X-67-62	Gasket, Air Cleaner Nut 5/16 (2) Strap, Lifting Screw, Hex Washer Head 1/4-20 x 3/4
32 33 34	$\begin{array}{c} 25\ 086\ 27\\ 25\ 146\ 03\\ 52\ 144\ 24\\ 25\ 368\ 01\\ 25\ 089\ 02\\ 25\ 089\ 02\\ 25\ 089\ 03\\ 25\ 089\ 02\\ 52\ 090\ 13\\ 25\ 089\ 03\\ 25\ 089\ 03\\ 25\ 089\ 03\\ 25\ 194\ 01\\ 25\ 146\ 02\\ 25\ 041\ 04\\ 25\ 757\ 09\\ 25\ 104\ 01\\ 25\ 041\ 03\\ 25\ 100\ 05\\ \end{array}$	Screw, Throttle and Choke Plate (4) Plate, Choke Shaft, Throttle with Lever and Seal Needle, Idle Fuel Adjust Spring, Idle, Fuel Screw, Idle Speed Adjust Spring, Idle Speed Needle, Main Fuel Spring, Main Fuel Lever, Choke Spring, Choke, Friction Ball, Choke, Friction Plate, Throttle Gasket, Bowl Kit, Float Bowl, Fuel Gasket, Bowl Retainer Screw Screw, Bowl Retainer

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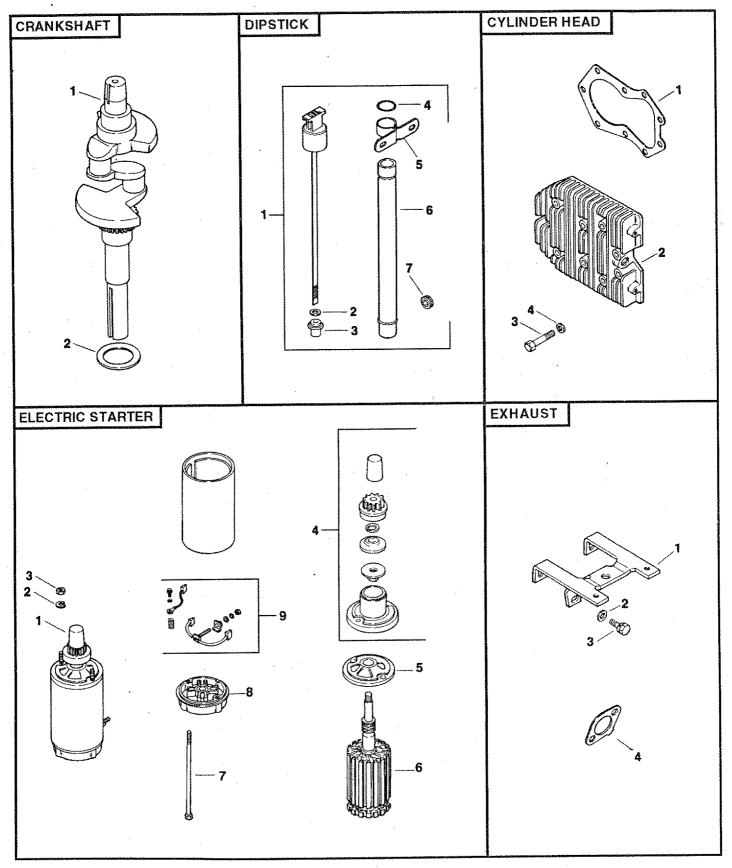
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Kit, Carburetor Repair Kit, Bowl Baffle

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#### CRANKSHAFT

| KEY<br>NO. | PART<br>NO.                                      | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                  |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| •          | 52 014 93<br>52 468 03<br>52 468 04<br>52 468 05 | Crankshaft<br>Washer, Thrust .119/.122 (A.R.)<br>Washer, Thrust .128/.131<br>Washer, Thrust .137/.140 (A.R.) |

#### DIPSTICK

| KEY<br>NO. |           | DESCRIPTION                                         |
|------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 1          | 52 038 14 | Dipstick Assembly<br>(Includes Key Numbers 2 and 3) |
| 2          | X-25-44   | Washer, Plain 5/16                                  |
| 3          | 52 032 14 | Seal, Rubber                                        |
| 4          | 41 153 01 | O-Ring                                              |
| 5          | 52 126 11 | Bracket, Oil Tube Support                           |
| 6          | 52 123 20 | Tube, Oil Fill 11-7/8                               |
| 7          | 47 139 01 | Plug, Hex, Countersunk                              |
|            |           | 3/4NPTE                                             |

