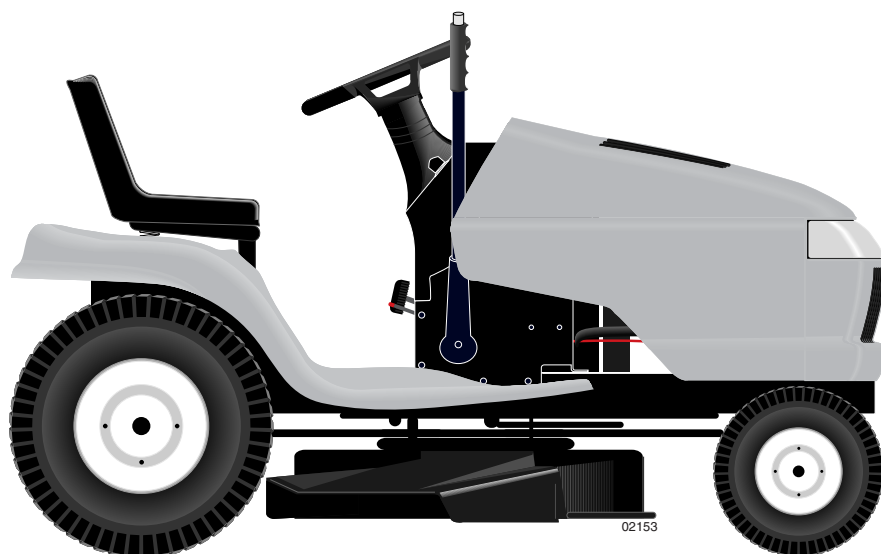


SEARS

**OWNER'S
MANUAL**

**MODEL NO.
944.604001**

**Important:
Read and follow
all Safety Rules
and Instructions
Before Operating
This Equipment**



CRAFTSMAN®

24.0 HP ELECTRIC START 48" MOWER AUTOMATIC LAWN TRACTOR

- **Assembly**
- **Operation**
- **Maintenance**
- **Service and Adjustments**
- **Repair Parts**

SAFETY RULES



Safe Operation Practices for Ride-On Mowers



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

I. GENERAL OPERATION

- Read, understand, and follow all instructions in the manual and on the machine before starting.
- Only allow responsible adults, who are familiar with the instructions, to operate the machine.
- Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade.
- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point it at anyone. Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher or the guard in place.
- Slow down before turning.
- Never leave a running machine unattended. Always turn off blades, set parking brake, stop engine, and remove keys before dismounting.
- Turn off blades when not mowing.
- Stop engine before removing grass catcher or unclogging chute.
- Mow only in daylight or good artificial light.
- Do not operate the machine while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Use extra care when loading or unloading the machine into a trailer or truck.
- Data indicates that operators, age 60 years and above, are involved in a large percentage of riding mower-related injuries. These operators should evaluate their ability to operate the riding mower safely enough to protect themselves and others from serious injury.
- Keep machine free of grass, leaves or other debris build-up which can touch hot exhaust/engine parts and burn. Do not allow the mower deck to plow leaves or other debris which can cause build-up to occur. Clean any oil or fuel spillage before operating or storing the machine. Allow machine to cool before storage.

II. SLOPE OPERATION

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

DO:

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

DO NOT:

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

III. CHILDREN

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

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

IV. SERVICE

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

SAFETY RULES



Safe Operation Practices for Ride-On Mowers



- 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.
- 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.



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



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



WARNING: 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.

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PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Gasoline Capacity and type:	4 Gallons Unleaded Regular
Oil Type (API-SF-SJ):	SAE 30 (above 32°F) SAE 5W-30 (below 32°F) Synthetic (below 0°F)
Your tractor was shipped from the factory with non-synthetic SAE 10W-30 motor oil.	
Oil Capacity:	W/Filter: 4.0 Pints W/O Filter: 3.75 Pints
Spark Plug (Gap: .040"):	Champion QC12YC
Ground Speed (MPH):	Forward: 5.5 Reverse: 2.4
Tire Pressure:	Front: 14 PSI Rear: 10 PSI
Charging System:	16 Amps @ 3600 RPM
Battery:	AMP/HR: 35 MIN. CCA: 280 CASE SIZE: U1R
Blade Bolt Torque:	45-55 FT. LBS.

MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

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

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

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

WARNING: This tractor is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest-covered, brush-covered or grass-covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or state laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, it should be maintained in effective working order by the operator.

A spark arrester for the muffler is available through your nearest authorized service centre/department (See REPAIR PARTS section of this manual).

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

Should you experience any problem you cannot easily remedy, please contact your nearest authorized service center/department. 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".

WARRANTY

LIMITED TWO (2) YEAR WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN TRACTOR (RIDING EQUIPMENT)

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

FULL ONE (1) YEAR WARRANTY ON BATTERY

For one (1) year 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.

COMMERCIAL OR RENTAL USE

Warranty on Riding Equipment used for commercial or rental purposes is limited to ninety (90) days.

This Warranty does **NOT** cover:

1. Pre-delivery set-up.
2. Tire replacement or repair caused by punctures from outside objects (such as nails, thorns, stumps, or glass).
3. Expendable items which become worn during normal use, such as blades, spark plug, air cleaners and belts.
4. Repairs necessary because of operator abuse or negligence, including damaged jackshaft or mandrel and the failure to operate and maintain the equipment according to the instructions contained in the Owner's Manual.
5. In Home service.

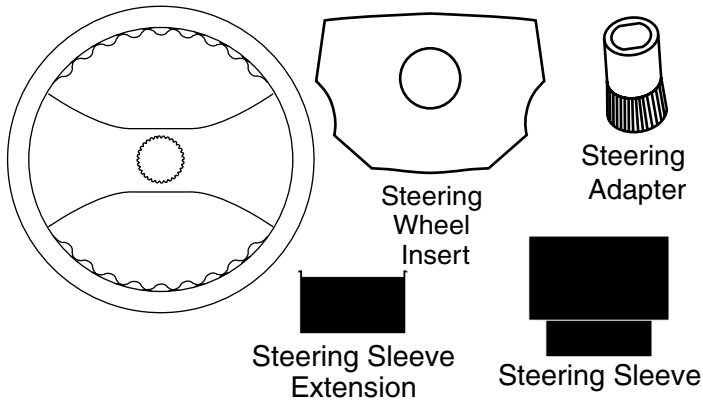
Warranty service is available by returning the Craftsman Riding Equipment to the nearest Sears Service Centre/Department in Canada. This warranty applies only while this product is in use in Canada.

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

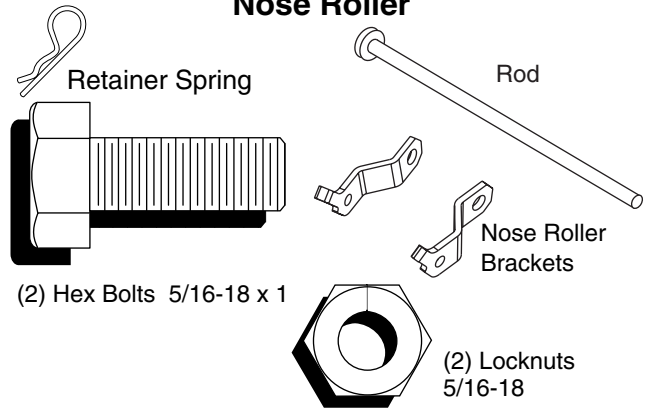
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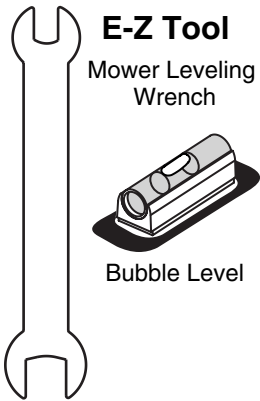
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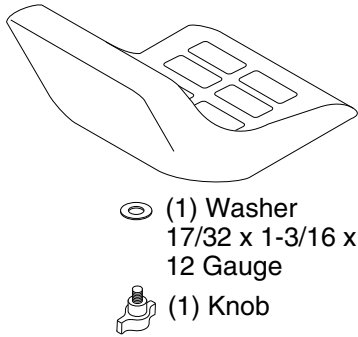
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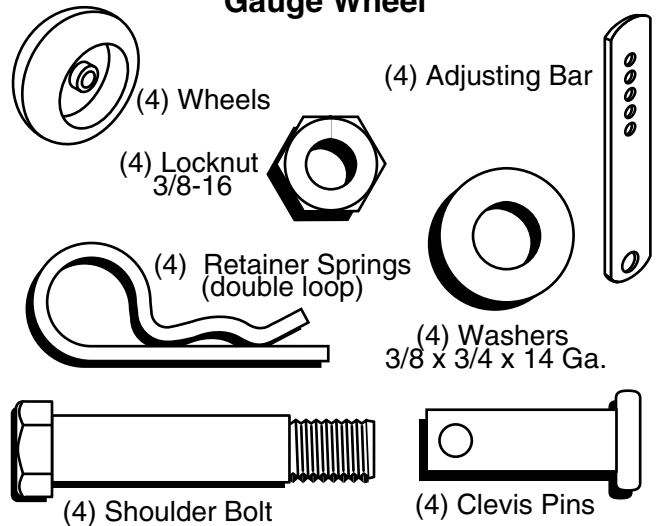
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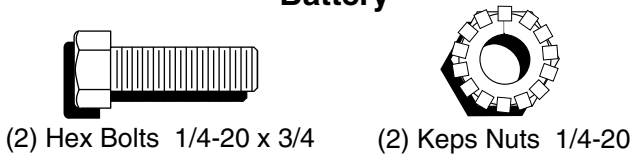
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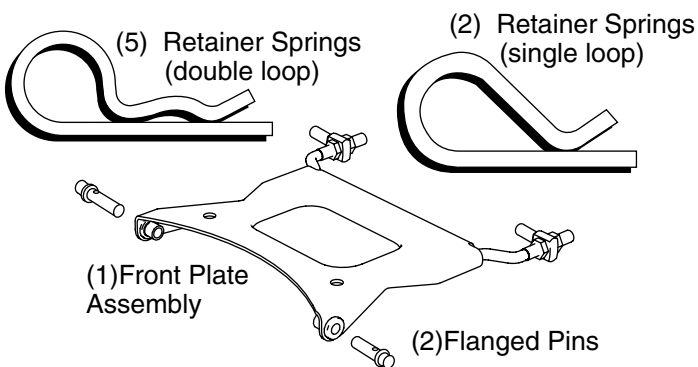
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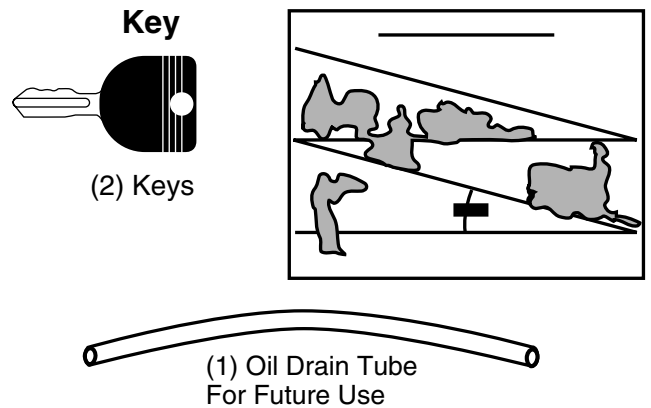
Battery



Mower



Slope Sheet



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.

TOOLS REQUIRED FOR ASSEMBLY

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

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|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| (1) 3/4" wrench | Pliers |
| (2) 7/16" wrenches | Tire pressure gauge |
| (1) 1/2" wrench | Utility knife |
| (1) 3/4" socket w/drive ratchet | |

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

TO REMOVE TRACTOR FROM CARTON

UNPACK CARTON

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

BEFORE REMOVING TRACTOR FROM SKID

ATTACH STEERING WHEEL (See Fig. 1)

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

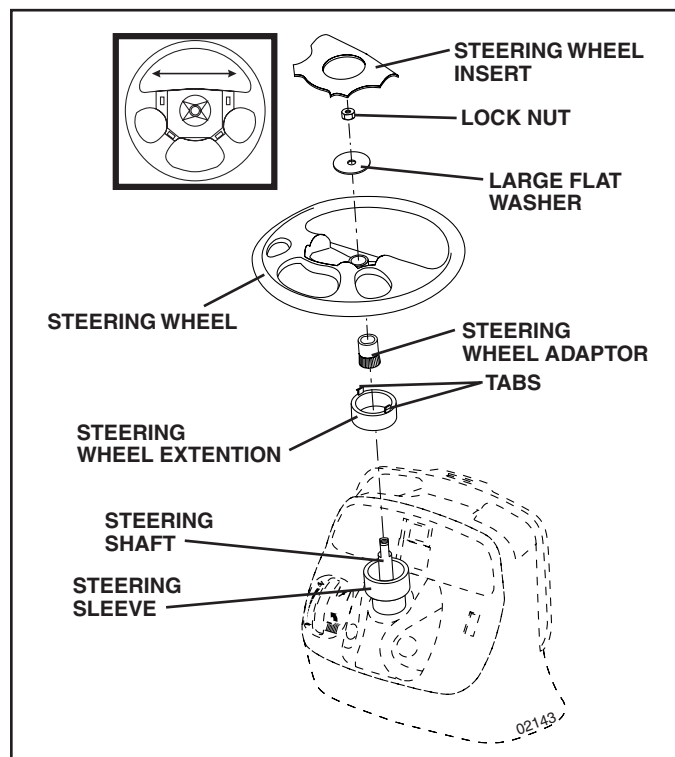


FIG. 1

HOW TO SET UP YOUR TRACTOR

CONNECT BATTERY (See Fig. 2)



CAUTION: 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, wrist-watch bands, rings, etc.

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

- Lift hood to raised position.
- Open terminal access doors, remove terminal protective caps and discard.
- If this battery is put into service after month and year indicated on label (label located between terminals) charge battery for minimum of one hour at 6-10 amps.
- First connect RED battery cable to positive (+) battery terminal with hex bolt and keps nut as shown. Tighten securely.
- Connect BLACK grounding cable to negative (-) battery terminal with remaining hex bolt and keps nut. Tighten securely.
- Close terminal access doors.

Use terminal access doors for:

- Inspection for secure connections (to tighten hardware).

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- Inspection for corrosion.
- Testing battery.
- Jumping (if required).
- Periodic charging.

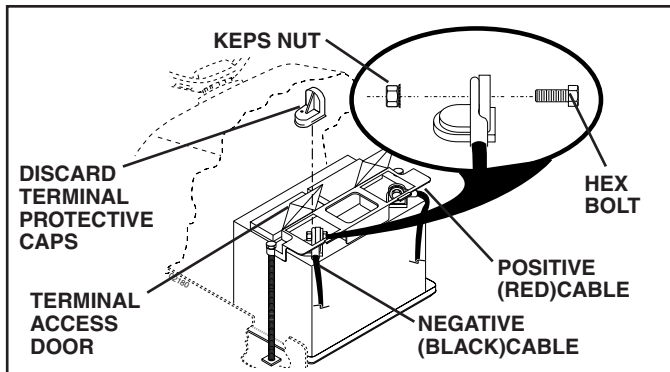


FIG. 2

INSTALL SEAT (See Fig. 3)

Adjust seat before tightening adjustment bolt.

- Remove adjustment bolt, lock washer and flat washer securing seat to cardboard packing and set aside for assembly of seat to tractor.
- Pivot seat upward and remove from the cardboard packing. Remove the cardboard packing and discard.
- Place seat on seat pan so head of shoulder bolts are positioned over the large slotted holes in pan.
- Push down on seat to engage shoulder bolts in slots and pull seat towards rear of tractor.
- Pivot seat and pan forward and assemble adjustment bolt, lockwasher and flat washer loosely. Do not tighten.
- 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 bolt securely.

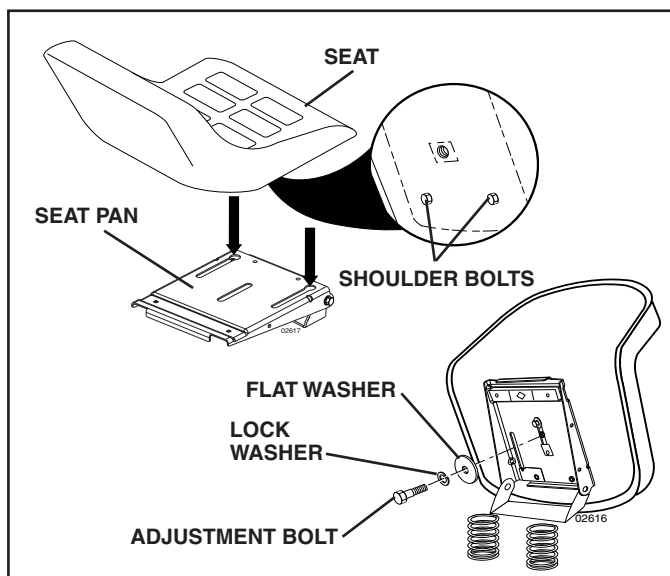


FIG. 3

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)

- Press lift lever plunger and raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- Release parking brake by depressing brake pedal.
- Place freewheel control in freewheeling position to disengage transmission (See "TO TRANSPORT" in the Operation section of this manual).
- Roll tractor forward off skid.

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

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

- Be sure all the above assembly steps have been completed.
- Check engine oil level and fill fuel tank with gasoline.
- Place freewheel control in "transmission engaged" position (see "TO TRANSPORT" in Operation section of this manual).
- Sit on seat in operating position, depress brake pedal and set the parking brake.
- 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.
- Release parking brake.
- Slowly depress forward drive pedal and drive tractor off skid.
- Apply brake to stop tractor and set parking brake.
- Turn ignition key to "OFF" position.

Continue with the instructions that follow.

ASSEMBLE GAUGE WHEELS TO MOWER DECK (See Fig. 4)

The gauge wheels are designed to keep the mower deck in proper position when operating mower. Be sure they are properly adjusted to ensure optimum mower performance.

- Slide gauge wheel bar down into bracket channel. Be sure that gauge wheel bar aligning holes are on top. Assemble gauge wheels as shown using shoulder bolts, 3/8 washers and 3/8-16 center locknuts and tighten securely.
- For ease of mower to tractor assembly, raise gauge wheels to highest position and retain with clevis pins and spring retainers.
- Adjust gauge wheels before operating mower. See "TO ADJUST GAUGE WHEELS" in the Operation section of this manual.

ASSEMBLY

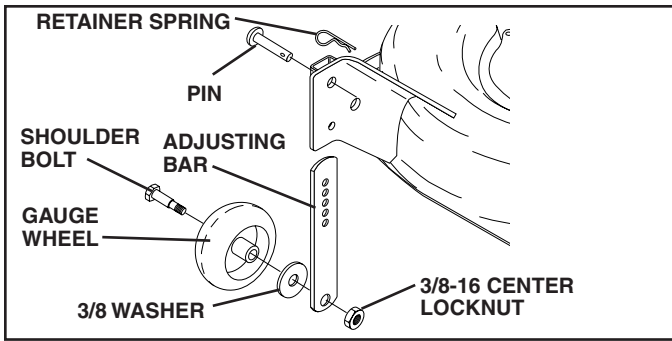


FIG. 4

TO ATTACH NOSE ROLLER (See Fig. 5)

- Assemble brackets "A" and "B" to the inside of mower mounting brackets as shown. Tighten securely.

NOTE: Be sure bracket tabs are positioned in tab holes in mower brackets.

- Position nose roller between brackets and install rod and retainer spring.

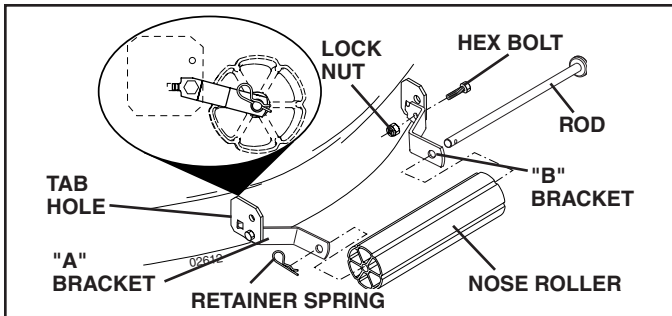


FIG. 5

INSTALL MOWER AND DRIVE BELT (See Figs. 6 and 7)

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

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

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

- If equipped, turn height adjustment knob counter-clockwise until it stops.
- Lower mower linkage with attachment lift control.
- Be sure belt tension rod is in disengaged position.
- Install belt into electric clutch pulley groove.
- Place the suspension arms on outward pointing deck pins. Retain with double loop retainer spring with loops up as shown.
- Install front plate assembly to tractor suspension brackets and retain with single loop retainer springs as shown.
- Position front plate assembly between front mower brackets. Raise deck and plate assembly to align holes and insert flanged pins. Secure pins with double loop retainer springs between the plate assembly and mower brackets.

