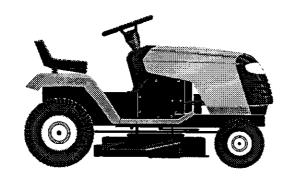
# Owner's Manual

# **CRAFTZMAN®**

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

Model No. 917.271532

- Safety
- Assembly
- Operation
- Maintenance
- Repair Parts





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

# **CAUTION:**

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

1-800-659-5917

Sears Craftsman Help Line 5 am - 5 pm, Mon - Sat

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### WARRANTY

#### LIMITED TWO YEAR WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN RIDING EQUIPMENT PARTS

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. Warranty service is available free of charge by returning your Craftsman riding equipment to your nearest Sears Service Center. In-home warranty service is available but a trip charge will apply. This warranty applies only while this product is in the United States.

This Warranty does not cover:

- Expendable items which become worn during normal use, such as blades, spark plugs, air cleaners, belts and oil filters.
- Tire replacement or repair caused by punctures from outside objects, such as nails, thorns, stumps, or glass.
- Repairs necessary because of operator abuse, including but not limited to, damage caused by towing objects beyond the capability of the riding equipment, impacting objects that bend the frame or crankshaft, or over speeding the engine.
- Repairs necessary because of operator negligence, including but not limited to, electrical and mechanical damage caused by improper storage, failure to use the proper grade and amount of engine oil, failure to keep the deck clear of flammable debris, or the failure to maintain the equipment according to the instructions contained in the owner's manual.
- Engine (fuel system) cleaning or repairs caused by fuel determined to be contaminated or oxidized (stale). In general, fuel should be used within thirty (30) days of its purchase date.
- Riding equipment used for commercial or rental purposes. A product is "used for commercial purpose" if is used for any purpose other than single family household dwellings or in usage where profit is made.

#### 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. Warranty service is available free of charge by returning your Craftsman riding equipment to your nearest Sears Service Center. In-home warranty service is available but a trip charge will apply. This warranty applies only while this product is in the United States.

TO LOCATE THE NEAREST SEARS SERVICE CENTER OR TO SCHEDULE IN-HOME WARRANTY SERVICE, SIMPLY CONTACT SEARS AT 1-800-4-MY-HOME

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

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#### SAFETY RULES

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

#### I. GENERAL OPERATION

- Read, understand, and follow all instructions in the manual and on the machine before starting.
- Only allow responsible adults, who are familiar with the instructions, to operate the machine.
- Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade.
- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers.

  Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point it at anyone. Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher or the guard in place.
- Slow down before turning.
- Never leave a running machine unattended. Always turn off blades, set parking brake, stop engine, and remove keys before dismounting.
- Turn off blades when not mowing. Stop engine before removing grass
- catcher or unclogging chute. Mow only in daylight or good artificial
- light.
- Do not operate the machine while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Use extra care when loading or unloading the machine into a trailer or truck.
- Data indicates that operators, age 60 years and above, are involved in a large percentage of riding mower-related injuries. These operators should evaluate their ability to operate the riding mower safely enough to protect themselves and others from serious injury.
- Keep machine free of grass, leaves or other debris build-up which can touch hot exhaust / engine parts and burn . Do not allow the mower deck to plow leaves or other debris which can cause buildup to occur. Clean any oil or fuel spillage before operating or storing the machine . Allow machine to cool before storage.

#### II. SLOPE OPERATION

Slopes are a major factor related to loss-ofcontrol 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 overtum 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.

## SAFETY RULES

#### 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.











- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers or children even with the blades off.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Never carry children. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe machine operation.
- Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the area.
- Before and when backing, look behind and down for small children.
- Mow up and down slopes (15° Max), not across.
- Remove obstacles such as rocks, tree limbs, etc.
- Watch for holes, ruts, or bumps. Uneven terrain could overturn the machine. Tall grass can hide obstacles.

### **SAFETY RULES**

- Use slow speed. Choose a low gear so that you will not have to stop or shift while on the slope.
- Avoid starting or stopping on a slope. If tires lose traction, disengage the blades and proceed slowly straight down the slope.
- If machine stops while going uphill, disengage blades, shift into reverse and back down slowly.
- Do not turn on slopes unless necessary, and then, turn slowly and gradually downhill, if possible.

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

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GASOLINE CAPACITY AND TYPE:	1.25 GALLONS UNLEADED REGULAR			
OILTYPE	SAE 30(ABOVE 32°F) SAE 5W-30 (Below 32°F)			
OIL CAPACITY:	3.0 PINTS			
SPARK PLUG: (GAP: .030")				
GROUND SPEE	D FORWARD:			
(MPH):	1ST 1.1			
1	2ND 1.4			
	3RD 2.2			
	4TH 3.4			
	5TH 4.3			
	6TH 5.5 REVERSE: 1.7			
TIRE	FRONT: 14 PSI			
PRESSURE:				
	3 AMPS BATTERY 5 AMPS HEADLIGHTS			
BATTERY:	AMP/HR: 25 MIN. CCA: 190 CASE SIZE:U1R			
BLADE BOLT TORQUE:	27-35 FT. LBS			

CONGRATULATIONS on your purchase of a new tractor. It has been designed, engineered and manufactured to give you the best possible dependability and performance.

performance.
Should you experience any problem you cannot easily remedy, please contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
We have competent, well-trained technicians and the proper tools to service or repair this tractor.

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

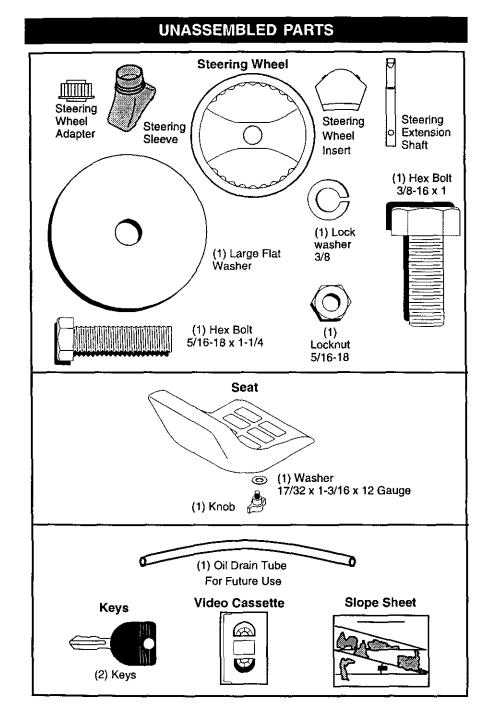
#### REPAIR AGREEMENT

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

#### **CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES**

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

**AWARNING:** This tractor is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest-covered, brushcovered or grass-covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or state laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, it should be maintained in effective working order by the operator. In the state of California the above is required by law (Section 4442 of the California Public Resources Code). Other states may have similar laws. Federal laws apply on federal lands. A spark arrester for the muffler is available through your nearest Sears service center (See REPAIR PARTS section of this manual).



### **ASSEMBLY**

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

# TOOLS REQUIRED FOR ASSEMBLY

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

- (1) 9/16" wrench
- (1) Pliers
- (1) 1/2" wrench
- (1) Utility knife
- (1) Tire pressure gauge

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

# TO REMOVE TRACTOR FROM CARTON

#### **UNPACK CARTON**

- Remove all accessible loose parts and parts cartons from carton.
- 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 REMOVING TRACTOR FROM SKID

#### ATTACH STEERING WHEEL

# ASSEMBLE EXTENSION SHAFT AND BOOT

 Slide extension shaft onto lower steering shaft. Align mounting holes in extension and lower shafts and install 5/16 hex bolt and locknut. Tighten securely.

IMPORTANT: Tighten bolt and nut securely to 18-22 ft. lbs torque.

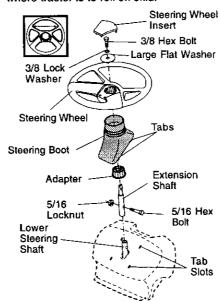
Place tabs of steering boot over tab slots in dash and push down to secure.

#### INSTALL STEERING WHEEL

- Position front wheels of the tractor so they are pointing straight forward.
- Remove steering wheel adapter from steering wheel and slide adapter onto steering shaft extension.
- Position steering wheel so cross bars are horizontal (left to right) and slide inside boot and onto adapter.

- Assemble large flat washer, 3/8 lock washer, 3/8 hex bolt and tighten securely.
- Snap steering wheel insert into center of steering wheel.
- 8. Remove protective materials from tractor hood and grill.

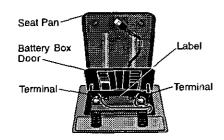
IMPORTANT: Check for and remove any staples in skid that may puncture tires where tractor is to roll off skid.



# HOW TO SET UP YOUR TRACTOR CHECK BATTERY

 Lift seat pan to raised position and open battery box door.

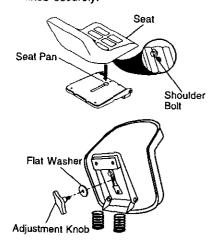
NOTE: If this battery is put into service after month and year indicated on label (label located between terminals) charge battery for minimum of one hour at 6-10 amps. (See "BATTERY" in Maintenance section of this manual for charging instructions).



#### INSTALL SEAT

Adjust seat before tightening adjustment knob.

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **CHECK TIRE PRESSURE**

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

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

#### **CHECK DECK LEVELNESS**

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

# CHECK FOR PROPER POSITION OF ALL BELTS

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

#### **CHECK BRAKE SYSTEM**

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

#### ✓ CHECKLIST

Before you operate and enjoy your new tractor, we wish to assure that you receive the best performance and satisfaction from this Quality Product.

