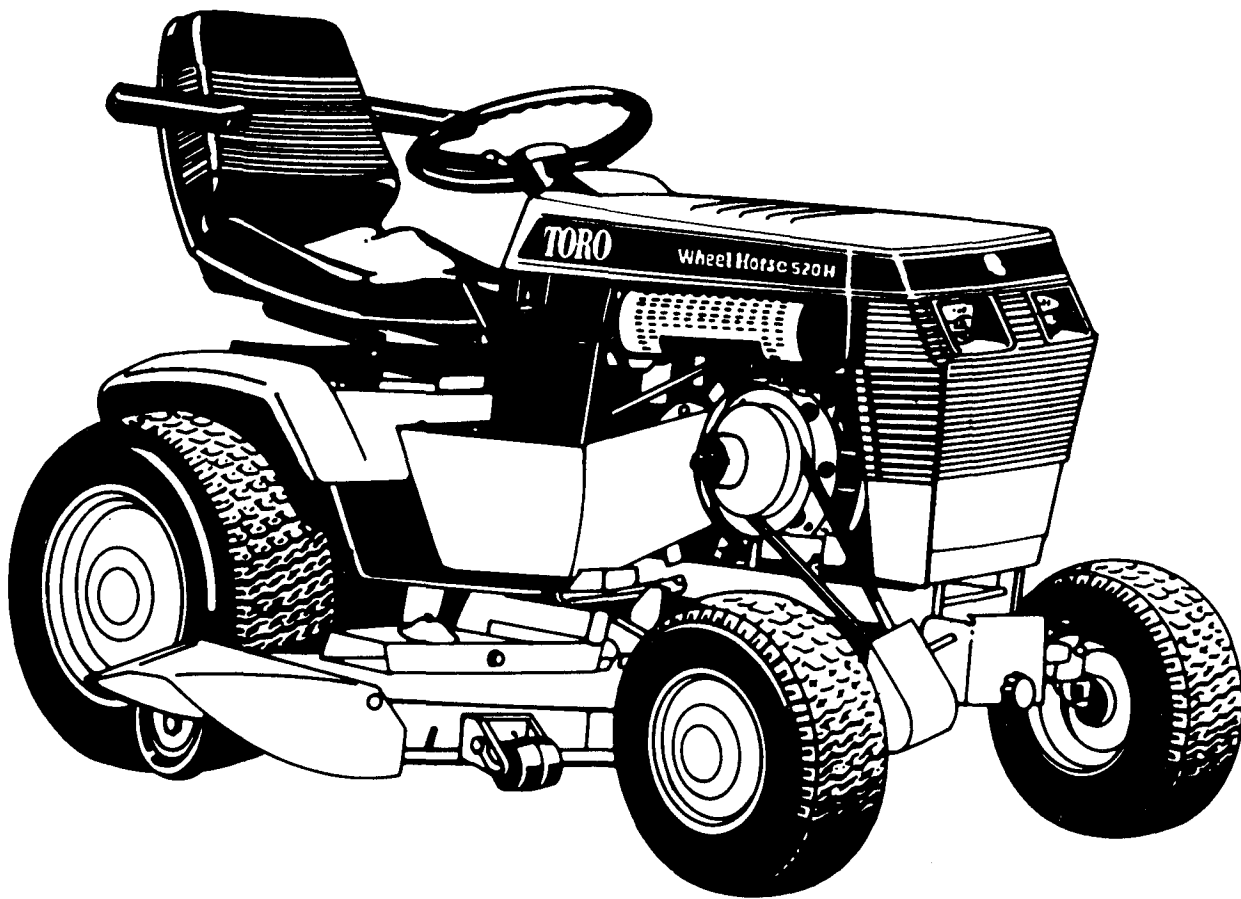




MODEL NO. 73501-3900001 & UP

OPERATOR'S  
MANUAL

**WHEEL HORSE®**  
500-Series Garden Tractor



# FOR YOUR SAFETY

Two of the most potentially serious types of accidents involving power mowers are contact with the mower blade and overturning the rider/tractor. To minimize the possibility of having these types of accidents, read

and follow these instructions. Also refer to the Safe Operation Practice in this Operator's Manual for other important safety information.

## RIDER/TRACTOR STABILITY

### ALWAYS:

#### Vehicle stability changes with conditions and is affected by:

- Slope angle and length/bumps/holes, etc.
- Slippery conditions (lawn moisture and length)
- Operator size and position/how loaded/equipment used
- Speed/braking/steering changes
- Operator physical limitations/alertness

- Use good judgement when operating the rider/tractor, especially on slopes.
- Maintain the vehicle in good operating condition.
- Be attentive to changing conditions affecting vehicle stability.

### NEVER:

- Operate vehicle on extreme slopes.
- Operate vehicle across slopes.
- Abruptly change speed or direction.

## DANGER



NEVER MOW  
SIDE HILL  
OVER 5°



NEVER MOW  
UP HILL  
OVER 10°



NEVER MOW  
SLOPE  
OVER 15°

### TO AVOID SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH:

- READ AND UNDERSTAND THE OPERATOR'S MANUAL.
- KNOW LOCATION AND FUNCTION OF CONTROLS.
- NEVER USE WHEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS.
- USE SAFELY; MACHINE IS NOT A TOY.
- NEVER MOW WHEN CHILDREN, PEOPLE OR PETS ARE IN MOWING AREA.
- NEVER CARRY CHILDREN OR OTHER PASSENGERS.
- LOOK DOWN AND BEHIND BEFORE AND WHILE BACKING UP.
- KEEP SAFETY DEVICES IN PLACE AND WORKING.
- REMOVE OBJECTS THAT COULD BE THROWN BY THE BLADE.
- AVOID BLADE UNLESS BLADE AND ENGINE ARE STOPPED.
- SET PARKING BRAKE AND REMOVE KEY BEFORE LEAVING MACHINE.
- GO UP AND DOWN SLOPES, NOT ACROSS.
- AVOID SHARP OR SUDDEN TURNS AND SLIPPERY OR STEEP AREAS.
- IF MACHINE STOPS GOING UPHILL, STOP BLADE AND BACK SLOWLY DOWN.

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# BLADE CONTACT

**! DANGER! Mower Blades are Designed to CUT: therefore,**

## ALWAYS:

- Shut off engine and set parking brake.
- Remove ignition key.
- Allow moving parts to stop before dismounting, servicing, or cleaning unit.

## NEVER:

- Perform ANY work on the mower with engine running.
- Mow with other people around, especially children.
- Leave mower unattended.




## DANGER

- ROTATING BLADES CAN CUT HANDS AND FEET.
- KEEP HANDS AND FEET CLEAR OF BLADE AT ALL TIMES.
- NEVER ASSUME BLADE IS STOPPED.
- STOP ENGINE BEFORE LEAVING OPERATOR POSITION.
- USE CARE! DO NOT RELY ON SAFETY SYSTEMS.
- SAFETY INTERLOCK SYSTEMS CAN FAIL. CHECK BEFORE EACH USE. SEE OPERATOR'S MANUAL FOR DETAILS.
- DO NOT OPERATE UNLESS SAFETY SYSTEM WORKS.




LOCATED ON FRAME PLATE UNDER STEERING WHEEL  
DECAL PART NUMBER 79-0370

TORO • WHEEL HORSE Dealer: Please fill in model and engine identification numbers of vehicle and all attachments at time of sale. Remove "Pocket ID" sticker at right and attach it to the back of your dealership business card. Use ball point pen or permanent marker.

Suggested location for large decal:  
• under hood  
• back of seat (exc. low back)

OWNER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
The numbers below identify your rider/tractor and attachments and are needed when inquiring about them or ordering parts.

- PLEASE KEEP THIS CARD WITH YOU -

RIDER/TRACTOR \_\_\_\_\_  
ENGINE \_\_\_\_\_  
MOWER \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

<b>MODEL &amp; ATTACHMENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS</b>		<b>BELT &amp; BLADE NUMBERS</b>	
Use when ordering replacement parts			
Rider/Tractor# _____	S/N _____	Trans. Drive Belt# _____	
Engine# _____	Spec./Type _____	Mower Drive Belt# _____	
Mower# _____	S/N _____	Mower Spindle Kit# _____	
Other# _____	S/N _____	Mower Blade Kit# _____	
Other# _____	S/N _____	Bagger Blade Kit# _____	
		Lift Tab Kit# _____	

## MAINTENANCE CHART

MAINTENANCE ITEM	SERVICE INTERVAL
CHECK SAFETY INTERLOCK SYSTEM	BEFORE EACH USE
CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL	BEFORE EACH USE
CHECK BATTERY WATER LEVEL	BEFORE EACH USE
CHECK AUTOMATIC TRANS. OIL LEVEL(1)	BEFORE EACH USE
GENERAL EQUIPMENT CONDITION	BEFORE EACH USE
CLEAN ENGINE CHAFF SCREEN	AFTER EACH USE
LUBRICATE DRIVE CHAINS*	EVERY 8 HOURS
CHECK TIRE PRESSURE	EVERY 25 HOURS
CHECK FASTENERS: IN PLACE & TIGHT?	EVERY 25 HOURS
CHECK 8-SPEED TRANS. OIL LEVEL*	EVERY 25 HOURS
CLEAN AIR FILTER/PRECLEANER (2)	EVERY 25 HOURS
LUBRICATE CHASSIS/FRONT WHEELS	EVERY 25 HOURS
LUBRICATE MOWER GAGE WHEELS*	EVERY 25 HOURS
CHANGE ENGINE OIL, B&S and KOHLER	EVERY 25 HOURS
CHANGE ENGINE OIL, ONAN and TORO POWER PLUS	EVERY 50 HOURS
LUBRICATE MOWER SPINDLE(S)	EVERY 50 HOURS
CHECK BRAKE ADJUSTMENT	EVERY 50 HOURS
CLEAN ENGINE EXTERIOR & COOLING FINS	EVERY 50 HOURS
CHANGE AUTOMATIC TRANS. OIL/FILTER*	EVERY 100 HRS/ONCE A YEAR
INSPECT SPARK PLUG(S)	EVERY 100 HOURS
REPLACE ENGINE OIL FILTER	EVERY 100 HOURS
REPLACE AIR FILTER:	
• BRIGGS & STRATTON	EVERY 150-200 HOURS
• ONAN, TORO POWER PLUS	EVERY 200 HOURS
• KOHLER	EVERY 100 HRS/AS NEEDED
REPLACE IN-LINE FUEL FILTER*	ONCE A YEAR

\* - As applicable - See maintenance section in operator's manual

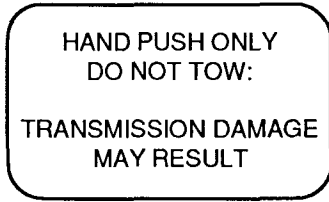
### NOTE

- See operator's manual for detailed instructions.
- Increase frequency of service under extremely dirty/dusty conditions.
- See engine operator's manual for infrequent maintenance items, such as TAPPET ADJUSTMENT and CYLINDER HEAD CLEANING.

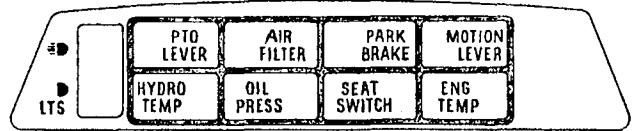
- (1) Models with separate transmission & transaxle oil reservoirs - check transmission oil level before each use. Check transaxle oil level every 25 hours.  
(2) Models with air filter sensor - service precleaner when indicator light illuminates; replace air filter when service interval becomes noticeably shorter. 88-3200

**MAINTENANCE  
PART NUMBER 88-3200**

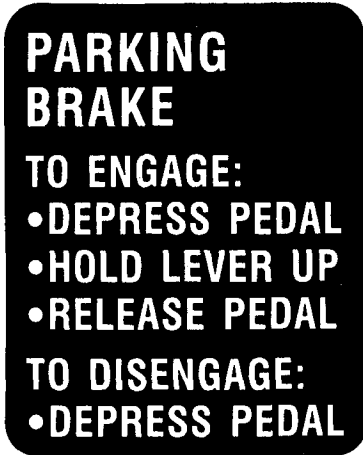
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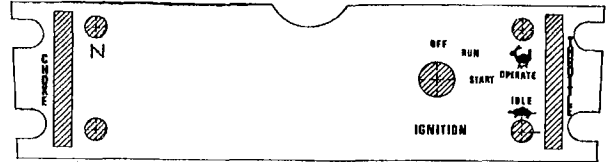
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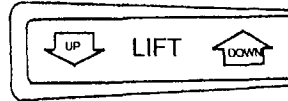
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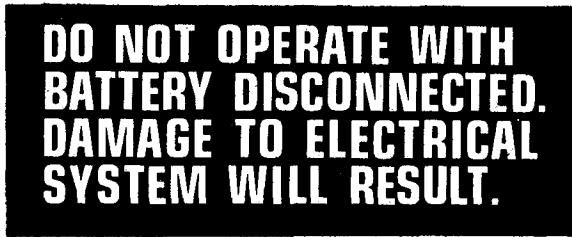
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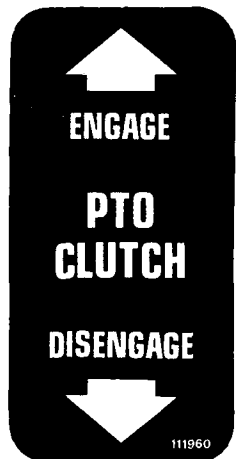
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ON RIGHT INSIDE HOODSTAND NEXT TO BATTERY  
PART NUMBER 111926



ON RIGHT REAR AXLE  
PART NUMBER 88-2790



UNDER THROTTLE ON HOODSTAND  
PART NUMBER 111960

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## CAUTION



This symbol marks important instructions relating to your personal safety. To avoid the possibility of injury, read and follow such instructions carefully.