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

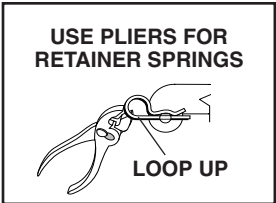
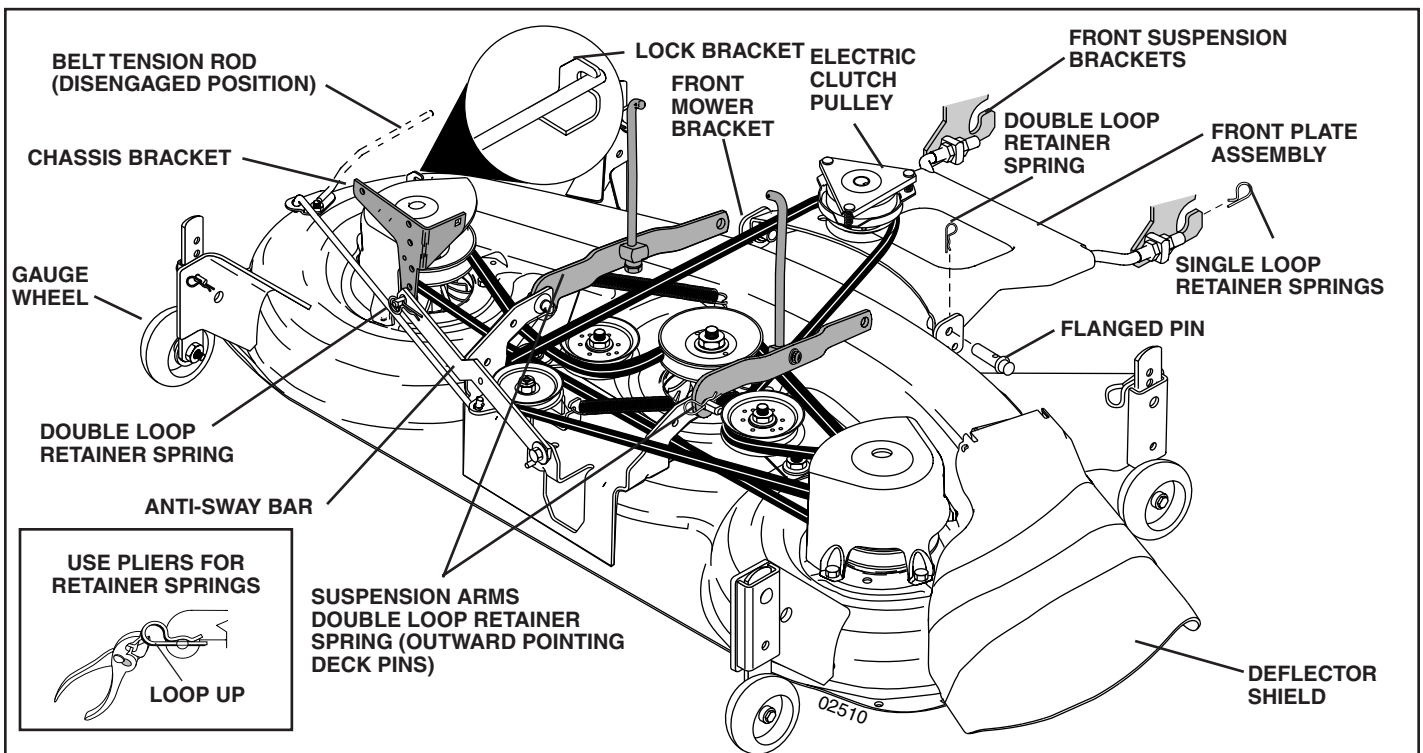
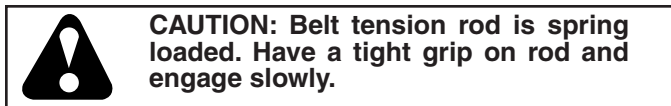


FIG. 6

ASSEMBLY

IMPORTANT: Check belt for proper routing in all mower pulley grooves. Engage belt tension rod by pushing rod into locking bracket.

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- Connect anti-sway bar to chassis bracket under left footrest and retain with double loop retainer spring.
- If equipped, turn height adjustment knob clockwise to remove slack from mower suspension.
- Raise deck to highest position.
- Adjust gauge wheels before operating mower as shown in the Operation section of this manual.

CHECK TIRE PRESSURE

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

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

CHECK 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.
- ✓ Before driving tractor, be sure freewheel control is in drive position.

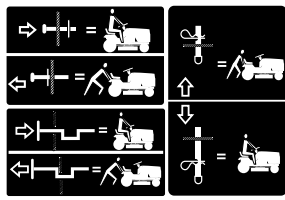
WHILE LEARNING HOW TO USE YOUR TRACTOR, PAY EXTRA ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT ITEMS:

- ✓ 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.
- ✓ It is important to purge the transmission before operating your tractor for the first time. Follow proper starting and transmission purging instructions (See “TO START ENGINE” and “PURGE TRANSMISSION” in the Operation section of this manual).

OPERATION

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

R REVERSE	N NEUTRAL	H HIGH	L LOW	CHOKE	FAST	SLOW	IGNITION
ENGINE OFF	LIGHTS ON	ENGINE ON	ENGINE START	PARKING BRAKE	PARKING BRAKE LOCKED	PARKING BRAKE UNLOCKED	
OVER TEMP LIGHT	FUEL	OIL PRESSURE	BATTERY	REVERSE	FORWARD	MOWER HEIGHT	MOWER LIFT
ATTACHMENT CLUTCH ENGAGED	ATTACHMENT CLUTCH DISENGAGED	DANGER, KEEP HANDS AND FEET AWAY		KEEP AREA CLEAR (SEE SAFETY RULES SECTION) SLOPE HAZARDS			



FREE WHEEL
(Automatic Models only)



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



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



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



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

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



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



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

OPERATION

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.

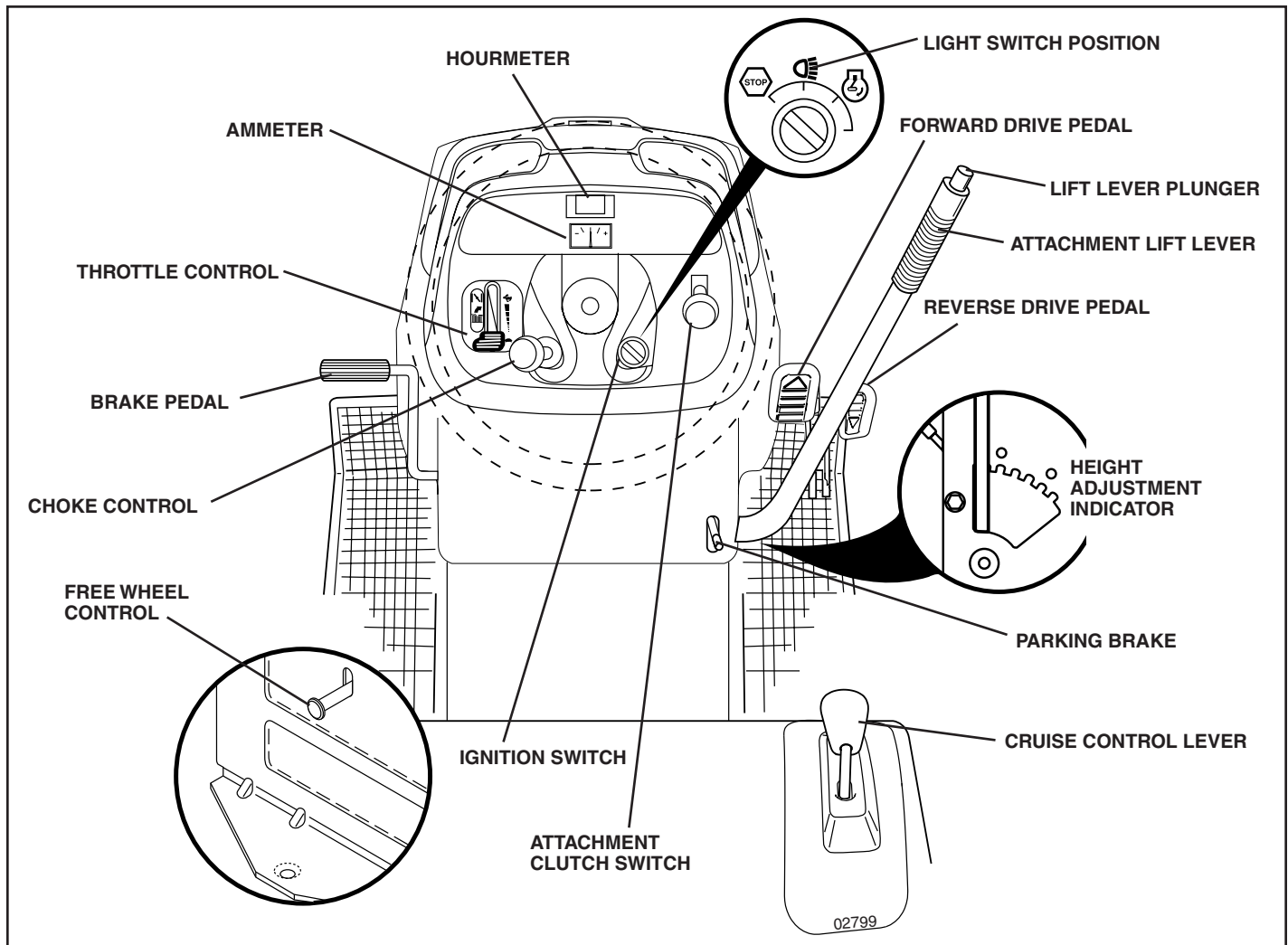


FIG. 7

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

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

LIGHT SWITCH - Turns the headlights on and off.

THROTTLE CONTROL - Used to control engine speed.

CHOKE CONTROL - Used when starting a cold engine.

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

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

FREEWHEEL CONTROL - Disengages transmission for pushing or slowly towing the tractor with the engine off.

CRUISE CONTROL LEVER - Used to set forward movement of tractor at desired speed without holding the forward drive pedal.

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

HOURMETER - Indicates hours of operation.

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

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

IGNITION SWITCH - Used for starting and stopping the engine.

FORWARD DRIVE PEDAL - Used for forward movement of tractor.

REVERSE DRIVE PEDAL - Used for reverse movement of tractor.

OPERATION



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 (See Fig. 8)

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

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

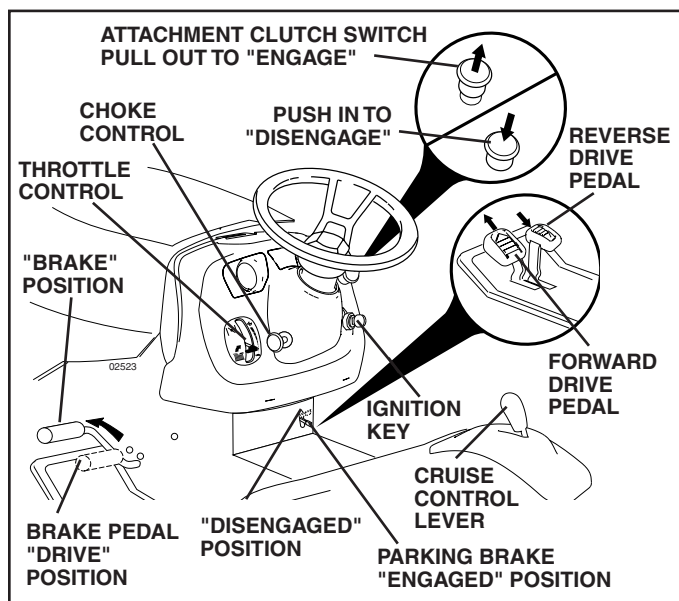


FIG. 8

STOPPING (See Fig. 8)

MOWER BLADES -

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

GROUND DRIVE -

- To stop ground drive, depress brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position.

IMPORTANT: FORWARD AND REVERSE DRIVE PEDALS RETURN TO NEUTRAL POSITION WHEN NOT DEPRESSED.

ENGINE -

- Move throttle control to slow position.

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

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

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.



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

TO USE THROTTLE CONTROL (See Fig. 8)

Always operate engine at full throttle.

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

TO USE CHOKE CONTROL (See Fig. 8)

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

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

TO MOVE FORWARD AND BACKWARD (See Fig. 8)

The direction and speed of movement is controlled by the forward and reverse drive pedals.

- Start tractor and release parking brake.
- Slowly depress forward or reverse drive pedal to begin movement. Ground speed increases the further down the pedal is depressed.

TO USE CRUISE CONTROL (See Fig. 8)

The cruise control feature can be used for forward travel only.

SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS

The cruise control should only be used while mowing or transporting on relatively smooth, straight surfaces. Other conditions such as trimming at slow speeds may cause the cruise control to disengage. do not use the cruise control on slopes, rough terrain or while trimming or turning.

- With forward drive pedal depressed to desired speed, move cruise control lever forward to "SET" position and hold while lifting your foot off the pedal, then release the cruise control lever.
- To disengage the cruise control, pull the lever backward to "OFF" position, or fully depress the brake pedal.

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TO ADJUST MOWER CUTTING HEIGHT (See Fig. 8)

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 ADJUST GAUGE WHEELS (See Fig. 9)

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

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

- Adjust mower to desired cutting height (See "TO ADJUST MOWER CUTTING HEIGHT" in the Operation section of this manual).
- Remove retainer spring and clevis pin which secure each gauge wheel bar.
- Lower gauge wheels to ground. Raise gauge wheels slightly to align holes in bracket and gauge wheel bar and insert clevis pin. Gauge wheels should be slightly off the ground.
- Replace retainer spring into clevis pin.
- Be sure all gauge wheels are in the same setting.

IMPORTANT: BE SURE TO READJUST GAUGE WHEELS IF YOU CHANGE THE CUTTING HEIGHT OF THE MOWER DECK.

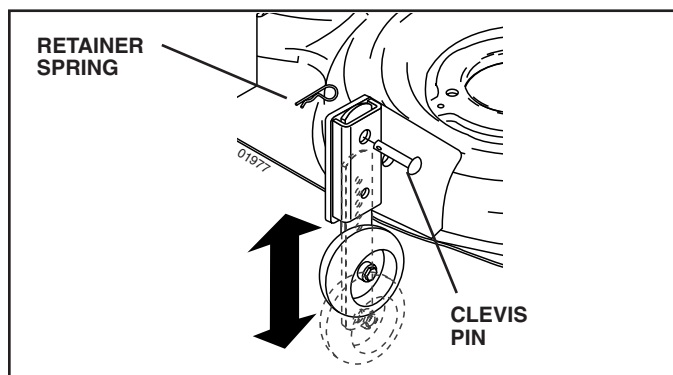


FIG. 9

TO OPERATE MOWER (See Fig. 10)

Your tractor is equipped with an operator presence sensing switch. Any attempt by the operator to leave the seat with the engine running and the attachment clutch engaged will shut off the engine. You must remain fully and centrally positioned in the seat to prevent the engine from hesitating or cutting off when operating your equipment on rough, rolling terrain or hills.

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



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

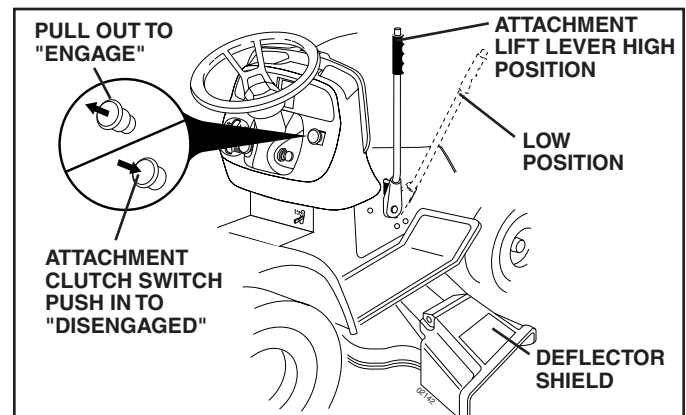


FIG. 10

TO OPERATE ON HILLS



WARNING: 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 stopping is absolutely necessary, push brake pedal quickly to brake position and engage parking brake.
- To restart movement, slowly release parking brake and brake pedal.
- Slowly depress appropriate drive pedal to slowest setting.
- Make all turns slowly.

TO TRANSPORT (See Figs. 7 and 11)

When pushing or towing your tractor, be sure to disengage transmission by placing freewheel control in freewheeling position. Free wheel control is located at the rear drawbar of tractor.

- Raise attachment lift to highest position with attachment lift control.

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- Pull freewheel control out and into the slot and release so it is held in the disengaged position.
- Do not push or tow tractor at more than two (2) MPH.
- To reengage transmission, reverse above procedure.

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.).

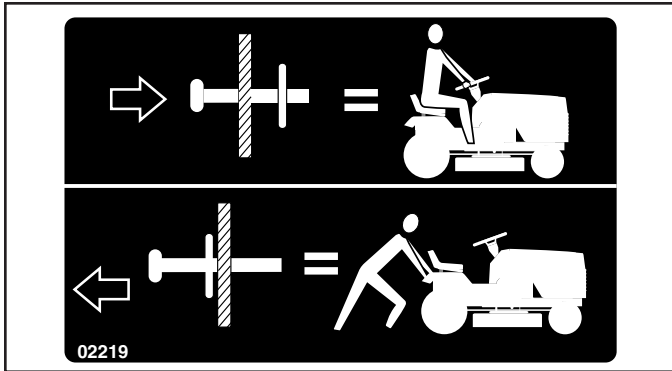


FIG. 11

TOWING CARTS AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

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

BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE

CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL

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

- Check engine oil with tractor on level ground.
- 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 to bottom of filler neck. Do not overfill. Use fresh, clean, regular unleaded gasoline with a minimum of 87 octane. (Use of leaded gasoline will increase carbon and lead oxide deposits and reduce valve life). Do not mix oil with gasoline. Purchase fuel in quantities that can be used within 30 days to assure fuel freshness.



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

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

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

TO START ENGINE (See Fig. 7)

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.

- Be sure freewheel control is in the transmission engaged position.
- Sit on seat in operating position, depress brake pedal and set parking brake.
- Move attachment clutch to "DISENGAGED" position.
- Move throttle control to fast position
- Pull choke control out for a cold engine start attempt. For a warm engine start attempt the choke control may not be needed.

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

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

WARM WEATHER STARTING (50° F and above)

- When engine starts, slowly push choke control in until the engine begins to run smoothly. If the engine starts to run roughly, pull the choke control out slightly for a few seconds and then continue to push the control in slowly.
- The attachments and ground drive can now be used. If the engine does not accept the load, restart the engine and allow it to warm up for one minute using the choke as described above.

COLD WEATHER STARTING (50° F and below)

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

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AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION WARM UP

- Before driving the unit in cold weather, the transmission should be warmed up as follows:
 - Be sure the tractor is on level ground.
 - Release the parking brake and let the brake slowly return to operating position.
 - Allow one minute for transmission to warm up. This can be done during the engine warm up period.
- The attachments can be used during the engine warm-up period after the transmission has been warmed up and may require the choke control be pulled out slightly.

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

PURGE TRANSMISSION



CAUTION: Never engage or disengage freewheel lever while the engine is running.

To ensure proper operation and performance, it is recommended that the transmission be purged before operating tractor for the first time. This procedure will remove any trapped air inside the transmission which may have developed during shipping of your tractor.

IMPORTANT: SHOULD YOUR TRANSMISSION REQUIRE REMOVAL FOR SERVICE OR REPLACEMENT, IT SHOULD BE PURGED AFTER REINSTALLATION BEFORE OPERATING THE TRACTOR.

- Place tractor safely on level surface with engine off and parking brake set.
- Disengage transmission by placing freewheel control in freewheeling position (See "TO TRANSPORT" in this section of manual).
- Sitting in the tractor seat, start engine. After the engine is running, move throttle control to slow position. Disengage parking brake.
- Depress forward drive pedal to full forward position, hold for five (5) seconds and release pedal. Depress reverse drive pedal to full reverse position, hold for five (5) seconds and release pedal. Repeat this procedure three (3) times.

NOTE: During this procedure there will be no movement of drive wheels. The air is being removed from hydraulic drive system.

- Shut-off engine and set parking brake.
- Engage transmission by placing freewheel control in driving position (See "TO TRANSPORT" in this section of manual).
- Sitting in the tractor seat, start engine. After the engine is running, move throttle control to half (1/2) speed. Disengage parking brake.
- Drive tractor forward for approximately five feet then backwards for five feet. Repeat this driving procedure three times.

Your tractor is now purged and now ready for normal operation.

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 machine. This will result in a more even distribution of clippings and more uniform cutting.
- When mowing large areas, start by turning to the right so that clippings will discharge away from shrubs, fences, driveways, etc. After one or two rounds, mow in the opposite direction making left hand turns until finished (See Fig. 12).

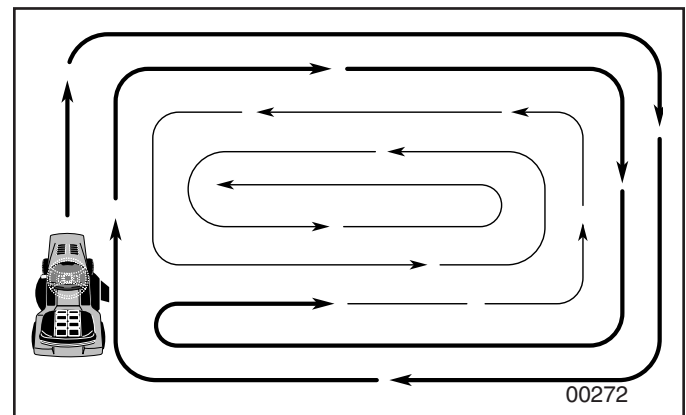


FIG. 12

- 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

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE		SERVICE INTERVALS						SERVICE DATES	
		BEFORE EACH USE	EVERY 8 HOURS	EVERY 25 HOURS	EVERY 50 HOURS	EVERY 100 HOURS	EVERY SEASON		
TRACTOR	Check Brake Operation	✓	✓						
	Check Tire Pressure	✓	✓						
	Check Operator Presence and Interlock Systems	✓							
	Check for Loose Fasteners	✓				✓ ₅	✓		
	Sharpen/Replace Mower Blades			✓ ₃					
	Lubrication Chart			✓			✓		
	Check Battery Level			✓ ₄					
	Clean Battery and Terminals			✓			✓		
	Check Transaxle Cooling			✓					
	Check V-Belts					✓			
ENGINE	Check Engine Oil Level	✓	✓						
	Change Engine Oil (with oil filter)				✓ _{1,2}		✓		
	Change Engine Oil (without oil filter)			✓ _{1,2}			✓		
	Clean Air Filter			✓ ₂					
	Clean Air Screen			✓ ₂					
	Inspect Muffler/Spark Arrester				✓				
	Replace Oil Filter (If equipped)					✓ _{1,2}			
	Clean Engine Cooling Fins					✓ ₂			
	Replace Spark Plug					✓	✓		
	Replace Air Filter Paper Cartridge					✓ ₂			
	Replace Fuel Filter						✓		

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

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

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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.

