**PRE-START CHECKS**

 **Log Splitter – Instructions for use**

Maximum towing speed for a trailer is 90km/hr.

Disconnect Log Splitter from towing vehicle.

The machine is designed to be operated by one person only. The person placing the wood into the splitter should be the same person operating the control levers. This ensures that hands are clear of the danger zone before the control is operated.

Set splitter up on a level site with stabiliser legs down and wheels chocked.

Wear personal protective equipment.

**STARTING PROCEDURE**

1. Turn on fuel supply and engine switch

2. Ensure EMERGENCY STOP button is released

3. Engage choke

4. Pull starter cord until a slight resistance is felt, let started recoil and give sharp pulls until the engine fires or starts

5. Release choke

6. Allow engine to warm up

**OPERATION**

Place timber on deck

Two hands on levers

Pull down both levers at once.

To retract push both levers back up

The control lever system is designed to ensure the splitting wedge stops immediately when the lever is released.

**STOPPING AND AFTER USE**

Turn the Engine Switch to the OFF position.

Turn the Fuel Switch to the OFF position.

Pull up stabilizer legs.

**SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

* Never allow more than one operator to use the machine at any given time - Most accidents occur when this rule is ignored.
* Always operate in a well-ventilated area
* Always keep children away from machine at all times
* Be aware of loose clothing at all times.
* Never refuel while the engine is running.
* Always keep hands & feet clear of moving parts – moving parts can cause serious injury.
* Do not hold wood whilst it is being split.
* Do not load a log while ram is in motion.
* Always use your hands to operate control levers.
* Always position the log to be split with the grain never attempt to split across the grain as the log may burst or fly off splitting bench.
* Ensure both ends of the log are cut square – it prevents log from sliding out of position. For logs not cut square, the longest portion of the log should be face down and the squarest end positioned against the splitter blade.
* Only split ONE log at a time
* Always ensure the log sits square on the working platform by cleaning away all chips and dirt before positioning next log.

**FUEL**

Petrol 91

REMEMBER FUEL IS HIGHLY FLAMABLE

**REQUIRED SAFETY EQUIPMENT**