Please review the following checklist:

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

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

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

# **OPERATION**

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





ATTACHMENT

**CLUTCH ENGAGED** 



REVERSE



HIGH



LOW







PARKING BRAKE

ATTACHMENT CLUTCH DISENGAGED



NEUTRAL

KEEP AREA CLEAR SLOPE HAZARDS (SEE SAFETY RULES SECTION)



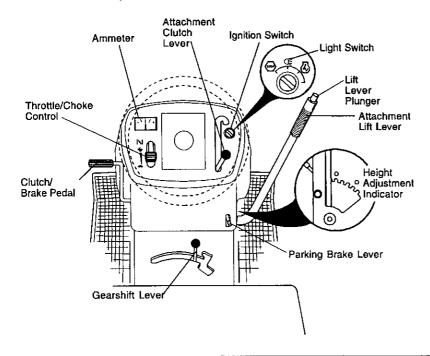
DANGER, KEEP HANDS AND FEET AWAY



FREE WHEEL (Automatic Models only)

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

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



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

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

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

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

GEARSHIFT LEVER - Selects the speed and direction of tractor.

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

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

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

PARKING BRAKE LEVER - Locks clutch/ brake pedal into the brake position. THROTTLE/CHOKE CONTROL - Used for starting and controlling engine speed. AMMETER - Indicates battery charging (+) or discharging (-).

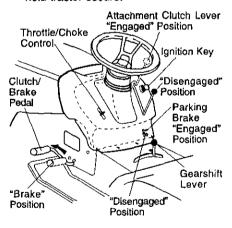


The operation of any tractor can result in foreign objects thrown into the eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Always wear safety glasses or eye shields while operating your tractor or performing any adjustments or repairs. We recommend a wide vision safety mask over spectacles or standard safety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

### HOW TO USE YOUR TRACTOR TO SET PARKING BRAKE

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

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



#### STOPPING

#### MOWER BLADES -

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

#### GROUND DRIVE -

- To stop ground drive, depress clutch/ brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position.
- Move gearshift lever to neutral (N) position.

#### **ENGINE** -

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

- Turn ignition key to "OFF" position and remove key. Always remove key when leaving tractor to prevent unauthorized
- Never use choke to stop engine.
   IMPORTANT: Leaving the ignition switch in any position other than "OFF" will cause the battery to be discharged, (dead).

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

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

#### TO USE THROTTLE CONTROL

Always operate engine at full throttle.

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

#### TO MOVE FORWARD AND BACK-WARD

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.
- 2. Move gearshift lever to desired
- position.

  3. Slowly release clutch/brake pedal to start movement.

**IMPORTANT:** Bring tractor to a complete stop before shifting or changing gears. Failure to do so will shorten the useful life of your transaxle.

#### TO ADJUST MOWER CUTTING HEIGHT

The position of the attachment lift lever determines the cutting height.

- Grasp lift lever.
- Press plunger with thumb and move lever to desired position.

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.

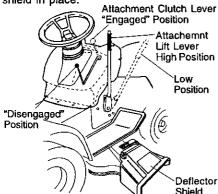
#### TO OPERATE MOWER

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

- 1. Select desired height of cut.
- 2. Start mower blades by engaging attachment clutch control.

To stop mower blades - disengage attachment clutch control.

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



#### TO OPERATE ON HILLS

**ACAUTION:** 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.).

#### TOWING CARTS AND OTHER ATTACH-MENTS

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

# BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL

The engine in your tractor has been shipped, from the factory, already filled with summer weight oil.

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

#### **ADD GASOLINE**

 Fill fuel tank. 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.

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

A 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**

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

- Sit on seat in operating position, depress clutch/brake pedal and set parking brake.
- Place gear shift lever in neutral (N) position.
- Move attachment clutch to "DISEN-GAGED" position.
- Move throttle control to choke position.
   NOTE: Before starting, read the warm and cold starting procedures below.

5. Insert key into ignition and turn key clockwise to "START" position and release key as soon as engine starts. Do not run starter continuously for more than fifteen seconds per minute. If the engine does not start after several attempts, move throttle control to fast position, wait a few minutes and try again. If engine still does not start, move the throttle control back to the choke position and retry.

# WARM WEATHER STARTING (50° F and above)

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

# COLD WEATHER STARTING (50° F and below)

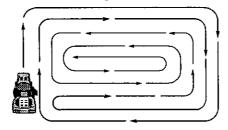
- 6. When engine starts, allow engine to run with the throttle control in the choke position until the engine runs roughly, then move throttle control to fast position. This may require an engine warm-up period from several seconds to several minutes, depending on the temperature.
- The attachments can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

#### **MOWING TIPS**

- · Mower should be properly leveled for best mowing performance. See "TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.
- The left hand side of mower should be
- used for trimming.

   Drive so that clippings are discharged onto the area that has been cut. Have the cut area to the right of the tractor. This will result in a more even distribution of clippings and more uniform cutting.
- When mowing large areas, start by turning to the right so that clippings will discharge away from shrubs, fences, driveways, etc. After one or two rounds, mow in the opposite direction making left hand turns until finished.
- . If grass is extremely tall, it should be mowed twice to reduce load and possible fire hazard from dried clippings. Make first cut relatively high; the second to the desired height.

- . Do not mow grass when it is wet. Wet grass will plug mower and leave undesirable clumps. Allow grass to dry before mowing.
- Always operate engine at full throttle when mowing to assure better mowing performance and proper discharge of material. Regulate ground speed by selecting a low enough gear to give the mower cutting performance as well as the quality of cut desired.
- When operating attachments, select a ground speed that will suit the terrain and give best performance of the attachment being used.



## **MAINTENANCE**

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#### **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.

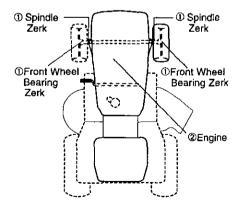
All adjustments in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual should be checked at least once each season.

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**

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

### **LUBRICATION CHART**



**®SAE OR 10W30 MOTOR OIL @REFER TO MAINTENANCE "ENGINE"** SECTION

IMPORTANT: Do not oil or grease the pivot points which have special nylon bearings. Viscous lubricants will attract dust and dirt that will shorten the life of the self-lubricating bearings. If you feel they must be lubricated, use only a dry, powdered graphite type lubricant sparingly.

#### **TRACTOR**

Always observe safety rules when performing any maintenance.

#### **BRAKE OPERATION**

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

#### TIRES

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

**NOTE:** To seal tire punctures and prevent flat tires due to slow leaks, tire sealant may be purchased from your local parts dealer. Tire sealant also prevents tire dry rot and corrosion.

#### **OPERATOR PRESENCE SYSTEM**

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

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

### **BLADE CARE**

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

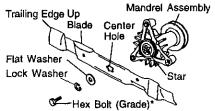
#### **BLADE REMOVAL**

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

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

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

IMPORTANT: Blade bolt is grade 8 heat treated



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

#### TO SHARPEN BLADE

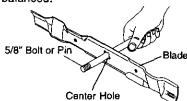
NOTE: We do not recommend sharpening blade - but if you do, be sure the blade is balanced.

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

- The blade can be sharpened with a file or on a grinding wheel. Do not attempt to sharpen while on the mower.
- To check blade balance, you will need a 5/8" diameter steel bolt, pin, or a cone balancer. (When using a cone balancer, follow the instructions supplied with balancer.)

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

Slide blade on to an unthreaded portion of the steel bolt or pin and hold the bolt or pin parallel with the ground. If blade is balanced, it should remain in a horizontal position. If either end of the blade moves downward, sharpen the heavy end until the blade is balanced.



#### **BATTERY**

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

- Keep battery and terminals clean.
- Keep battery bolts tight.
- Keep small vent holes open.
- Recharge at 6-10 amperes for 1 hour.
   NOTE: The original equipment battery on your tractor is maintenance free. Do not attempt to open or remove caps or covers.
   Adding or checking level of electrolyte is not necessary.

TO CLEAN BATTERY AND TERMINALS Corrosion and dirt on the battery and terminals can cause the battery to "leak" power.

- Open battery box door.
- Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and remove battery from tractor.
- Rinse the battery with plain water and dry.
- Clean terminals and battery cable ends with wire brush until bright.
- Coat terminals with grease or petroleum jelly.
- Reinstall battery (See "REPLACING BATTERY" in the SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS section of this manual).

#### V-BELTS

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

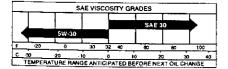
#### TRANSAXLE COOLING

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

#### ENGINE

#### LUBRICATION

Only use high quality detergent oil rated with API service classification SF-SJ 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 every 25 hours of operation or at least once a year if the tractor is not used for 25 hours in one year.

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

#### TO CHANGE ENGINE OIL

Determine temperature range expected before oil change. All oil must meet API service classification SF-SJ.

- · 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 yellow cap from end of drain valve and install the drain tube onto the fitting.
   Oil Drain Valve

Closed and Locked Position Drain Tube

3. Unlock drain valve by pushing inward slightly and turning counterclockwise.

Cap

- To open, pull out on the drain valve.
   After oil has drained completely, close and lock the drain valve by pushing inward and turning clockwise until the pin is in the locked position as shown.
- Remove the drain tube and replace the cap onto to the end of the drain valve.
- Refill engine with oil through oil fill dipstick tube. Pour slowly. Do not overfill. For approximate capacity see "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual.
- Use gauge on oil fill cap/dipstick for checking level. Be sure dipstick cap is tightened securely for accurate reading. Keep oil at "FULL" line on dipstick.

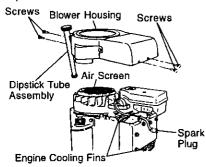
#### **CLEAN AIR SCREEN**

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

#### **ENGINE COOLING FINS**

Remove any dust, dirt or oil from engine cooling fins to prevent engine damage from overheating.

- Remove screws from blower housing and lift housing and dipstick tube assembly off engine.
- Cover oil fill opening to prevent entry of dirt.
- Use compressed air or stiff bristle brush to thoroughly clean engine cooling fins.
- To reassemble, reverse above procedure.



#### **AIR FILTER**

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

Service air cleaner more often under dusty conditions.

1. Remove knob(s) and cover.

#### TO SERVICE PRE-CLEANER

- 2. 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.