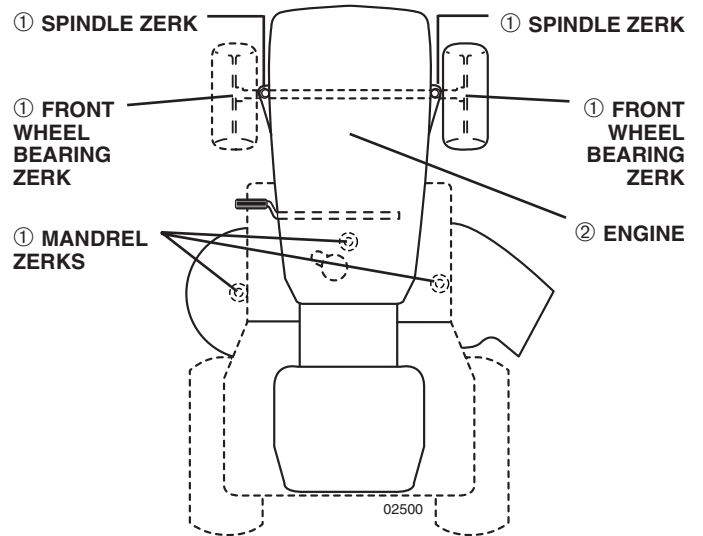
At least once a season, check to see if you should make any of the adjustments described in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

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

BEFORE EACH USE

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

LUBRICATION CHART



- ① GENERAL PURPOSE GREASE
- ② 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.

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TRACTOR

Always observe safety rules when performing any maintenance.

BRAKE OPERATION

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

TIRES

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

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

OPERATOR PRESENCE SYSTEM

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

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

BLADE CARE

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

BLADE REMOVAL (See Fig. 13)

- Raise mower to highest position to allow access to blades.

NOTE: Protect your hands with gloves and/or wrap blade with heavy cloth.

- Remove blade bolt by turning counterclockwise.
- Install new or resharpened blade with stamped "THIS SIDE UP" facing deck and mandrel assembly.

IMPORTANT: TO ENSURE PROPER ASSEMBLY, CENTER HOLE IN BLADE MUST ALIGN WITH STAR ON MANDREL ASSEMBLY.

- Install and tighten blade bolt securely (45-55 Ft. Lbs. torque).

IMPORTANT: SPECIAL BLADE BOLT HEAT TREATED.

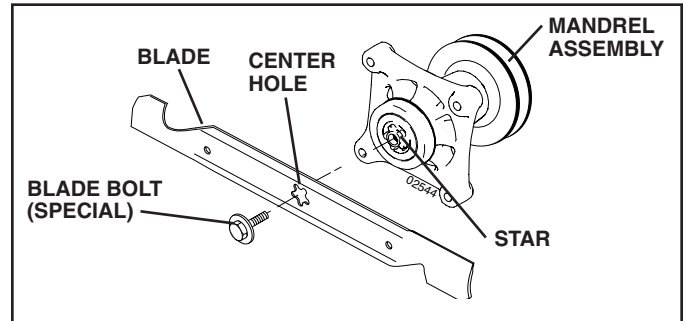


FIG. 13

TO SHARPEN BLADE (See Fig. 14)

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.

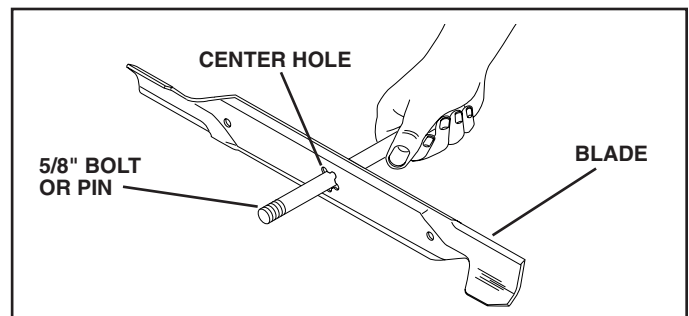


FIG. 14

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.

MAINTENANCE

TO CLEAN BATTERY AND TERMINALS

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

- Remove terminal guard.
- Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and remove battery from tractor.
- Rinse the battery with plain water and dry.
- Clean terminals and battery cable ends with wire brush until bright.
- Coat terminals with grease or petroleum jelly.
- Reinstall battery (See "CONNECT BATTERY" in the Assembly section of this manual).

V-BELTS

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

TRANSAXLE COOLING

The transmission fan and cooling fins should be kept clean to assure proper cooling.

Do not attempt to clean fan or transmission while engine is running or while the transmission is hot. To prevent possible damage to seals, do not use high pressure water or steam to clean transaxle.

- Inspect cooling fan to be sure fan blades are intact and clean.
- Inspect cooling fins for dirt, grass clippings and other materials. To prevent damage to seals, do not use compressed air or high pressure sprayer to clean cooling fins.

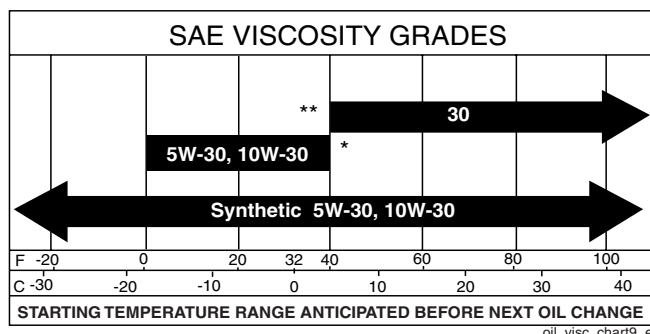
TRANSAXLE PUMP FLUID

The transaxle was sealed at the factory and fluid maintenance is not required for the life of the transaxle. Should the transaxle ever leak or require servicing, contact your nearest authorized service center/department.

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. When operating in temperatures below 0° F (-18° C) synthetic oil must be used.



* **CAUTION:** Air cooled engines run hotter than automotive engines. The use of non-synthetic multi-viscosity oils (5W30, 10W30 etc.) in temperatures above 40° F (4° C) will result in higher than normal oil consumption. When using a multi-viscosity oil, check oil level more frequently.

** **CAUTION:** SAE 30 oil, if used below 40° F (4° C), will result in hard starting and possible engine bore damage due to inadequate lubrication.



NOTE: Synthetic oil meeting ILSAC GF-2, API certification mark and API service symbol (shown at left) with "SJ/CF ENERGY CONSERVING" or higher, is an acceptable oil at all temperatures. **Use of synthetic oil does not alter required oil change intervals.**

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

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

TO CHANGE ENGINE OIL (See Fig. 15)

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

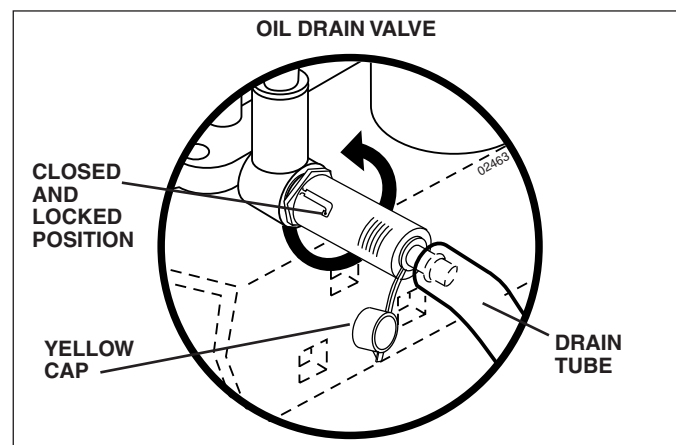


FIG. 15

- Unlock drain valve by pushing inward and turning counterclockwise.
- 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 bottom fitting 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.

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- 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. Tighten cap onto the tube securely when finished.

CLEAN AIR SCREEN

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

CLEAN AIR INTAKE/COOLING AREAS

To insure proper cooling, make sure the grass screen, cooling fins, and other external surfaces of the engine are kept clean at all times.

Every 100 hours of operation (more often under extremely dusty, dirty conditions), remove the blower housing and other cooling shrouds. Clean the cooling fins and external surfaces as necessary. Make sure the cooling shrouds are reinstalled.

NOTE: Operating the engine with a blocked grass screen, dirty or plugged cooling fins, and/or cooling shrouds removed will cause engine damage due to overheating.

AIR FILTER (See Fig. 16)

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

Service air cleaner more often under dusty conditions.

- Remove cover.

TO SERVICE PRE-CLEANER

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

TO SERVICE CARTRIDGE

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

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.

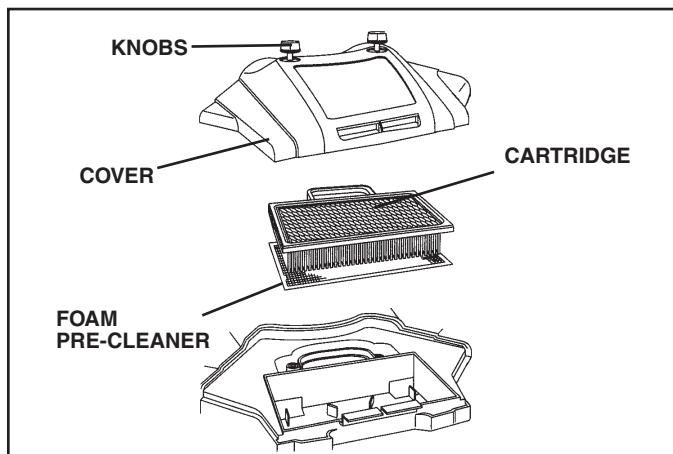


FIG. 16

ENGINE OIL FILTER

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

MUFFLER

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

SPARK PLUGS

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

IN-LINE FUEL FILTER (See Fig. 17)

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

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

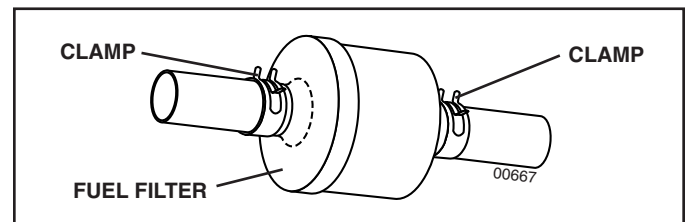


FIG. 17

CLEANING

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

We do not recommend using a garden hose or pressure washer to clean your tractor unless the engine and transmission are covered to keep water out. Water in engine or transmission will shorten the useful life of your tractor. Use compressed air or a leaf blower to remove grass, leaves and trash from tractor and mower.

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

- Depress brake pedal fully and set parking brake.
- Place attachment clutch in “DISENGAGED” position.
- Turn ignition key to “STOP” and remove key.
- Make sure the blades and all moving parts have completely stopped.
- Disconnect spark plug wire from spark plug and place wire where it cannot come in contact with plug.

TRACTOR

TO REMOVE MOWER (See Fig. 18)

- Place attachment clutch in “DISENGAGED” position.
- If equipped, turn height adjustment knob to lowest setting.
- Lower mower to its lowest position.
- Disengage belt tension rod from lock bracket.



CAUTION: Rod is spring loaded. Have a tight grip on rod and release slowly.

- Remove retainer spring holding anti-swaybar to chassis bracket and disengage anti-swaybar from bracket.
- Remove four retainer springs from front plate assembly and remove plate.
- Remove retainer springs from suspension arms at deck and disengage arms from deck.
- Raise attachment lift to its highest position.
- Slide mower forward and remove belt from electric clutch pulley.
- Slide mower out from under right side of tractor.

TO INSTALL MOWER

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

- Swing anti-sway bar to left side of mower deck.
- Slide mower under tractor with deflector shield to right side of tractor.

IMPORTANT: CHECK BELT FOR PROPER ROUTING IN ALL MOWER PULLEY GROOVES.

- If equipped, turn height adjustment knob counter-clockwise until it stops.
- Lower mower linkage with attachment lift control.
- Be sure belt tension rod is in disengaged position.
- Install belt into electric clutch pulley groove.
- Place the suspension arms on outward pointing deck pins. Retain with double loop retainer spring with loops up as shown.
- Install front plate assembly to tractor suspension brackets and retain with single loop retainer springs as shown.
- Position front plate assembly between front mower brackets. Raise deck and plate assembly to align holes and insert flanged pins. Secure pins with double loop retainer springs between the plate assembly and mower brackets.

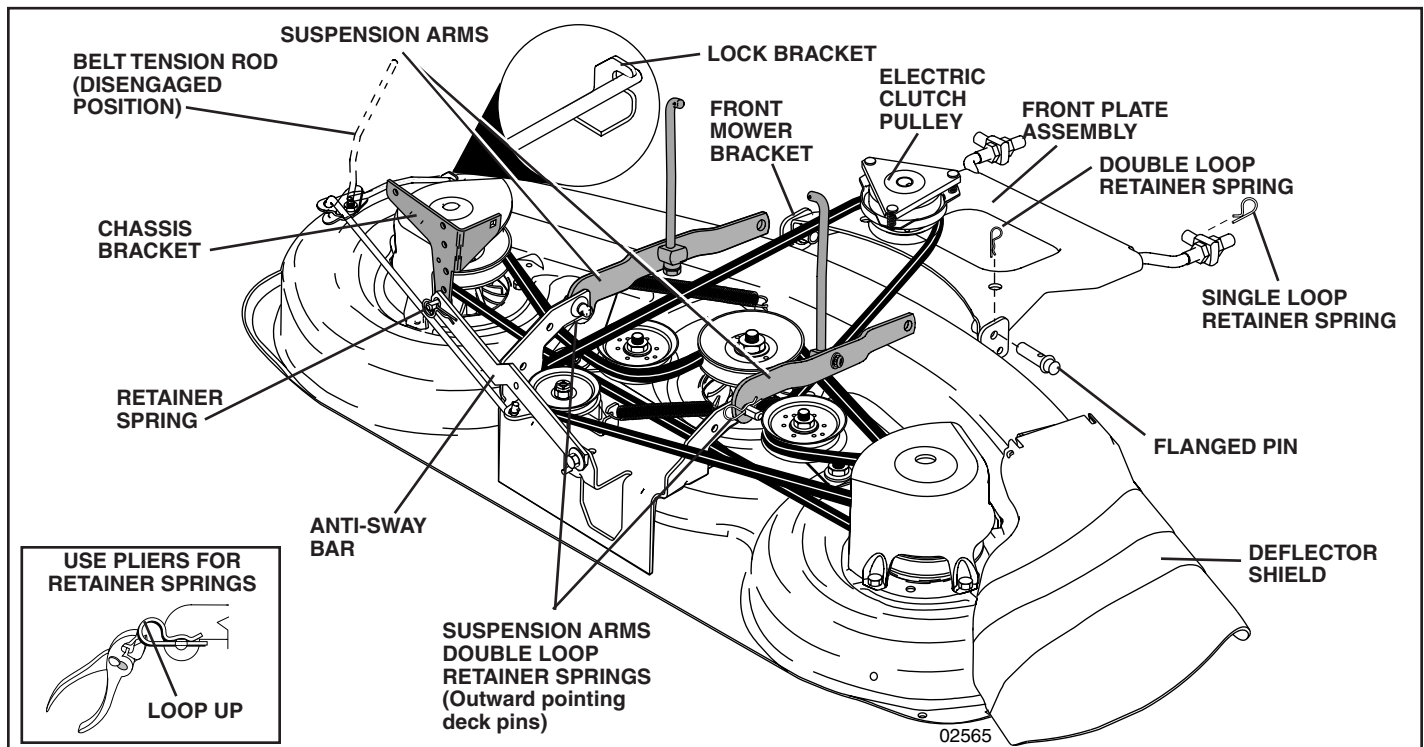


FIG. 18

SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

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

IMPORTANT: CHECK BELT FOR PROPER ROUTING IN ALL MOWER PULLEY GROOVES.

- Engage belt tension rod by pushing rod into locking bracket.



CAUTION: Belt tension rod is spring loaded. Have a tight grip on rod and engage slowly.

- Connect anti-sway bar to chassis bracket under left footrest and retain with double loop retainer spring.
- If equipped, turn height adjustment knob clockwise to remove slack from mower suspension.
- Raise deck to highest position.

TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING

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

SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT WITH BUBBLE LEVEL (See Figs. 19 and 20)

NOTE: If necessary, check side-to-side surface below tractor for levelness with a long board and the bubble level.

- Using the lift lever, place mower in position where no part of the mower, including gauge wheels, is touching the ground.
- From left side of tractor, find the level decal on top of mower and place bubble level on decal as indicated.
- Mower is level side-to-side when bubble is between the two lines in the bubble level.
- If adjustment is necessary, under left hand footrest, turn lift link adjustment nut (above yellow cap) in appropriate direction to bring bubble between the lines in the bubble level.
- Remove bubble level from mower and store in a safe place.

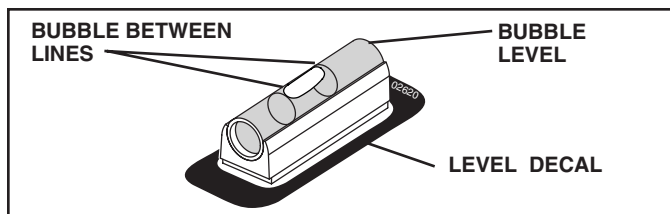


FIG. 19

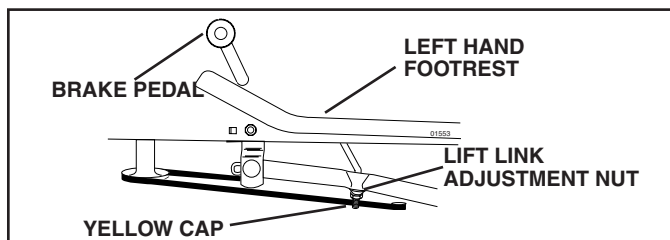


FIG. 20

ALTERNATE SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT METHOD (See Figs. 21 and 22)

- Raise mower to its highest position.
- Measure height from bottom edge of mower to ground level at front corners of mower. Distance "A" on both sides of mower should be the same.
- If adjustment is necessary, make adjustment on one side of mower only.
- To raise one side of mower, tighten lift link adjustment nut on that side.
- To lower one side of mower, loosen lift link adjustment nut on that side.

NOTE: Each full turn of adjustment nut will change mower height about 3/16".

- Recheck measurements after adjusting.

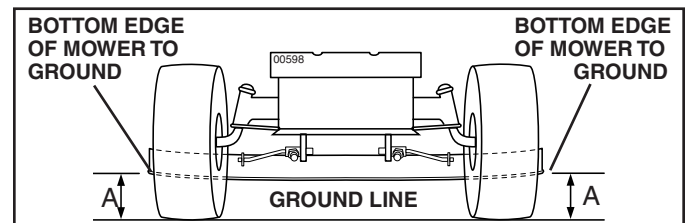


FIG. 21

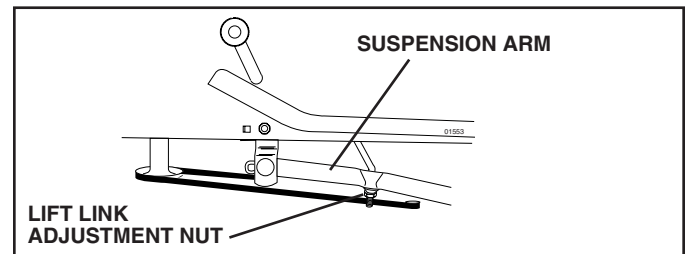


FIG. 22

FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT (See Figs. 23 and 24)

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 blades should be adjusted so the front tip is approximately 1/8" to 1/2" lower than the rear tip when the mower is in its highest position.



CAUTION: Blades are sharp. Protect your hands with gloves and/or wrap blade with heavy cloth.

Check adjustment on right side of tractor. Position any blade so the tip is pointing straight forward. Measure distance "B" at front and rear tip of blade

- Before making any necessary adjustments, check that both front plate links are equal in length.
- If links are not equal in length, adjust one link to same length as other link.
- To lower front of blade, loosen nut "C" on both front links an equal number of turns.

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NOTE: Each full turn of nut "C" will change dim. "B" by approximately 3/16".

- When distance "B" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "D" against trunnion on both front links.
- To raise front of blade, loosen nut "D" from trunnion on both front links. Tighten nut "C" on both front links an equal number of turns. The two front links must remain equal in length.
- When distance "B" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "D" against trunnion on both front links.
- Recheck side-to-side adjustment.

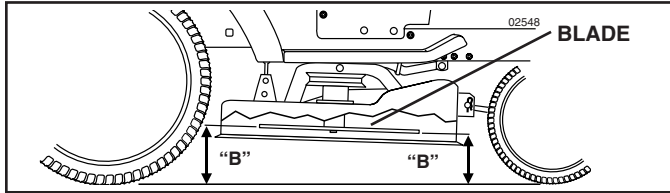


FIG. 23

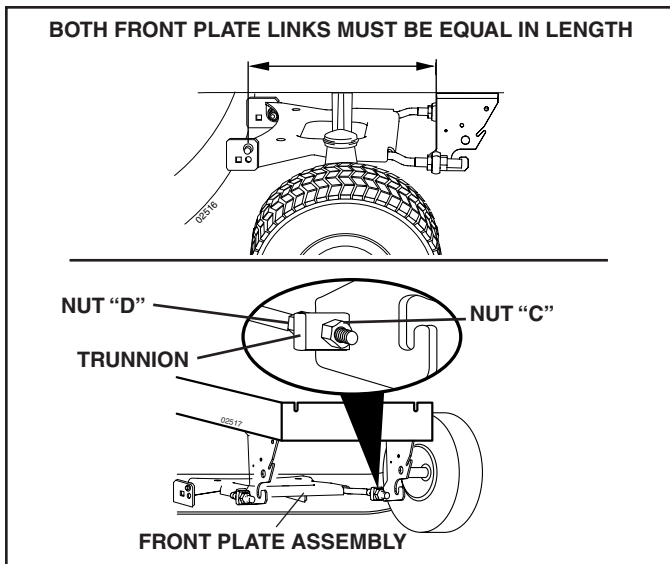


FIG. 24

TO REPLACE MOWER DRIVE BELT

MOWER DRIVE BELT REMOVAL (See Fig. 25)

- Park tractor on a level surface. Engage parking brake.
- Lower mower to its lowest position.
- Disengage belt tension rod from lock bracket.



CAUTION: Rod is spring loaded. Have a tight grip on rod and release slowly.

- Remove screws from R.H. mandrel cover and remove cover.
- Remove any dirt or grass clippings which may have accumulated around mandrels and entire upper deck surface.
- Disconnect R.H. suspension arm from rear deck bracket by removing retainer spring.
- Roll belt over the top of R.H. mandrel pulley carefully.
- Remove belt from electric clutch pulley.

- Remove belt from idler pulleys.
- Check primary idler arm and two idlers to see that they rotate freely.
- Be sure spring is securely hooked to primary idler arm and spring arm.