When the manual refers to the left or right side of the vehicle, it means your left and right when sitting in the driver's seat.

### SAFE OPERATION PRACTICES — RIDING VEHICLES

#### GENERAL

1. This machine is capable of amputating hands and feet and can throw objects that can cause injury and damage. KNOW the controls and how to stop machine quickly. READ THIS OPERATOR'S MANUAL and instructions furnished with attachments. Read, understand, and obey all safety messages appearing on the machine and in the operator's manual. LEARN from your operator's manual and from careful EXPERIENCE how to operate your equipment correctly. Know your machine's limitations.
2. Keep hands, feet, hair and loose clothing away from attachment discharge area, underside of mower deck or any moving parts while engine is running.
3. The use of drugs or alcohol while operating any equipment will place your safety in peril. Do not attempt operation of this machine while taking drugs or medication or while drinking alcoholic beverages.
4. Only responsible persons with mature judgment and proper physical capabilities should be allowed to operate this machine, and only after instruction in the proper use of this equipment.
5. Do not allow children to operate machine.
6. Do not carry passengers.
7. The purpose of this machine is to perform work. This equipment is not intended for sport or recreation.
8. Do not mow when people or pets are around.

9. Clear work area of objects (wire, rocks, etc.) which might be picked up and thrown.
10. Take all possible precautions when leaving vehicle unattended, such as disengaging power-take-off, lowering attachments, shifting into neutral, setting parking brake, stopping engine and removing key.
11. Watch out for traffic when crossing or near roadways.
12. Machine and attachments should be stopped and inspected for damage *after striking a foreign object*. Damage should be repaired before re-starting and operating equipment.
13. Do not change engine governor settings or over-speed engine.
14. Wear appropriate protective clothing when operating equipment. Long pants and substantial footwear, not barefoot or open sandals, are essential.
15. Do not operate equipment unless properly seated with feet on footrests or pedals.
16. Keep your eyes and mind on your machine, attachment and the working area. Do not let other interests distract you.
17. Safety switch(es) are intended to stop or prevent starting of engine to help prevent accidents. **OPERATOR SHOULD TAKE PRECAUTIONS AND NOT RELY ENTIRELY ON SAFETY SWITCH(ES).**
18. Care should be used not to touch equipment or attachment parts which may be hot from operation. Muffler and nearby areas may exceed 150° F. Allow cooling to occur before attempting to maintain, adjust or service.
19. Use of stereo headphones, ear protection or other sound altering/dampening devices may limit your ability to hear warning sounds (horns, shouts, etc.).

#### **FUEL/FIRE PRECAUTIONS**

20. Handle gasoline with care — it is highly flammable.
21. Use approved gasoline container. Place container out of reach of children.
22. Use gasoline only as a fuel — never as a cleaner.
23. Never remove fuel cap or add gasoline to a running or hot engine, or an engine that has not been allowed to cool for several minutes after running.
24. Never fill fuel tank indoors. Wipe up spilled gasoline.
25. Open doors if engine is run in garage — exhaust fumes are dangerous. Do not run engine indoors.
26. Do not fill machine with gasoline while smoking or when near open flame or sparks.
27. Never store equipment with gasoline in the tank inside a building where fumes may reach an open flame or spark.
28. Allow engine to cool before storing in any enclosure.
29. To reduce fire hazard, keep engine and attachments free of grass, leaves or excessive grease.
30. Battery acid is a poison and can cause burns. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothes and

protect your face, eyes and clothing when working around the battery.

31. Battery gases can explode. Keep cigarettes, sparks and flames away from battery.

#### **EQUIPMENT USE AND OPERATION**

32. It is recommended that first operation of equipment be done at a slow speed with attachment disengaged. Continue this practice until operator is thoroughly familiar with the controls and has developed operating skills.
33. Disengage all attachment clutches, set parking brake and shift into neutral before attempting to start engine.
34. Disengage power to attachment(s), set parking brake and stop engine before leaving operator position.
35. Disengage power to attachment(s) and stop engine *before making any repairs or adjustments*.
36. Disengage power to attachment(s) when transporting or not in use.
37. Disengage attachment clutch before attempting to remove the mower from a hole or other obstruction.
38. Disengage power to attachment(s) before backing. Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary and then only after careful observation of the entire area behind the machine.
39. LOOK behind machine to make sure the area is clear before placing the transmission in reverse and continue looking behind while backing.
40. Always back up loading ramps and tilt bed trailers.
41. The parking brake is designed to hold tractor in place at rest, with engine off. Parking brake **will not** restrain tractor with engine running and transmission engaged.

#### **STABILITY/TIPOVER/TRACTION**

42. Know the terrain on which you are operating your equipment. There are areas on which your equipment can not be safely operated.
43. Avoid operating equipment on hillsides, slopes or rough terrain. DO NOT operate machine on hillsides or slopes exceeding 15° (27% grade). If safety is in doubt — **STAY OFF THE SLOPE.**
44. Reduce speed and exercise extreme caution on slopes above 10° (18% grade) to prevent tipping or loss of control. Never mow uphill on these slopes — mow downhill only. If a steep hill must be ascended, back up the hill, and drive forward down the hill, keeping tractor in gear. If necessary to turn on hill, always turn downhill.
45. Mow up and down the face of slopes greater than 5° (9% grade), never across the face. Be especially cautious when changing directions on all slopes.
46. Operate your machine smoothly and at a ground speed slow enough to insure complete control at all times. Avoid erratic operation and excessive speed.
47. Sharp turns on any terrain may cause loss of control. Reduce speed and use caution when making sharp turns.

48. Do not stop or start suddenly when going uphill or downhill. Avoid uphill starts. If machine is stopped going up a slope, turn the attachment off and back slowly down the slope keeping the machine in gear. Do not stop or change gears (speed) on slopes.
49. Know the terrain on which you are working. Find hidden obstacles by walking through and inspecting the area prior to operating your equipment in that area. Plainly mark obstacles, such as rocks, ruts or holes and **stay well clear of these obstacles** when operating.
50. While operating, stay alert for holes, rocks or roots, which may cause damage to equipment or upset. Keep at least 3 ft. away from drop-offs, ditches, creeks, culverts, washouts and public highways.
51. Exercise care when mowing around a fixed object to prevent the equipment or attachment from striking the object. When mowing never deliberately run over any foreign object.
52. Areas wet with dew, rain or snow will be more slippery than when dry. Areas covered with loose gravel are more slippery than firm dry ground. Greater stopping distances are required in these slippery areas.
53. Learn to expect changes in operating conditions. Adding or removing attachments or weight to your equipment will make your machine perform differently. Rain, snow, loose gravel, wet grass, etc., change the tractive conditions of the terrain requiring changes in your operating technique, which may include a decision not to operate on that terrain.
54. Use care when pulling loads or using heavy equipment.
  - A. Use only approved drawbar hitch points.
  - B. Limit loads to those you can safely control.
  - C. Do not turn sharply. Use care when backing.
  - D. Use counterweight(s) or wheel weights when suggested in operator's manual.
60. When using machine with snowthrower and auger becomes plugged or jammed:
  - A. Declutch snowthrower and stop tractor engine immediately.
  - B. Disconnect spark plug wire(s).
  - C. Clear snow from discharge chute if plugged.
  - D. If auger is jammed, remove foreign object and repair any damage to snowthrower before continuing.
  - E. Reconnect spark plug wire(s) and resume operation.
61. Never permit anyone to stand near snowthrower auger or discharge opening. Objects may be present in snow, which when thrown, could cause injury.
62. When using snow/dozer blades:
  - A. Avoid hitting solid objects. This can damage blade and injure operator.
  - B. Always travel at a safe, slow speed.
63. Keep all persons a safe distance away when operating tillers. Always disengage the PTO, lower the attachment and remove the ignition key before making any adjustments.
64. If tiller starts to push tractor, disengage PTO clutch immediately.
65. Use chains, counterweight(s) or wheel weights when suggested in the operator's manual.

## MAINTENANCE

### ATTACHMENT USE

55. When using attachments never direct discharge of material toward bystanders nor allow anyone near vehicle while in operation.
56. When using machine with mower:
  - A. Mow only in daylight or in good artificial light.
  - B. Never make a cutting height adjustment while engine is running if operator must dismount to do so.
  - C. Shut engine off when unclogging chute.
  - D. Check blade mounting bolts for proper tightness at frequent intervals.
57. Keep hands and feet away from rotating blade(s) underneath mower deck. Never place foot on ground when mower is engaged or when mower is in motion.
58. DO NOT operate mower attachment without the chute deflector or complete bagger in place.
59. Exercise care while maneuvering with grass catcher. Front to rear stability may change.
66. Keep all nuts, bolts, fasteners and screws tight to be sure equipment is in safe working condition and check them frequently. Repair or replace worn, damaged, distorted or broken parts as needed.
67. Keep vehicle and attachments in good operating condition and keep safety devices in place and working.
68. Under normal usage, grass catcher bag material is subject to deterioration and wear. It should be checked frequently to determine need for bag replacement.
69. Use only genuine Wheel Horse replacement parts to assure that original standards are maintained.
70. Shields, deflectors, switches, blade controls and other safety devices must be in their proper position and functional.
71. Do not operate without muffler or tamper with the exhaust system. Damaged mufflers or spark arresters can create a fire hazard. Periodically inspect and replace if necessary.
72. If equipment begins to vibrate abnormally, disengage power to attachments and stop engine at once. Repair any damage before starting or continuing operation.
73. Periodically inspect all shafts, levers, friction devices and other moving parts subject to wear. Make required adjustment or replace these parts if damaged, distorted or broken, or as soon as wear affects the normal operation of the vehicle or attachment. DO NOT operate equipment that is not functioning properly.

# SPECIFICATIONS

## ENGINE:

TRACTOR MODEL	ENGINE MODEL*	RATED H.P.**	DISPLACEMENT cu. in./cc	BORE in./mm	STROKE in./mm	IGNITION
520-H	P-220-G I/10955D	20	47.7/782	3.25/82.6	2.88/73	Electronic

\*Letter Prefix: O = TORO POWER PLUS Basic engine model number shown; type and serial numbers from engine I.D. plate are required to completely identify engine.

\*\*Engine manufacturer's rating at 3600 RPM

## TRANSMISSION:

**TYPE: HYDROSTATIC**

### APPROXIMATE GROUND SPEEDS (at FullThrottle)

FORWARD - Variable 0-5.6 mph (9.0 kph)  
 REVERSE - Variable 0-3.4 mph ( 5.5 kph)

## ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:

### ALL MODELS

Type:	12 Volt D.C., Negative Ground
Alternator:	12 Volt, 20 amp. Regulated
Battery:	12 Volt, 280 CCA

## TIRES:

	SIZES - FRONT	SIZES - REAR	PRESSURE - FRONT	PRESSURE - REAR
520-H	16 X 7.50-8	23 X 10.50-12	12 psi (.85 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	12 psi (.85 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )

## PHYSICAL DATA:

MODEL	HEIGHT	LENGTH	OVERALL WIDTH	WHEEL BASE	INSIDE TURNING RADIUS	NET WEIGHT (Approximate)
520-H	47.5 in. (120.7 cm)	67.0 in. (170.2 cm)	40.5 in. (102.9cm)	47.5in. (121.0 cm)	31 in. (78.7cm)	664 lbs. (302 kg)

## TUNE-UP/GENERAL MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATIONS:

### ENGINE:

MACHINE MODEL	POINT GAP in./mm	TIMING MARK LOCATION	IGNITION TIMING (BTDC)	SPARK PLUG TYPE*	SPARK PLUG GAP in./mm	DIRECTION OF ROTATION	IDLE RPM (No Load)	GOVERNED MAX. RPM (No Load)
520-H	N/A	N/A	Fixed	RS14YC	.025/.64	Counterclockwise	1400	3600

\* Or equivalent (Champion number shown)

## LUBRICANT/FUEL CAPACITIES:

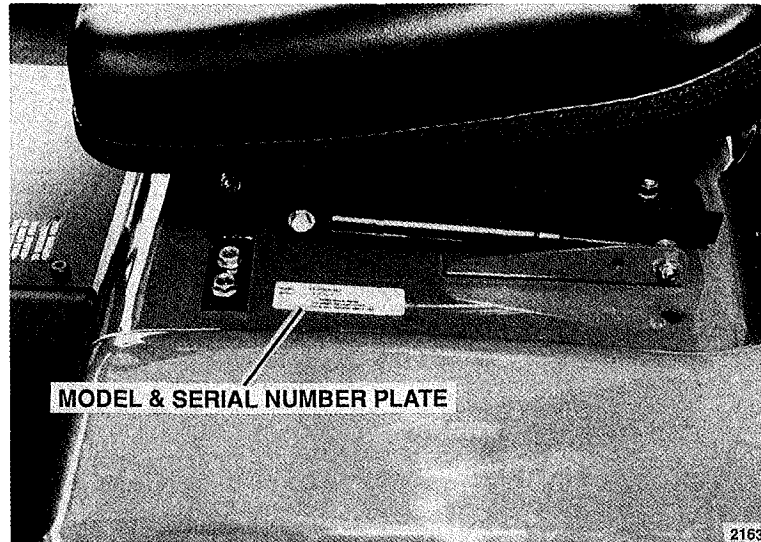
**CRANKCASE:**  
1.7 qts. (1.6 L)

**FUEL TANK:**  
9 QTS. (8.6 L)

**CHASSIS:**  
Grease Fittings : 11

# MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBER

A Model and Serial Number identifies your Toro Wheel Horse tractor. These numbers should always be referred to when consulting with your dealer or factory concerning service, replacement parts, or questions you may have. For your reference, record numbers from Model and Serial Number plate on your tractor.