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

- 6. Reinstall pre-cleaner over cartridge.
- Reinstall cover and secure with knob(s).

#### TO SERVICE CARTRIDGE

- Remove cartridge nut.
- Carefully remove cartridge to prevent debris from entering carburetor. Clean base carefully to prevent debris from entering carburetor.
- Clean cartridge by tapping gently on flat surface.

NOTE: If very dirty or damaged, replace cartridge.

Reinstall cartridge, nut, precleaner, cover and secure with knob(s).

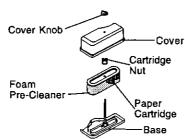
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IMPORTANT: Petroleum solvents, such as kerosene, are not to be used to clean the cartridge. They may cause deterioration of the cartridge. Do not oil cartridge. Do not use pressurized air to clean or dry cartridge.



#### **MUFFLER**

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

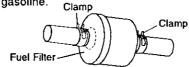
#### **SPARK PLUGS**

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

#### IN-LINE FUEL FILTER

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

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



#### **CLEANING**

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

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

### SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS



# **CAUTION: BEFORE PERFORMING ANY SERVICE OR ADJUSTMENTS:**

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

#### TRACTOR

#### TO REMOVE MOWER

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

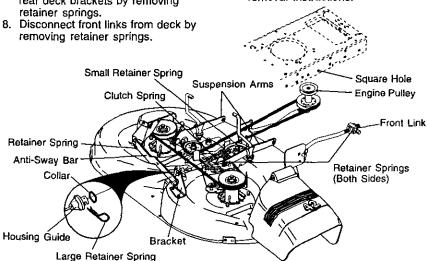
- Place attachment clutch in "DISEN-GAGED" position.
- Move attachment lift lever forward to lower mower to its lowest position.
- Roll belt off engine pulley.
- Remove small retainer spring, and lift clutch spring off pulley bolt.
- Remove large retainer spring, slide collar off and push housing guide out of bracket.
- Disconnect anti-swaybar from chassis bracket by removing retainer spring.
- Disconnect suspension arms from rear deck brackets by removing
- removing retainer springs.

9. Raise lift lever to raise suspension arms. Slide mower out from under tractor.

IMPORTANT: If an attachment other than the mower deck is to be mounted on the tractor, remove the front links and hook the clutch spring Into square hole in

#### TO INSTALL MOWER

- 1. Raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- Slide mower under tractor with deflector shield to right side of tractor.
- Lower lift lever to its lowest position.
- 4. Install mower in reverse order of removal instructions.



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#### TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING

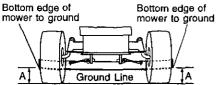
Adjust the mower while tractor is parked on level ground or driveway. Make sure tires are properly inflated (See "PROD-UCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual). If tires are over or underinflated, you will not properly adjust your mower.

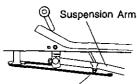
#### SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT

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

NOTE: Each full turn of adjustment nut will change mower height about 1/8".

Recheck measurements after adjusting.





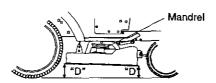
Lift Link Adjustment Nut

FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT IMPORTANT: Deck must be level side-to side. If the following front-to-back adjustment is necessary, be sure to adjust both front links equally so mower will stay level side-to-side.

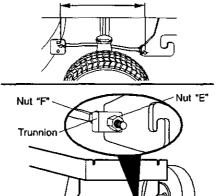
To obtain the best cutting results, the mower housing should be adjusted so that the front is approximately 1/8" to 1/2" lower than the rear when the mower is in its highest position.

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

- Before making any necessary adjustments, check that both front links are equal in length.
- If links are not equal in length, adjust one link to same length as other link.
- To lower front of mower loosen nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns
- When distance "D" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nuts "F" against trunnion on both front links.
- To raise front of mower, loosen nut "F" from trunnion on both front links.
   Tighten nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns.
- When distance "D" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "F" against trunnion on both front links.
- · Recheck side-to-side adjustment.



Both Front Links Should be Equal in Length



Front Links

# TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE DRIVE BELT

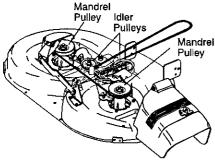
The mower blade drive belt may be replaced without tools. Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake.

#### **BELT REMOVAL -**

- Remove mower from tractor (See "TO REMOVE MOWER" in this section of this manual).
- Work belt off both mandrel pulleys and idler pulleys.
- 3. Pull belt away from mower.

#### **BELT INSTALLATION -**

- Install new belt in reverse order of removal.
- Make sure belt is in all pulley grooves and inside all belt guides.
- Install mower in reverse order of removal instructions.



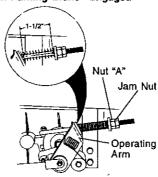
#### TO ADJUST BRAKE

Your tractor is equipped with an adjustable brake system which is mounted on the right side of the transaxle. If tractor requires more than six (6) feet stopping distance at high speed in highest gear on a level dry concrete or paved surface, then brake must be adjusted.

- 1. 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".

4. 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 a Sears or other qualified service center.

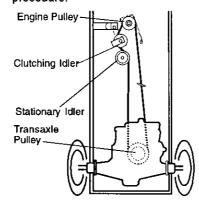
#### With Parking Brake "Engaged"



#### TO REPLACE MOTION DRIVE BELT

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

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



#### TO ADJUST STEERING WHEEL ALIGN-MENT

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.

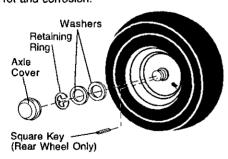
#### FRONT WHEEL TOE-IN/CAMBER

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 a Sears or other qualified service center.

#### TO REMOVE WHEEL FOR REPAIRS

- 1. 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.
   NOTE: 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.
- 5. Replace axle cover.

NOTE: To seal tire punctures and prevent flat tires due to slow leaks, tire sealant may be purchased from your local parts dealer. Tire sealant also prevents tire dry rot and corrosion.



# TO START ENGINE WITH A WEAK BATTERY

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

If your battery is too weak to start the engine, it should be recharged. (See "BATTERY" in the MAINTENANCE section of this manual). If "jumper cables" are used for emergency starting, follow this procedure:

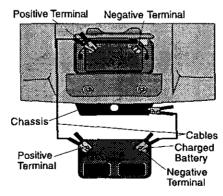
IMPORTANT: Your tractor is equipped with a 12 volt negative grounded system. The other vehical must also be a 12 volt negative grounded system. Do not use your tractor battery to start other vehicles.

#### TO ATTACH JUMPER CABLES -

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

#### TO REMOVE CABLES, REVERSE ORDER-

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



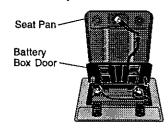
#### REPLACING BATTERY

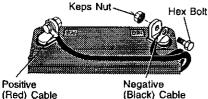
ACAUTION: Do not short battery terminals by allowing a wrench or any other object to contact both terminals at the same time. Before connecting battery, remove metal bracelets, wristwatch bands, rings, etc.

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

- Lift seat pan to raised position and open battery box door.
- 2. Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and carefully remove battery from tractor.
- 3. Install new battery with terminals in
- same position as old battery.

  4. First connect RED battery cable to positive (+) terminal with hex bolt and keps nut as shown. Tighten securely.
- 5. Connect BLACK grounding cable to negative (-) terminal with remaining hex bolt and keps nut. Tighten securely.
- 6. Close battery box door.





#### TO REPLACE HEADLIGHT BULB

- 1. Raise hood.
- 2. 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.
- 4. Close hood.

#### **INTERLOCKS AND RELAYS**

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

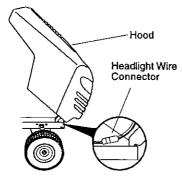
Check wiring. See electrical wiring diagram in the Repair Parts section.

#### TO REPLACE FUSE

Replace with 20 amp automotive-type plug-in fuse. The fuse holder is located behind the dash.

#### TO REMOVE HOOD AND GRILL AS-SEMBLY

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



#### **ENGINE**

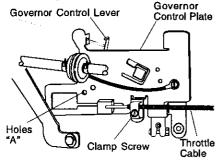
Maintenance, repair, or replacement of the emission control devices and systems, which are being done at the customers expense, may be performed by any non-road engine repair establishment or individual. Warranty repairs must be performed by an authorized engine manufacturer's service outlet.

#### TO ADJUST THROTTLE CONTROL CABLE

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

1. With engine not running, move throttle control lever from slow to choke position. Slowly move lever from choke to fast position.

 Check that holes "A" in governor control lever and hole in governor plate line-up. If holes "A" are not aligned, loosen clamp screw and move throttle cable until holes are aligned. Tighten clamp screw securely.



#### TO ADJUST CARBURETOR

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

The carburetor has been preset at the factory and adjustment should not be necessary. However, minor adjustment may be required to compensate for differences in fuel, temperature, altitude or load. If the carburetor does need adjustment, proceed as follows: In general, turning idle mixture valve in (clockwise) decreases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a leaner fuel/air mixture. Turning the idle mixture valve out (counter-clockwise) increases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a richer fuel/air mixture. IMPORTANT: Damage to the needle valve and the seat in carburetor may result if screw is turned in too tight.

#### PRELIMINARY SETTING -

- Air cleaner assembly must be assembled to the carburetor when making carburetor adjustments.
- Be sure the throttle control cable is adjusted properly (see above).

#### 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.
- Move throttle control lever to slow position. With finger, rotate and hold throttle lever against idle speed screw. Turn idle speed screw to attain 1750 RPM.
- While still holding throttle lever against idle speed screw, turn idle mixture valve full travel clockwise then counterclockwise until engine runs rough. Turn valve to a point midway between those two positions. Release throttle lever.

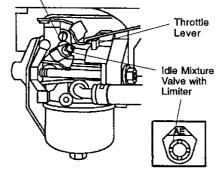
#### ACCELERATION TEST

 Move throttle control lever from slow to fast position. If engine hesitates or dies, turn idle mixture valve 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 a Sears or other qualified service center, which has proper equipment and experience to make any necessary adjustments.