MOWER DRIVE BELT INSTALLATION (See Fig. 25)

- Install belt in both idlers.
- Install new belt onto electric clutch pulley.
- Roll belt into upper groove of R.H. mandrel pulley carefully.
- Carefully check belt routing making sure belt is in the grooves correctly.
- Reconnect R.H. suspension arm to rear deck bracket with retainer spring.
- Reassemble R.H. mandrel cover.
- Engage belt tension rod by pushing rod into locking bracket.

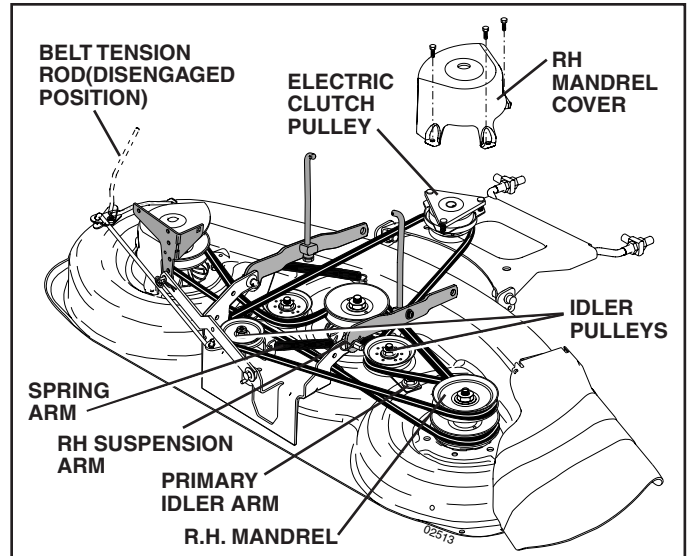


FIG. 25

TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE DRIVE BELT (See Fig. 26)

TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE (SECONDARY) DRIVE BELT

Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake.

- Remove mower (See "TO REMOVE MOWER" in this section of manual).
- Remove screws from R.H. and L.H. mandrel covers and remove covers.

REMOVE MOWER DRIVE BELT

(Refer to "TO REMOVE MOWER DRIVE BELT" illustration in this section of manual).

- Carefully roll belt over the top of R.H. mandrel pulley.
- Remove belt from idler pulleys.
- Check primary idler arm and two idlers to see that they rotate freely.
- Be sure spring is securely hooked to primary idler arm and spring arm.

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REMOVE MOWER BLADE (SECONDARY) DRIVE BELT

- Carefully roll belt off L.H. mandrel pulley.
- Remove belt from center mandrel pulley, idler pulley, and R.H. mandrel pulley.
- Remove any dirt or grass which may have accumulated around mandrels and entire upper deck surface.
- Check secondary idler arm and idler pulley to see that they rotate freely.
- Be sure spring is hooked in secondary idler arm and secondary spring arm.

INSTALL NEW MOWER BLADE (SECONDARY) DRIVE BELT

- Install new belt in lower groove of R.H. mandrel pulley, idler pulley, and center mandrel pulley as shown.
- Carefully roll belt over L.H. mandrel pulley. Make sure belt is in all grooves properly.

REINSTALL MOWER DRIVE BELT

(Refer to "TO REMOVE MOWER DRIVE BELT" illustration in this section of manual).

- Install belt into upper groove of R.H. mandrel pulley and around both idlers. Pull belt to front of mower to remove slack.
- Reinstall mandrel covers and securely tighten all screws.
- Carefully check belt routing making sure belt is in all grooves correctly.
- Reinstall mower to tractor (See "TO INSTALL MOWER" in this section of manual).

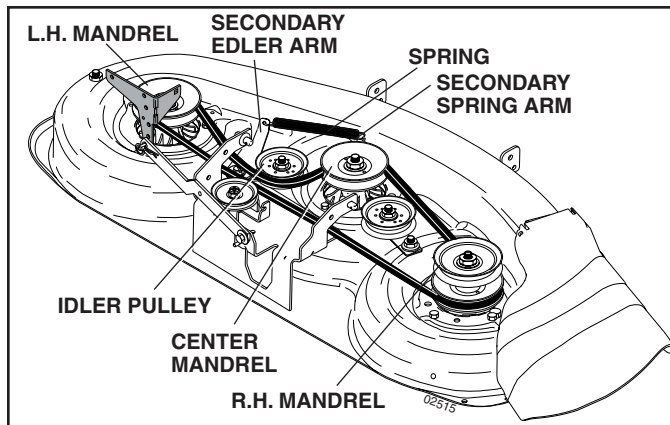


FIG. 26

TO CHECK AND ADJUST BRAKE (See Fig. 27)

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

If tractor requires more than five (5) feet to stop at highest speed in highest gear on a level, dry concrete or paved surface, then brake must be checked and adjusted.

TO CHECK BRAKE

- Park tractor on a level, dry concrete or paved surface, depress brake pedal all the way down and engage parking brake.

- Disengage transmission by placing freewheel control in "transmission disengaged" position. Pull freewheel control out and into the slot and release so it is held in the disengaged position.

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

TO ADJUST BRAKE

- Depress brake pedal all the way down and engage parking brake.
- Measure distance between brake operating arm and nut "A" on brake rod.
- If distance is other than 1-3/4", loosen jam nut and turn nut "A" until distance becomes 1-3/4". Retighten jam nut against nut "A".
- Engage transmission by placing freewheel control in "transmission engaged" position.
- Road test tractor for proper stopping distance as stated above. Readjust if necessary. If stopping distance is still greater than five (5) feet in highest gear, further maintenance is necessary. Replace brake pads or contact a qualified service center.

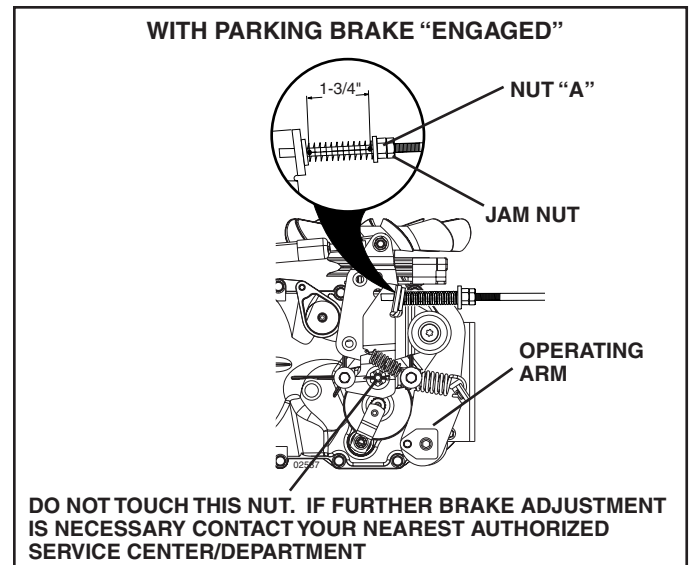


FIG. 27

TO REPLACE MOTION DRIVE BELT (See Fig. 28)

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

BELT REMOVAL -

- Remove mower (See "TO REMOVE MOWER" in this section of manual).

NOTE: Observe entire motion drive belt and position of all belt guides and keepers.

- Disconnect clutch wire harness.
- Remove clutch locator.
- Remove belt from stationary idler and clutching idler.
- Remove belt downward from engine pulley and around electric clutch.

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- Pull belt slack toward rear of tractor. Carefully remove belt upwards from transmission input pulley and over cooling fan blades.
- Remove belt from center span keeper and pull belt away from tractor.

BELT INSTALLATION -

- Carefully work new belt down around transmission cooling fan and onto the input pulley.
- Slide belt into the center span keeper.
- Pull belt toward front of tractor and roll belt around electric clutch and onto engine pulley.
- Install belt through stationary idler and clutching idler.
- Reinstall clutch locator and tighten nut securely.
- Reconnect clutch harness.
- Make sure belt is in all pulley grooves and inside all belt guides and keepers.
- Install mower (See "TO INSTALL MOWER" in this section of manual).

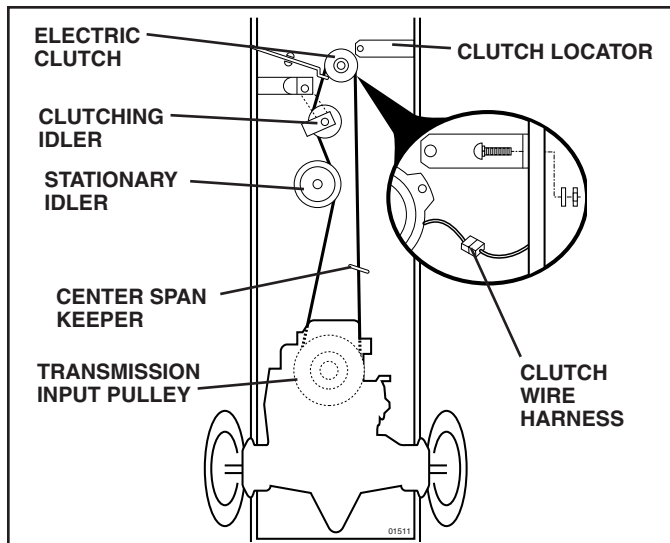


FIG. 28

TRANSMISSION REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT

Should your transmission require removal for service or replacement, it should be purged after reinstallation and before operating the tractor. See "PURGE TRANSMISSION" in the Operation section of this manual.

TO ADJUST STEERING WHEEL ALIGNMENT

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

FRONT WHEEL TOE-IN/CAMBER

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

TO REMOVE WHEEL FOR REPAIRS (See Fig. 29)

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

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.

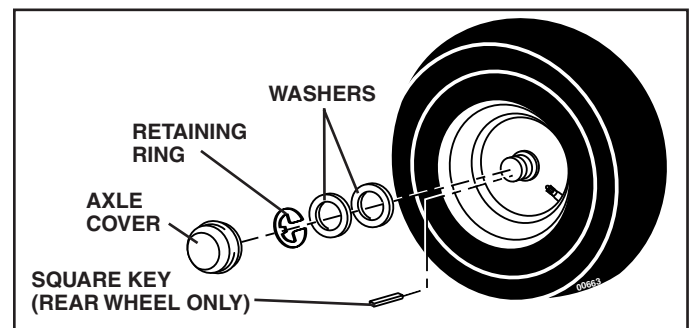


FIG. 29

TO START ENGINE WITH A WEAK BATTERY (See Fig. 30)



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

If your battery is too weak to start the engine, it should be recharged. (See "BATTERY" in the Maintenance section of this manual).

If "jumper cables" are used for emergency starting, follow this procedure:

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

TO ATTACH JUMPER CABLES -

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

TO REMOVE CABLES, REVERSE ORDER -

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

SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

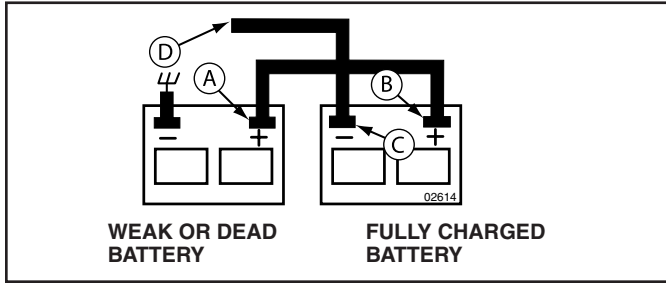


FIG. 30

TO REPLACE HEADLIGHT BULB

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

INTERLOCKS AND RELAYS

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

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

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 ASSEMBLY (See Fig. 31)

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

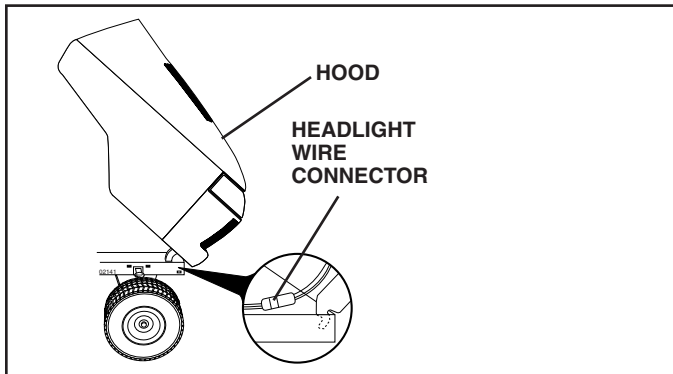


FIG. 31

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TO ADJUST THROTTLE CONTROL CABLE (See Fig. 32)

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

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

TO ADJUST CHOKE CONTROL (See Fig. 33)

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

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

TO ADJUST CARBURETOR

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

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

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

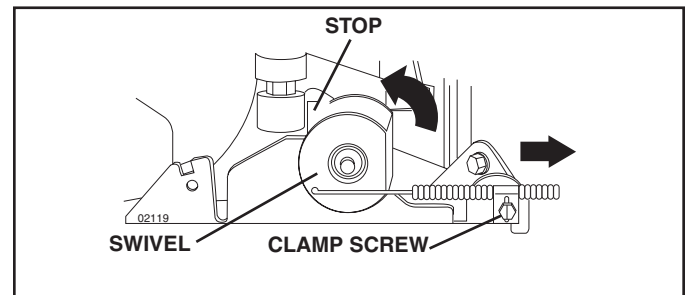


FIG. 32

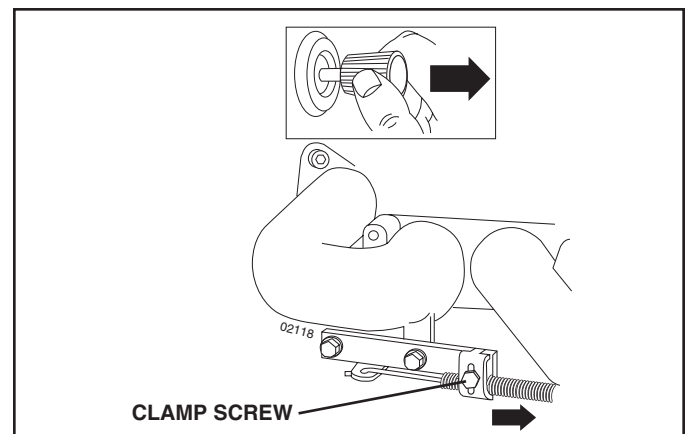


FIG. 33

STORAGE

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



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

TRACTOR

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

- 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 TERMINALS” in the Maintenance section of this manual).
- After cleaning, leave cables disconnected and place cables where they cannot come in contact with battery terminals.
- If battery is removed from tractor for storage, do not store battery directly on concrete or damp surfaces.

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FUEL SYSTEM

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

- Empty the fuel tank by starting 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 empty 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)

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

OTHER

- Do not store gasoline from one season to another.
- Replace your gasoline can if your can starts to rust. Rust and/or dirt in your gasoline will cause problems.
- If possible, store your tractor indoors and cover it to give protection from dust and dirt.
- 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 POINTS

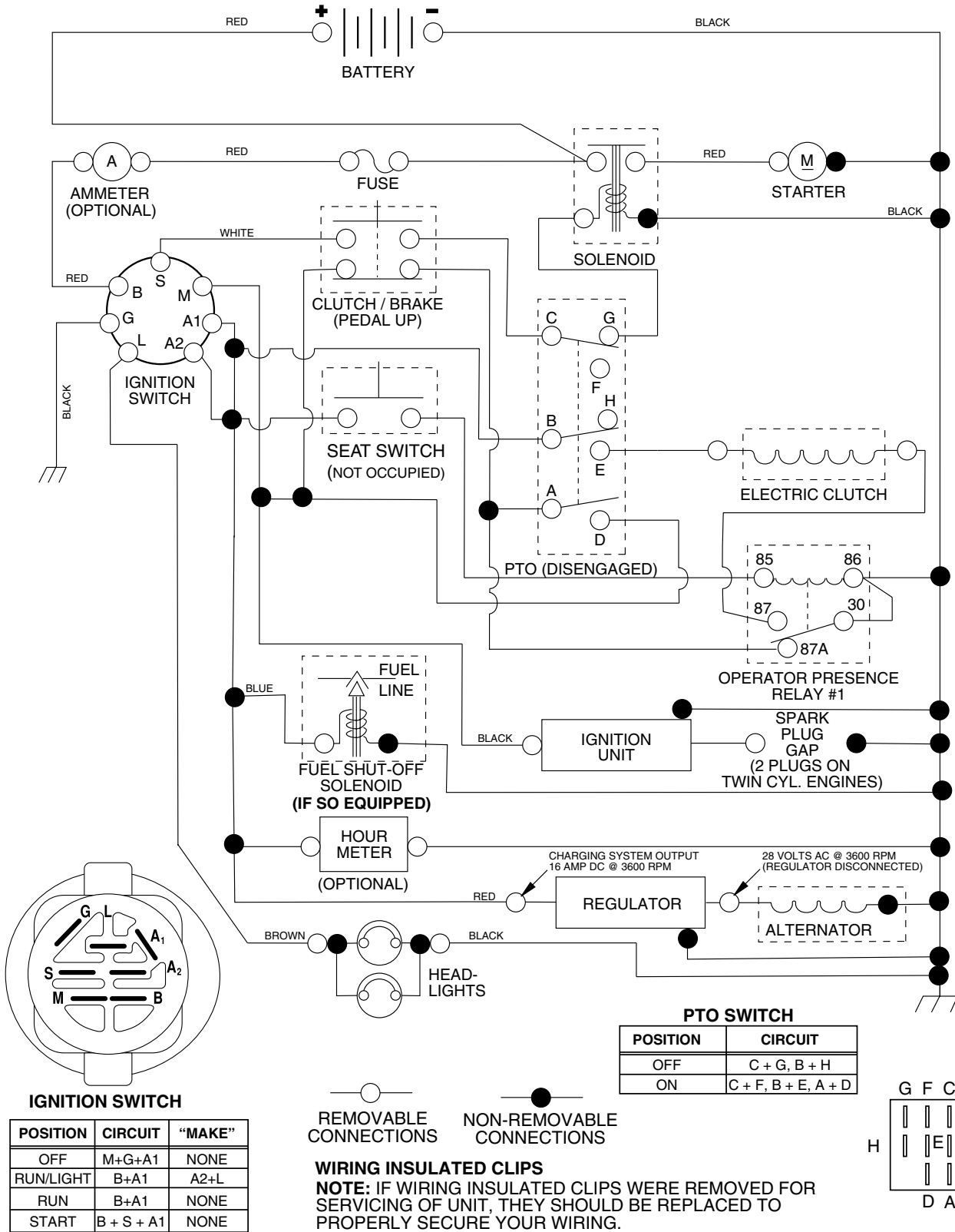
PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Will not start	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Out of fuel. 2. Engine not "CHOKED" properly. 3. Engine flooded. 4. Bad spark plug. 5. Dirty air filter. 6. Dirty fuel filter. 7. Water in fuel. 8. Loose or damaged wiring. 9. Carburetor out of adjustment. 10. Engine valves out of adjustment. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fill fuel tank. 2. See "TO START ENGINE" in Operation section. 3. Wait several minutes before attempting to start. 4. Replace spark plug. 5. Clean/replace air filter. 6. Replace fuel filter. 7. Empty fuel tank and 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 an authorized service center/department.
Hard to start	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dirty air filter. 2. Bad spark plug. 3. Weak or dead battery. 4. Dirty fuel filter. 5. Stale or dirty fuel. 6. Loose or damaged wiring. 7. Carburetor out of adjustment. 8. Engine valves out of adjustment. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clean/replace air filter. 2. Replace spark plug. 3. Recharge or replace battery. 4. Replace fuel filter. 5. Empty fuel tank and refill tank with fresh, clean gasoline. 6. Check all wiring. 7. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section. 8. Contact an authorized service center/department.
Engine will not turn over	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brake pedal not depressed. 2. Attachment clutch is engaged. 3. Weak or dead battery. 4. Blown fuse. 5. Corroded battery terminals. 6. Loose or damaged wiring. 7. Faulty ignition switch. 8. Faulty solenoid or starter. 9. Faulty operator presence switch(es). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Depress brake pedal. 2. Disengage attachment clutch. 3. Recharge or replace battery. 4. Replace fuse. 5. Clean battery terminals. 6. Check all wiring. 7. Check/replace ignition switch. 8. Check/replace solenoid or starter. 9. Contact an authorized service center/department.
Engine clicks but will not start	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Weak or dead battery. 2. Corroded battery terminals. 3. Loose or damaged wiring. 4. Faulty solenoid or starter. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recharge or replace battery. 2. Clean battery terminals. 3. Check all wiring. 4. Check/replace solenoid or starter.
Loss of power	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cutting too much grass/too fast. 2. Throttle in "CHOKE" position. 3. Build-up of grass, leaves and trash under mower. 4. Dirty air filter. 5. Low oil level/dirty oil. 6. Faulty spark plug. 7. Dirty fuel filter. 8. Stale or dirty fuel. 9. Water in fuel. 10. Spark plug wire loose. 11. Dirty engine air screen/fins. 12. Dirty/clogged muffler. 13. Loose or damaged wiring. 14. Carburetor out of adjustment. 15. Engine valves out of adjustment. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Raise cutting height/reduce speed. 2. Adjust throttle control. 3. Clean underside of mower housing. 4. Clean/replace air filter. 5. Check oil level/change oil. 6. Clean and regap or change spark plug. 7. Replace fuel filter. 8. Empty fuel tank and refill tank with fresh, clean gasoline. 9. Empty fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter. 10. Connect and tighten spark plug wire. 11. Clean engine air screen/fins. 12. Clean/replace muffler. 13. Check all wiring. 14. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service Adjustments section. 15. Contact an authorized service center/department.
Excessive vibration	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Worn, bent or loose blade. 2. Bent blade mandrel. 3. Loose/damaged part(s). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt. 2. Replace blade mandrel. 3. Tighten loose part(s). Replace damaged parts.