#### CYLINDER HEAD

| KEY<br>NO.       | PART<br>NO.                                   | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                 |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1<br>2<br>3<br>4 | 52 041 20<br>52 015 08<br>220534<br>41 086 02 | Gasket, Head (2)<br>Cylinder Head (2)<br>Washer, Plain 5/16 (18)<br>Screw, Hex Head<br>5/16-18 x 1-1/2 (18) |

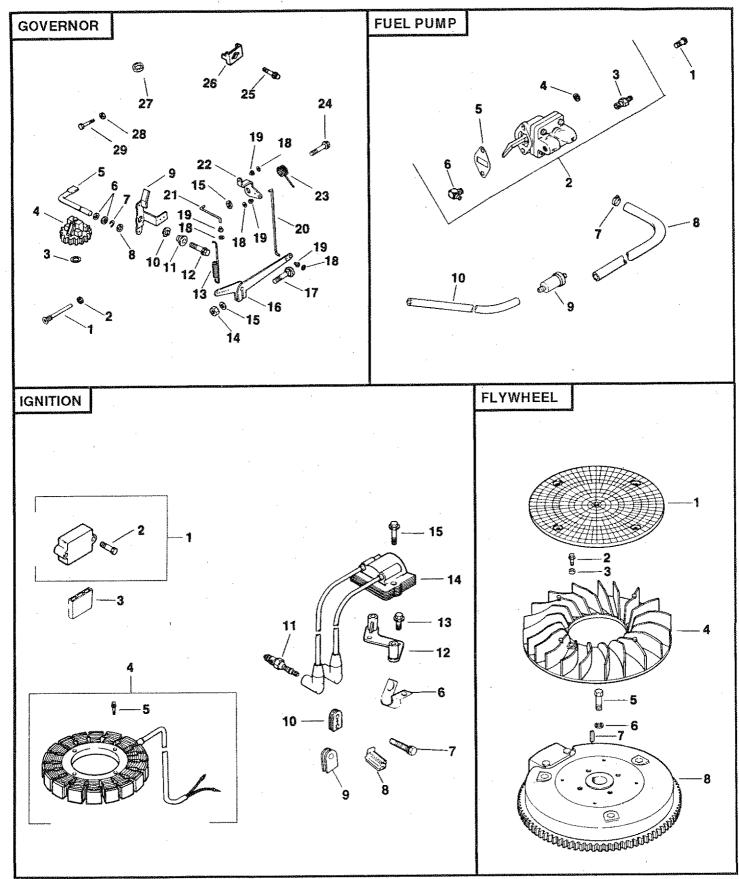
#### ELECTRIC STARTER

| KEY<br>NO.       | PART<br>NO.                                                                                                 | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6<br>7           | 52 098 12<br>X-20-1<br>X-81-1<br>82 755 26<br>52 081 07<br>52 170 05<br>52 211 01<br>52 227 10<br>82 755 28 | Starter Assembly<br>(Includes Key Numbers 4 thru 9)<br>Washer, Lock 1/4 (2)<br>Nut, Hex 1/4-20 (2)<br>Kit, Drive<br>Cap, Drive End<br>Armature<br>Bolt, Thru (2)<br>Cap, Commutator End<br>Kit, Brush |
| NOT              | ILLUSTRATED<br>25 450 03                                                                                    | Tag, Caution                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| EXH/             | \UST                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| KEY<br>NO.       | PART<br>NO.                                                                                                 | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1<br>2<br>3<br>4 | 52 126 12<br>X-25-72<br>52 086 11<br>52 041 14                                                              | Bracket<br>Washer, Plain (3)<br>Screw 1/4-20 x 5/8 (3)<br>Gasket, Exhaust (2)                                                                                                                         |