### **STORAGE**

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

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

#### BATTERY

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

#### **ENGINE**

#### **FUEL SYSTEM**

IMPORTANT: It is important to prevent gum deposites from forming in essential fuel system parts such as carburetor, fuel hose, or tank during storage. Also, experiance 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 and engine while in storage.

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

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

#### ENGINE OIL

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

#### CYLINDER(S)

- 1. 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.
- 4. Replace with new spark plug(s).

#### **OTHER**

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

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

## TROUBLESHOOTING CHART

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 fuel filter.</li> <li>Water in fuel.</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>Beplace fuel filter.</li> <li>Drain fuel tank and</li> </ol>
	8. Loose or damaged wiring. 9. Carburetor out of adjustment. 10. Engine valves out of adjustment.	carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter.  8. Check all wiring.  9. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section.  10. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
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> </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> </ol>
	Carburetor out of adjustment.     Engine valves out of adjustment.	See "To Adjust Carburetor"     in Service Adjustments     section.     Contact a Sears or other     qualified service center.
Engine will not turn over	<ol> <li>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> </ol>	<ol> <li>Depress 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> </ol>
	Faulty operator presence switch(es).	9. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
Engine clicks but will not start	Weak or dead battery.     Corroded battery terminals.     Loose or damaged wiring.     Faulty solenoid or starter.	Recharge or replace battery     Clean battery terminals.     Check all wiring.     Check/replace solenoid or starter.

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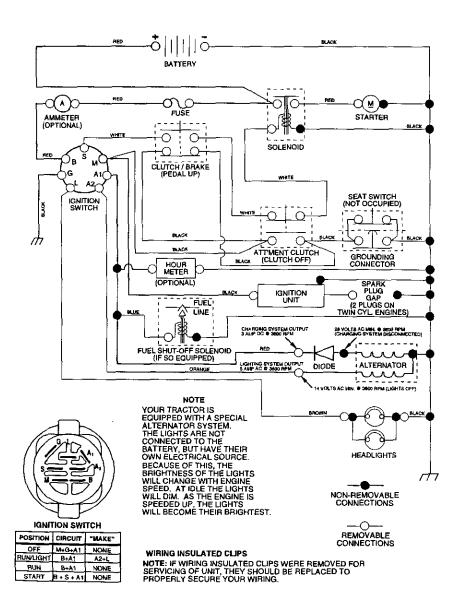
PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Loss of power	<ol> <li>Cutting too much grass/too fast.</li> <li>Throttle in "CHOKE" position.</li> <li>Build-up of grass, leaves and trash under mower.</li> <li>Dirty air filter.</li> <li>Low oil level/dirty oil.</li> <li>Faulty spark plug.</li> <li>Dirty fuel filter.</li> <li>Stale or dirty fuel.</li> <li>Water in fuel.</li> <li>Spark plug wire loose.</li> <li>Dirty/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>Check all wiring.</li> <li>See 'To Adjust Carburetor' in Service Adjustments section.</li> <li>Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.</li> </ol>
Excessive vibration	Worn, bent or loose blade.     Bent blade mandrel.     Loose/damaged part(s).	Replace blade.     Tighten blade bolt.     Replace blade mandrel.     Tighten loose part(s).     Replace damaged parts.
Engine continues to run when operator leaves seat with with attachment clutch engaged	Faulty operator-safety presence control system.	Check wiring, switches and connections. If not contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
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>

### TROUBLESHOOTING CHART

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Mower blades will not rotate	Obstruction in clutch mechanism.     Worn/damaged mower drive belt.     Frozen idler pulley.     Frozen blade mandrel.	<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>Reinstall 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)	1. Switch is "OFF". 2. Bulb(s) or lamp(s) burned out 3. Faulty light switch. 4. Loose or damaged wiring. 5. Blown fuse.	<ol> <li>Turn switch "ON".</li> <li>Replace bulb(s) or lamp(s).</li> <li>Check/replace light switch.</li> <li>Check wiring and connections.</li> <li>Replace fuse.</li> </ol>
Battery will not charge	Bad battery cell(s).     Poor cable connections.     Faulty regulator (if so equipped).     Faulty alternator.	Replace battery.     Check/clean all connections.     Replace regulator.     Replace alternator.
Engine "backfires' when turning engine "OFF"	1. Engine throttle control not set at "SLOW" position for 30 seconds before stopping engine.	Move throttle control to     "SLOW" position and allow     to idle for 30 seconds before     stopping engine.

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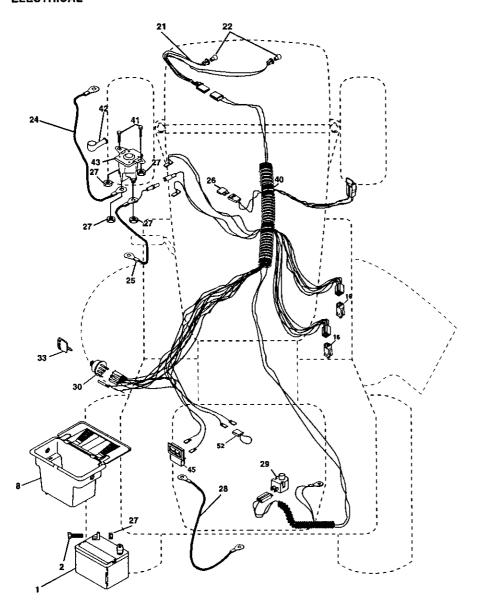
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# REPAIR PARTS

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# ELECTRICAL



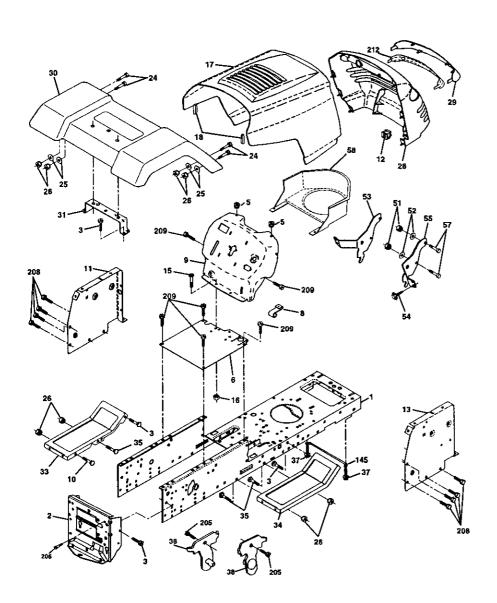
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### **ELECTRICAL**

1 144925 Battery 12 Volt 25 AMP 2 74760412 Bolt Hex Hd 1/4-20unc X 3/4 8 156417 Case Battery	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
16         153684         Switch Interfock Push-In           21         166181         Harmess Socket Light W/4152J           22         4152J         Bulb Light #1156           24         4799J         Cable Battery 6ga 11* red           25         146147         Cable Battery 6 Ga W/16 Wir red           26         175158         Fuse 20 AMP           27         73510400         Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 Unc           28         4207J         Cable Ground 6ga 12* black           29         121305X         Switch Plunger Nc Gray           30         175566         Switch Ign Delta Push-In	2 8 16 21 22 24 25 26 27 28 29 33 40 41 42 43 45	74760412 1564417 153664 166181 4152J 4799J 146147 175158 73510400 4207J 121305X 175566 140403 178437 71110408 131563 178861 121433X	Bolt Hex Hd 1/4-20unc X 3/4 Case Battery Switch Interlock Push-In Hamess Socket Light W/4152J Bulb Light #1156 Cable Battery 6ga 11" red Cable Battery 6ga 11" red Cable Battery 6 Ga W/16 Wir red Fuse 20 AMP Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 Unc Cable Ground 6ga 12" black Switch Plunger Nc Gray Switch Ign Delta Push-In Key Ign Molded Craftsman, Delta Hamess Ign Bolt Blk Hex 1/4-20unc x 1/2 Cover Terminal Red Solenoid Ammeter Rectangular 6 AMP

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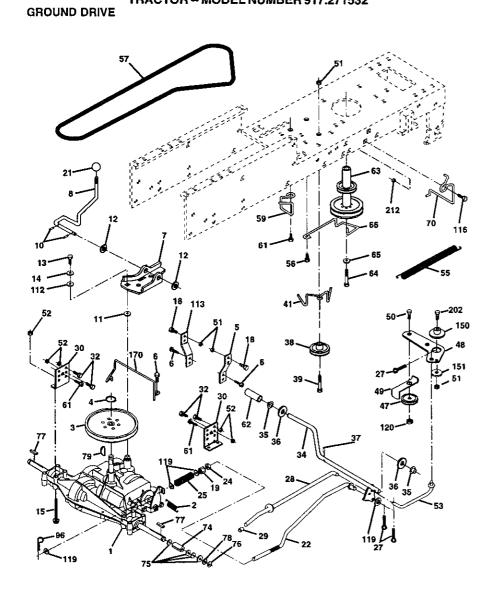