TROUBLESHOOTING POINTS

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Engine continues to run when operator leaves seat with attachment clutch engaged	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Faulty operator-safety presence control system. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check wiring, switches and connections. If not corrected, contact an authorized service center/ department.
Poor cut - uneven	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Worn, bent or loose blade. 2. Mower deck not level. 3. Buildup of grass, leaves, and trash under mower. 4. Bent blade mandrel. 5. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt. 2. Level mower deck. 3. Clean underside of mower housing. 4. Replace blade mandrel. 5. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.
Mower blades will not rotate	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Obstruction in clutch mechanism. 2. Worn/damaged mower drive belt. 3. Frozen idler pulley. 4. Frozen blade mandrel. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remove obstruction. 2. Replace mower drive belt. 3. Replace idler pulley. 4. Replace blade mandrel.
Poor grass discharge	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Engine speed too slow. 2. Travel speed too fast. 3. Wet grass. 4. Mower deck not level. 5. Low/uneven tire air pressure. 6. Worn, bent or loose blade. 7. Buildup of grass, leaves and trash under mower. 8. Mower drive belt worn. 9. Blades improperly installed. 10. Improper blades used. 11. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Place throttle control in "FAST" position. 2. Shift to slower speed. 3. Allow grass to dry before mowing. 4. Level mower deck. 5. Check tires for proper air pressure. 6. Replace/sharpen blade. Tighten blade bolt. 7. Clean underside of mower housing. 8. Replace mower drive belt. 9. Reinstall blades sharp edge down. 10. Replace with blades listed in this manual. 11. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.
Headlight(s) not working (if so equipped)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Turn switch "ON". 2. Replace bulb(s) or lamp(s). 3. Check/replace light switch. 4. Check wiring and connections. 5. Replace fuse.
Battery will not charge	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bad battery cell(s). 2. Poor cable connections. 3. Faulty regulator (if so equipped). 4. Faulty alternator. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace battery. 2. Check/clean all connections. 3. Replace regulator. 4. Replace alternator.
Loss of drive	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Freewheel control in "disengaged" position. 2. Motion drive belt worn, damaged, or broken. 3. Air trapped in transmission during shipment or servicing. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Place freewheel control in "engaged" position. 2. Replace motion drive belt. 3. Purge transmission.
Engine "backfires" when turning engine "OFF"	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Engine throttle control not set at "SLOW" position for 30 seconds before stopping engine. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Move throttle control to "SLOW" position and allow to idle for 30 seconds before stopping engine.

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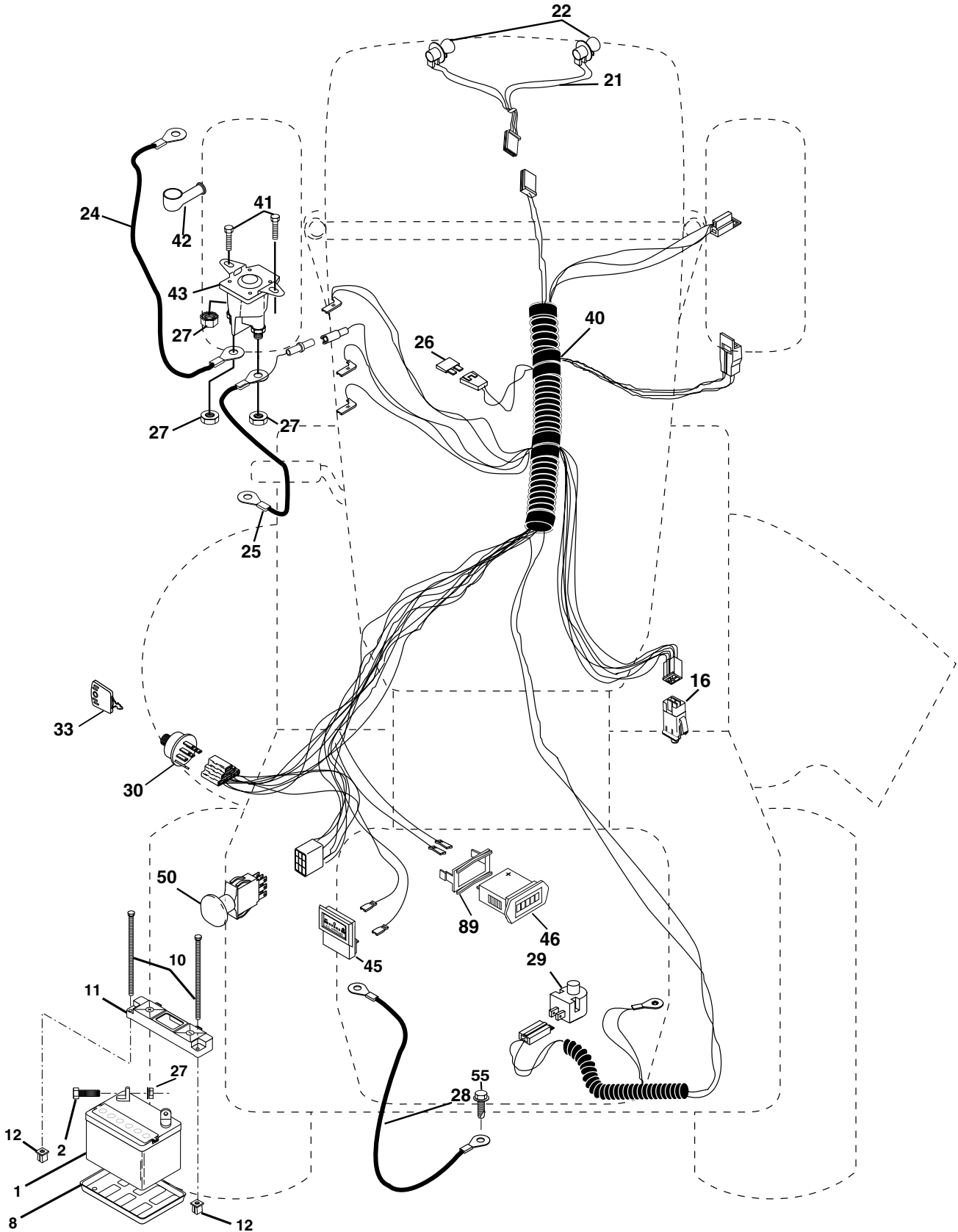
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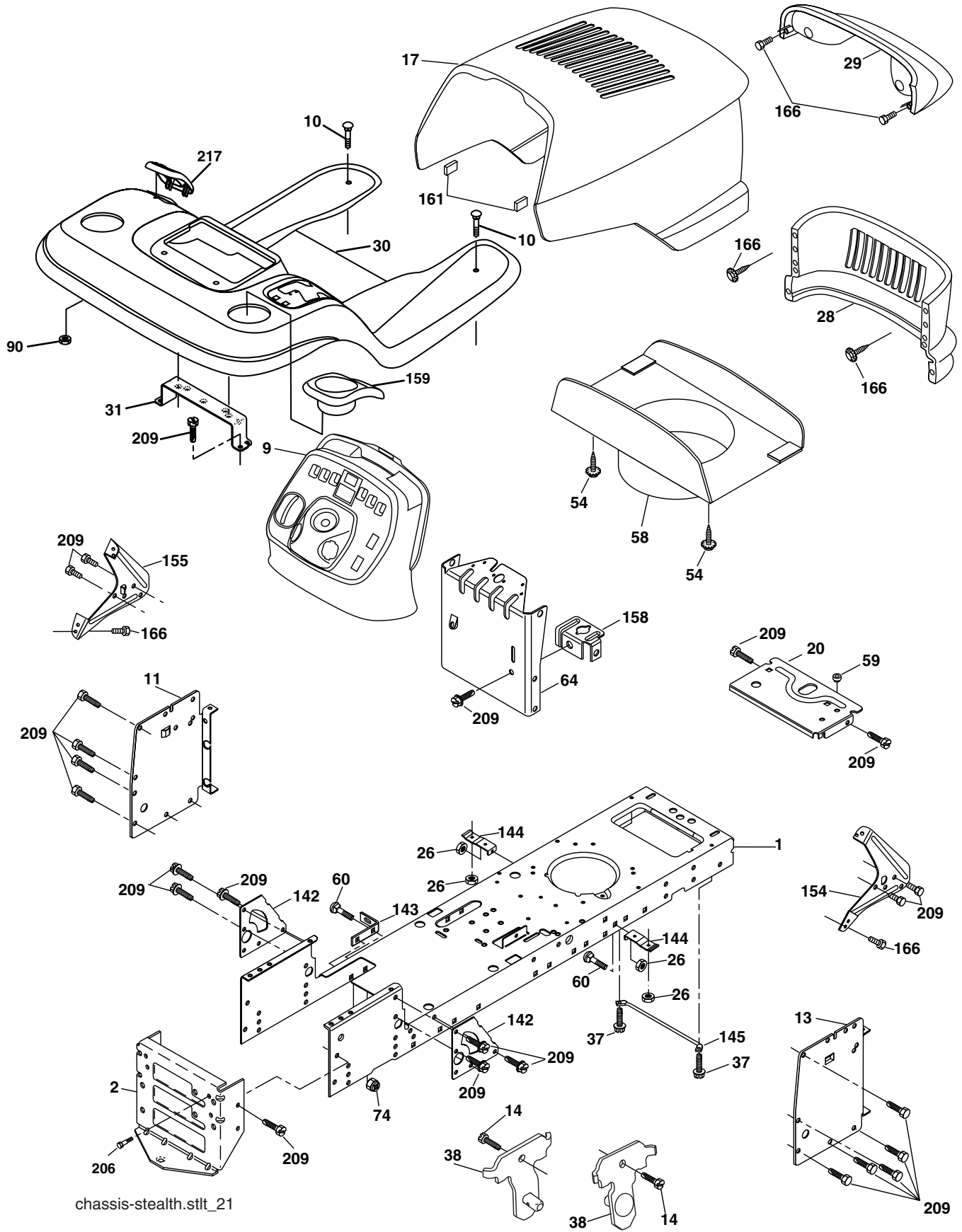
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1	144927	Battery 12 Volt 35 Amp
2	74760412	Bolt Hex Hd 1/4-20 unc x 3/4
8	7603J	Tray Battery
10	145211	Bolt Btr Frt 1/4-20 x 7.5
11	150109	Holddown Battery Front Mount
12	145769	Nut Push Nylon 1/4" Battery
16	176138	Switch Interlock
21	175688	Harness Asm Light
22	4152J	Bulb Light #1156
24	8860R	Cable Starter 6 Ga. Red 17"
25	146148	Cable Battery 6 Ga. w/16 wire, red 22"
26	175158	Fuse
27	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 unc
28	145491	Cable Ground
29	121305X	Switch Plunger NC Gray
30	175566	Switch Ign
33	140403	Key Ign
40	188031	Harness Ign
41	17720408	Screw Thd Cut 1/4-20 x 1/2
42	131563	Cover Terminal Red
43	178861	Solenoid
45	122822X	Ammeter
46	169635	Hourmeter
50	174652	Switch PTO
55	17490508	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 1/2
79	175242	Socket Asm Bulb
89	169639	Bracket Snap-in Hourmeter

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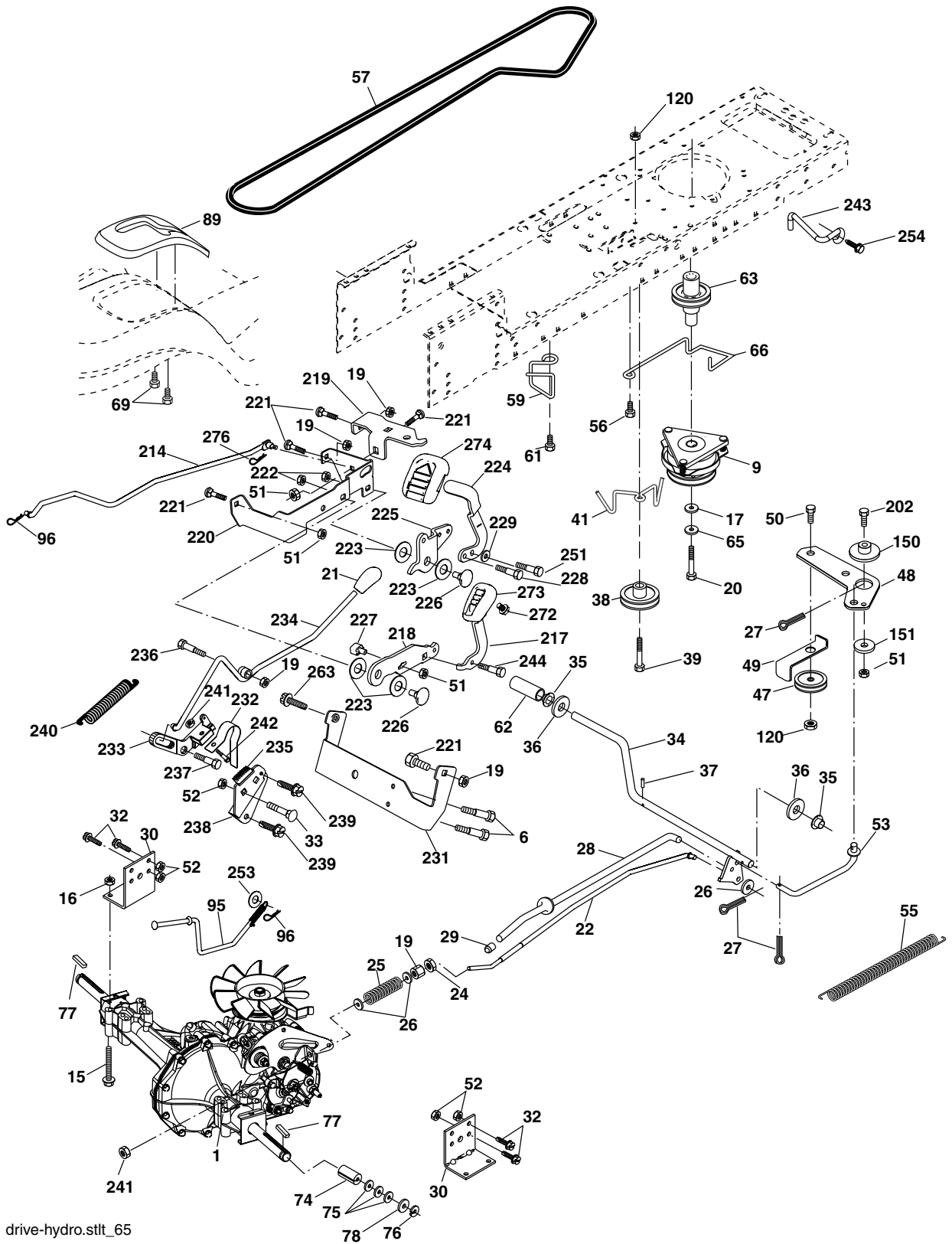
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1	174619	Chassis
2	176554	Drawbar
9	187934X428	Dash
10	72140608	Bolt 3/8-16 x 1
11	167203	Panel, Dash, LH
13	188702X010	Panel, Dash, RH
14	17490608	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 1/2
17	175260X615	Hood Assembly
20	162026	Plate Battery
26	STD541437	Locknut, Hex, with Insert 3/8-16 unc
28	174515X615	Grille
29	177849X418	Lightbox Dual
30	188572X615	Fender/Footrest
31	139976	Bracket, Fender/Support
37	17490508	Screw, Thdrol. 5/16-18 x 1/2 TYT
38	175710	Bracket Asm Pivot Mower Rear
39	174988	Bracket Pivot Hood
42	172545X599	Lens Lh
43	172544X599	Lens Rh
54	161464	Screw Hex Wshd 8-18 x 7/8
59	187495	Bushing
58	175351	Duct Hood
60	STD533707	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 3/8-16 unc x 3/4
64	174997	Dash Lower
74	STD541437	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 unc
90	124346X	Nut Self-Thd Wsh Hd 1/4
142	175702	Plate Reinforcement
143	186689	Bracket Swaybar Chassis
144	175582	Bracket Footrest
145	156524	Rod Pivot Chassis/Hood
154	161897	Bracket Dash Rh
155	161900	Bracket Dash Lh
158	162037	Parking Brake Bkrt
159	179950X418	Cupholder Stl Gray
161	164655	Bumper Extrusion
166	171875	HWHDH:-Lo. #13-16 x 3/4
209	17000612	Screw Hexwsh Thdr 3/8-16 x 3/4
215	172543X615	Bumper
217	179132X418	Console Fuel Window
219	17000512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4

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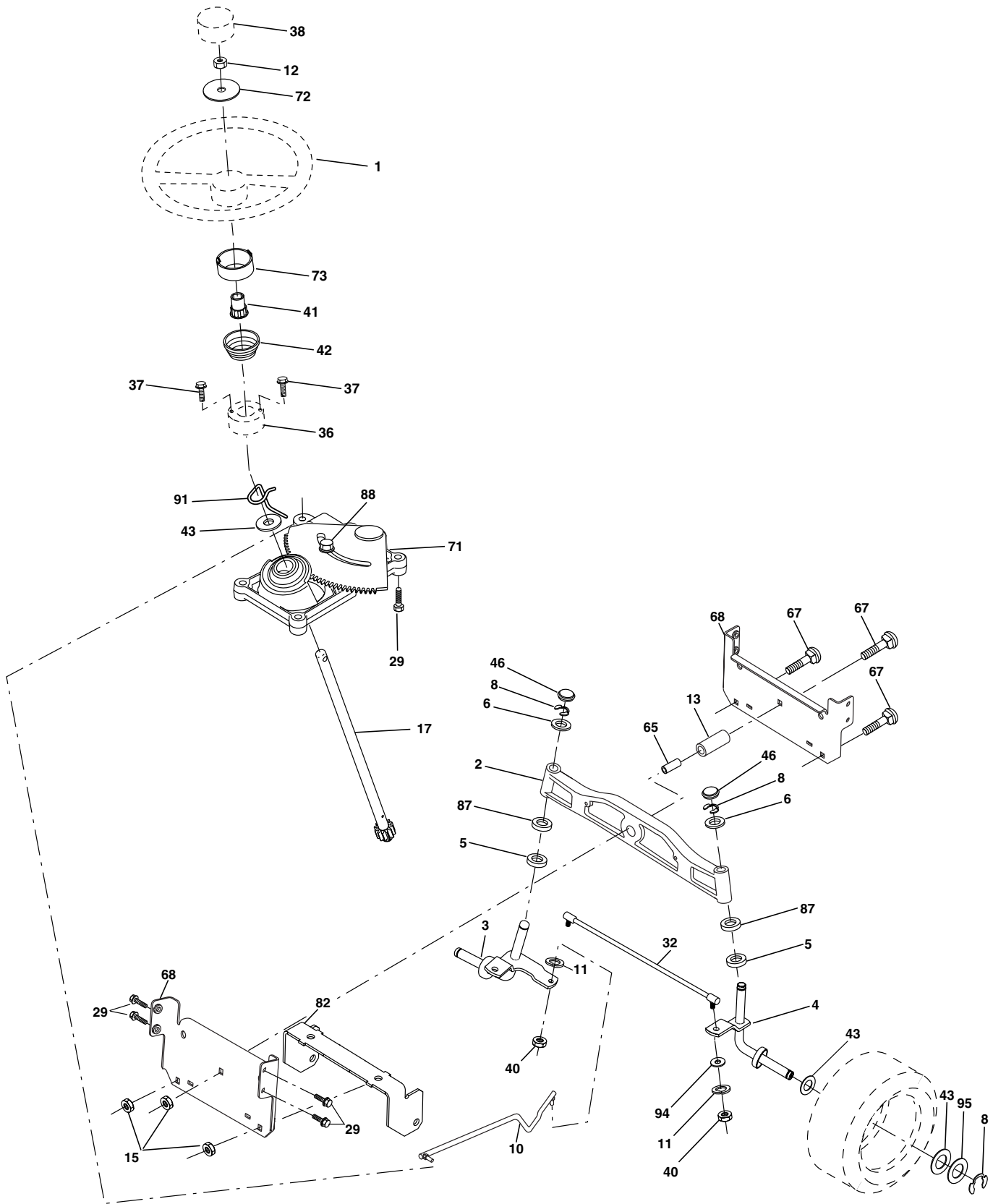
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1	-----	Transaxle (See Breakdown)	78	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga.
		Hydro gear Model 336-0510	89	188308X428	Console, Shift
6	17060512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4	95	180825	Rod Bypass
9	179334	Clutch Elec	96	4497H	Retainer Spring 1" Zinc/Cad
15	74490544	Bolt Hex Flghd 5/16-18 Gr. 5	116	72140608	Bolt RDHD SQNK 3/8-16 unc x 1
16	73800500	Nut Lock Hex W/Ins. 5/16-18 unc	120	73900600	Nut Lock Flg 3/8-16 unc
17	126197X	Washer 1-1/2 OD x 15/32 ID x .250	150	175456	Spacer Retainer
19	73800600	Nut Lock Hex W/Wsh 3/8-16 unc	151	19133210	Washer 13/32 x 2 x 10 Ga.
20	173937	Bolt Hex 7/16-20 x 4 x Gr. 5-1.5	202	72110614	Bolt RDHD 3/8-16 unc x 1-3/4 Gr. 5
21	175036X505	Knob Custom Control Cruise	212	145212	Nut HexFlange Lock
22	175896	Rod, Brake	214	174735	Link Transaxle
24	73350600	Nut, Hex Jam 3/8-16 unc	217	179433	Pedal Reverse
25	106888X	Spring, Brake Rod	218	174713	Arm Control Pedal Reverse
26	19131316	Washer	219	174839	Bracket Frest Pdl Ctrl. Hyd
27	76020412	Pin Cotter 1/8 x 3/4 CAD.	220	174711	Bracket Mtg. Pedal Control
28	175765	Rod, Parking Brake	221	72140606	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 3/8-16 unc x 3/4
29	124236X	Cap Brake Parking	222	73680700	Nut Crownlock 7/16-14 unc
30	169592	Bracket, Transaxle	223	174840	Washer Nylon 11/16 ID x .060
32	74760512	Bolt Hex Hd 5/16-18 unc x 3/4	224	174736	Pedal Forward
33	72140506	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 5/16-18 unc x 3/4	225	174712	Arm Control Pedal Forward
34	175578	Shaft, Foot Pedal	226	174902	Bolt Pivot Spacer
35	120183X	Bearing, Nylon	227	174710	Cam Reverse Pedal LT
36	19211616	Washer	228	179032	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18
37	1572H	Pin, Roll	229	176451	Washer Serrated 5/16 x .75
38	179114	Pulley, Composite, Flat	231	174573	Strap Torque
39	72110622	Bolt Rdhd 3/8-16 unc x 2-3/4 Gr. 5	232	175570	Actuator Cruise Disengage
41	175556	Keeper, Belt Idler Flat	233	174856	Pawl Control Cruise
47	127783	Pulley, Idler, V-Groove	234	174858	Lever Control Cruise
48	154407	Bellcrank Clutch Grnd Drw Stl	235	174857	Sector Control Cruise
49	123205X	Retainer, Belt	236	128903	Bolt Shoulder 3/8-16 unc 1/44
50	72110612	Bolt Carr Sh 3/8-16 x 1-1/2 Gr. 5	237	170165	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18
51	73680600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 unc	238	175807	Arm Mtg. Cruise Sector
52	73680500	Nut, Crownlock 5/16-18 unc	239	17490508	Screw Thdrol 5/16 x 1/2
53	105710X	Link, Clutch	240	175610	Spring Return Cruise Control
55	105709X	Spring, Return, Clutch	241	73930400	Nut Centerlock 1/4-20 unc
56	17060620	Screw 3/8-16 x 1-1/4	242	74780412	Bolt Fin Hex 1/4-20 x .75
57	140294	V-Belt, Ground Drive	243	178289	Bracket Anti-Rotation CVX
59	169691	Keeper, Center Span	244	17490510	Screw 5/16-18 x 5/8
61	17120614	Screw 3/8-16 x .875	251	17060516	Screw 5/16-18
62	123533X	Cover, Pedal	253	179422	Washer .3125 x .615 x 16 Gr.
63	174607	Pulley, Engine	254	178062	Clip Retainer .0375
65	10040700	Washer	263	17000612	Screw 3/8-16 x .75
66	154778	Keeper Belt Engine	272	17670508	Screw, 5/16-18 x 1/2 TT
69	142432	Screw Hex Wsh Hi-Lo 1/4-1/2 unc	273	179610	Pad, Reverse Pedal
74	137057	Spacer, Axle	274	175646	Cover Pedal Forward
75	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Ga.			
76	12000001	E-Ring			
77	123583X	Key, Square			