VIN Plate Location

## Tractor Identification Number

MODEL _____
SERIAL NO. _____

## Engine Identification Number

Model \_\_\_\_\_

Type or Spec. No. \_\_\_\_\_

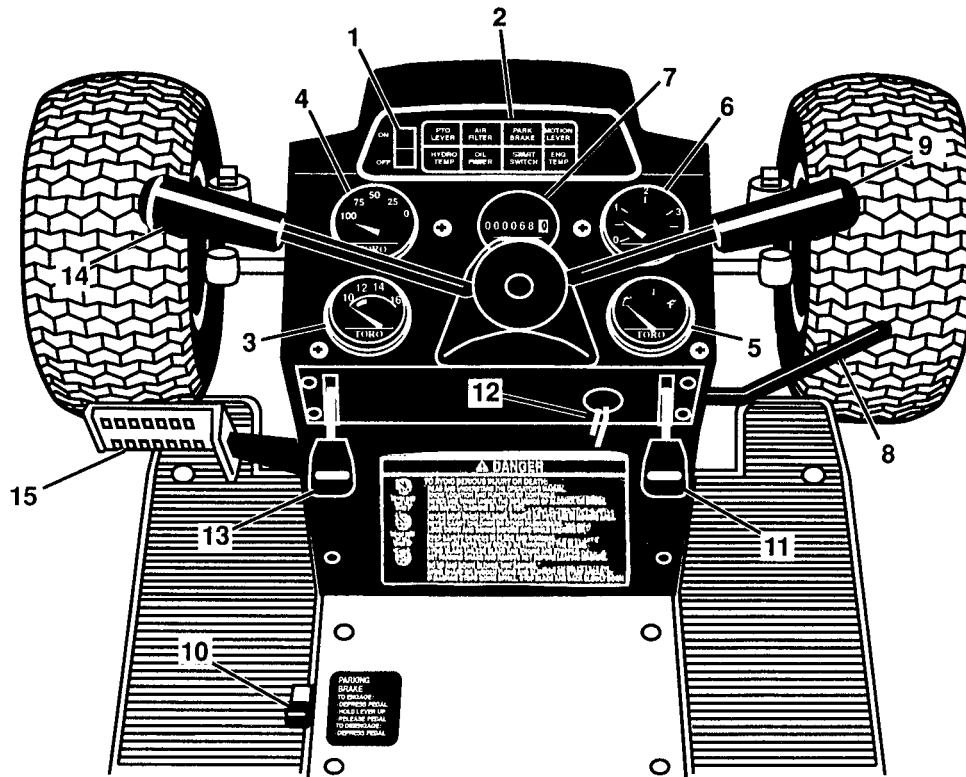
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# OWNER REGISTRATION AND WARRANTY

Service and warranty assurance is as important to Toro Wheel Horse as it is to you, the owner. To facilitate warranty service at an Authorized Toro Wheel Horse Dealer, Toro Wheel Horse requires factory registration. A registration card is supplied with each new tractor and attachment. **Either you or your dealer must fill in required information and mail card to Toro Wheel Horse.**

Toro Wheel Horse Limited Warranty Statement is on a "hang tag" attached to each product. This statement describes what items are covered by the Toro Wheel Horse Limited Warranty, your rights and obligations, and procedure to follow to obtain warranty service. Please familiarize yourself with the warranty statement. **All of us at Toro Wheel Horse want you to be satisfied with your Toro Wheel Horse tractor; please don't hesitate to contact us for assistance.**

# INSTRUMENTS AND CONTROLS



## 1. LIGHT SWITCH

Push on top of switch to turn lights on. Push on bottom of switch to turn lights off. Lights work only when ignition switch is in Run position.

## 2. INDICATOR LIGHT(S) - AS INDICATED ON YOUR PANEL.

When ignition switch is turned to "on" position, all lights will come on automatically to check lights and electrical circuits. Lights will stay on momentarily and then go out.

All lights must be OFF during operation; if light(s) is on, a malfunction is indicated in that operation(s) and must be corrected.

"AIR FILTER" light indicates air flow through air cleaner assembly. When light intermittently comes on, service pre-cleaner and air cleaner.

"SEAT SWITCH" light comes on when seat is unoccupied with ignition switch in Run or Start position. Seat must be occupied to start engine.

If "PTO" light is on when attempting to start engine, check that PTO control lever is in proper position for starting.

If "MOTION LEVER" light is on when attempting to start engine, check that motion control lever is in proper position for starting.

"HYDRO TEMP" light senses automatic transmission and transaxle oil temperature. If light comes on clean transmission fins and check cooling fan.

"OIL PRESS" light measures oil pressure of engine. Light flashes before engine is started and goes out for normal operation. If light flashes during operation an oil pressure malfunction is indicated. Stop engine at once and contact your Authorized Toro Wheel Horse Dealer for service.

"PARK BRAKE" light comes on when parking brake lock lever is set with ignition switch in Run position.

"ENG TEMP" light senses cylinder head temperature. If light comes on, clean engine chaff screen and cylinder cooling fins as necessary.

## 3. VOLTMETER

Gage indicates electrical system battery voltage. With ignition key in OFF position, gage is not actuated. When ignition key is turned to Run position, gage should read 12 Volts or slightly above. After engine is started and running, gage should read between 12 and 15 Volts. If gage reads less than 12 Volts battery is discharging. If gage reads 15 Volts for long periods of time, check battery water more frequently.

## 4. HORSEPOWER %

Gage measures load applied to engine. As load increases gage reading will increase. Gage should read between 25 and 75 for normal operation. With engine running at full throttle, load should be reasonably heavy for first 25 hours of operation to seat piston rings.

## 5. FUEL GAGE

Gage indicates level of fuel in tank. Refill tank with fuel as gage approaches "E" marking.

## **6. TACHOMETER**

Gage measures engine revolutions per minute. Gage is actuated only when ignition switch is in Run Position. With engine running at full throttle and no load, gage should read as indicated in "Specifications" section of this manual. If gage reads less than specifications, contact your Authorized Toro Wheel Horse Dealer for service.

## **7. HOUR METER**

Gage records operating hours of tractor. Gage is actuated when ignition switch is in Run position.

## **8. PTO (POWER TAKE-OFF) CLUTCH LEVER**

Power driven attachments are engaged and disengaged with PTO level. Push lever forward to engage attachment. Pull lever back to disengage attachment. PTO clutch lever actuates a safety interlock switch in starter circuit; therefore, indicator light comes on (if so equipped) and tractor will not start unless lever is in disengaged position. If operator's seat is vacated while PTO is engaged, seat switch indicator light comes on (if so equipped) and seat switch will automatically shut engine off.

## **9. MOTION CONTROL LEVER**

Brake pedal returns motion control lever to neutral position for dynamic braking. Lever must be in neutral position to actuate a safety interlock switch to allow starting engine. Indicator light will come on (if so equipped) when interlock switch is not actuated and ignition switch is in Start position.

Move motion control lever forward to move tractor forward; pull lever back to neutral position to stop. Push lever down and pull back to move tractor in reverse; push lever forward to neutral position to stop. Motion control lever varies ground speed and pulling power of tractor independent from engine speed. To increase ground speed, move lever away from neutral. Increase pulling power by moving lever toward neutral.

## **10. PARKING BRAKE LOCK LEVER**

To engage parking brake, first apply foot brake pedal solidly and then move parking brake lock lever up to lock brake. To release parking brake push down on foot brake pedal. Parking brake lock lever is spring loaded and will return to disengaged position when foot brake pedal is applied. Indicator light is on when parking brake is locked with ignition switch in Run position.

## **11. THROTTLE CONTROL**

Lever controls engine speed. Raise lever to operate tractor; lower lever before shutting engine off.

## **12. IGNITION SWITCH**

Switch has three positions from left to right: (1) Off, (2) Run, (3) Start. To start engine turn key all the way right to Start position. Release key when engine starts and it will automatically return to Run position. When switch is turned to Off position, engine stops and all electrical accessories are turned off.

## **13. CHOKE CONTROL**

Raise choke knob up when starting engine. Slowly lower knob after engine starts. If engine is warm and has been running, choking may not be necessary to restart engine.

## **14. HYDRAULIC ATTACHMENT LIFT LEVER**

Pull lever to rear to lift attachment. Release lever to hold attachment in position. Push lever forward to lower attachment. Neutral position will hold attachment at any up or down position. Always lower attachments before leaving tractor unattended.

## **15. BRAKE/RETURN TO NEUTRAL PEDAL**

Pedal provides dynamic braking to both rear wheels through hydrostatic transmission. As pedal is depressed, transmission is shifted to neutral. When pedal is fully depressed a mechanical brake is also applied for additional braking action.

## **16. FUEL SHUT-OFF VALVE (Not Shown)**

Valve is located on bottom of fuel tank under rear fender. Valve is normally left open, except when service on fuel system becomes necessary.

# OPERATING TRACTOR

## SAFETY INTERLOCK SYSTEM

Safety interlock system incorporates three switches, for safe starting. Starting switches are actuated by motion control lever, PTO clutch control and seat. If tractor will not start, seat must be occupied, PTO clutch disengaged and motion control lever in neutral position. Indicator lights will be on and engine will not start unless all three switches are properly actuated.

Seat switch shuts off engine during operation if driver rises off seat while PTO is engaged or if motion control lever is out of neutral position. Indicator light will be on and engine will stop unless seat is occupied and seat switch is properly actuated.

Safety interlock system must be tested periodically. To test operation of safety interlock system, following functions must be observed. If not, immediate repairs must be performed by an Authorized Toro Wheel Horse Dealer for your protection.

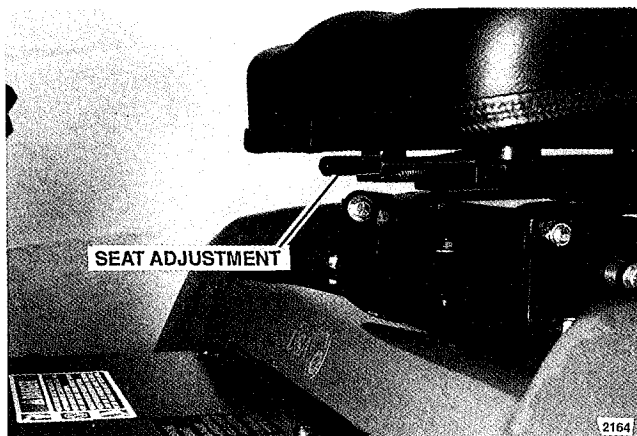
1. Engine should NOT start if:
  - a. Motion control lever is in forward or reverse position.
  - b. PTO is Engaged.
  - c. Seat is unoccupied.

Test each of the above one at a time.

2. With engine running, test operate seat switch by engaging PTO and rising off seat. Engine should shut off. With engine running, move motion control lever out of neutral position and rise off seat. Engine should shut off.

## SEAT CONTROL

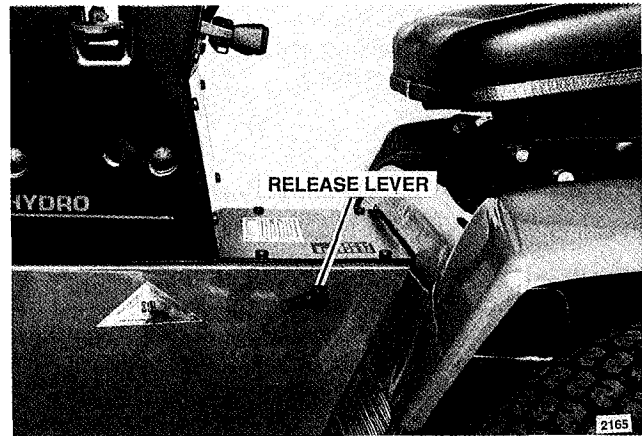
For adjustment, loosen bolts under seat, slide seat to desired position and retighten bolts. Use seat slide lever for further adjustment.