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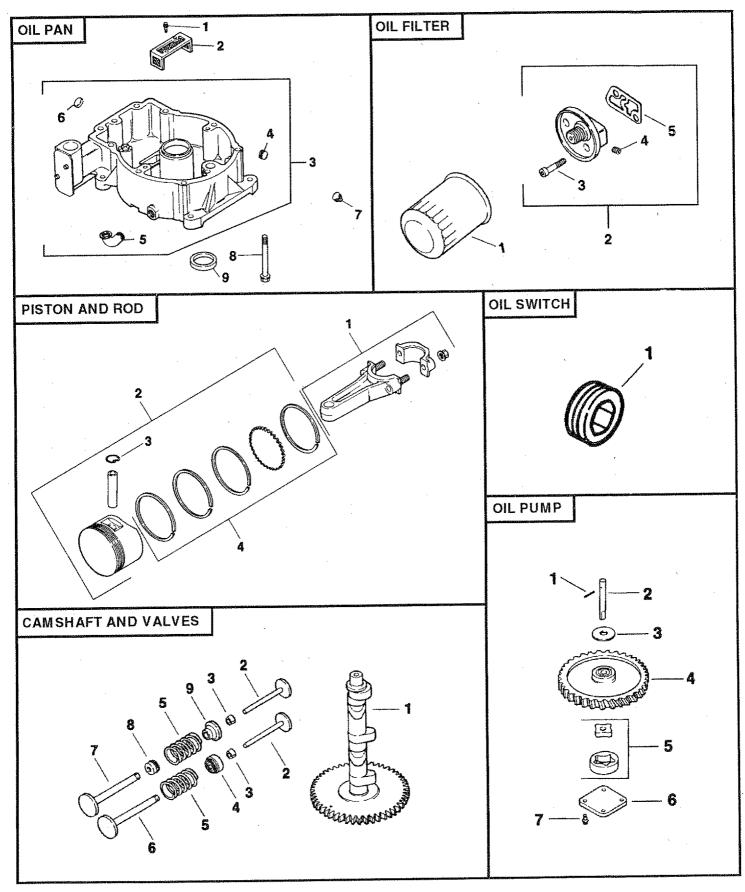
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|                | VHEEL                               | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                                        | FUEI           | - PUMP                              |                                                                                           |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| KEY            | PART                                | DESCRIPTION                                                                  | KEY<br>NO.     | PART<br>NO.                         | DESCRIPTION                                                                               |
| NO.            | NO.                                 |                                                                              | 1              | 47 086 08                           | Screw, Pozidriv, Truss Head                                                               |
| 1<br>2         | 25 162 01<br>25 086 21              | Screen, Grass<br>Screw, Hex Washer Head                                      | 2              | 52 559 01                           | 1/4-20 x 5/8 (2)<br>Pump, Fuel Assembly                                                   |
| -<br>3<br>4    | 25 112 04<br>25 157 01              | 1/4-20 x 5/8 (4)<br>Spacer (4)<br>Fan                                        | 3<br>4         | X-380-1<br>X-25-63                  | (Includes Key Numbers 3 thru 6)<br>Connector, Straight<br>Washer, Plain 1/4 (2)           |
| 5<br>6<br>7    | 25 086 24<br>52 468 15<br>X-286-17  | Screw, Hex Machine 3/8-24 x 1-1/4<br>Washer, Plain<br>Key, Square 3/16 x 7/8 | 5<br>6<br>7    | 25 041 09<br>25 155 02<br>X-426-9   | Gasket, Fuel Pump<br>Connector, Hose<br>Clamp, Hose (4)                                   |
| 8              | 52 025 36<br>)                      | Flywheel                                                                     | 8<br>9<br>.10  | 52 353 18<br>25 050 03<br>15 353 04 | Line, Fuel, 8"<br>Filter, Fuel<br>Line, Fuel, 11-1/2"                                     |
| GOV            | ERNOR                               |                                                                              |                |                                     |                                                                                           |
|                | PART                                | DESCRIPTION                                                                  | IGNI           | TION                                |                                                                                           |
| 1              | NO.                                 | Pin, Governor Stop<br>Washer, Plain 1/4                                      |                | PART<br>NO.                         | DESCRIPTION                                                                               |
| 2<br>3<br>4    | X-25-12<br>237022<br>A-235743-S     | Washer, Thrust<br>Kit, Governor Gear                                         | 1              | 25 755 03                           | Kit, Rectifier-Regulator<br>(Includes Key Number 2)                                       |
| 5<br>6         | 52 078 04<br>X-25-102               | Shaft, Governor Cross<br>Washer, Plain 1/4 (2)                               | 2<br>3         | X-132-5<br>236602                   | Screw, Hex Cap 1/4-20 x 5/8 (2)<br>Connector, 3 Contact                                   |
| 7<br>8         | X-269-28<br>X-25-72                 | Retainer, Governor                                                           | 4<br>5         | 237878<br>X-67-51                   | Kit, Stator (Includes Key Number 5)<br>Screw, Hex Cap #10-24 x 3/4 (2)                    |
| 9<br>10        | 52 090 23<br>277341                 | Washer, Plain 1/4 (2)<br>Lever, Speed Control<br>Washer, Tension             | 6<br>7         | 210281<br>X-67-64                   | Clip (2)<br>Screw, Hex Washer Head                                                        |
| 11<br>12       | 52 158 07<br>25 086 15              | Bushing, Throttle Control Lever<br>Screw, Hex Washer Head<br>1/4-20 x 1      | 8              | 41 155 03<br>220297                 | #10-32 x 7/16<br>Connector, 2 Contact<br>Grommet, Rubber                                  |
| 13<br>14       | 52 089 07<br>X-81-1                 | Spring, Governor<br>Nut, Hex 1/4-20                                          | 9<br>10<br>11  | 52 313 02<br>52 132 02              | Grommet<br>Spark Plug (2)                                                                 |
| 15<br>16<br>17 | X-25-63<br>52 186 09<br>52 211 04   | Washer, Plain 1/4<br>Arm, Governor<br>Screw, Round Head, Square Neck 1/      | 12<br>13       | 52 126 08<br>25 086 15              | Bracket, Module<br>Screw, Hex Washer Head<br>1/4-20 x 1 (2)                               |
| 18<br>19       | 25 141 03<br>25 158 08              | 4-20 x 1<br>Ring, Retaining (4)<br>Bushing, Linkage Retaining (4)            | 14<br>15       | 52 584 02<br>25 086 16              | Module, Ignition<br>Screw, Hex Washer Head<br>1/4-20 x 7/8 (2)                            |
| 20<br>21<br>22 | 52 079 07<br>52 079 06<br>52 090 14 | Linkage, Governor<br>Linkage, Throttle<br>Lever, Throttle                    | NOT            | ILLUSTRATED<br>47 518 33            | Lead, Violet, Rectifier-Regulator                                                         |
| 23<br>24       | 52 089 08<br>25 086 21              | Spring, Torsion<br>Screw, Hex Washer Head<br>1/4-20 x 5/8                    |                | E0 E10 10                           | (11", 14 Gauge, Uninsulated Push On<br>Tab Terminals)<br>Lead, White, Module To Connector |
| 25             | X-67-97                             | Screw, Hex Washer Head<br>#10-24 x 3/8 (3)                                   |                | 52 518 19                           | (19-1/2", 14 Gauge, Insulated Push<br>On Tab, Uninsulated Push On Tab                     |
| 26<br>27       | 235778<br>25 431 01<br>X-70-3       | Clamp, Cable (3)<br>Bushing, Speed Control Lever<br>Nut. Hex #10-32          | 8.1 <b>~~~</b> |                                     | Terminals)<br>It dimensions given in U.S. inches                                          |
| 28<br>29       | 52 086 05                           | Screw, Hex Head #10-32 x 7/8                                                 | NUI            | 1 inch = 25.4                       | mm                                                                                        |