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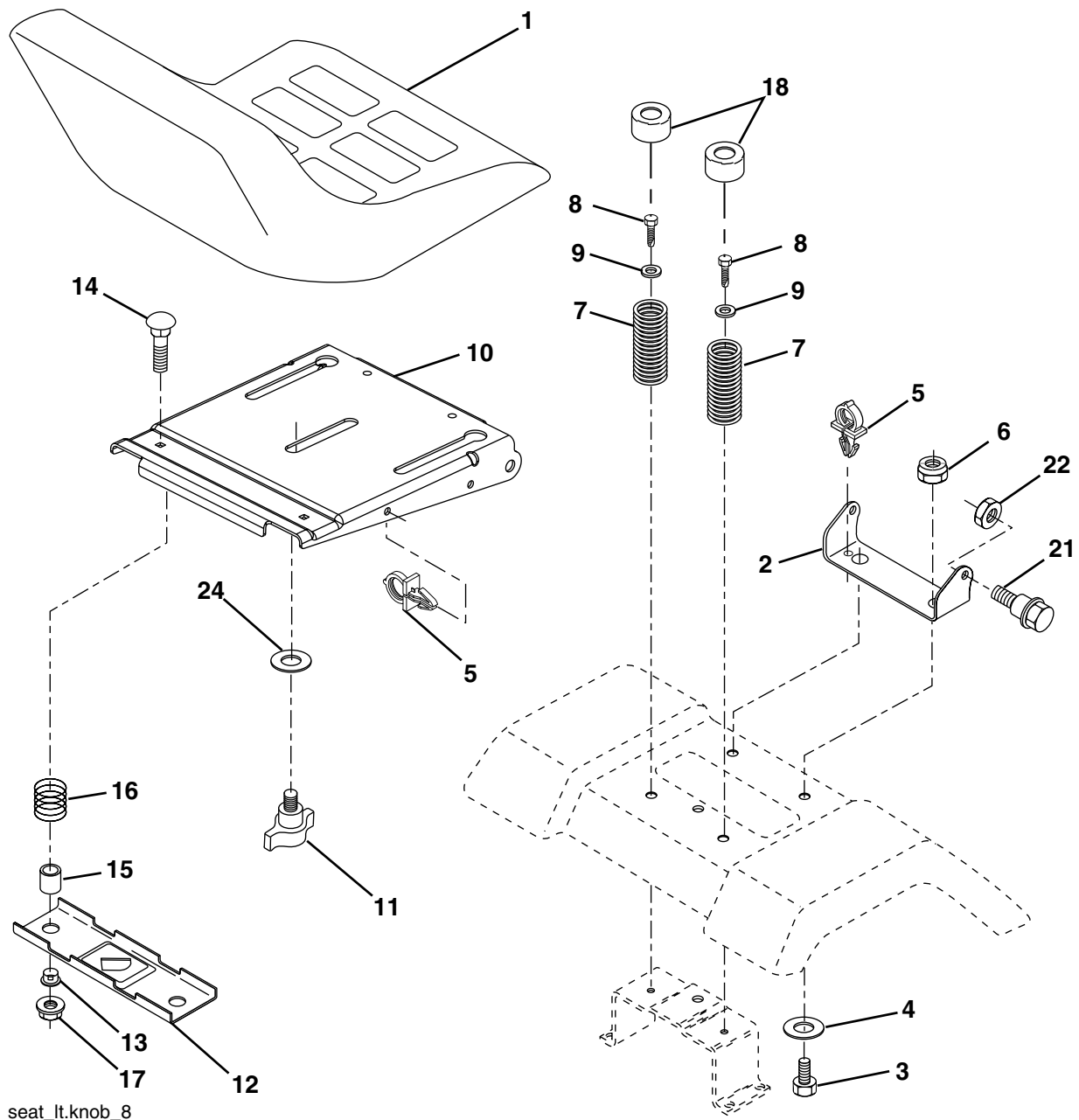
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1	159944X428	Wheel Steering
2	184706	Axle Asm
3	169840	Spindle Asm LH
4	169839	Spindle Asm RH
5	6266H	Bearing Race Thrust Harden
6	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Ga.
8	12000029	Ring Klip #t5304-75
10	175121	Link Drag
11	STD551137	Washer Lock Hvy Hlcl Spr 3/8
12	73940800	Nut Hex Jam Toplock 1/2-20 unf
13	136518	Spacer Bearing Axle Front
15	145212	Nut Hex Flange Lock
17	177883	Shaft Asm. Steering
29	17000612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
32	180580	Rod Tie
34	10040600	Washer Lock Hvy 3/8
36	155105	Bushing Strg
37	152927	Screw
38	159946X428	Insert Cap Strg Wh
40	73540600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-24
41	159945	Adaptor Wheel Strg
42	163888X428	Boot Steering
43	121749X	Washer 25/32 1 1/4 x 16 Ga.
46	184946X505	Cap Spindle Fr Top Red
65	160367	Spacer Brace Axle
67	72110618	Bolt, Rdhd Sq 3/8-16 unc x 2-1/4
68	169827	Axle, Brace
71	175146	Steering Asm.
72	19182411	Washer 9/16 ID x 1-1/2 OD 11 Ga.
73	160135X428	Extension Steering
82	169835	Bracket Susp. Chassis Front
87	173966	Washer Flat .781 x 1-1/2 x .15
88	175118	Bolt Shoulder 7/16-20 unc
91	175553	Clip Steering
94	19121414	Washer 3/8 x 7/8 x 14 Ga.
95	188967	Washer Harden .793 x 1.637 x .060

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SEAT ASSEMBLY



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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	180598	Seat
2	180166	Bracket Pivot Seat
3	STD523710	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 unc x 1
4	19131610	Washer 13/32 x 1 x 10 Ga.
5	145006	Clip Push-In
6	STD541437	Nut Hex w/Ins. 3/8-16 unc
7	124181X	Spring Seat Cprsn
8	17000616	Screw 3/8-16 x 1-1/2
9	19131614	Washer 13/32 x 1 x 14 Ga.
10	180186	Pan Seat
11	166369	Knob Seat Adj. Wingnut
12	121246X	Bracket Mounting Switch

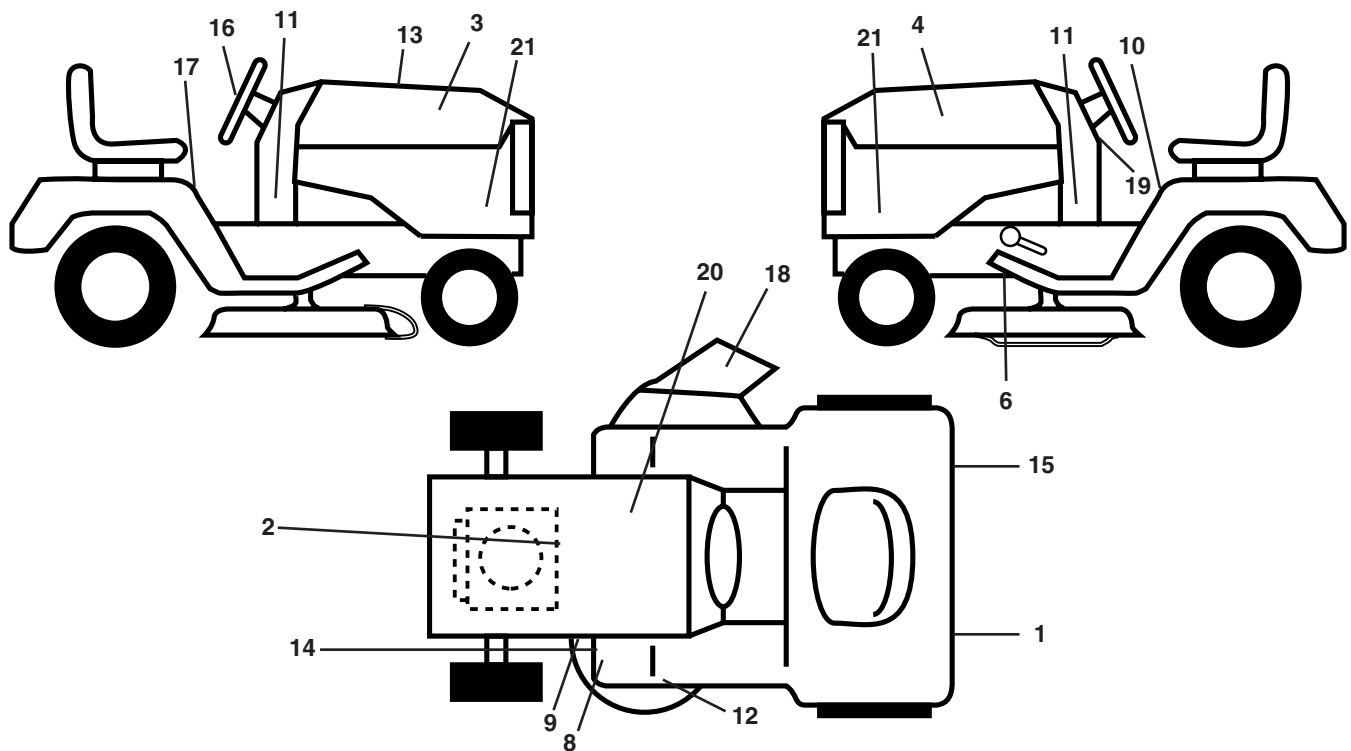
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13	121248X	Bushing Snap Blk Nyl 50 Id
14	72050412	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 1/4-20 x 1-1/2
15	121249X	Spacer Split 28 x .88 Zinc
16	123740X	Spring Cprsn Plate 1.310 Ga.
17	123976X	Nut Lock 1/4 Lge Flg Gr. 5 Zinc
18	124238X	Cap Spring Seat
21	171852	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 unc
22	STD541431	Nut Hex Lock W/Ins 5/16-18
24	19171912	Washer 17/32 x 1-3/16 x 12 Ga.
25	127018X	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 x 62

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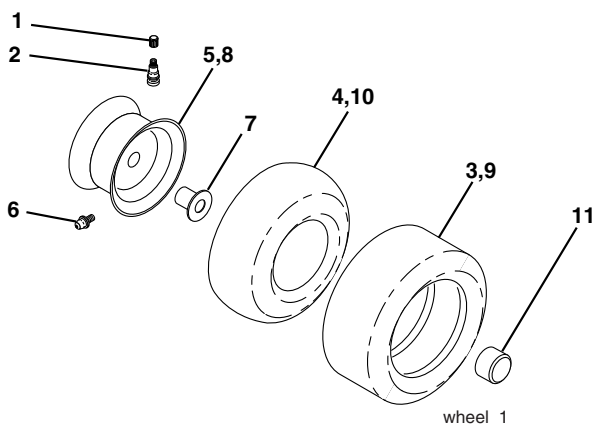
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	187407	Reflector LH
2	189684	Decal ENGN Sears
3	186242	Decal Hood RH
4	186243	Decal Hood LH
5	186572	Decal Fender
6	146046	Decal V Belt Drive Sch
8	178502	Decal Deck Caution
9	181471	Decal Deck Level
10	157140	Decal Fender Danger Eng/Fr
11	189637	Decal Pnl Dash
12	178482	Decal Mower Heavy Duty
13	190066	Decal Replacement Parts
14	175291	Decal V-Belt Schematic

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
15	187408	Decal Reflector RH
16	164065	Decal Strng Whl
17	177982	Decal Fender Cruise
18	170563	Decal Warning
19	164097	Decal Dash
20	149517	Decal Bat Dan/Psn
21	186331	Decal Hood Side Panel
--	174998X418	Pad Footrest LH STLT
--	175542X418	Pad Footrest RH STLT
--	166960	Decal By-Pass
--	191960	Manual Owner's (English)
--	191961	Manual Owner's (French)

WHEELS & TIRES



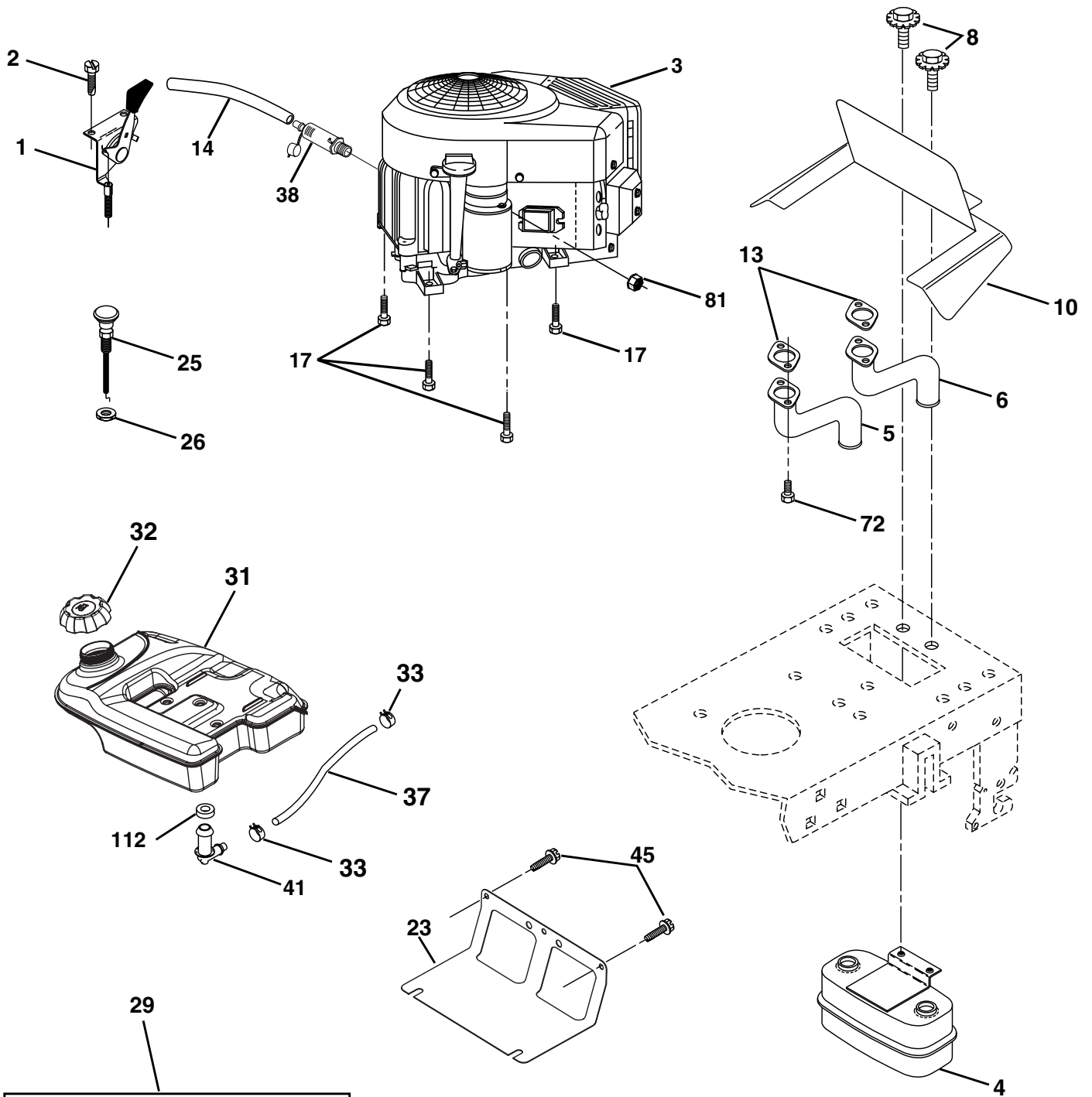
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1	59192	Cap Valve Tire
2	65139	Stem Valve
3	106222X	Tire F Ts 15 x 6 0 - 6 Service
4	59904	Tube Front (Service Item Only)
5	106732X624	Rim Asm 6" front Service
6	278H	Fitting Grease (Front Wheel Only)
7	9040H	Bearing Flange (Front Wheel Only)
8	106108X624	Rim Asm 8" rear Service
9	122082X	Tire R Ts 20 x 10-8 C Service
10	7152J	Tube Rear (Service Item Only)
11	104757X428	Cap Axle Blk 1 50 x 1 00
--	144334	Sealant, Tire (10 oz. Tube)

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ENGINE



OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT
Spark Arrester

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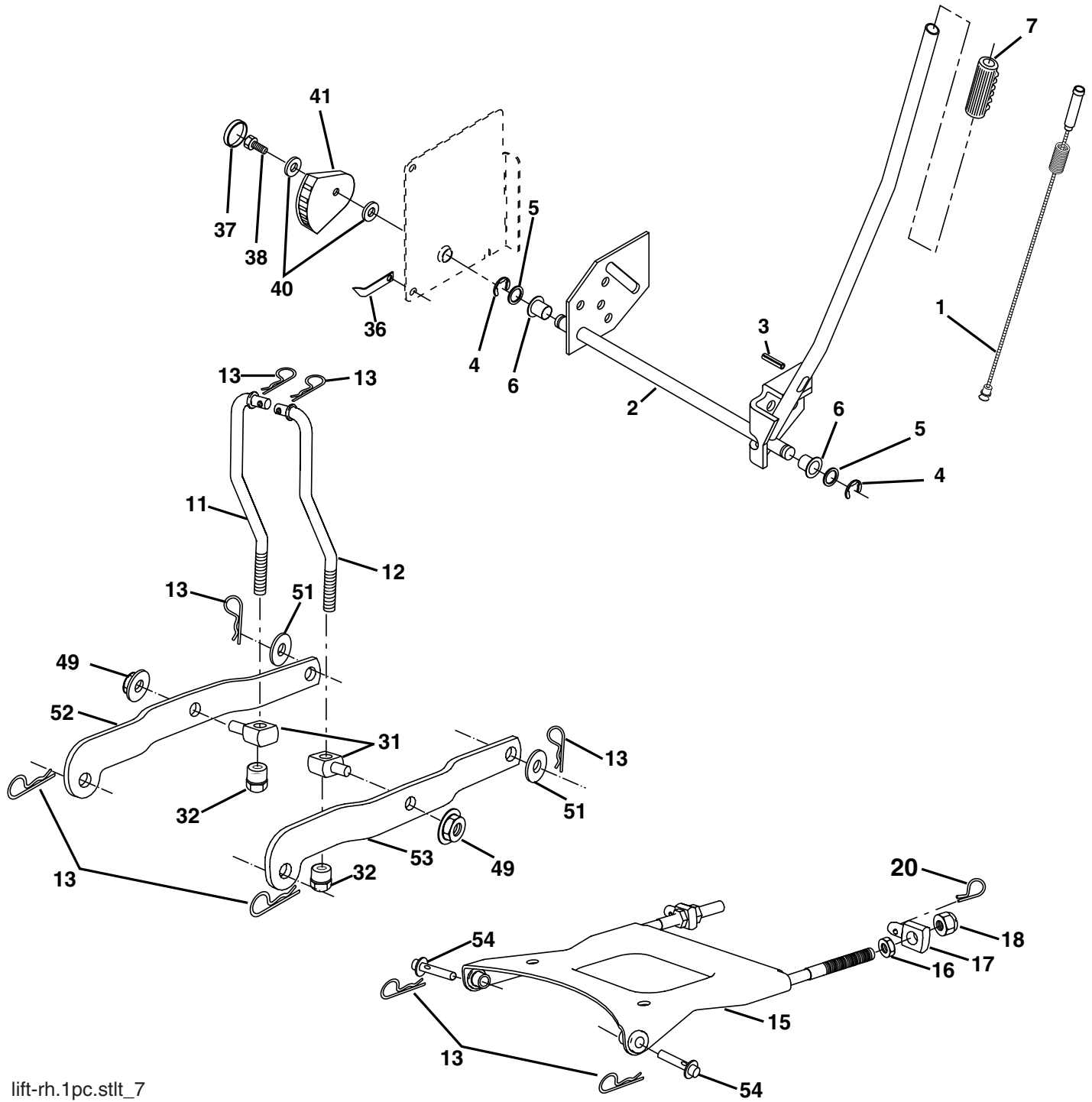
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1	175437X428	Control, Throttle
2	171875	Screw Hwhd Hi-Lo #13-16 x 3/4
3	-----	Engine (See Breakdown) B&S Model 445777-0168-E1
4	149723	Muffler, Asm. Twin Lo-Tone
5	160589	Pipe Exhaust Intek RH
6	159955	Pipe Exhaust Intek LH
8	171877	Bolt 5/16-18 unc x 3/4
10	162797	Shield Heat
13	165391	Muffler Gasket
14	148456	Tube Drain Oil Easy
17	17060624	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 1-1/2
23	169837	Shield, Browning/Debris Guard
25	187767X428	Control Choke
26	73920600	Nut Keps 3/8-24 unf
29	137180	Arrester, Spark
31	179022	Tank, Fuel
32	179124X418	Cap Gauge, Fuel
33	123487X	Clamp, Hose Blk
37	8543R	Line, Fuel 7.5
38	181654	Plug, Drain Oil Easy
41	139277	Stem Tank Fuel
45	17000612	Screw Hex Wsh Thdrol 3/8-16 x 3/4
72	183906	Screw Socket Head 5/16-18 x 1
81	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 unc
112	3645J	Bushing