Seat Adjustment

## PARKING BRAKE

Parking brake should be set every time tractor is vacated. To set parking brake, depress foot pedal and lift up on parking brake release lever. Hold release lever up and release foot pedal to set parking brake. To release parking brake, push on foot pedal and then release.



Parking Brake

## CORRECT ENGINE OPERATION

### ⚠ CAUTION ⚠

Before starting engine, become familiar with all controls. Read this Operator's Manual thoroughly. Always check engine oil level before starting. Always check transmission oil level before starting.

### ⚠ DANGER ⚠

Care should be taken to avoid inhaling exhaust gases as they contain carbon monoxide gas which is colorless and odorless. Carbon monoxide is a dangerous gas that can cause unconsciousness and is potentially lethal.

Do not run engine in confined areas such as a closed garage.

## STARTING ENGINE

Because of a factory built-in safety interlock system, your tractor will not start until motion control lever is in neutral position, PTO is disengaged and seat is occupied. Indicator light(s) will be on when controls are not in correct position or seat is not occupied for starting.

Engine is equipped with a low oil pressure switch. Engine will start and run when light flashes. If light flashes during operation, stop engine at once and contact your authorized Toro Wheel Horse dealer.

To start engine occupy seat, position motion control lever in neutral position and disengage PTO.

Move throttle control lever to slow position. Raise choke control all the way to Cold position.

Turn ignition key clockwise until starter engages. When engine starts, release key. switch is spring loaded and will return to Run position automatically.

If engine fails to start after 30 seconds of continuous cranking, turn key to Off position and allow starter motor to cool. Check for cause of hard starting; consult Troubleshooting Checklist.

Once engine has started, move throttle to half position and return choke to its normal position. If engine stalls at low speeds, or hesitates during acceleration, choke should be applied as necessary until engine reaches normal operating temperature.

When starting engine during cold weather, be sure to follow special procedures for warming up engine and transmission as described under "Correct Hydrostatic Transmission Operation", before placing tractor into operation.

## STOPPING ENGINE

To stop engine, return throttle lever to Idle position and turn ignition key to Off position. If engine has been working hard, or is hot, allow engine to idle a short time before turning key off. This practice will help to cool engine before stopping.

**Note:** In case of emergency, engine may be stopped by turning ignition key to Off position.

### ⚠ CAUTION ⚠

Always remove key and set parking brake when leaving tractor unattended, even if for just a few minutes. Prevent accidents, don't give children or unauthorized persons an opportunity to operate this machine.

## THROTTLE CONTROL

Throttle control regulates speed of engine as measured in RPM (Revolutions Per Minute). This control should not be used to regulate ground speed of tractor.

Engine in your new Toro Wheel Horse has been designed with a special governor that limits maximum RPM. **Always operate tractor with throttle control set at full speed.**

Engine **MUST** be operating at Full throttle whenever tractor is in use. Using tractor while engine is operating at less than Full throttle may result in extensive transmission damage as well as poor overall tractor performance.

## CHOKE CONTROL

Choke control activates a "butterfly" valve in carburetor. When choke is partially or completely closed, less air is admitted to engine. This results in a higher fuel-to-air (richer) mixture that is easier to ignite when engine is cold. Choking engine is required when engine is started cold. Warm engines may not need choking.

## FUEL RECOMMENDATIONS

### ⚠ DANGER ⚠

Ignition of fuel can cause serious personal injury or death by fire or explosion. Do not permit any flame, cigarette, or other igniter near the fuel system. Handle fuel with care - it is highly flammable.

Use clean, fresh, unleaded gasoline. Regular leaded gasoline may also be used but it is not a preferred fuel. Do not use highly leaded premium gasoline. Use of unleaded gasoline results in less maintenance.

### ⚠ CAUTION ⚠

Do not use gasoline de-icers. Gasoline deicers can cause internal damage to carburetor and fuel pump parts. Do not use fuels containing ethanol concentrations greater than ten percent. Fuel containing alcohol may cause poor engine performance and internal engine damage.

If regular leaded gasoline is used continually, carbon and lead deposits should be removed from the cylinder heads as required because of engine power loss. Unleaded gasoline may be used safely after lead deposits have been removed.

### ⚠ DANGER ⚠

Spilled fuel can ignite and cause serious personal injury or death. Never fill fuel tank when engine is running. Fill fuel tanks outdoors with extreme care. Never fill fuel tanks indoors. Replace gasoline cap(s) securely and wipe up all spilled fuel.

## OIL SPECIFICATION

To protect your tractor's engine, check oil level before each use. Engine is equipped with a low oil pressure switch. Engine will start and run when light flashes and oil pressure is low. If light flashes during operation, stop engine at once and contact your authorized Toro Wheel Horse dealer.

Complete information concerning recommended oils and how to check oil level is given in "Maintaining Your Tractor" section of this manual.

## CORRECT HYDROSTATIC TRANSMISSION OPERATION

During cold weather, start engine with parking brake engaged and allow transmission to run in neutral for 5 minutes before attempting to set unit into motion. For temperatures below 0°F (-18°C) allow transmission to run in neutral for 10 minutes before attempting to set unit in motion. Failure to do so may result in extensive internal transmission damage.

## TO GO FORWARD

### CAUTION

**Before tractor will move either forward or backward, parking brake must be disengaged. ALWAYS depress brake/return to neutral pedal when disengaging parking brake.**

Motion of your tractor is controlled by a single "Motion Control Lever". Control lever has a neutral locked position. To go forward, move motion control lever forward. Farther forward lever is pushed, faster tractor will go.

### CAUTION

**For safe operation, never move motion control lever too rapidly, especially on grades.**

By adjusting motion control lever, forward speed of tractor can be regulated without adjusting engine throttle control. For heavy pulling, moving control lever toward neutral reduces tractor ground speed and increases pulling power as shifting to a lower gear with a mechanical transmission.

## TO GO BACKWARD

To reverse motion of tractor, return motion control lever to neutral, push lever down and move lever back. Farther back lever is pulled, faster tractor will go in reverse.

### CAUTION

**For safe operation, never move motion control lever too rapidly, especially on grades.**

By adjusting motion control lever, reverse speed of tractor can be regulated without adjusting engine throttle control.

## TO STOP

Stopping tractor from either forward or reverse direction can be achieved by one of two methods:

1. Return motion control lever to its neutral locked position.
2. Depress brake pedal.

Activating brake pedal automatically returns motion control lever to its neutral position and applies a mechanical brake. Brake pedal will hold motion control lever in neutral position when depressed. Pedal must be released before motion control lever can be moved either forward or back.

Tractor is stopped by a "dynamic braking" action inside hydrostatic transmission and a mechanical brake. Tractors are free to roll (at a very slow speed) when transmission is in neutral. Therefore, always depress brake pedal when tractor is stopped on unlevel terrain.

## HAND PUSHING TRACTOR

**Hand push tractor only. Do not tow. Towing can cause severe damage to hydrostatic transmission.**

Hydrostatic transmission tractors can be pushed at a slow speed. To do this, move motion control lever fully forward; tractor will then move when pushed.

# CORRECT TRACTOR USAGE

## ⚠ CAUTION ⚠

Read manuals provided with attachments before operating. Manuals give a detailed description of operation and point out other areas of caution. Familiarize yourself thoroughly with equipment before attempting to use it.

## ATTACHMENT MOUNTING

### HITCHES

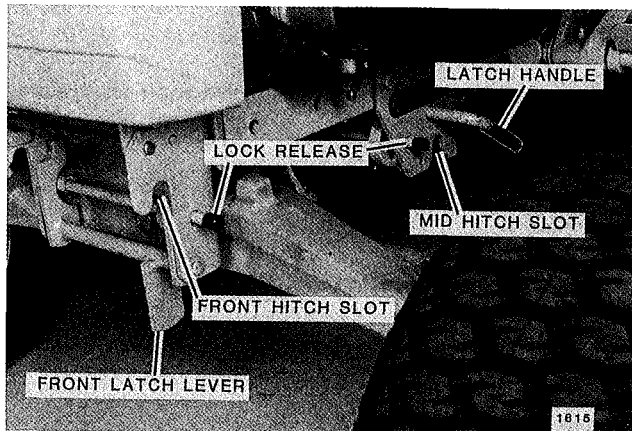
Attach-A-Matic front and mid hitches are provided for easy installation and removal of attachments without tools.

Rear mounted attachments are secured to tractor's rear drawbar hitch, to a special hitch supplied with attachment or a special hitch available as optional equipment.

To install attachments make sure hitch latches are in released position -- to do this, push in on lock release pin; move latch lever or handle so latch is open and release lock pin to hold latch in open position. Insert and center attachment shaft in hitch slots and move latch toward closed position until release pin snaps outward.

Removal of attachment is done by pushing in on lock release pin, which allows latch to be moved to open position.

**Note:** For specific installation and removal instructions refer to attachment instructions.



Front and Mid Attachment Hitches

### ATTACHMENT BELTS

#### DISASSEMBLE PTO LINKAGE

Remove hairpin cotter from trunnion and remove trunnion out of top plate. Remove locking pin from clutch shaft and clevis. Move top plate forward and remove large hairpin cotter at bottom of rod housing. Slide rod housing down and out of top plate.

#### BELT REMOVAL

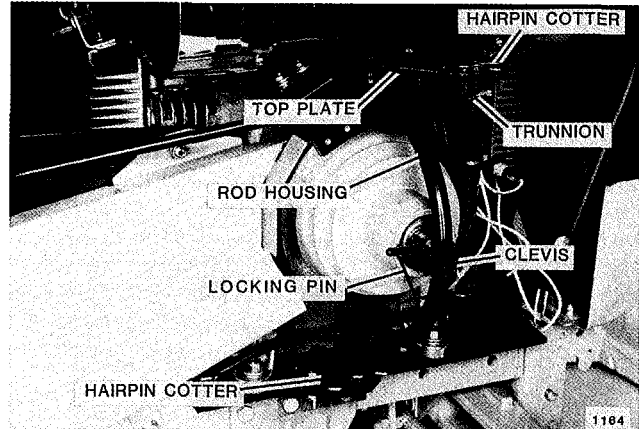
Remove belt from PTO pulley. If tractor is to be operated without attachment, reassemble PTO linkage.

#### BELT INSTALLATION

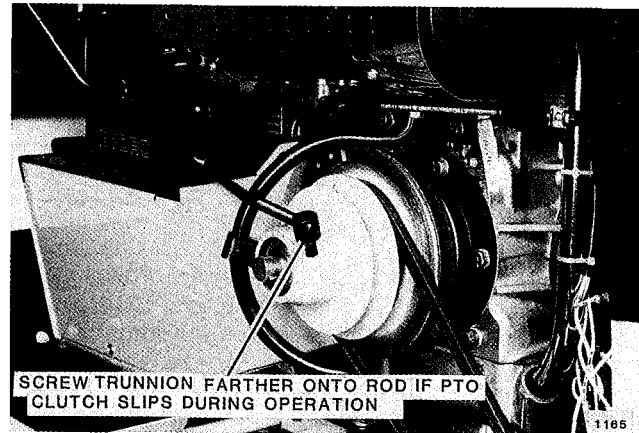
Install belt in inner groove of PTO pulley for mower and tiller. Install belt in outer groove for Snowthrower, Lawn Vac, Generator and Loader.

#### REASSEMBLE PTO LINKAGE

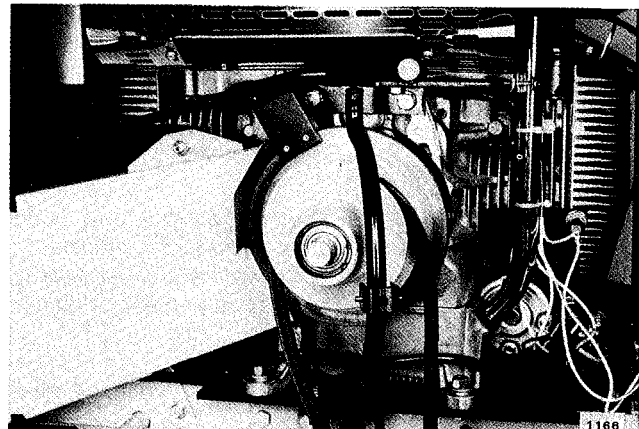
Move top plate forward, insert top end of rod housing in hole in top plate and install large hairpin cotter in bottom of rod housing. Move top plate rearward. Line up clevis with hole in clutch shaft and install locking pin. Insert trunnion in top plate and secure with hairpin cotter.