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	PART	
NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	174620	Chassis Lt Stamping
2	176554	Drawbar
3	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
5	155272	Bumper Hood/Dash
6	174643X010	
8	126471X	Clip Insulator .406 Mtg Hole
9	168348X010	
10	72140608	Bolt RdHd Sqnk, 3/8-16 x 1
11	155927	Panel Asm. Dash Lh
12	145660	Clip Tinnerman Grille P/L
13 15	172107X010	Panel Dash Rh
16	74180512	Screw Mach Trhd 5/16-18unc x 3/4
17	73510500 159639X558	Nu Keps 5/16-18unc Hood Prit Steel Private Label
18	126938X	BumperHood
24	74780616	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 Unc x 1 Gr. 5
25	19131312	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 12 Ga.
26	73800600	Nut Lock Hex w/lns 3/8-16 Unc
28	140434	Grill/Lens Asm
29	140273X599	
30	169465X558	
31	136619	Bracket Fender Support
33	145244X558	Footrest Pnt. Lh
34	145243X558	Footrest Pnt. Rh
35	72110606	Bolt RdHd Sht. Sqnk. 3/8-16 x 3/4
37	17490508	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 1/2 Tyt
38	175710	Bracket Asm. Pivot Mower Rear
51	73800400	Nut Lock Hex W/Ins. 1/4-20
52	19091416	Washer 9/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga.
53	144697	Bracket Grille LH
54	161464	Screw Hex Wshd #8-18 x 7/8
55	144696	Bracket, Grille RH
57 58	74780412	Bolt Fin Hex 1/4-20 x 3/4
	150127	Air Duct Private Label LT Engine
145 205	156524 17490608	Rod Pivot Chassis /Hood Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 1/2
206	170165	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 TT
208	17670608	Screw Thdrol. 3/8-16 x 1/2
209	17070008	Screw Hex Wsh Thdrol 3/8-16 BL
212	156229	Insert Lens Reflective
	5479J	Plug Button Blk .359 Dia. Choke
	5-17-5-5	ing button bit .000 bid. Offore

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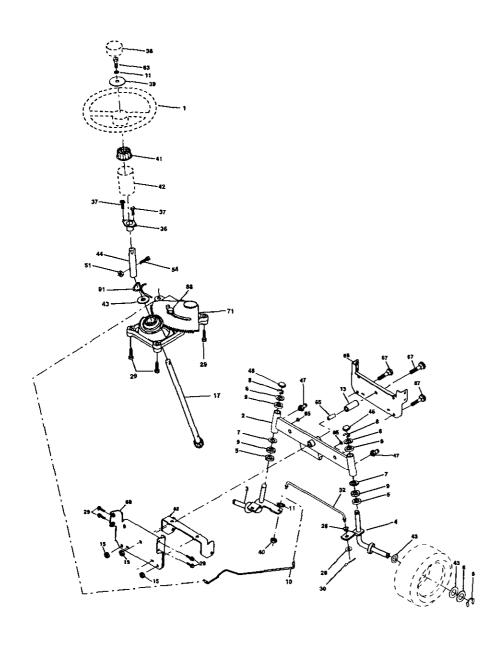


#### GROUND DRIVE

KEY	PART		KEY	PART		
NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION	NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION	
1		Transaxle (See Breakdown)	50	STD523715	Bolt Hex Hd 3/8-16unc x 1-1/2	
		Dana 4360-140	51	STD541437		
2	146682	Spring Return Brake T/a Zinc	52	STD541431	Nut Crown Lock 5/16-18	
3	123666X	Pulley Transaxle 18/20" tires	53	105710X	Link Clutch 7 66	
4	12000028	Ring Retainer # 5100-62	55	105709X	Spring Return Clutch 6 75	
5	121520X	Strap Torque 30 Degrees	56	17060616	Screw 3/8-16 x 1	
6	17060512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4	57	160855	V-Belt Gd Drive	
7	162240	Bracket Saddle Shift T/a	59	169691	Keeper Belt Centerspan	
8	131679	Rod Shf Sdl LY/YT Str Blk Zinc	61	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4	
10	STD561210		62	8883FR	Cover Pedal Blk Round	
11	105701X	Washer Plate Shf 388 Sq Hole	63	175410	Pulley Eng	
12	19151216	Washer 15/32 x 3/4 x 16ga	64	71170764	Bolt Hex 7/16-20 x 4 Gr 5	
13	74550412	Bolt 1/4-28unf Gr8 W/Patch	65	STD551143	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 7/16	
14	STD551125		66	154778	Keeper Belt Engine	
15	74490544	Bolt Hex FLGHD 5/16-18 Gr.5	70	134683	Guide Belt Mower Drive RH	
18	STD523710		74	109502X	Spacer Axle	
19	STD541437	Nut Lock Hex W/Ins. 3/8-16 Unc	75	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1 1/4 x 16 Ga	
21	106933X	Knob Rd 1/2-13 Pisto Thds Bik	76	STD581075	E-ring #5133-75	
22	130804	Rod Brake Blk Zinc 26 840	77	123583X	Key Šquare 2 0 x 1845/ 1865	
24	STD541237	Nut Hex Jam 3/8-16 Unc	78	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga	
25	106888X	Spring Rod Brake 2 00 Zinc	79	2228M	Key	
27	STD561210	Pin Cotter 1/8 x 3/4 Cad	96	4497H	Retainer Spring 1.00	
28	175765	Rod Brake Parking Lt/Yt	112	19091210	Washer 9/32 x 3/4 x 10 Ga	
29	71673	Cap Brake Parking	113	127285X	Strap Torque	
30	174973	Bracket Mtg Transaxle	116	72140608	Bolt Right Sq Neck 3/8-16 x 1	
32	STD523107	Bolt Hex Hd 5/16-18unc x 3/4	119	19131016	Washer 13/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga	
34	175578	Shaft Asm Pedal Foot	120	73900600	Nut Lock Flg 3/8-16	
35	120183X	Bearing Nylon Blk 629 Id	150	174456	SpacerRetainer	
36	STD551062		151	19133210	Washer 13/32 x 2 x 10 Ga	
37	STD571810	Pin Roll 3/16 x 1"	170	178394	Keeper Belt Transaxle	
38	179114	Pulley Idler Composite Ext Hub	202	72110614	Bolt Carr Sh 3/8-16 x 1-3/4 Gr. 5	
39	74760648	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 Unc X 3	212	145212	Nut Hex Flange Lock	
41	175556	Keeper Belt Idler				
47	127783	Pulley Idler V Groove Plastic	NOT	F: All compon	ent dimensions given in U.S.	
48	154407	Bellcrank Clutch Grn Drv Stl				
49	123205X	Retainer Belt Style Spring	inches 1 inch = 25.4 mm			

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#### **STEERING**

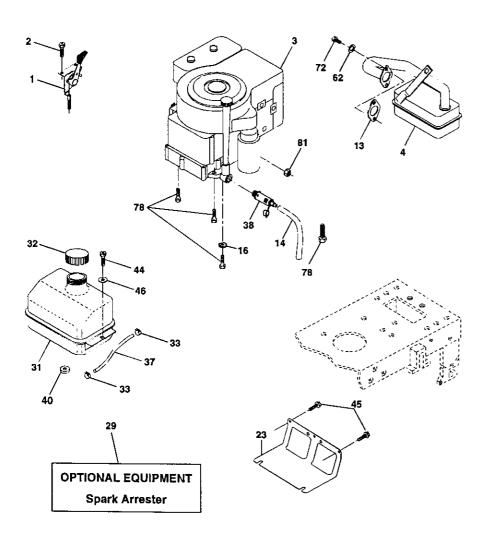


#### STEERING

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	139768	Wheel Steering Opp Sears Blk
2	175131	Axie Asm Front
3	169840	Spindle Asm Lh
ă.	169839	Spindle Asm Rh
5	6266H	Washer Thrust .75 x 1.230
6	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga.
7	19272016	Washer 27/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
8	12000029	RingKlip#T5304-75
9	3366R	Bearing Col Strg Blk
10	175121	Dragtink
11	10040600	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 3/8
13	136518	Spacer Brg Axle Front
15	145212	Nut Hexflange Lock
17	177876	Shaft Asm Strg
26	126847X	Bushing Link Drag Blk LR
28	19131416	Washer 13/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga.
29	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
30	STD561210	Pin Cotter 1/4 x 3/4
32	130465	Rod Tie Wire Form 19.75 Mech
36	155099	Bushing Strg. 5/8 ID Dash
37	152927	Screw
38	139769	Cap Wheel Steer Opp Sears USA
39	19133812	Washer 13/32 x 2-3/8 x 12 Ga.
40	7810H	Nut Lock Center 3/8-24
41	100711L	Adaptor Wheel Strg.
42	145054X428	
43	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.
44	153720	Extension Steering Non-adjust
46 47	121232X 6855M	Cap Spindle Fr Top Blk
		Fitting Grease Nut Lock Hx W/Ins 5/16-18unc
51 54	73800500	Bolt Fin Hex 5/16-18unc
54 63	74780520 74780616	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16unc x 1 Gr. 5
65	160367	Spacer Axle
67	72140618	Bolt Rdhd 3/8-16 x 2-1/4
68	169827	Brace Axle
71	175146	Steering Asm
R2	169835	Bracket Susp Chasis Front
85	133835	Fastner Christmas Tree
88	175118	Bolt Shoulder 7/16-20 Unc
91	175553	Clip Steering
31	173303	Onp diceting

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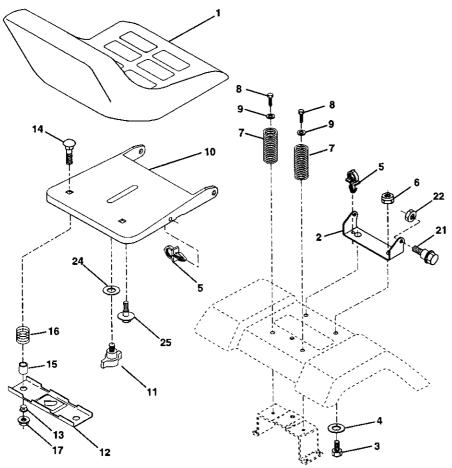


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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	170545	Control Th/ch
2	17720410	Screw Hex Thd Cut 1/4-20x5/8 T
3		Engine (See Breakdown)
		Briggs, Model No 287707-1259-E1
4	137352	Muffler Exh LT B&\$ 14HP IC OHV
13	165291	Gasket Eng 1 313 ld Tin Plated
14	148456	Tube, drain
16	STD551237	Washer Lock Ext Tooth 3/8
23	169837	Shield Browning/Debris Guard
29	137180	Kit Spark Arrestor (Flat Scrn)
31	109202X	Tank Fuel Front 1 25
32	158990	Cap Asm Fuel Sears Vented
33	123487X	Clamp Hose Blk
37	137040	Line Fuel 20"
38	148315	Plug. drain
40	124028X	Bushing Snap Nyl Blk Fuel Line
44	17670412	Screw Hexwsh Thdrol 1/4-20 x 3/4
45	17000612	Screw Hex wsh Thdr 3/8-16 x /4
46	19091416	Washer 9/32 x 7/8 x 16 ga
62	STD551131	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 5/16
72	71070512	Screw Hex Hd Cap 5/16-18 X 3/4
78	17060620	Screw 3/8-16 x 1-1/4
81	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 Unc