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#### OIL PAN

| KEY<br>NO. | PART<br>NO. | DESCRIPTION                                 |
|------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1          | X-67-64     | Screw, Hex Washer Head<br>#10-32 x 7/16 (2) |
| 2          | 52 050 03   | Filter, Oil Pickup                          |
| 2<br>3     | 52 199 14   | Oil Pan (Includes Key #4 thru 6)            |
| 4          | X-702-14    | Plug, Cup 1-1/16                            |
| 4<br>5     | 52 054 07   | Elbow, Street                               |
| 6          | X-75-38     | Plug, Hex, Countersunk                      |
|            |             | 1/4 N.P.T.F.                                |
| 7          | X-75-10     | Plug, Square Head 3/8 N.P.T.F. (2)          |
| 8          | 52 086 12   | Screw, Hex Washer Head                      |
|            |             | 5/16-18 x 1-1/4 (9)                         |
| 9          | 52 032 10   | Seal, Oil, Rear                             |

#### **OIL FILTER**

|        | PART<br>NO.            | DESCRIPTION                                                              |
|--------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1<br>2 | 52 050 02<br>82 755 23 | Oil Filter<br>Kit, Oil Filter Adaptor<br>(Includes Key Numbers 3 thru 5) |
| 3      | X-55-15                | Screw, Hex Socket Head<br>5/16-18 x 1-1/4 (2)                            |
| 4      | X-75-23                | Plug, Hex, Countersunk                                                   |
| 5      | 52 041 16              | Gasket, Oil Filter                                                       |