Power Take-off (PTO)



Belt Routing -- Both Belt strands OUTSIDE of Rod Housing



Belt Routing -- One belt strand OUTSIDE, one INSIDE of rod housing

## OPERATION OF TRACTOR

Because of sufficient tractor engine power no problems should be encountered using attachments under normal conditions. Front wheel weights may be used to increase front wheel traction. Rear wheel weights and tire chains may also be used to increase rear wheel traction. All tires may be fluid filled.

### WITH A MOWER

#### DANGER

**Keep all shields and mower discharge chute in place. Never put hands or feet under mower deck. Never attempt to clear discharge areas or mower blades without disengaging PTO clutch and removing ignition key.**

For best operation on average lawns, operate engine at full throttle while controlling ground speed with transmission. Tractor should be operated at 2 to 3.5 MPH (3.2 to 5.6 KMH)\* while mowing grass. Uneven cutting is often a result of excessive ground speed. To correct, reduce ground speed with transmission. Average lawns are usually cut at a height between 2 and 3 in. (5-7.6 cm). Tall grass and weeds should be cut with mower in its highest position, making a second pass cutting at height desired.

Always keep mower blades sharp.

#### CAUTION

**Sharp edges of mower blades can cut you during blade maintenance or adjustment. Use suitable covering over cutting edges of blade to prevent bodily harm.**

### WITH A SNOWTHROWER

#### CAUTION

**Thoroughly inspect area where snowthrower is to be used. Remove all door mats, sleds, boards and other foreign objects. Never make any adjustments while engine is running. Never try to clear chute while engine is running.**

Snow removal will vary greatly with condition of each snowfall. Light fluffy snow will be cleared with ease. Heavy wet snow will be more difficult. It is advisable to coat auger and chute with a light coat of wax or paraffin to keep snow from sticking. Best results are usually attained when tractor ground speed is set at 1 to 2 MPH (1.6 to 3.2 KMH)\*.

**NOTE: Inflate front tires to 20 P.S.I. for use with two stage snowthrower.**

Care should be exercised whenever snow thrower is engaged. Auger is capable of picking up sticks, stones and other foreign objects and expelling them with great velocity. Always aim discharge chute away from persons or objects subject to harm.

Tire chains and wheel weights are recommended when using a snowthrower.

### WITH A SNOW, DOZER OR GRADER BLADE

Although front end dozer blade is generally used for snow removal, it can also be used for moving loose dirt, sand or gravel. Care should be taken and a slow ground speed should be maintained whenever blade is used. Impact with a solid object may result in injury to operator and/or damage to blade.

Grader blades are generally preferred for leveling sand, dirt or gravel. Operation of these blades is similar to that of a dozer blade. Rear mount grader blades may require special hitches; consult your dealer for proper hitch(es) required for your tractor.

### WITH A TILLER

Toro Wheel Horse tiller does an excellent job of preparing gardens for planting.

Caution should be exercised when tilling virgin ground or clay as tiller may have a tendency to push tractor. This can be corrected by raising tiller with attachment lift so tiller penetrates only very top of soil. Tiller can be lowered to its full depth on following passes. Cleat tires will reduce pushing effect of tiller.

#### CAUTION

**If tiller starts to push tractor, shut tiller off immediately by disengaging PTO clutch.**

Slowing tractor's ground speed will improve aggressive action of tiller. Best results are usually attained when tractor ground speed is set at less than 1.0 MPH (1.6 KMH)\*.

Do not over-till soil. Soil tilled excessively will not hold water, and will compact easily.

### WITH A PLOW, DISC, CULTIVATOR, OR HARROW

Plows and disc require maximum tractor efficiency. Cleat tires, or tire chains, as well as wheel weights increase rear tire traction. Front wheel weights add to steering control of tractor.

some of these attachments require special rear hitches. Consult your dealer for proper hitch(es) required for your tractor.

There are two methods of preparing a seed bed for planting.

1. Use a tiller, which will prepare soil in one operation.

2. Use a plow to turn ground, a disc to break up large clumps, and a harrow to pulverize and smooth soil.

Plows are classified by width of furrow they will turn. Generally, plows are set to cut 4 to 6 in. (10-15.2 cm) deep.

A disc is used immediately after plowing. Disc will break large clumps of soil.

After discing, generally a spike tooth harrow is dragged over soil. Spike tooth harrow helps pulverize soil and levels seed bed. Soil should now be ready for planting.

Cultivator is used during growing season to help remove unwanted weeds, and to help aerate plant roots. Generally width of cultivator is taken into consideration before planting seed bed to insure cultivator fitting between rows without damaging crop roots.

## **WITH OTHER ATTACHMENTS**

There are numerous other special-purpose attachments available, which greatly increase tractor's versatility. Attachment can be a completely self-contained system (front bucket loader), one that is used along with another attachment (lawn vacuum), or one intended for operator comfort (snow cab). These attachments are custom designed for a particular tractor model, but many others simply use tractor as a towing vehicle. They are attached or removed from

tractor by installation or removal of a single drawbar hitch pin. Some of these attachments are powered by a separate gasoline engine, some are ground driven and some are simply towed, such as a dump cart.

In any case, all these attachments should be approached with same amount of caution given any mechanical device. Always read each Operating Instruction Manual carefully before attempting to use attachment. Keep children and pets away from tractor when in operation. Never allow any unauthorized personnel to operate equipment.

Your authorized Toro Wheel Horse dealer can assist you with selecting attachments for use with your tractor.

### **DUMP CART LOAD LIMITS**

**Toro Wheel Horse recommends following load limits be observed when using tractor with a dump cart. Load limits have been set to provide for safe braking on slopes.**

**275 lbs. (127 kg)**

# MAINTENANCE

## ⚠ CAUTION ⚠

To minimize chance of injury, perform all maintenance and adjustments on your machine with engine off and ignition key removed, unless instructed otherwise in this section. Use extreme care when working near operating machinery. Do not wear loose fitting clothing. Remove watch and jewelry before beginning work and observe common safety practices when using tools.

## MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

	Before Each Use	After Each Use	Every 25 Hours	Every 50 Hours	Every 100 Hours	Every 200 Hours/1 Year (2)	Every 1000 Hours
NOTE: These service intervals are considered MAXIMUM under normal conditions. Increase frequency under extremely dirty or dusty conditions.							
<b>CHECK:</b>							
Safety Interlock System	X						
Engine Oil Level	X						
Battery Water Level (3)			X				
Auto. Trans. Oil Level	X						
General Unit Condition	X	X					
Parking Brake Adj.					X		
Tire Pressure(3)			X				
Fasteners Placed & Tight			X				
PTO Clutch & Brake Adjustment					X		
<b>CLEAN:</b>							
Air Filter/Precleaner			X				
Engine Chaff Screen	X						
Engine Exterior & Fins				X			X
Breather Valve & Baffle							X
Cylinder Head Deposits							
<b>REPLACE:</b>							
Engine Oil Filter					X		
Transmission Oil Filter						X	
Spark Plugs					X		
Air Filter						X	
<b>LUBRICATE:</b>							
Chassis			X				
<b>CHANGE:</b>							
Engine Oil (1)				X			
Transmission Oil						X	

Refer to Engine Owner's Manual for Applicable Information Concerning:

- Adjustments
- Special Cleaning Instructions
- Recommended Dealer Maintenance

- Refer to text for initial service interval for new tractors.
- Which ever occurs first.
- Or monthly

## ENGINE

### Cooling

Check chaff screen and rotating screen behind chaff screen on engine every time machine is used. Restricted air flow through engine can cause overheating and engine damage.

### Oil Quality

For maximum engine protection under all operating conditions use API Service Classification SF oil. This letter will appear on oil can.

### Oil Level

Form a habit of checking oil level regularly.

**Check oil level of engine every 8 hours or before each use. An improper oil level can cause extensive internal damage to engine.**

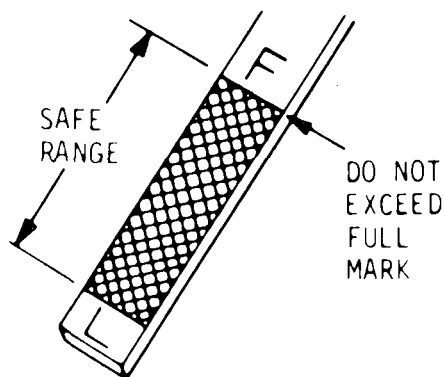
Oil filler dipstick and oil drain location for engine is illustrated in following illustrations.

To check engine oil level, stop tractor where engine is level. Shut off engine, set parking brake, and remove ignition key. Remove oil dipstick from engine.

## ⚠ DANGER ⚠

**Crankcase pressure can blow out hot oil and cause serious burns. Do NOT check oil while engine is operating.**

## CHECK OIL



Correct Oil Level

Wipe dipstick with a clean lint free rag; reinstall dipstick into block all the way. Remove dipstick again and read scale on lower portion of stick.

As applicable, add oil through oil dipstick tube.

## ⚠ CAUTION ⚠

**Do not overfill crankcase. Excess oil causes high oil consumption and oil accumulation in air cleaner housing.**

## Oil Changes

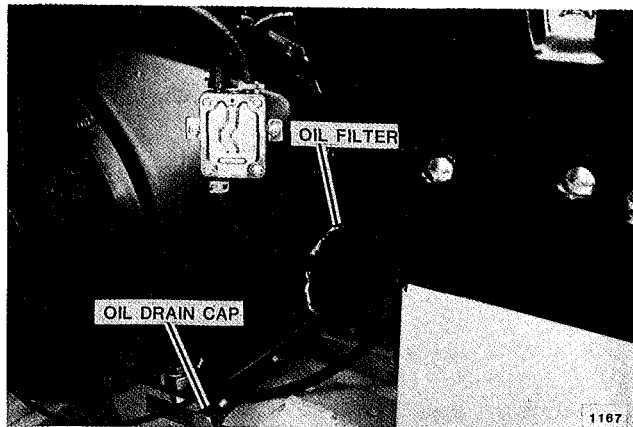
Engine oil in your Toro Wheel Horse tractor should be changed after first 25 hours of operation. Thereafter, oil should be changed at 50 operating hour intervals. Oil filter, should be changed every 100 hours. If operating conditions are extremely dusty or dirty frequency of oil changes should be increased.

**Failure to change engine oil at recommended intervals can lead to serious damage to engine. This is especially true when using detergent oils which are designed to hold impurities in suspension; when saturation point is reached, oil may suddenly break down to form a gelatin-like substance which seriously impairs and can even stop flow of oil. Increase frequency of oil changes if tractor is operated under extremely dusty conditions.**

Before changing oil, start engine and allow it to warm up. This will allow oil to flow more freely. Shut off engine and remove key.

To drain oil:

Open oil drain. After oil has drained completely, reinstall drain cap.



**Engine Oil Filter and Drain Cap**



**Engine Oil Dipstick/Fill Tube**

If oil filter is to be replaced, unscrew used filter and install new filter on engine.

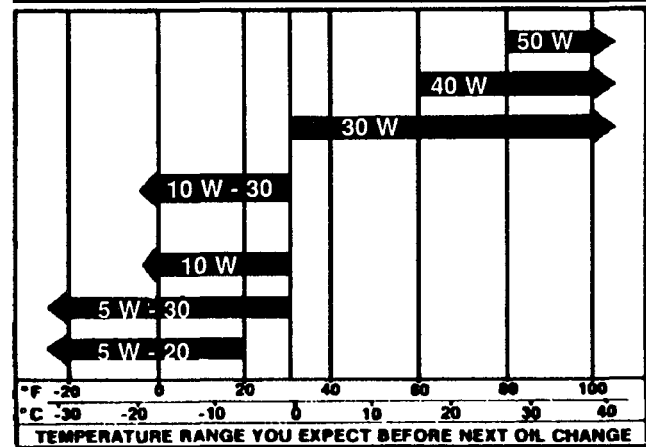
Remove dipstick/oil fill cap and add about 80% of amount of oil specified in following chart. Also shown are charts for selecting correct oil type and oil viscosity. When using temperature - viscosity chart, select air temperature most likely to be encountered within next 50 hours of operation.

**ENGINE OIL TYPE**  
API Service SF or SF/CC

**CRANKCASE OIL CAPACITY**  
1.5 qts. (1.4l) w/o Filter  
1.7 qts. (1.6l) w/Filter

### ENGINE OIL TEMPERATURE - VISCOSITY CHART

USE THESE SAE VISCOSITY GRADES



After adding 80% of prescribed amount of oil, check oil level. Add oil as necessary to bring oil to "Full" level.

**Never overfill engine crankcase with oil. Oil level must not exceed "F" level on dipstick.**

## Air Filter

Dirt induced through improperly installed, poorly serviced, or inadequate air filter elements, is more often cause of a worn out engine than long hours of operation. A small amount of dirt will destroy a set of piston rings in a matter of hours. A clogged element causes a richer fuel mixture which wastes gasoline, and may lead to formation of harmful sludge deposits.

If tractor is equipped with an **AIR FILTER** indicator light, clean air filter and precleaner when light comes on intermittently during operation.