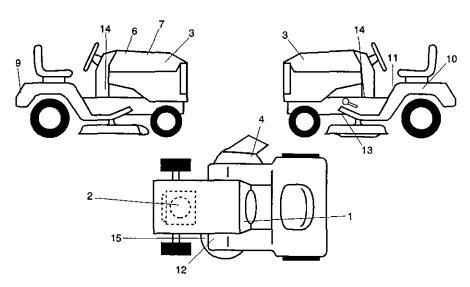
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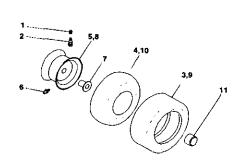
KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION		PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	140122	Seat	13	121248X	Bushing Snap Blk Nyl 50 ld
2	140551	Bracket Pvt St	14	72050412	Bolt Rdhd Sht Nk 1/4-20x1-1/2
3	71110616	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16unc X 1	15	134300	Spacer Split 28x 96 Yel Zinc
4	19131610	Washer Flat 13/32 X 1 X 10 Ga	16	121250X	Spring Cprsn 1 27 Blk Pnt
5	145006	Clip Push-In Hinged	17	123976X	Nut Lock 1/4 Lge Flg Gr 5 Zinc
6	STD541437	Locknut Hex W/Wsh 3/8-16	21	171852	Bolt Shid 5/16-18 Unc-2A Blk D
7	124181X	Spring Seat Cprsn 2 250 Blk Zi	22	STD541431	Nut Lock Hex "W/ins 5/16-18
8	17000616	Screw 3/8-16 X 1-1/2	24	19171912	Washer 17/32 X 1-3/16 X 12 Ga
9	19131614	Washer 13/32 X 1 X 14 Ga	25	127018X	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 x .62
10	174894	Pan Seat			
11	166369	Knob Seat Adj. Wingnut			nent dimensions given in U.S.
12	121246X	Bracket Mounting Switch	inche	s 1 inch = 25.	4 mm

#### DECALS



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	156867	Decal Dash Inst Oper English	11	156439	Decal Danger Fender Eng/span
2	176675	Decal HP Engine	12	4900J	Decal Clutch/brake English
3	171704	Decal Hood Logo	13	146046	Decal V-Belt Dr Sch Tractor
4	179128	Decal Deck	14	177097	Decal Panel Dash 6sp 42"
6	133644	Decal Maint Cust Sears	15	160396	Decal V-Belt Sch
		Domestic		157199X428	Pad Footrest
7	174210	Decal Replemnt Sears	- •	138311	Decal Handle Lft Height Adjust
9	163204	Decal Fender Craftsman White		179009	Manual Owners English
10	149516	Decal Battery Dngr/Psn Eng	• •	179010	Manual Owners Spanish

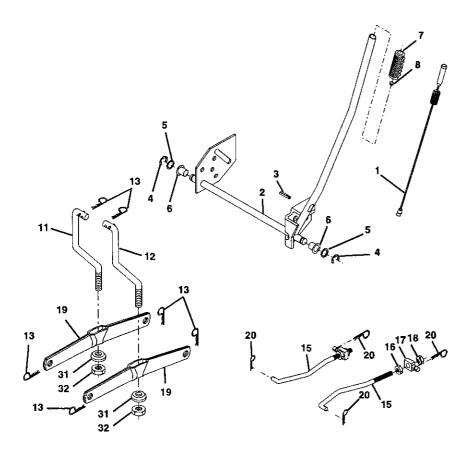
#### WHEELS AND TIRES



(EY	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
	59192	Cap Value Tire
2	65139	Stem Value
3	106222X	Tire F Ts 15 X 6 0 - 6 Service
3	59904	Tube Inner Front #35060
;	106732X427	Rim Asm 6"front White Service
3	278H	Fitting Grease
7	9040H	Bearing Flange
3	106108X427	Rim Asm 8"rear White Service
)	124635X	Tire R Ts 18x9 5-8 Service
10	7152J	Tube Rear 9 5 X 8 Service
1	104757X428	Cap Axle Blk 1 50 X 1 00
-	144334	Sealant, Tire (10 oz. tube)
	0	NO. NO. 59192 65139 106222X 59904 106732X427 278H 9040H 106108X427 124635X 0 7152J 1 104757X428

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

### LIFT ASSEMBLY

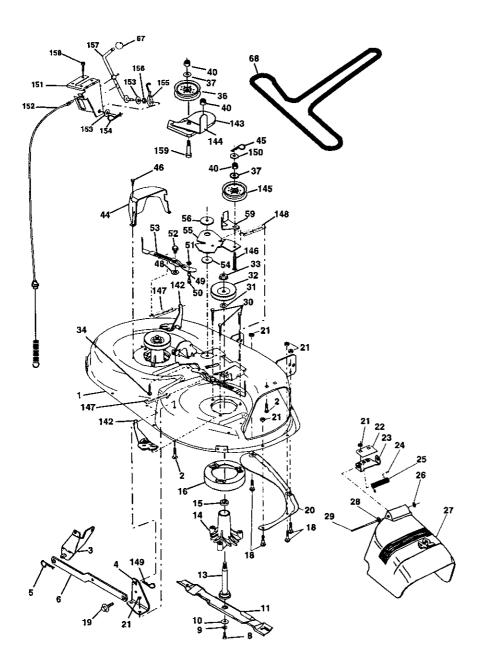


#### LIFT ASSEMBLY

KEY	PART	
NQ.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	159460	Wire Asm Inner/Sprg W/plunger LT
2	159471	Shaft Asm Lift
3	105767X	Pin Groove 1 500 Zinc
4	12000002	E Ring #5133-62
5	19211621	Washer Pltd 21/32 X 1 X 21ga
6	120183X	Bearing Nylon Bik 629 Id
7	125631X	Grip Handie Fluted Blk
8	122365X	Button Plunger Red
11	139865	Link Lift LH
12	139866	Link Lift RH
13	STD624008	Retainer Spring
15	173288	Link Front
16	73350800	Nut Jam Hex 1/2-13 Unc
17	175689	Trunnion
18	73800800	Nut Lock W/Wsh 1/2-13unc
19	139868	Arm Suspension Rear
20	163552	Retainer Spring Zinc
31	169865	Bearing Pvt Lift
32	73540600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-24

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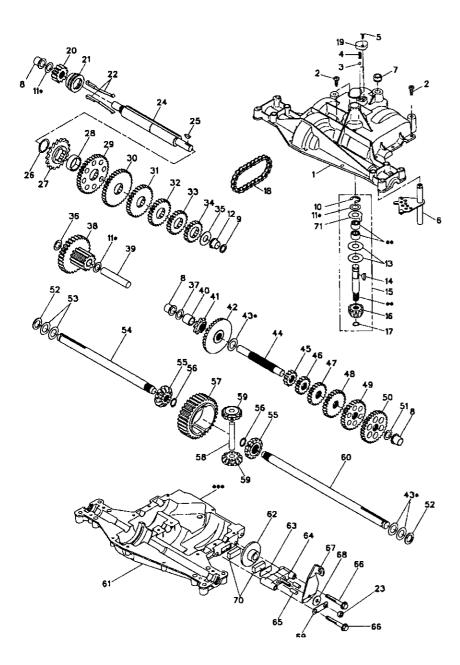
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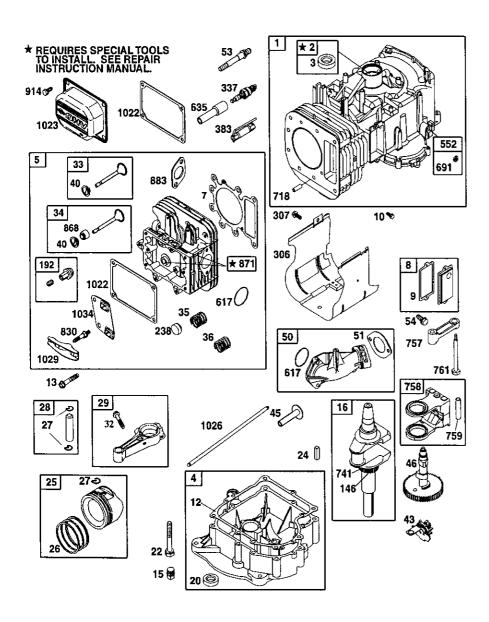
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NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION	NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	165892	Mower Deck Assembly, 42"	48	133944	Washer, Hardened
2	STD533107	Bolt	49	174284	Roller Assembly, Cam
3	138017	Bracket Assembly, Sway Bar,			Follower
		Front	50	131340	Bolt, Shoulder #10-24 Grade 5
4	165460	Bracket Sway Bar 38/42" Deck	51	STD541410	Locknut
5 6	STD624008	Retainer Spring	52	139888	Bolt, Shoulder 5/16-18 UNC
6	130832	Arm, Suspension, Rear	53	131845	Arm Assembly, Pad, Brake
8	850857	Bolt, Hex 3/8-24 x 1.25 Gr. 8	54	133943	Washer, Hardened
9	STD551137	Washer, Lock	55	155046	Arm, Idler
10	140296	Washer, Hardened	56	165723	Spacer, Retainer
11	134149	Blade, Mulching	59	141043	Guard, TUV Idler
13	137645X900		67	149846	Knob Custom Oval
14	128774	Housing, Mandrel, Vented	68	144959	V-Belt
15	110485X	Bearing, Ball, Mandrel	142	165890	Arm Spring Brake Mower
16	174493	Stripper, Vented Mower Deck	143	157109	Bracket Arm Idier 42"
18	72140505	Bolt, Carriage 5/16-18 x 5/8	144	158634	Keeper Belt 42" Clutch Cable
19	132827	Bolt, Shoulder	145	165888	Pulley Idler Flat
20	159770	Baffle, Vortex	146	171977	Bolt Carriage Idler
21	STD541431	NutCrownlock5/16-18 UNC	147	131335	Spring Extension
22	134753	Stiffener Bracket	148	169022	Spring Return Idler
23	131267	Bracket, Deflector	149	165898	Retainer Spring Yellow Zinc
24	105304X	Cap, Sleeve	150	19091216	Washer 9/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga.
25	123713X	Spring, Torsion, Deflector	151	169670	Bracket Clutch
26	110452X	Nut, Push	152	169676	Cable Clutch 42 In
27	130968X428		153	169674	Washer Flat 3/8" Type B
28	19111016	Washer 11/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga.	154	169675	Spring Retainer
29	131491	Rod, Hinge	155	169671	Spring Retention Lever
30	173984	Screw Hex Thd Roll	15 <del>6</del>	169672	Spacer
31	129963	Washer, Spacer	157	169669	Rod Clutch
32	153535	Pulley, Mandrel	158	17720408	Screw Thd Cut 1/4-20 x 1/2
33	178342	Nut, Toplock, Flanged	159	72140614	Bolt Rdhd Sqn 3/8-16unc x 1-3/4
34	STD533717	Bolt Rdhd 3/8-16 x 1-3/4		130794	Mandrel Assembly (Includes
36	131494	Pulley, Idler, Flat			Key Numbers 8-10, 13-15, 31
37	STD551037	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 16			and 33)
		Gauge		169583	Replacement Mower, Complete
40	STD541437	Nut Crownlock 3/B-16 UNC			
44	140088	Guard, Mandrel, L.H.	NOTI	E: All compon	ent dimensions given in U.S.
45	STD624003	Retainer		s 1 inch = 25.4	
46	137729	Screw, Thd. Roll 1/4-20 x 5/8	410110	U . 1110/1 407	<del></del>