#### **PISTON & ROD**

| KEY<br>NO. | PART<br>NO.                                                                | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1          | 52 067 67<br>52 067 68                                                     | Connecting Rod, Standard (2)<br>Connecting Rod .010" (2)                                                                                                                   |
| 2          | 52 874 11<br>52 874 12<br>52 874 13<br>52 874 13<br>52 874 14<br>52 874 15 | Piston with Ring Set, Standard (2)<br>Piston with Ring Set .003" (2)<br>Piston with Ring Set .010" (2)<br>Piston with Ring Set .020" (2)<br>Piston with Ring Set .030" (2) |
| -          | 230004<br>52 108 09<br>52 108 10<br>52 108 11<br>52 108 12                 | Retainer, Piston Pin (4)<br>Ring Set, Standard and .003" (2)<br>Ring Set .010" (2)<br>Ring Set .020" (2)<br>Ring Set .030" (2)                                             |

#### LOW OIL PRESSURE SWITCH

| KEY<br>NO. | PART<br>NO. | DESCRIPTION             |
|------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 1          | X-75-23     | Plug, Pipe 1/8 N.P.T.F. |

#### **CAMSHAFT & VALVES**

| KEY<br>NO.                                     | PART<br>NO.            | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1<br>2<br>3<br>4<br>5<br>6<br>7<br>8<br>9<br>* |                        | * Camshaft<br>* Tappet (4)<br>Kit, Retainer (4)<br>Rotator, Exhaust Valve (2)<br>Spring, Valve (4)<br>Valve, Exhaust (2)<br>Valve, Intake (2)<br>Seal, Intake Valve Stem (2)<br>Retainer, Intake Valve (2)<br>24082000 use: |
| 1<br>2                                         | 52 012 11<br>52 019 02 | Camshaft<br>Tappet                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

#### OIL PUMP

| KEY<br>NO.  | PART<br>NO.                                                                          | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3<br>4<br>5 | X-280-25<br>52 144 05<br>52 422 01<br>52 043 05<br>52 393 09<br>52 096 03<br>X-67-64 | Pin, Roll<br>Shaft, Oil Pump<br>Spacer, Shim<br>(As Required, Maximum of 2)<br>Gear, Oil Pump<br>Rotor Set<br>Cover, Oil Pump<br>Screw, Hex Washer Head<br>#10-32 x 7/16 (4) |
|             |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                              |

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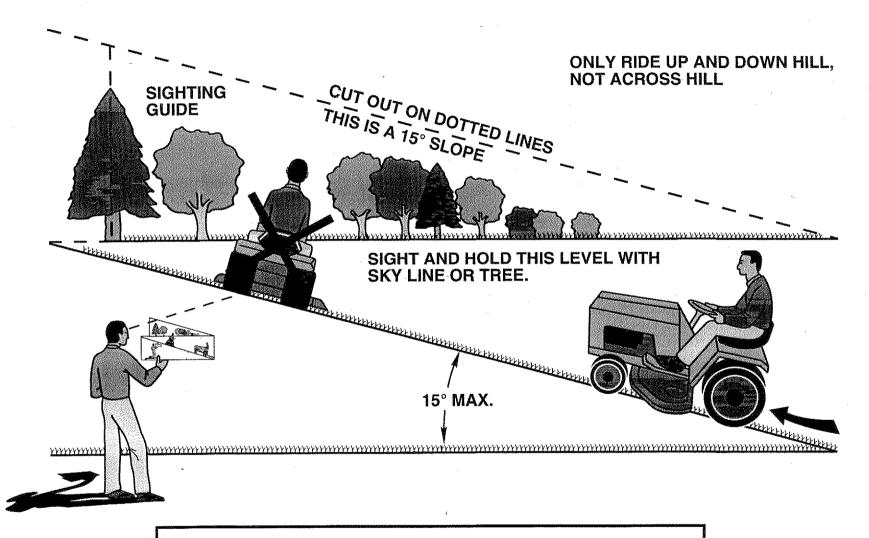
| <br>82 522 30<br>52 755 94 | Short Block<br>Gasket Set |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| RPM Settings:              | Low Speed:                |

Low Speed: 1150-1650 High Speed: 3200-3400

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