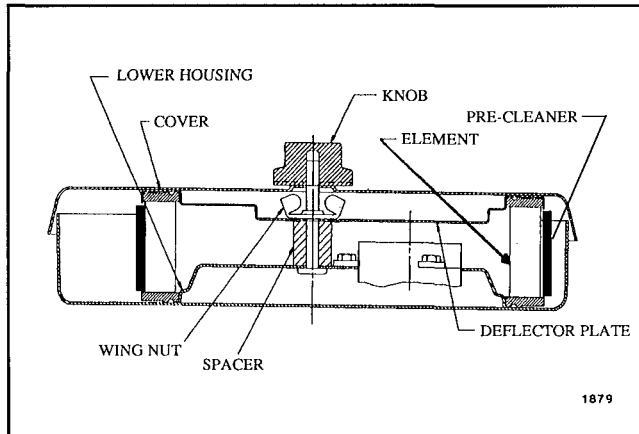
If engine does not have an **AIR FILTER** indicator light, clean engine air filter and precleaner after every 25 hours of operation (more often if tractor is operated under extremely dusty conditions).

Replace filter elements at 200 hour intervals. Replace more frequently in dusty operating conditions. To protect your engine, use only manufacturer's replacement filter, or replacement filters with equivalent specifications.

Check following when installing a new or serviced element:

1. Base must be securely tightened to carburetor. Replace base if bent or cracked.
2. Gasket surfaces of element must be flat against base and cover to seal effectively.
3. Tighten screws securely.
4. Be sure cover seals and gaskets are in good condition and will seal properly. Bad gaskets and seals can let unfiltered air into carburetor.

**To prevent any dirt or other contaminants from entering engine, always cover carburetor air horn when air cleaner is removed.**



**Air Cleaner Assembly**

Dry type air filter element is cleaned by tapping it lightly on a flat surface to remove loose dirt particles. Replace element if dirt does not drop off easily. **DO NOT** wash elements in liquid. Do not attempt to blow dirt off with compressed air as this can puncture filter element.

Foam precleaners are used over filter elements on engine. Clean precleaner at 25 hour intervals, when air cleaner is serviced. Wash precleaner in a solution of liquid dishwashing detergent and water. Squeeze out excess water and allow it to dry. Coat precleaner evenly with two tablespoons of SAE 30 engine oil. Knead into and wring out excess oil from precleaner. Install precleaner over air cleaner element.

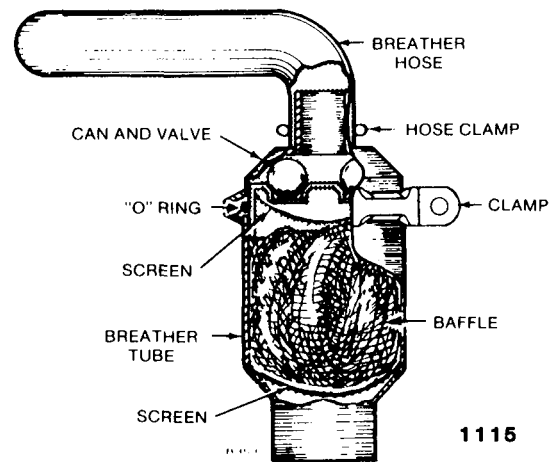
1. WASH
2. SQUEEZE DRY
3. COAT WITH OIL -  
WRING OUT EXCESS
4. INSTALL OVER PAPER ELEMENT



**Pre-Cleaner Service**

## CRANKCASE BREATHER

A crankcase breather valve is used for maintaining crankcase vacuum. If crankcase becomes pressurized as evidenced by oil leaks at seals, clean baffle pack and valve in a suitable solvent. Check and clean valve and baffle every 200 hours of operation.



**Crankcase Breather**

## Spark Plug

Engine misfire, or generally poor operation, is often caused by spark plugs in poor condition or with incorrect spark plug gap setting. Replace spark plugs at 100 operating hour intervals. Replace if inspection reveals fouling or excessive deterioration occurs.

Always clean area around spark plugs before removing them to prevent dirt from entering engine. Use a spark plug wrench to remove and install plugs.

Check condition of removed plugs. Good operating conditions are indicated by a light coating of gray or tan deposit. A dead white, blistered coating could indicate engine overheating. A black coating could indicate an "overrich" fuel mixture caused by a clogged air cleaner, or improper carburetor adjustment.

Replace spark plugs that are not in good condition. **Never sandblast, wire brush, scrape or otherwise service a sparkplug in poor condition. Best results are obtained with a new plug.**

Always check spark plug gaps before installing a new plug or reinstalling original plug. Use a spark plug gap gauge to adjust electrode air gap to .025 in. (.64 mm).

## Carburetor Adjustment

Carburetors are adjusted at factory and should not have to be reset. If however, one of the following conditions is noted, carburetor should be readjusted immediately as continued operation with incorrect setting can lead to fouled spark plugs, overheating, excessive valve wear or other problems. If black exhaust smoke is noted, check air cleaner first - an "overrich" mixture is usually caused by a poorly serviced, clogged air cleaner element, not an improperly adjusted carburetor.

## CONDITION

- A. Black, sooty exhaust smoke, engine sluggish.
- B. Engine misses and backfires at high speed.
- C. Engine starts, sputters and dies under cold weather starting.
- D. Engine runs rough or stalls at idle speed.

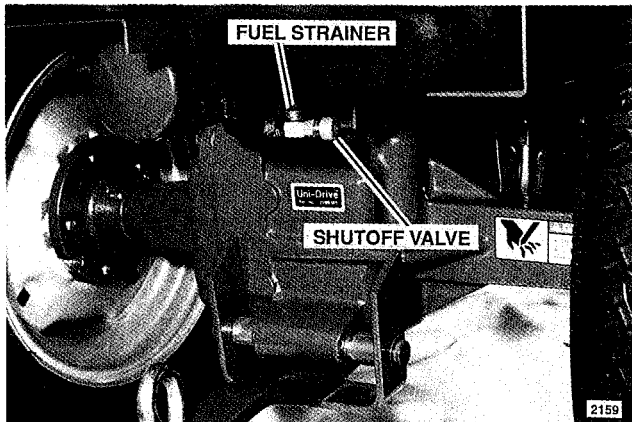
## POSSIBLE CAUSE/PROBABLE REMEDY

- A. Mixture too rich - readjust idle fuel mixture.
- B. Mixture too lean - readjust idle fuel mixture.
- C. Mixture too lean - readjust idle fuel mixture.
- D. Idle speed too low or improper idle adjustment - readjust speed then idle fuel needle if needed.

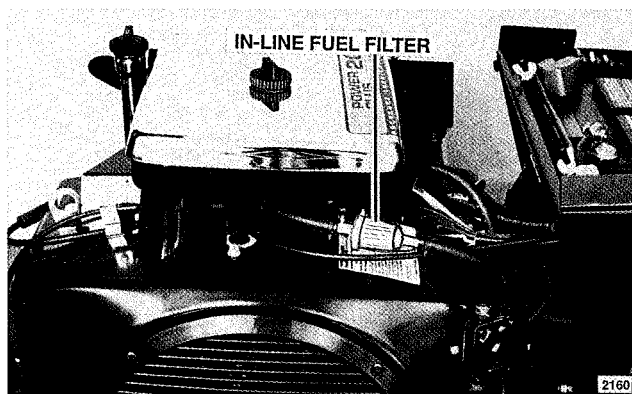
### Carburetor Adjustment Chart

Correct carburetor adjustment requires a significant amount of knowledge as well as special equipment. In addition, other adjustments, such as governor settings, may also be necessary after adjusting carburetor. For these reasons, it is suggested that carburetor adjustments be performed by an authorized dealer.

### Fuel System



Fuel Strainer



Fuel Filter

A fine-mesh screen type strainer, incorporated into fitting at bottom of tank, and an inline fuel filter, both filter foreign matter from gasoline before it reaches carburetor. This strainer and fuel filter normally require service only if fuel supply becomes severely contaminated.

Always clean area around fuel cap before removing it to prevent excessive amounts of dirt from entering fuel system. Also insure that fuel storage container you are using is clean and in good condition.

Keep fuel tank full during winter operation, when cold and damp weather conditions can cause moisture to condense in tank.

### Exhaust System

Make regular visible and audible inspections of exhaust system throughout life of tractor. Locate leaks in muffler and piping while engine is operating. Repair all leaks immediately after they are detected for personal safety.

#### **⚠ DANGER ⚠**

**Inhalation of exhaust gases can result in serious personal injury or death. Inspect exhaust system audibly and visually for leaks daily. Repair any leaks immediately.**

## CHARGING AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

### Alternator

An alternator is used to charge battery. Alternator charging system normally requires no service other than periodically checking all exposed wiring and electrical connections on tractor. Make sure wiring and connectors are clean, tight and in good condition. A 30 amp automotive type ATO or ATC fuse is used to protect charging circuit.

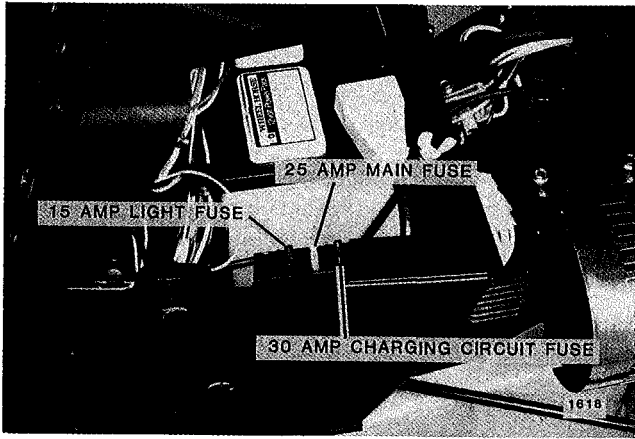
#### **⚠ CAUTION ⚠**

**Proper polarity is critical with an alternator equipped charging system. Always disconnect battery ground cable (negative) before working on any part of the electrical system. Verify that all components are connected correctly before reconnecting ground cable (negative) or damage to alternator system components will result.**

**Never run engine if battery is removed, or if battery is not connected to charging system. Serious damage to voltmeter, circuit board and charging system components may result.**

### Main Fuse

A 25 amp automotive type ATO or ATC fuse is used to protect main circuit of electrical system.



**Main, Charge Circuit and Light Fuse Locations**

## Light Circuit Fuse

Light circuit is powered by battery. Lights will operate when ignition switch is in Run position. A 15 amp automotive type ATO or ATC fuse is part of light circuit.

## Gage Circuit Fuse

Gage circuits are protected by light circuit 15 amp automotive type ATO or ATC fuse.

## Battery

### **⚠ CAUTION ⚠**

**When servicing battery or any other part of electrical system, or if battery must be removed for any reason, always disconnect negative (ground) cable FIRST and reconnect it LAST to avoid possibility of electrical shorts.**

This paragraph does not pertain to a "Maintenance Free Battery". Maintain electrolyte level above plates in each cell by adding distilled water as necessary. Best time to add water is just prior to operating tractor so water will mix with solution. Do not overfill battery. Electrolyte solution is corrosive and overfilling can cause damage to surrounding metal parts. Battery should be maintained at 1.265 specific gravity charge. When battery has been out of tractor for servicing, take care to connect cables to battery exactly as they were before removal.

For longest service life, battery should be kept clean by wiping it off with a paper towel. Any corrosion around battery terminals should be removed by applying a solution of one part baking soda to four parts water. A light coating of grease may be applied to all exposed terminal surfaces to prevent corrosion.

**At temperatures below 32°F (0°C), full charge state must be maintained to prevent cell electrolyte from freezing and causing permanent battery damage.**

## Light Bulb Replacement

Headlight and tail light bulbs (on models so equipped) are replaced as described below. Care should be taken when handling bulbs, particularly if they are broken.

Either sealed beam headlamp unit is replaced by first disconnecting both terminal wires. Note way headlamp is installed, then carefully remove bolt and retainer to release headlamp.

To replace a tail light bulb, pry lens off with a screwdriver. A slot is located at each end of lens for this purpose. If bulb has a metal socket, push bulb down and turn counterclockwise to remove it. If bulb has a plastic socket, simply pull bulb straight out. Tail light bulbs are automotive #1895 (metal base) or #194 (all glass).

To replace indicator light bulb, consult your authorized Wheel Horse dealer.

## HYDROSTATIC TRANSMISSION

### Oil Quality

Hydrostatic transmission requires 10W-30 premium quality motor oil.

### Oil Level

Lubricant level should be checked before each use. Dipstick is located in a filler tube coming up from transmission. Dipstick is marked for COLD oil. Remove dipstick and wipe clean with a clean lint free rag. Replace dipstick and remove again. Oil level should be maintained between "F" and "L" levels on dipstick. Never operate tractor with oil BELOW or ABOVE marks on dipstick. Add oil as necessary. Replace dipstick making sure it is fully seated in filler tube.