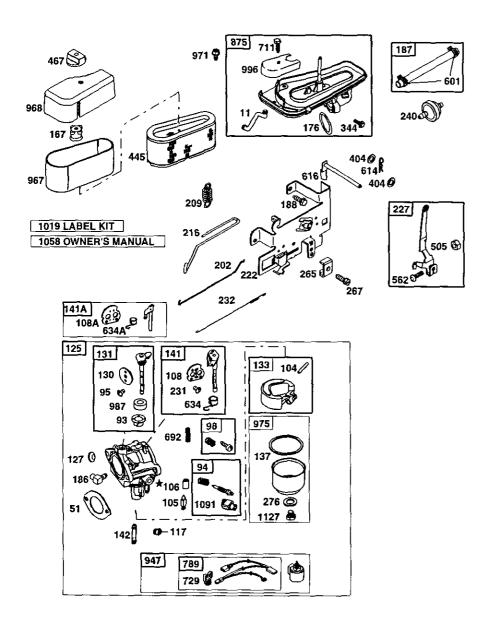
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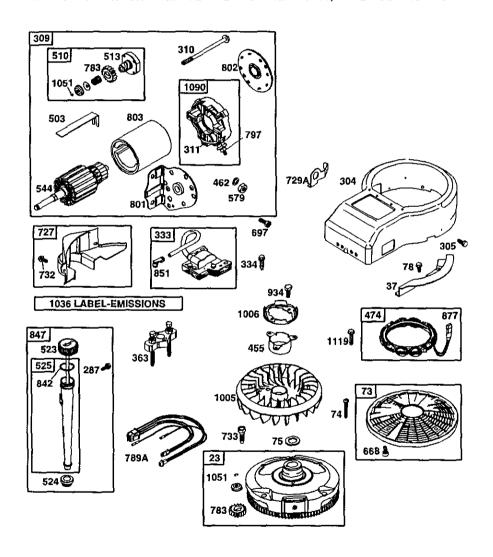


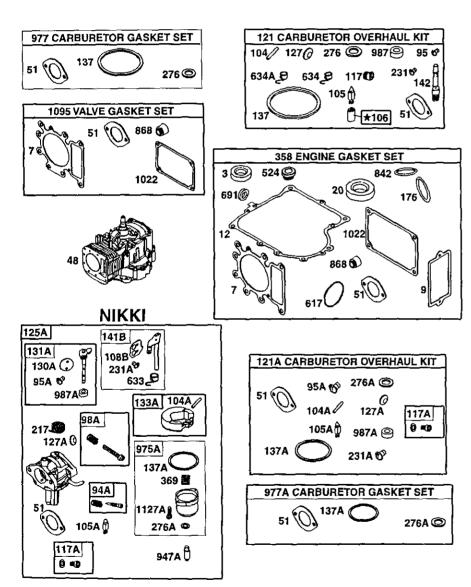
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
110.		DEGGIIII TIGN			
1	170981	Housing, Upper	40	120472X	Spacer, .633 X .87 X .755
2	2274J	Screw, Tapping, 1/4-20 X	41	105928X	Sprocket, 9T
-	227 10	.734	42	170988	Gear, Bevel, 36T
3	134400	Ball, Detent	43 44	134394 *	Assy, Kit, Shim, .750 Shaft
4	105904X	Spring, Detent	45	120473X 142678	Shaft, Drive
5	160940	Screw, Tapping, No.	46	143697	Gear, Spur, 12T Gear, Spur, 15T
_		10-24 X .482	47	124641X	Gear, Spur, 20T
6	138235	Assy, Kit, Shifter	48	106589X	Gear, Spur, 25T
7 8	108727X 148266	V-Ring Bearing, Flange	49	120408X	Gear, Spur, 28T
9	148269	Seal, Oil	50	105937X	Gear, Spur, 31T
10	2225J	Ring, Retaining	51	2226J	Washer, Plain, .632 X
11	134793 *	Assy, Kit, Shim, .625 Shaft		101101	1.00 X .060
12	148268	Bearing, Flange	52	134401	Washer, Neoprene
13	120415X	Washer, Plain,	53	2264J	Washer Plain, .758 X 1.25 X .031
		.632 X 1.38 X .046	54	160946	Axle, LH
14	142674	Key, Woodruff, No. 9	55	170990	Gear, Miter, 1 2T, Splined
15	170983	Assy, Kit, Input Shaft	56	160948	Ring, Retaining
16	170986	Pinion, Bevel, 12T	57	110071X	Gear, Spur, 32T
17 18	105909X 105910X	Ring, Retaining Chain, 24 Pitches	58	120952X	Shaft, Cross
19	160942	Cover, Detent	59	170991	Gear, Miter, 1 2T, Idler
žŏ	160943	Gear, Spur, 1 2T	60	160950	Axle, RH
21	148267	Collar, Clutch	61	170992	Housing, Lower
22	138236	Assy, Kit, Clutch Keys	62 63	7294J	Disc, Brake
23	73810500	Nut, Lock, 5/16-24	64	108989X 160952	Spacer, Brake Puck Jaw, Brake
24	142676	Shaft, Intermediate	65	120954X	Pin, Dowel
25	2244J	Key, Woodruff, No. 61	66	160953	Screw, Tapping, 5/16-18 X
26 27	105916X 12047OX	Ring, Retaining			2.35
28	110070X	Sprocket, 1 8T Spacer, 1. 131 X 1.45 X	67	138244	Lever, Actuating
20	1100707	.494	68	108996X	Washer, Plain, 321 X
29	142677	Gear, Spur, 37T			1.00 X .055
30	142681	Gear, Spur, 35T	69	160954	Bracket, Anti-Rotation
31	124644X	Gear, Spur, 30T	70 71	120951X	Puck, Friction
32	108980X	Gear, Spur, 25T	72	174256 120416X	Washer, Anti Rotation Grease
33	120406X	Gear, Spur, 22T	, 2	1204107	Grease
34	134796	Gear, Spur, 19T	NOT	E: All compr	onent dimensions given in U.S.
35	105925X	Washer, Plain, .640 X 1.37 X .061		s 1 inch = 2	
36	2228J	Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00			
•	EEEOO	X .046	•		ous combinations to maintain
37	170987	Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00	**	properclea	
•		X .031	***	Order Key	
38	174255	Assy, Gear, Comb., 12T &			ealant to be applied between LowerHousings (use Loctite
		30T			Silicone 5699 or equivalent).
39	124639X	Shaft, Idler		Jilla Glay	Sincerio 5000 or equivalent).