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MOWER LIFT



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MOWER LIFT

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	179504	Plunger Assembly
2	159476	Shaft Assembly, Lift
3	188822	Pin, Groove
4	12000002	E-Ring
5	19211621	Washer 21/32 x 1 x 21 Ga.
6	120183X	Bearing, Nylon
7	175830	Grip, Handle, Fluted
11	175370	Link, Lift, L.H.
12	175371	Link, Lift, R.H.
13	4939M	Retainer Spring
15	175562	Plate Asm Suspension Front
16	73350800	Nut Hex Jam 1/2-13 unc
17	175689	Trunnion Front Susp.
18	73800800	Nut Lock w/Wsh 1/2-13 unc
20	163552	Retainer Spring
31	176205	Trunion Sups. Arm.
32	175994	Nut Lift Link 7/16-20
36	155097	Pointer Height Indicator
37	123935X	Plug Hole
38	17060516	Screw 5/16-18 x 1
40	19112410	Washer 11/32 x 1-1/2 x 10 Ga.
41	155098	Indicator Height Stlt
49	145212	Nut Hex/Large Lock
51	19171416	Washer 17/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga.
52	175378	Arm Suspension Rear LH
53	175802	Arm Suspension Rear RH
54	175560	Pin Flange

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MOWER DECK

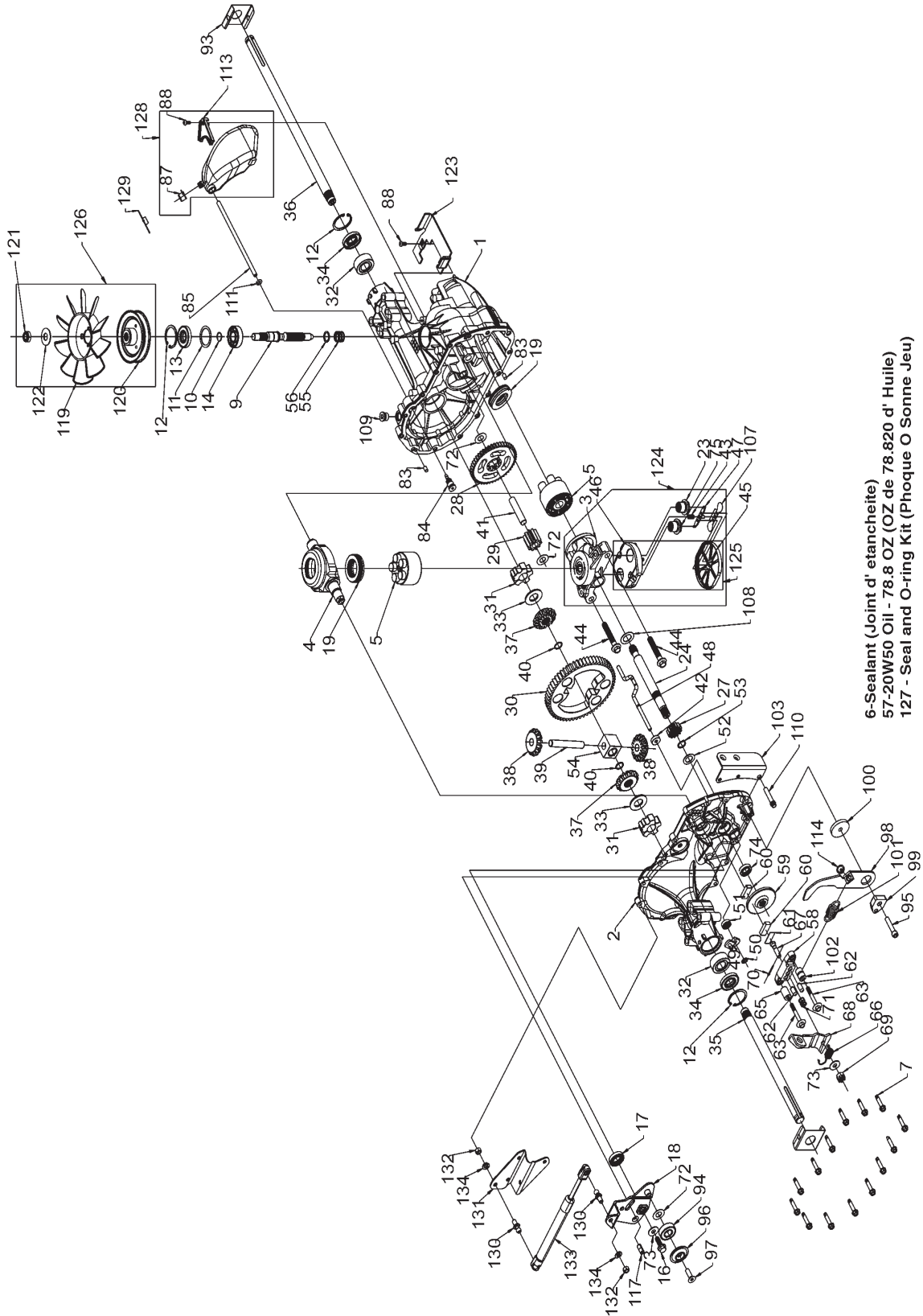
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3	138017	Bracket Asm., Sway Bar	55	72140608	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 3/8-16 unc x 1
5	4939M	Retainer Spring	56	155986	Bar Pnt Adj.
6	178024	Arm, Suspension, Rear (Sway Bar)	57	156941	Pin Head Rivet
8	174365	Bolt 7/16 Asm. Blade (The following blades are available)	72	19131312	Washer 13/32 x 13/16 x 12 Ga.
11	180054	Blade, 48" Hi-Lift (For bagging and discharging)	90	74760516	Bolt Hex Hd 5/16-18 unc x 1
--	173921	Blade, 48" Mulching (For mulching mowers only)	91	180534	Bracket Asm Noseroller LH
13	174360	Shaft Mandrel Asm. Greaseable	92	73800600	Nut Lock Hex w/Ins 5/16-18 unc
14	174358	Housing Mandrel	94	176066	Noseroller
15	110485X	Bearing, Ball, Mandrel	95	180535	Bracket Asm Noseroller RH
16	174493	Stripper Mandrel Deck	97	178515	Washer Hardened
17	72110610	Bolt RDHD Sq Neck 3/8-16 x 1.25	98	179479	Spring Primary Drive
18	72140505	Bolt, Carriage 5/16-18 x 5/8	99	184058	Pulley Idler"V"
19	132827	Bolt, Hex Hd, Shoulder 5/16-18	100	72110616	Bolt RDHD Sqnk 3/8-16 unc x 2
20	174378	Baffle, Vortex Mower	110	175016	Arm Spring Secondary
21	73680500	Nut, Crownlock 5/16-18 unc	112	174387	Link Tension Relief Lever
24	105304X	Cap, Sleeve	113	72110506	Bolt 5/16-18 x 3/4
25	178102	Spring, Torsion	114	174384	Tension Asm Relief Lever
26	110452X	Nut, Push	115	174609	Arm Spring Tension Relief
27	180655X428	Deflector Shield	116	184219	Bolt, Shoulder
28	19111016	Washer 11/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga.	117	174873	Gauge Wheel
29	131491	Rod, Hinge	118	73930600	Nut, Centerlock 3/8-16 unc
30	173984	Screw, Thdroll Washer Head	119	19121414	Washer 3/8 x 7/8 x 14 Ga.
31	187690	Washer, Spacer	121	174371	Spring Secondary Drive
32	173436	Pulley, Mandrel	122	174606	Bushing Pivot Tension Relief
33	178342	Nut, Flg. Top Lock Cntr. 9/16	126	174372	Arm, Idler, Primary Deck
37	177968	Pulley, Idler, Flat	130	17000616	Screw 3/8-16 x 1.0
39	174375	Pulley, Idler, Driven	180	73800500	Nut Lock 5/16-18
42	165723	Spacer, Retainer	182	179127	Rod Roller Nose Narrow
43	174373	Arm, Idler Secondary	183	163552	Retainer Spring
45	180806	Cover, Mandrel Deck	184	173979	Keeper Belt Idler
46	137729	Screw, Thdroll. 1/4-20 x 5/8	--	174356	Mandrel Asm. Service (Includes Key Nos. 13-15)
47	180808	V-Belt, Mower, Secondary	--	181579	Replacement Mower, Complete (Std. Deck-Order separately nose roller components key nos. 90, 91, 94, 95, 180,182, 183)
48	174368	V-Belt, Mower, Primary			
49	73900600	Nut, Lock Flg. 3/8-16 unc			
50	72110612	Bolt, Carr. 3/8-16 x 1-1/2 Gr. 5			
52	175820	Pulley Idler Flat			

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6-Sealant (Joint d' etancheite)
57-20W50 Oil - 78.8 OZ (OZ de 78.820 d' Huile)
127 - Seal and O-ring Kit (Phoque O Sonne Jeu)

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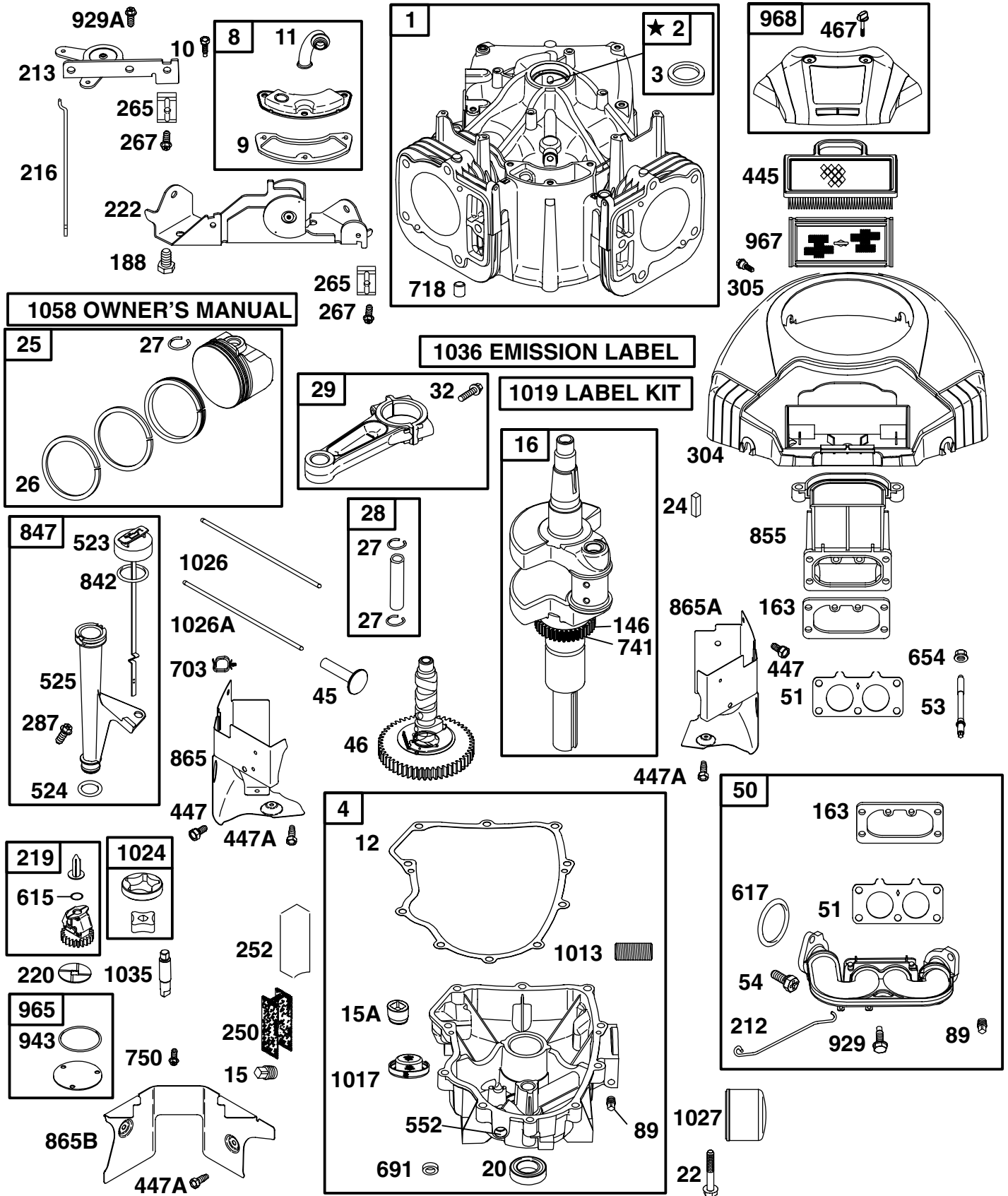
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1	170351	Main Housing, Assembly	68	178782	Arm, Brake
2	170352	Side Housing, Assembly	69	170415	Slotted Hex Nut 5/16-24
3	170353	Center Section, Assembly	70	170416	Cotter Pin 3/32 X 3/4
4	170354	Swashplate, Trunion Machined	71	170417	Compression Spring Brake Anti-Drag
5	169898	Block - Assembly	72	170418	Washer, Ht .5 I.D. X 1 O.D. X .032
6	170355	Sealant 10.5 Oz	73	142884	Flat - Washer 11/32 I.D. X 7/8 O.D
7	170356	Hex Flange Screw 1/4-20 X 1.25	74	170419	Oil Seal .625 X 1.0 X .25
8	170357	Stud, 5/16-24 Hex Double End	75	170420	Check Plug Assembly, .027, Washer
9	170358	Shaft, Input	76	170421	Stud, 5/16-24 Friction Pack
10	170359	Ring - Retaining	77	170422	Puck, .330 X 1.50 X .0975
11	170360	Spacer	78	142969	Spring, Helical Comp
12	169870	Ring - Retaining	79	142980	Spacer
13	170361	Seal, Lip .67 X 1.58 X .276	80	150778	Hex Lock Nut 5/16-24Unjf(Nylon Insert)
14	169869	Ball Brg 17mm Id X 40mm Od X 12mm	81	170423	Wedge, Friction Pack
16	170362	Hex Flange Head Screw 5/16-24 X 0.75	82	170424	Clip, Washer .316x1.50x.1046 (Plated)
17	170363	Lip Seal 18 X 32 X 7	83	161168	Pin, Standard Headless
18	178781	Arm, Control	84	170425	Fitting, 5/16 Sae 5/32 Tube
19	150771	Bearing, 30x52x13 Thrust	85	170426	Hose, Expansion Tank
23	170365	Check Plug Assembly, Washer	87	142917	Cap - Poppet Valve
24	170366	Shaft, Motor	88	170429	Bolt, Self Tapping 10-32 X 1/2
27	170367	Gear - Pinion, 13t	90	170430	Puck, Inner Wedge
28	170368	10t/48t Gear	93	170431	Spring Clip - Housing Thrust
29	170369	Gear, 10t Jackshaft	94	178783	Bearing, Ball
30	170370	60t Bull Gear	95	178784	Screw, Socket Head Cap 5/16-24X1-1/2
31	170371	Sleeve Bearing .75 X 1.575 X .625	96	178786	Spacer, Locating
32	170389	Sleeve Bearing(Outboard) .75x1.750x.625	97	178787	Screw, SFHCS 5/16-18 X1
33	142991	Washer, 3/4 Id X 1-1/2 Od X .13 Thk	98	178789	Arm Return
34	170390	Lip Seal Axle Seal	99	178792	Puck, Adjusting
35	170391	Shaft, Axle .75 X 11.39 (Key, R.H.)	100	178793	Washer, .24 ID X 1.60 OD X .239
36	170392	Shaft, Axle .75 X 16.99 (Key, L.H.)	101	178794	Spring, Extension
37	150792	Miter Gear (Splined)	102	178795	Spacer .260 ID X .560 OD X .870
38	150793	Miter Gear 15t (0.5 Id)	103	178796	Bracket, Torque
39	150809	Shaft	107	170432	Deflector
40	170393	Ring, Spiral Retaining	108	170433	Washer, Motor Shaft 71idx1.15odx.030thk
41	170394	Pin, Jackshaft	109	170434	Plug, Sae #6
42	170395	Magnet, Ring	111	170435	O-Ring .07 X .301 I.D.
43	170396	Spring, Bypass	113	170437	Bracket, Support Expansion Tank
44	150797	Hydro Mtg Screw 3/8-24 X 2.5 Long	114	178797	Spring
45	170397	Filter	116	170438	Silicon Sponge
46	170398	Base, Filter	117	178799	Pin, Spring
47	170399	Actuator, Bypass	119	170439	Fan, 7 In.
48	170400	Rod, Bypass Actuator	120	170440	Pulley
49	170401	Arm, Bypass	121	170441	Hex Lock Nut 1/2-20 (Nylon Insert)
50	170402	Retaining Ring .250 External	122	170442	Washer, Belleville
51	170403	Seal, Lip .741 X .250 X .250 Tc	123	178800	Belt Keeper
52	170404	Flat Washer, 5/8 Id X 1.0 Od X .05 Thk	124	170444	Center Section-Filter-Bypass Assembly
53	170405	Retaining Ring	125	170445	Filter Assembly
54	170406	Bearing, Center Block	126	170446	Fan - Pulley Service Assembly
55	142977	Spring - Helical Compression	127	170447	Seal - O-Ring Kit
56	142978	Washer	128	173165	Kit, Expansion Tank
57	150798	20w-50 Oil	130	178802	Stud Ball
58	170407	Brake Yoke	131	178803	Bracket, Cruise Damper
59	170408	Rotor, Brake	132	178804	Hex Nut 5/16-18 NC
60	142883	Brake Puck	133	184227	Damper
61	142882	Puck Plate	134	178808	Washer, Helical Spring Lock 5/16
62	142887	Brake Actuating Pin	900	173839	Transaxle Complete
63	170410	Hfhcs 1/4-20x2 W/Patch,SpecialFlange			
64	142892	Bolt, 1/4-20 X 1 W/Patch			
65	170411	Spacer			
66	170412	Spring, Brake Arm Bias			
67	170413	Sq. Hd. Bolt 5/16-24-Ribbed			