**Use care to prevent dirt, clippings or other foreign material from entering transmission during oil level checks, oil fillings, or oil changes.**

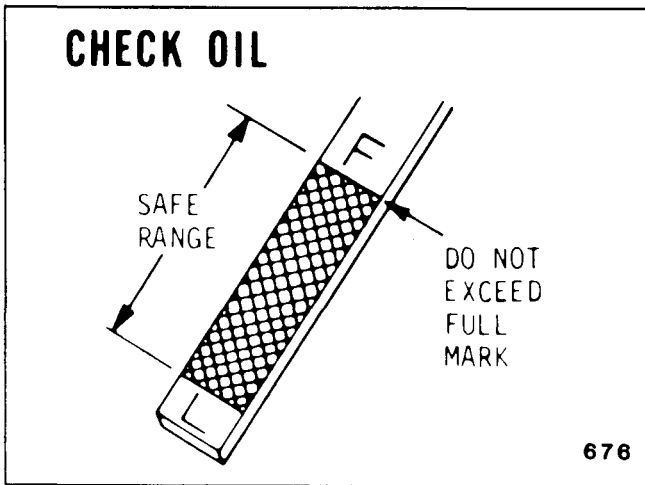


**Hydrostatic Transmission Dipstick**

## Oil Change

Drain and refill transmission oil once per year or 200 hours of operation, whichever occurs first.

Oil is drained by removing pipe plug at bottom of transaxle. Plug is located near left rear of transaxle. Approximate refill capacity is 5 quarts (4.7 liters). After adding 4 quarts of oil,



### Correct Transmission Oil Level

check oil level; add oil as necessary to bring oil level between "F" and "L" marking on dipstick.

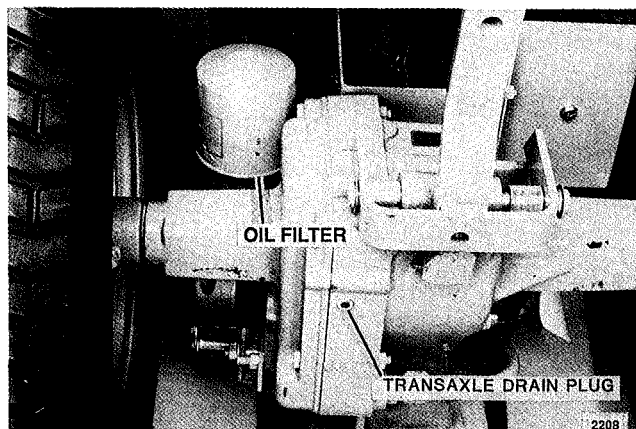
## Cooling Fan

A cooling fan is bolted to transmission input shaft (located just behind right footrest). Fan forces air over transmission cooling fins to cool transmission oil. Replace cooling fan if it becomes cracked or broken. Be sure to install it so that maximum airflow is directed across transmission.

Cooling fins on transmission should also be kept clean for best cooling efficiency. Periodically inspect for dirt buildup, and brush or wash out any accumulated dirt or clippings. If pressure washing equipment is used, avoid directing spray at joints and seal areas, to prevent forcing water into system.

## Oil Filter

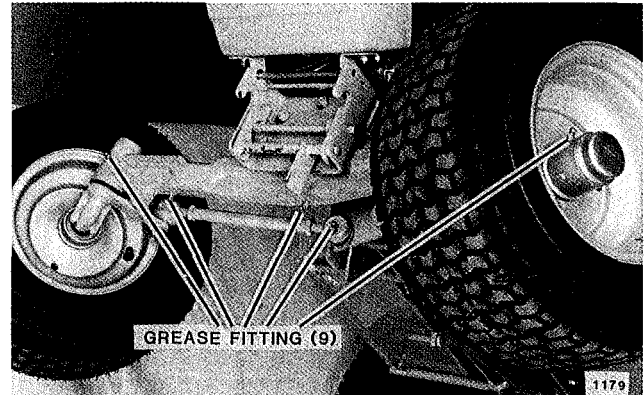
Replace oil filter after first 10 hours of operation. Thereafter, replace filter with each transmission oil change (200 hours or one year, whichever occurs first).



Transmission Drain Plug and Oil Filter

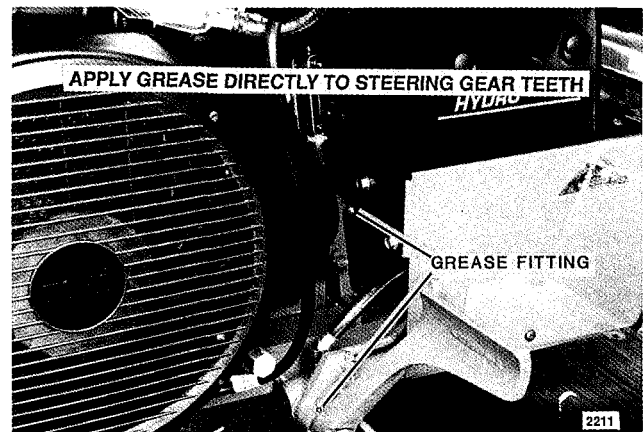
## CHASSIS LUBRICATION

Steering gear, foot pedal, spindles, front wheel bearings, toe rods and front axle pivot are equipped with fittings to facilitate lubrication with a pressure grease gun. Before applying grease gun, clean zerk fittings carefully to prevent dirt from being forced into fitting. A general purpose grease (lithium base) is used to lubricate tractor.

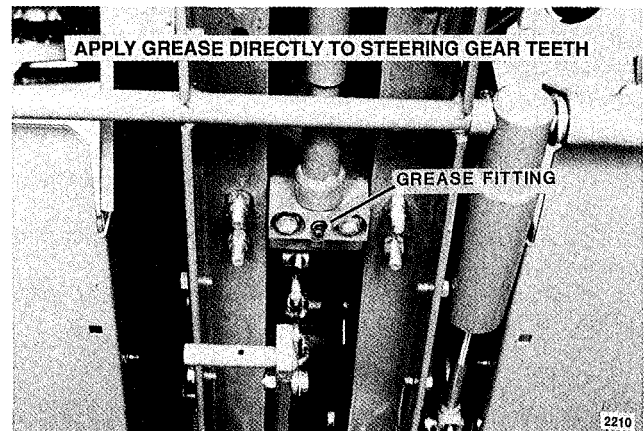


Front Axle Assembly Lube Fittings

Lubricate chassis after each 25 hours of operation. All other pivoting arms and levers should be lubricated at same intervals with either general purpose grease or machine oil, applied directly to wear surfaces.



Steering Gear and Foot Pedal Lube Fitting

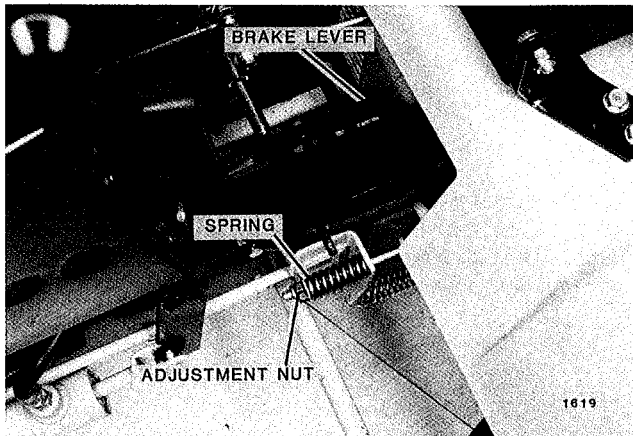


Steering Shaft Grease Fitting

## FOOT BRAKE ADJUSTMENT

Brake band, located on left side of transmission, brakes transmission shafts and, in turn, brakes rear wheels. As brake pedal is depressed, linkage returns transmission to neutral, dynamically braking tractor. Brake band is actuated after transmission reaches neutral, providing additional braking action. Brake band also serves as parking brake.

1. Set parking brake so that lever is latched in second notch in control cam. This is done by pulling up on parking brake lever as brake pedal is slowly depressed. You will feel lever move up slightly as it drops into second notch of control cam.
2. Tighten nut on brake linkage bolt until coils of heavy spring are fully compressed, then back off nut 1/2 turn.
3. Release parking brake and check that brake band is not dragging on brake drum.



**Brake Adjustment**

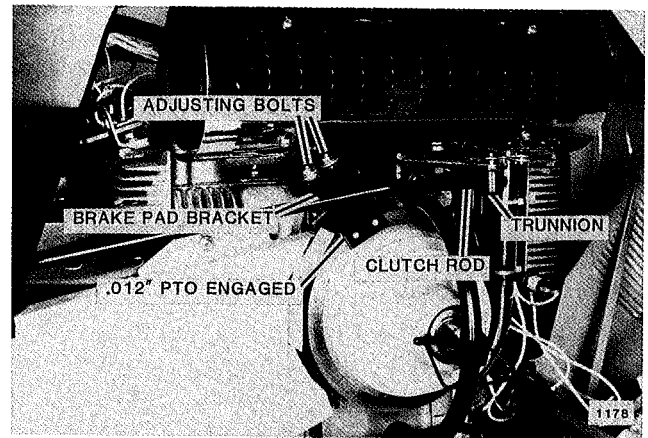
If tractor creeps after brake pedal is depressed and then released, linkage that returns tractor to neutral requires adjustment. Your authorized dealer should make this adjustment.

## PTO CLUTCH AND BRAKE ADJUSTMENT

PTO clutch and brake may require periodic adjustment due to normal wear of friction surfaces. If clutch slippage is apparent, turn trunnion farther onto clutch rod in one turn intervals until slippage is eliminated.

To adjust PTO brake:

1. Engage PTO clutch.
2. Loosen two bolts that hold brake pad bracket to support bracket.
3. Place a .012 in. (.3mm) feeler gauge between brake pad and clutch pulley.
4. While holding brake pad against feeler gauge and pulley, tighten two brake bracket bolts.



**PTO Adjustments**

## CLEANING AND STORAGE

Tractor should be washed regularly with a mild automotive detergent and water. After 30 days, painted surfaces may be waxed to protect original finish.

Minor paint scratches or abrasions can be removed with an automotive cleaning and polishing compound. Rubbing compound is not recommended under normal circumstances, as it is highly abrasive. Exposed bare metal surfaces should be given a light coating of oil or grease to prevent rust until permanent repairs can be made. Aerosol cans of paint are available through your Authorized Toro Wheel Horse Dealer.

When tractor will not be used for an extended period of time, following steps will help insure minimum difficulty when unit is returned to service:

1. Perform required maintenance steps called for in "Maintenance Checklist".
2. Check tires for proper inflation.
3. Drain all fuel from fuel tank, Start tractor and let engine run out of gas. As gasoline grows old, it becomes less volatile and forms harmful gum and varnish deposits in carburetor and fuel pump. **DO NOT STORE GASOLINE FOR MORE THAN 2 MONTHS.**
4. Wash tractor and repaint all bare metal surfaces.
5. Charge battery. In temperatures lower than 40°F (4°C) a battery will maintain a charge for about 60 days. In temperatures above 40°F (4°C) water level should be checked and battery "trickle charged" every 30 days, (more often in higher temperatures). Battery must be fully charged to prevent freezing and internal damage in weather below 32°F (0°C).
6. Remove key from tractor.