KEY	PART				KEY	PART		
NO.	NO.		DESCRIPTION		NO.	NO.		DESCRIPTION
1	496412		Cylinder Assembly		108A	692344		Valve-Choke
2	399265	_	Kit-Bushing/Seal		1000	606410		(Choke-A-Matic)
3	391086	•	Seal-Oil (Magneto Side)		117	695419 692408	a	Valve-Choke
2 3 4 5 7 8	494238 691165		Sump-Engine Head-Cylinder		,	692411	0	Jet-Main (Standard) Jet-Main (High Altitude) Jet-Main (Standard)
7	273280	•+	Gasket-Cylinder Head		117A	695415	Ø	Jet-Main (Standard)
я	495735		Breather Assembly			695416	õ	Jet-Main (High Altitude)
9	27803		Gasket-Breather		121	690191	~	Kit-Carburetor Overhaul
ŤΟ	691666		Screw (Breather Assembly)					(Walbro)
11	691328		Tube-Breather		121A	695427		Kit-Carburetor Overhaul
12	692226	•	Gasket-Crankcase (.015					(Nikki)
			Thick, Std)		125	690194		Carburetor
	692406	٠	Gasket-Crankcase (.005		125A			Carburetor (Nikki) (Service
			Thick)		400		~	with Walbro Carburetor)
	692405	•	Gasket-Crankcase (.009		127	695005		Plug-Welch
40	000000		Thick)			690727	Ø	Plug-Weich
13 15	690360		Screw (Cylinder Head) Plug-Oil Drain		130	691750 695418		Valve-Throttle Valve-Throttle
16	690946 690136		Crankshaft		131	494379		Kit-Throttle Shaft
20	291675		Seal-Oil			695421		Kit-Throttle Shaft
22	692125		Screw (Crankcase Cover)		133	494381		Float-Carburetor
23	693557		Flywheel			695914		Float-Carburetor
24	222698		Lower Charles and		137	281165	؇	Gasket-Float Bowl
25	499284		Piston Assembly (Standard)		137A	695426	؇	Gasket-Float Bowl
	499288		Piston Assembly (.010 O.S.)		141	495097		Kit-Choke Shaft (Manual
	499292		Piston Assembly (Standard) Piston Assembly (.010 O.S.) Piston Assembly (.020 O.S.) Piston Assembly (.030 O.S.) Ring Set-Piston (Standard) Ring Set-Piston (.010 O.S.) Ring Set-Piston (.020 O.S.) Ring Set-Piston (.030 O.S.)					Choke)
	495979		Piston Assembly (.030 O.S.)		141A	495931		Kit-Choke Shaft (Choke-A-
26	495854		Ring Set-Piston (Standard)					Matic)
	495852		Hing Set-Piston (.010 O.S.)			695420	~	Kit-Choke Shaft
	495851		Ring Set-Piston (.020 O.S.)		142	692412	Ø	Nozzle-Carburetor
27	495855 691299		Lock-Piston Pin		146 167	691639 692297		Key-Timing Air Cleaner Stud Seal
28	498319				176	691917		O-Ring Seal (Air Cleaner)
20	498320		Pin-Piston (Standard) Pin-Piston (.020 O.S.)		186	692317	-	Connector-Hose
29	692419		Rod-Connecting (Standard)		187	691050		Line-Fuel (Cut to Required
	499940		Rod-Connecting (.020 U.S.)					Length)
32	692852		Screw (Connecting Rod)		188	691693		Screw (Control Bracket)
33	495856		Valve-Exhaust		192	691986		Adjuster-Rocker Arm
34	495857		Valve-Intake		202	691841		Link-Mechanical Governor
35	691279		Spring-Valve (Intake)		209	692208		Spring-Governor
36	691279		Spring-Valve (Exhaust)		216	691840		Link-Choke
37	690456		Guard-Flywheel		217	695409		Spring-Choke Return
40 43	691752 691968		Retainer-Valve		222 227	694042 691374		Bracket-Control Control Lever-Governor
45	690564		Slinger-Governor/Oil Tappet-Valve		231	691636	a	Screw (Choke Valve)
46	692421		Camshaft			690718	ă	Screw (Choke Valve) Screw (Choke Valve)
48	496050		Short Block (311707-0028-		232	691842	_	Spring-Governor Link
. •			E1 Replacement Engine)		238	691843		Cap-Valve
50	690193		Manifold-Intake		240	394358		Filter-Fuel
51		Ø	+ Gasket-Intake		265	691024		Clamp-Casing
53	690227		Stud (Carburetor)		267	695134		Screw (Casing Clamp)
54	691148		Screw (Intake Manifold)			RPM Se	ettin	Screw (Casing Clamp) gs:Low Speed: 1900-2100
73	690492		Screen-Rotating					High Speed: 3000-3200
74	691655		Screw (Rotating Screen)			1		Fueina Ocalias Cas Mari Ma
75 78	690582 690661		Washer (Flywheel)		•		ın	Engine Gasket Set, Key. No.
93	690602		Screw (Flywheel Guard) Bushing-Throttle Shaft		Ø	358 Included	l in	Carburetor Overhaul Kit, Key.
94	498030		Kit-Idle Mixture		v	No. 121		
94/	695425		Kit-Idle Mixture		#			Carburetor Gasket Set, Key.
95	691636	Ø			т	No. 977		
95/	690718		Screw (Throttle Valve)		+			Valve Gasket Set, Key. No.
98	495800		Kit-Idle Speed			1095		
98/		_	Kit-Idle Speed			_		
104			Pin-Float Hinge					nent dimensions given in U.S.
	A 694918	Ø			inche	s 1 inch =	- 25	.4 Mm.
105		Ø						
108	A 694922 691780	Ø	Valve-Float Needle Seat-Inlet					
108		U	Valve-Choke					
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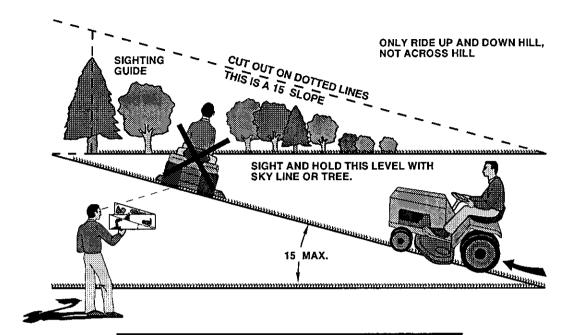
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276 692255 ؇ Sealing Washer	797 693167 Nut (Brush Retainer)
276A 695410 ؇ Sealing Washer	801 691429 Cap-Drive
287 691002 Screw (Dipstick Tube)	802 691286 Cap-End 803 693757 Housing-Starter
304 690844 Housing-Blower 305 690960 Screw (Blower Housing)	830 691095 Stud (Rocker Arm)
	842 691870 • Dipstick/Tube Seal
306 690499 Shield-Cylinder 307 691003 Screw (Cylinder Shield)	847 496415 Dipstick/Tube Assembly
309 693551 Motor-Starter	851 692424 Terminal-Spark Plug
310 690323 Screw (Starter Motor)	868 690968 •+ Seal-Valve
311 497608 Brush Set	871 690969 Bushing-Guide
333 495859 Armature-Magneto	875 694942 Base-Air Cleaner
334 691061 Screw (Armature Magneto)	877 393456 Wire-Connector/Alternator
337 491055 Spark Plug	883 692236 Gasket-Exhaust
344 693675 Screw (Cable Clamp)	914 690960 Screw (Rocker Cover)
358 691580 Engine Gasket Set	934 691058 Screw (Fan Retainer)
363 19203 Flywheel Puller	947 497672 Solenoid-Fuel
369 695422 Spring-Float Bowl	947A 695423 Solenoid-Fuel 967 272043 Filter-Pre Cleaner
383 89838 Wrench-Spark Plug 404 691691 Washer (Governor Crank)	968 691916 Cover-Air Cleaner
445 496894 Filter-Air Cleaner Cartridge	971 692129 Screw (Air Cleaner Base)
455 691173 Cup-Flywheel	975 495933 Bowl-Float
462 691261 Washer (Starter Cable)	975A 695417 Bowl-Float
467 691668 Knob-Air Cleaner	977 690192 Set-Carburetor Gasket
474 691063 Alternator	(Walbro)
503 691532 Strap-Starter	977A 695428 Set-Carburetor Gasket
505 691251 Nut (Governor Control	(Nikki)
Lever)_	987 691326 • Seal-Throttle Shaft
510 693699 Drive-Starter	987A 69099B • Seal-Throttle Shaft
513 692024 Clutch-Drive	996 690678 Carburetor Shield
523 692014 Dipstick	1005 695056 Fan-Flywheel 1006 690452 Retainer-Fan
524 281370 • Seal-Dipstick Tube 525 691398 Tube-Dipstick	1019 496758 Kit-Label
544 692034 Armature-Starter	1022 272475 ++ Gasket-Rocker Cover
552 491986 Bushing-Governor Lever	1023 691192 Cover-Rocker
562 691119 Bolt (Governor Control	1026 692003 Rod-Push (Intake)
Lever)	692011 Rod-Push (Exhaust)
579 691029 Nut (Starter Cable)	1029 691751 Arm-Rocker
601 95162 Clamp-Hose	1034 690822 Guide-Push Rod
614 691620 Pin-Cotter	1036 695700 Label-Emissions
616 692012 Crank-Governor	1051 691265 Retainer-Brush
617 692138 • O-Ring Seal (Intake	1058 274789 Owner's Manual
Manifold) 633 695414 Seal-Choke/Throttle Shaft	1090 691293 Retainer-Brush 1091 691333 Cap-Limiter
634 690801 Ø Seal-Spring Assembly	1095 691581 Valve Gasket Set
(Manual Choke)	1119 691183 Screw (Alternator)
634A 690802 Ø Seal-Spring Assembly	1127 691657 Screw (Float Bowl)
(Choke-A-Matic)	1127A695407 Screw (Float Bowl) RPM Settings:Low Speed: 1900-2100
635 691909 Boot-Spark Plug	RPM Settings:Low Speed: 1900-2100
668 691323 Spacer	High Speed: 3000-3200
691 692407 • Seal-Governor Shaft	
692 690572 Spring-Detent	<ul> <li>Included in Engine Gasket Set, Key. No.</li> </ul>
697 690372 Screw (Drive Cap)	358
711 690703 Screw (Carburetor Shield) 718 690959 Pin-Locating	Ø Included in Carburetor Overhaul Kit, Key.
718 690959 Pin-Locating 727 490324 Cover-Starter Drive	No. 121 and 121A
729 691335 Clip-Wire	‡ Included in Carburetor Gasket Set, Key.
729A 691224 Clip-Wire	No. 977 and 977A
732 691002 Screw (Starter Drive Cover)	+ Included in Valve Gasket Set, Key. No.
733 691658 Screw (Flywheel)	1095
741 691284 Gear-Timing	
757 691714 Link-Counterweight	NOTE: All component dimensions given in U.S.
758 692423 Counterweight	inches 1 inch = 25.4 mm
759 691239 Pin-Counterweight 761 691096 Screw (Counterweight)	
783 693713 Gear-Pinion 789 692037 Harness-Wiring	
789A 695050 Harness-Wiring	

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