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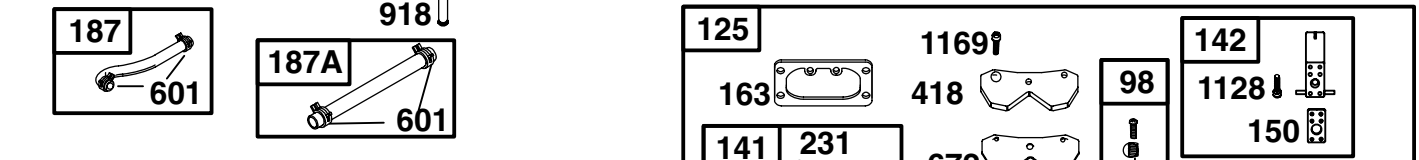
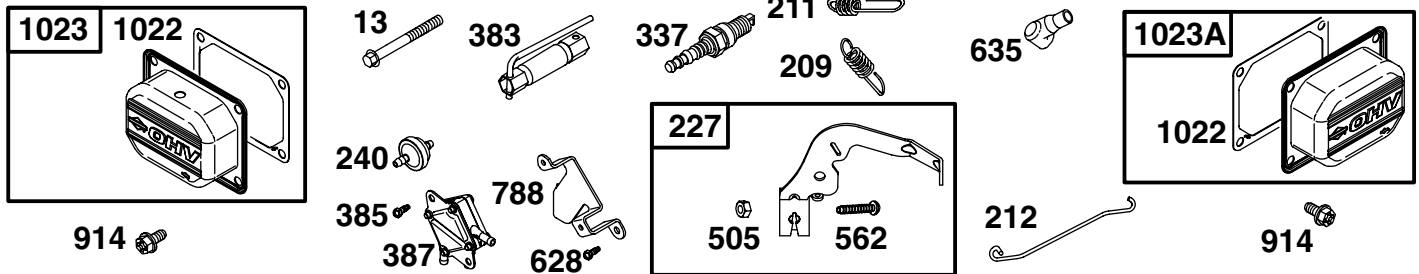
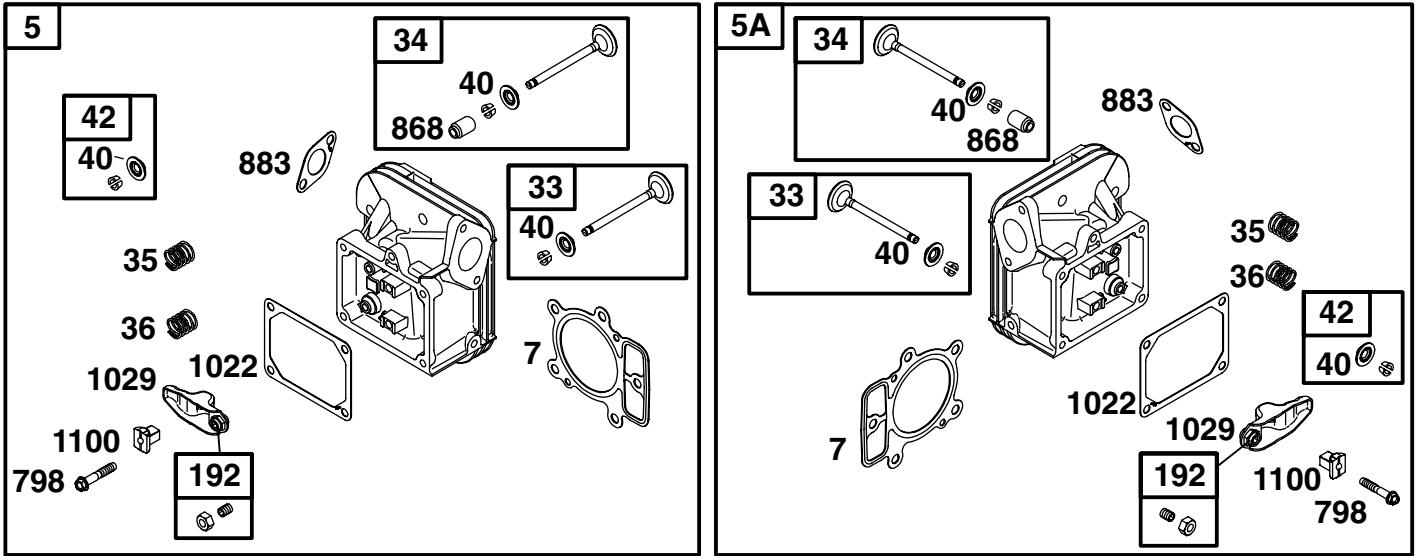
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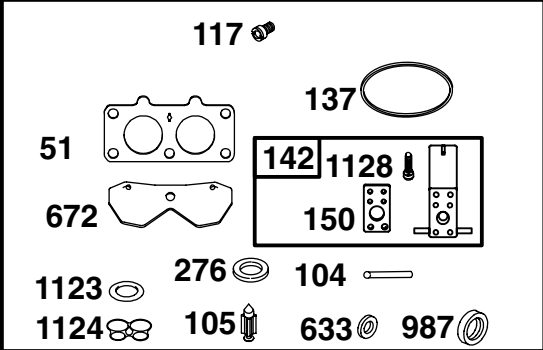
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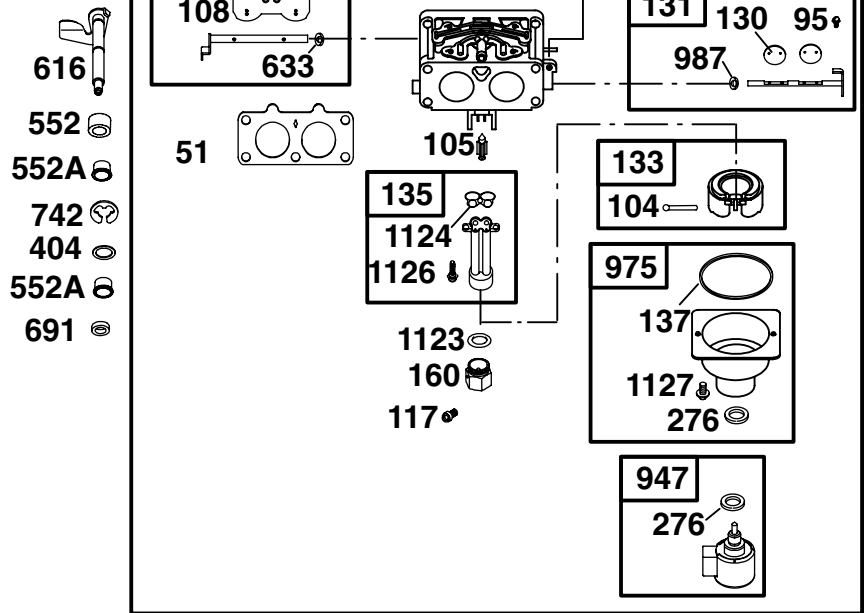
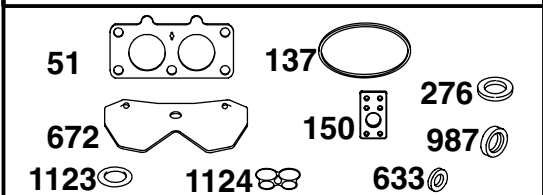
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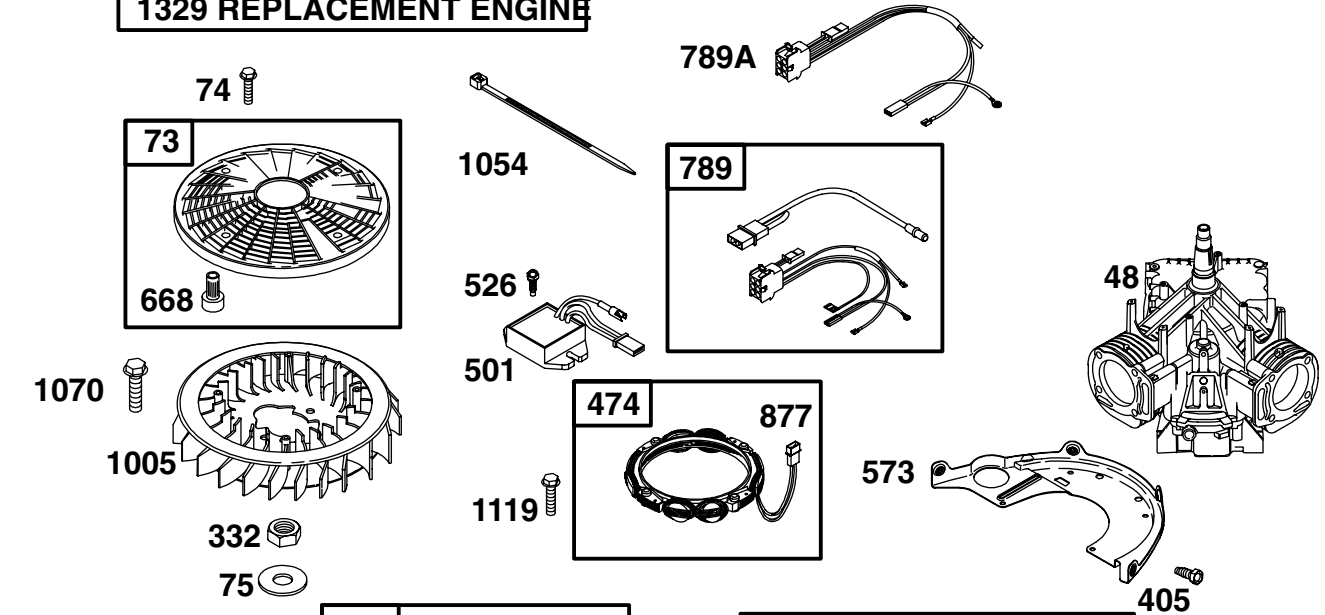


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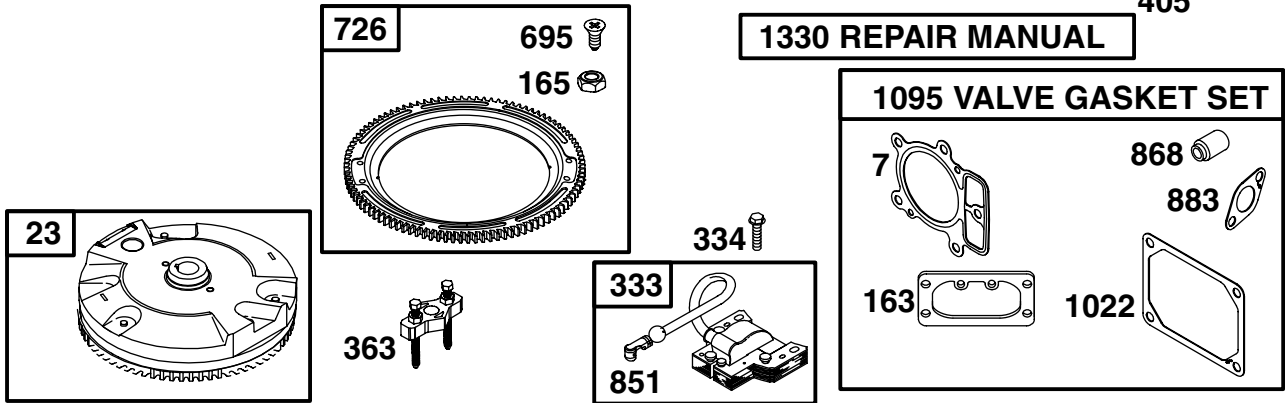
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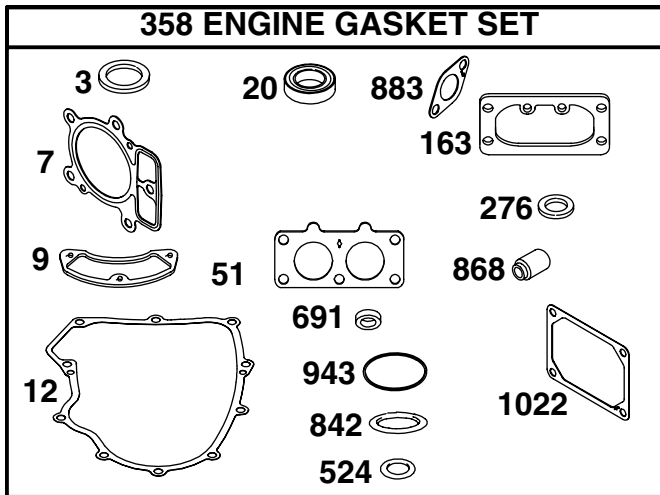
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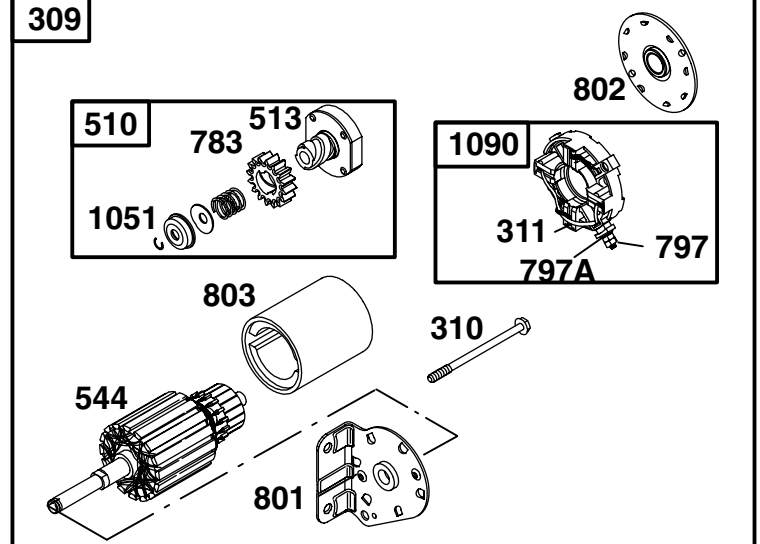
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	699753	Cylinder Assembly	131	499805	Kit-Throttle Shaft
2	499585	Kit-Bushing/Seal (Magneto Side)	133	499806	Float-Carburetor
3	391086 •	Seal-Oil (Magneto Side)	135	499803	Tube-Fuel Transfer
4	699747	Sump-Engine	137	690994 Ø‡	Gasket-Float Bowl
5	693998	Head-Cylinder (Cylinder 1)	141	499807	Kit-Choke Shaft
5A	693999	Head-Cylinder (Cylinder 2)	142	499808 Ø	Nozzle-Carburetor
7	693997 •+	Gasket-Cylinder Head	146	690979	Key-Timing
8	499601	Breather Assembly	150	690995 Ø‡	Gasket-Nozzle
9	690937 •	Gasket-Breather	160	690996	Retainer-Solenoid
10	690960	Screw (Breather Assembly)	163	691001 •+	Gasket-Air Cleaner
11	690942	Tube-Breather	165	693148	Nut (Ring Gear)
12	697227 •	Gasket-Crankcase	187	691049	Line-Fuel
13	690360	Screw (Cylinder Head)	187A	691050	Line-Fuel (Cut to Required Length)
15	690946	Plug-Oil Drain	188	690960	Screw (Control Bracket)
15A	691680	Plug-Oil Drain	192	690083	Adjuster-Rocker Arm
16	691046	Crankshaft	209	697674	Spring-Governor
20	690947 •	Seal-Oil (PTO Side)	211	691019	Spring-Governed Idle
22	694966	Screw (Crankcase Cover)	212	695238	Link-Governor
23	691053	Flywheel	213	691021	Bracket-Choke Control
24	222698	Key-Flywheel	216	691022	Link-Choke
25	694003	Piston Assembly (Standard)	219	698231	Gear-Governor
--	694007	Piston Assembly (.020" Oversize)	220	690412	Washer (Governor Gear)
26	694004	Ring Set (Standard)	222	698761	Bracket-Control
--	694008	Ring Set (.020" Oversize)	227	691048	Lever-Governor Control
27	690975	Lock-Piston Pin	231	690718	Screw (Choke Valve)
28	690229	Pin-Piston (Standard)	240	691035	Filter-Fuel
29	499583	Rod-Connecting (Standard)	250	690957	Retainer-Breather
32	690976	Screw (Connecting Rod)	252	690956	Collector-Oil
33	499596	Valve-Exhaust	265	691024	Clamp-Casing
34	499597	Valve-Intake	267	695134	Screw (Casing Clamp)
35	690963	Spring-Valve (Intake)	276	690997 •Ø‡	Washer-Sealing
36	690963	Spring-Valve (Exhaust)	287	690960	Screw (Dipstick/Tube Assembly)
40	690964	Retainer-Valve	304	695277	Housing-Blower
42	499586	Keeper-Valve	305	691005	Screw (Blower Housing)
45	690977	Tappet-Valve	309	691262	Motor-Starter
46	699748	Camshaft	310	691263	Screw (Starter Motor)
48	698172	Short Block	311	497608	Brush Set
50	695241	Manifold-Intake	332	691059	Nut (Flywheel)
51	690950 •Ø‡	Gasket-Intake	333	691060	Armature-Magneto
53	690951	Stud (Carburetor)	334	691061	Screw (Magneto Armature)
54	695240	Screw (Intake Manifold)	337	691043	Spark Plug
73	691055	Screen-Rotating	358	694012	Gasket Set-Engine
74	691057	Screw (Rotating Screen)	363	691062	Puller-Flywheel
75	691056	Washer (Flywheel)	383	690966	Wrench-Spark Plug
89	690283	Plug-Oil	385	690960	Screw (Fuel Pump)
95	690718	Screw (Throttle Valve)	387	808656	Pump-Fuel
98	499802	Kit-Idle Speed	404	690442	Washer (Governor Crank)
104	690984 Ø	Pin-Float Hinge	405	697820	Screw (Back Plate)
105	690985 Ø	Valve-Float Needle	418	690999	Plate-Carburetor
108	690986	Valve-Choke			
117	690232 Ø	Jet-Main (Standard)			
121	499811	Kit-Carburetor Overhaul			
125	499804	Carburetor			
130	690993	Valve-Throttle			

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445	499486	Filter-Air Cleaner Cartridge	865B	691015	Cover-Air Guide
447	691003	Screw (Air Guide Cover)	868	690968 •+	Seal-Valve
447A	690960	Screw (Air Guide Cover)	877	399916	Wire/Connector-Alternator
467	691008	Knob-Air Cleaner	883	690970 •+	Gasket-Exhaust
474	696458	Alternator	914	691127	Screw (Rocker Arm Cover)
501	691185	Regulator	918	694000	Hose-Vacuum
505	691029	Nut (Governor Control Lever)	929	695239	Screw (Choke Control Bracket)
510	497606	Drive-Starter	929A	691003	Screw (Choke Control Bracket)
513	692024	Clutch-Drive	943	690589 •	Seal-O Ring (Oil Pump Cover)
523	691036	Dipstick	947	499809	Solenoid-Fuel
524	691032 •	Seal-O Ring (Dipstick Tube)	965	499613	Cover-Oil Pump
525	691037	Tube-Dipstick	967	273638	Filter-Pre Cleaner
526	690960	Screw (Regulator)	968	499788	Cover-Air Cleaner
544	--- --	Armature-Starter (Serviced by 691262 Starter Motor Only)	975	499810	Bowl-Float
552	690552	Bushing-Governor Crank	977	499812	Gasket Set-Carburetor
552A	690553	Bushing-Governor Crank	987	691000 Ø‡	Seal-Throttle Shaft
562	690311	Bolt (Governor Control Lever)	1005	499603	Fan-Flywheel
573	691009	Plate-Back	1013	690954	Nipple-Oil Filter
601	95162	Clamp-Hose	1017	690770	Screen-Oil Pump
615	698290	Retainer-Governor Shaft	1019	693995	Kit-Label
616	691045	Crank-Governor	1022	690971 •+	Gasket-Rocker Cover
617	691917	Seal-O Ring (Intake Manifold)	1023	499599	Cover-Rocker Arm (Cylinder 1)
628	690960	Screw (Fuel Pump Bracket)	1023A	499600	Cover-Rocker Arm (Cylinder 2)
633	690998 Ø‡	Seal-Choke/Throttle Shaft	1024	499054	Pump-Oil
635	66538	Boot-Sparkplug	1026	690981	Rod-Push (Steel)
654	690958	Nut (Carburetor)	1026A	690982	Rod-Push (Aluminum)
668	691215	Spacer	1027	492932	Filter-Oil
672	690234 Ø‡	Gasket-Carburetor Plate	1029	690972	Arm-Rocker
691	690657 •	Seal-Governor Shaft	1035	691042	Shaft-Pump
695	693149	Screw (Ring Gear)	1036	695704	Label-Emission
697	690372	Screw (Drive Cap)	1051	691265	Ring-Retaining
703	691010	Clip	1054	280275	Cable-Tie
718	690959	Pin-Locating	1058	275475	Owner's Manual
726	499612	Gear-Ring	1070	690372	Screw (Flywheel Fan)
741	690980	Gear-Timing	1090	691293	Retainer-Brush
742	690328	Retainer-E Ring	1095	694013	Set-Valve Gasket
750	696999	Screw (Oil Pump Cover)	1100	690973	Pivot-Rocker Arm
783	693058	Gear-Pinion	1119	691183	Screw (Alternator)
788	691039	Bracket-Fuel Pump	1123	690987 Ø‡	Seal-O Ring (Solenoid Retainer)
789	698330	Harness-Wiring	1124	690988 Ø‡	Seal-O Ring (Fuel Transfer Tube)
789A	696576	Harness-Wiring	1126	690991	Screw (Fuel Transfer Tube)
797	691029	Nut (Brush Retainer)	1127	690992	Screw (Float Bowl)
797A	693167	Nut (Brush Retainer)	1128	690990 Ø	Screw (Carburetor Nozzle)
798	697890	Screw (Rocker Arm)	1169	693140	Screw (Carburetor Cover Plate)
801	691283	Cap-Drive	1329	445777-0027	Replacement Engine
802	691286	Cap-End	1330	273521	Repair Manual
803	--- --	Housing-Starter (Serviced by 691262 Starter Motor Only)			
842	691031 •	Seal-O Ring (Dipstick)			
847	499602	Assembly-Dipstick/Tube			
851	493880	Terminal-Sparkplug			
855	691011	Adapter-Air Cleaner			
865	691012	Cover-Air Guide (Cylinder 1)			
865A	691014	Cover-Air Guide (Cylinder 2)			

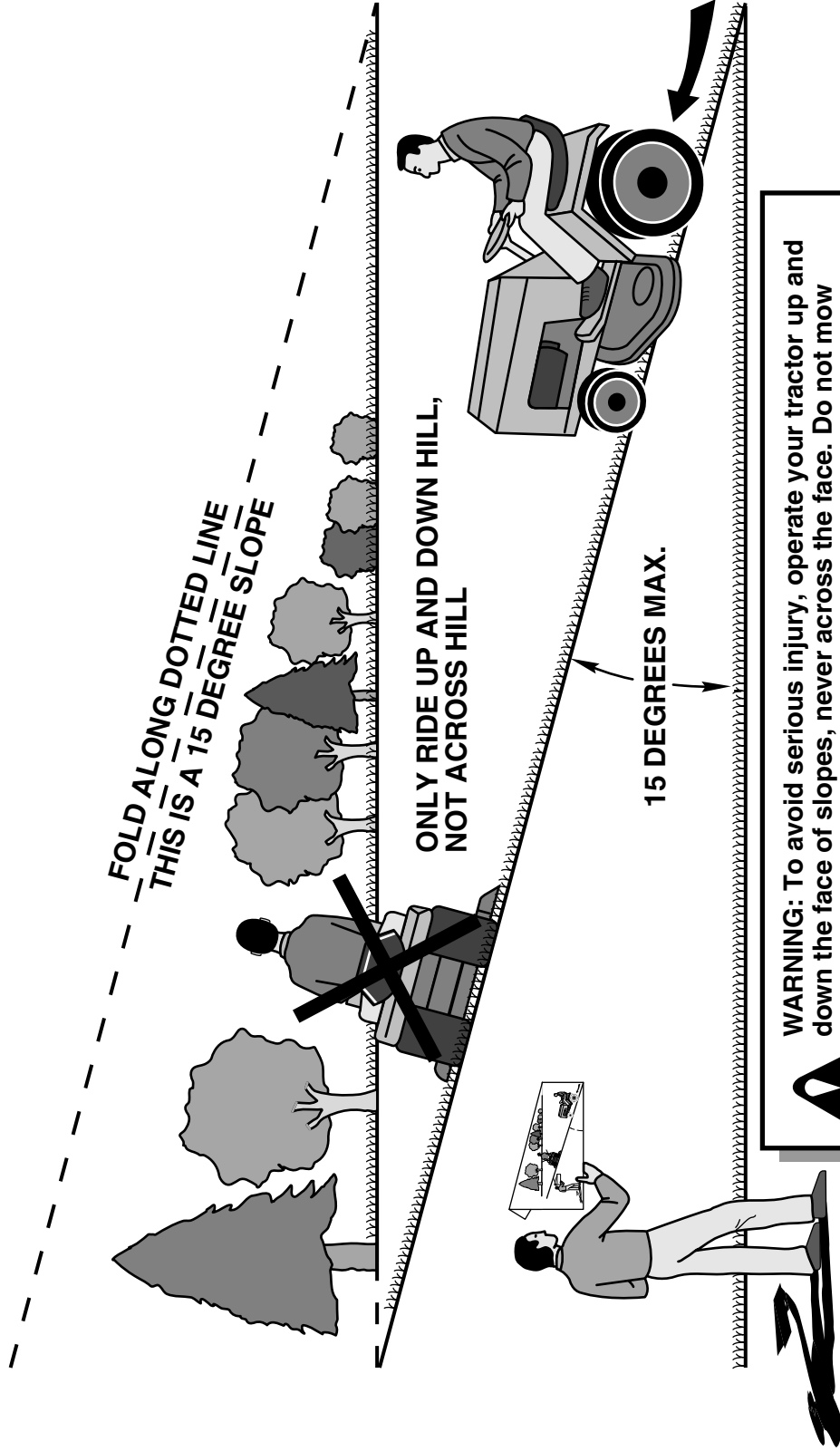
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