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# Lawn Scarifier-Instructions for use

## **PRE-START CHECKS**

Check oil level before use.

Check fuel tank is full.

To stop this machine in an emergency, release the lower section of the main control handle (this is the main engine stop switch)

### **STARTING PROCEDURE**

The lower pivoting section of the main control handle is the on/off engine switch. Check the dethatcher head is in the raised position before starting.

Place the throttle lever in the choke position (cold start)

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

If engine continues to run reposition throttle lever to idle position.

If engine doesn't continue to run reposition the throttle and give sharp pulls till engine starts.

Reposition throttle to the idle position. Allow engine to warm up.

#### **OPERATION**

Position machine over the area to be dethatched.

Lower the dethatcher head control level to engage the blades.

The blade depth can be adjusted with the main large screw knob on the front of the main body.

Always use the machine in the forward movement and disengage the blades to pull the machine backwards.

Always walk, never run.

Always work crosswise on a slope rather than up and down.

Always turn off the engine by releasing the low section of the main control handle before removing the grass catcher.

Never use the machine where you know the soil level is shallow and has and excessive gravel base. Etc.

### **STOPPING AND AFTER USE**

To stop the machine, release the lower section of the main control handle (this is the main engine stop

### **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

Carless of improper use of this machine may cause serious or fatal injury.

Never allow children or inexperienced people to operate the machine.

Always use with catching device or impact guard fitted.

Take extreme caution around hot engines parts.

#### **HAZARDS**

Avoid operating the machine on wet grass. Remove all foreign objects before use. Do not refuel while engine is running. Never operate the machine with individuals, children, or pets near by Never tape up or tie the lower pivoting section of the control handle to the top section (this overrides its main safety cut out switch)

Never use in confined areas Never put your hands or feet near the rotating parts

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## **REQUIRED SAFETY EQUIPMENT**











If you are collecting the equipment for someone else please make sure this sheet is given to them. If the equipment is being hired for commercial use it should be given to the site supervisor to ensure it is available to all users.