

OPERATOR'S

MANUAL

RAKE-O-VAC® BAGGING KIT FOR USE WITH 450TX POWER AIR RAKE[™], 550 TBX RAKE-O-VAC®, 850 SUPER-BLOWER[™]/VAC, 600 AIR RAKE[™], 700 RAKE-O-VAC® OR YARD BLOWER-VAC[™]

Since this instruction sheet covers only a minimal amount of information necessary to maintain and operate your appliance, we suggest that you keep this material with your Operator's Manual so that both may be referred to for instructions concerning safe operation and proper maintenance procedures.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read and understand the contents of this manual before using the appliance. Be thoroughly familiar with the proper use of the appliance.

2. Keep everyone, especially children and pets, away from area of operation. Never allow children to operate the appliance. It is not a toy. Never allow adults to operate unit without first reading the Operator's Manual.

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS



1. Turn off unit and unplug from electrical outlet.

2. Grasp inlet cover and rotate it counterclockwise until locking tabs release. Remove cover. (Fig. 1 for 450, 550 & 850) (Fig. 2 for 600, 700 & Yard Blower-Vac[™]).



Figure 1



Figure 2

3. Slide tubes together as shown in Figure 3.



Figure 3

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

4. Insert upper tube into blower inlet and rotate clockwise until tabs lock (Fig. 4 for 450, 550 & 850) (Fig. 5 for 600, 700 & Yard Blower-Vac[™]).



Figure 4

NOTE: Make sure upper tube mounting tabs are securely locked into position, activating interlock switches. Upper tube or inlet cover must be locked in position for blower to operate.

5. Fit opening of bag over exhaust opening on blower. Pull strap tightly, overlap velcro tabs, and secure (Fig. 6).

Figure 6

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Never run vacuum without vacuum bag attached as flying debris could cause injury. Always make sure bag zipper is closed when unit is in use.



1. With vac tubes and bag attached, pick up unit with left hand holding handle and right hand on lower part of housing. Bag should be on right side. Place bag strap over shoulder, and adjust length to fit (Fig. 7).

2. Slide on/off switch to the "on" position. (For two speed or variable speed units, performance is better when switch is in the high position).



Figure 7





OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

3. Swing unit slowly back and forth over debris to be vacuumed. Do not force tube into pile of debris. Debris should not be stored in vacuum bag. Bag should be emptied after each use for more efficient operation. After about 3 uses bag should be thoroughly cleaned. Turn bag inside out and shake out dust and excess debris.

NOTE: To prevent debris and dust from falling out of bag inlet when bag is being emptied, squeeze inlet and secure velcro tabs.



Do not use appliance with any blocked opening; keep it free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce air flow.

IMPORTANT

- This unit is designed to pick up and shred dry leaves and other light, leafy debris.
- Do not attempt to pick up stones, gravel, broken glass, twigs, bark, acorns or pine cones as severe damage to fan blades may result.
- Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches or hot ashes.
- Do not pick up any liquids, particularly flammable or combustible liquids, such as gasoline, or use in areas where they may be present.
- Do not tip vacuum tubes upright and force feed debris into tubes.

MAINTENANCE

CLOGGING

If the unit should become clogged with debris the obstruction can usually be cleared by turning the unit off and then quickly squeezing the bag while it is still inflated, thus forcing air out the inlet tubes. This reverse airflow is usually sufficient to remove most obstructions.

If the restriction cannot be cleared by squeezing the bag, then proceed as follows:



- 1. Turn off and unplug unit.
- 2. Remove tubes.

3. Using a small stick or rod, reach carefully into opening and clear out debris.

BAG CLEANING

A dirty bag will obstruct the air flow, thereby reducing the performance of your vacuum. It is recommended that the bag be turned inside out and shaken out vigorously. After shaking, the bag should be returned to its original side out and reinstalled. This procedure should be performed on a regular basis. In addition, the bag should be washed once a year.



The bag is made of material that will catch the majority of debris, such as small stones that may be thrown into it. However, under normal usage, this material is subject to deterioration and wear; therefore, check bag frequently. If bag is defective, replace it with a new genuine TORO part.

CONVERSION TO BLOWER

To convert this unit from a vacuum back into a blower:

- 1. Turn off unit and unplug from electrical outlet.
- 2. Remove vacuum bag and tubes.
- 3. Replace inlet cover and blower tubes.