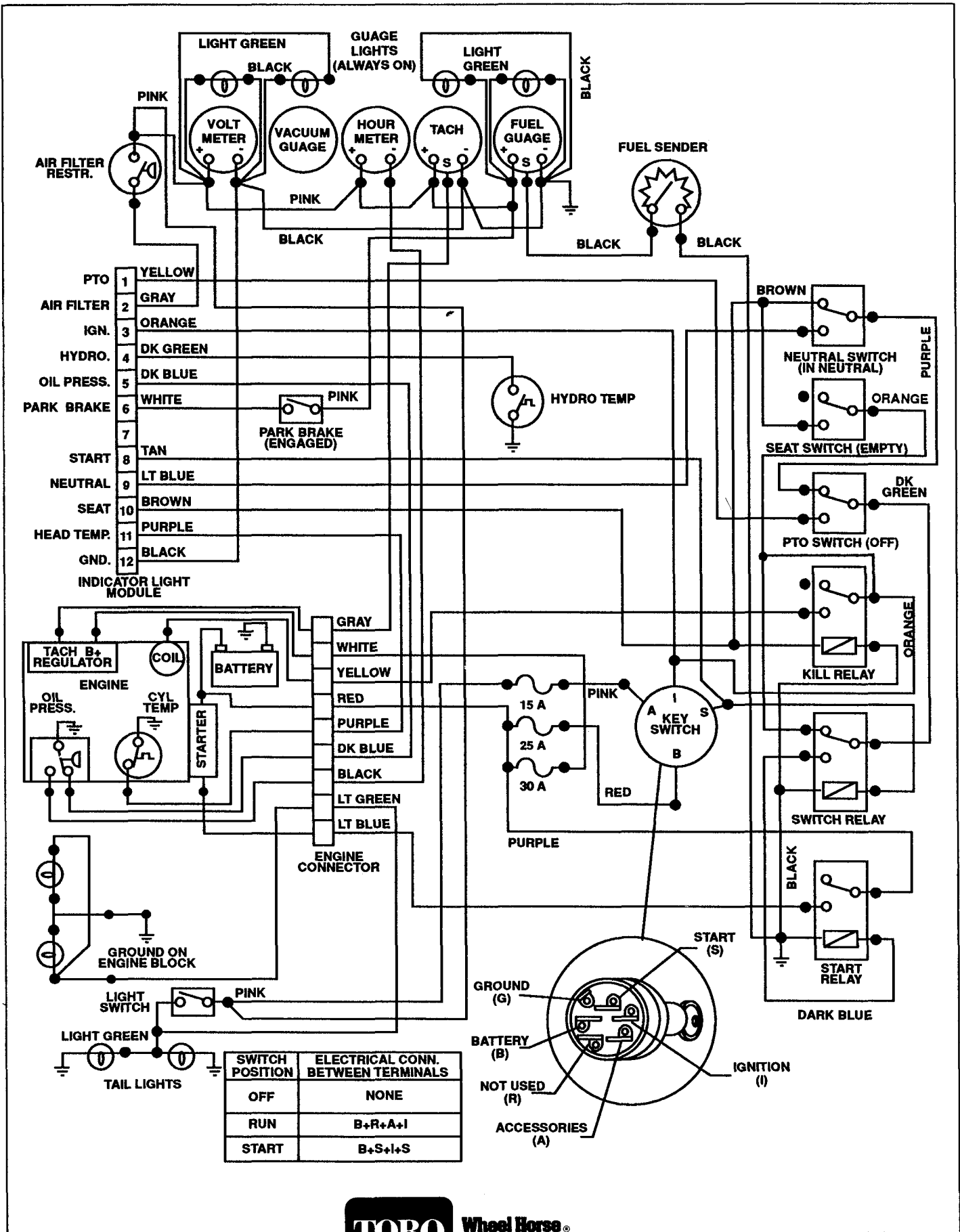
# TROUBLESHOOTING CHECKLIST

<b>SYMPTOM</b>	<b>POSSIBLE CAUSE</b>	<b>POSSIBLE REMEDY</b>
Engine will not turn over.	Dead battery. Open safety interlock switch.  Starter. Solenoid. Ignition switch.	Charge or replace battery. Be sure PTO is disengaged and motion control lever is all the way left in horizontal slot of shift plate.  Consult authorized dealer. Consult authorized dealer. Consult authorized dealer.
Engine turns over but will not start.	Spark plug not firing.  Ignition system. No fuel in tank. Fuel valve closed. Improper carburetor adjustment. Ignition switch.	Check spark plug condition and reset gap. Consult authorized dealer. Refuel tractor. Open fuel valve. Reset carburetor adjustment. Consult authorized dealer.
Engine hard to start.	Spark plug wire(s) grounded or loose.  Ignition system. Spark plug(s) faulty or improperly gapped. Fuel line clogged.  Faulty fuel pump. Carburetor dirty or improperly adjusted.	Check spark plug wires.  Consult authorized dealer. Check spark plug condition and reset gap. Clean fuel line and change line filter; check strainer in fuel tank. Consult authorized dealer. Readjust carburetor. Consult dealer for authorized carburetor service.
Engine starts, but operates erratically.	Clogged fuel line.  Water in fuel.  Vent in fuel cap plugged. Ignition system. Improper carburetor adjustment.	Clean fuel line; check strainer in fuel tank.  Drain old fuel and replace with fresh supply. Check vent. Consult authorized dealer. Readjust carburetor.

# TROUBLESHOOTING CHECKLIST (Continued)

<b>SYMPTOM</b>	<b>POSSIBLE CAUSE</b>	<b>POSSIBLE REMEDY</b>
Engine knocks.	Fuel octane too low.  Faulty Ignition System. Engine overheated.	Drain fuel and replace with higher octane supply. Consult authorized dealer. Shut off engine and allow to cool.
Engine occasionally "skips" at high speed.	Spark plug(s) fouled, faulty or gap too wide. Faulty Ignition System. Incorrect carburetor adjustment.	Check spark plug condition and gap. Consult authorized dealer. Readjust carburetor.
Engine overheating.	Air intake screen or fins clogged Oil level too high or too low. Fuel mixture too lean. Faulty Ignition System. Engine overloaded.	Clean intake screen and fins. Adjust oil level as necessary. Readjust carburetor. Consult authorized dealer. Reduce load on tractor.
Engine idles poorly.	Improper carburetor adjustment. Improper spark plug gap.	Readjust carburetor. Check condition and gap of spark plug(s).
Engine backfires.	Improper carburetor adjustment. Ignition system.	Readjust carburetor. Consult authorized dealer.
Engine runs fine, but tractor will not move.	Transmission clutch disengaged. Faulty Transmission.	Engage clutch. Consult authorized dealer.
Tractor loses power or transmission overheats. (Automatic models)	Transmission oil level too high or too low.  Transmission damage has resulted from operating engine at low RPM or contamination of oil.	Adjust oil level as necessary.  Consult dealer for authorized service.
Engine stalls whenever PTO is engaged.	Excessive load on PTO.  Faulty interlock system.	Check for jammed attachments. Lessen load on attachment. Seat must be occupied to close interlock system. Consult authorized dealer.

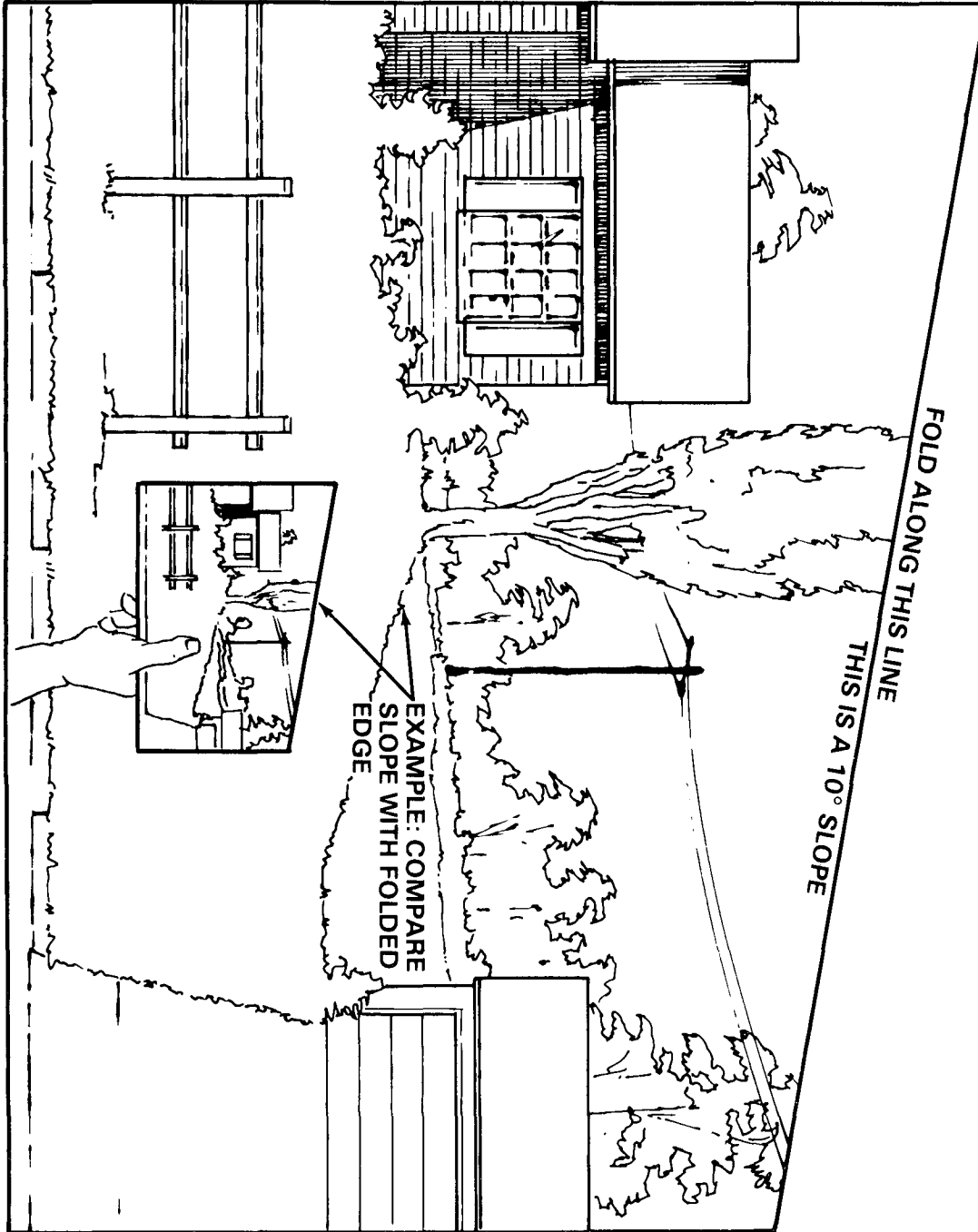
# WIRING DIAGRAM





# 10° SLOPE CHART

ALIGN THIS EDGE WITH A VERTICAL SURFACE  
(TREE, BUILDING, FENCEPOST, POLE ETC.)









# THE TORO TOTAL COVERAGE GUARANTEE

A Full Two-Year Warranty  
(Limited Warranty for Commercial Use)

## What Is Covered By This Express Warranty?

The Toro Company promises to repair any TORO Product used for residential purposes if defective in materials or workmanship for a period of two years from the date of purchase. The cost of parts and labor are included, but the customer pays the transportation costs.

Transportation within a 15 mile radius of the servicing dealer is covered under this warranty for two-stage snowthrowers, walk behind debris equipment and all TORO Wheel Horse riding products. Walk power mowers, single stage snowthrowers, and other products not specifically covered, are excluded from the transportation coverage provided by this warranty.

## What Products Are Covered By This Warranty?

This warranty applies to all gasoline powered Consumer Products (including TORO Wheel Horse riding products). ProLine riding products, wide area walk behind mowers and 21" Commercial mowers without blade stop controls are covered by separate warranty statements.

## How About Commercial Use?

TORO Consumer Products used for commercial, institutional or rental use are covered by a limited warranty for the following time periods from the date of purchase:

Products	Warranty Period
• Garden Tractors	
Chassis . . . . .	1 year limited warranty
Engine . . . . .	2 year limited warranty
• 21" Commercial Duty Walk Mower with blade stop controls . . . . .	1 year limited warranty
• Lawn Tractors, Yard Tractors, Rear Engine Riders, 3.0 and 3.5 HP Edgers, Straight Shaft Trimmers, and Backpack Blowers . . . . .	90 day limited warranty
• All Others . . . . .	45 day limited warranty

## How Do You Get Warranty Service?

Should you feel your TORO product contains a defect in material or workmanship, contact the dealer who sold you the product or any Authorized TORO Service Dealer or TORO Master Service Dealer. The Yellow Pages of your telephone directory is a good reference source. The dealer will either arrange service at his/her dealership or recommend another Authorized Service Dealer who may be more convenient. You may need proof of purchase (copy of registration card, sales receipt, etc.) for warranty validation.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with the Service Dealer's analysis of the defect in materials or workmanship or if you need a referral to a TORO Service Dealer, please feel free to contact us at the following address:

Toro Customer Service Department  
8111 Lyndale Avenue South  
Bloomington, MN 55420-1196  
612-888-8801

## What Must You Do To Keep The Warranty In Effect?

You must maintain your TORO Product by following the maintenance procedures described in the operator's manual. Such routine maintenance, whether performed by a dealer or by you, is at your expense.

## What Does This Warranty Not Cover? and How Does Your State Law Relate To This Warranty?

There is no other express warranty except the TORO Starting Guarantee on GTS Engines. This express warranty does not cover:

- Cost of regular maintenance service or parts, such as filters, fuel, lubricants, tune-up parts, blade sharpening, brake and clutch adjustments.
- Any product or part which has been altered or misused or required replacement or repair due to normal wear, accidents, or lack of proper maintenance.
- Repairs necessary due to improper fuel, contaminants in the fuel system, or failure to properly prepare the fuel system prior to any period of non-use over three months.
- Pickup and delivery charges for distances beyond a 15 mile radius from an Authorized TORO Service Dealer (covered products only).

All repairs covered by this warranty must be performed by an Authorized TORO Service Dealer using Toro approved replacement parts.

Repair by an Authorized TORO Service Dealer is your sole remedy under this warranty.

The Toro Company is not liable for indirect, incidental or consequential damages in connection with the use of the TORO Products covered by this warranty, including any cost or expense of providing substitute equipment or service during reasonable periods of malfunction or non-use pending completion of repairs under this warranty. Some states do not allow exclusions of incidental or consequential damages, so the above exclusion may not apply to you.

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

### COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE UNITED STATES OR CANADA

Customers who have purchased TORO products exported from the United States or Canada should contact their TORO Distributor (Dealer) to obtain guarantee policies for your country, province, or state. If for any reason you are dissatisfied with your Distributor's service or have difficulty obtaining guarantee information, contact the TORO importer. If all other remedies fail, you may contact us at The Toro Company.