


WARNING ROTARY LAWN MOWER

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. **YOU** are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. If any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced or rendered inoperable, **DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!**

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With all mowers, mower attachments and other rotary cutting devices, there is a chance of objects *being shot out at high speeds. These objects could cause serious injury or death to the operator or bystanders.*

Thoroughly inspect the area where the equipment is to be used. Clear it of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, bones, sticks, etcetera. Always wear safety goggles and other protective clothing. Keep children, animals and others at least 30 feet away at all times.

 **WARNING:** Operating, servicing and maintaining this equipment can expose you to chemicals including engine exhaust, carbon monoxide and lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize your exposure, avoid breathing exhaust, do not idle the engine except as necessary, operate and service your equipment in a well-ventilated area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently when servicing your equipment. For more information go to www.P65warnings.ca.gov

DO NOT TAPE DOWN OR OTHERWISE BY-PASS ANY SAFETY DEVICES! ALWAYS OPERATE THIS EQUIPMENT FROM THE DESIGNATED OPERATORS POSITION

Use extreme caution whenever operating, moving, loading or unloading this equipment. During and after operation the Muffler and other components are Extremely Hot and will cause Serious Burns.

Never operate power equipment of any kind if you are tired or if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, medication or any substance that could affect your ability or judgment. Be alert! If you get tired while operating this equipment, take a break. Tiredness may result in loss of control.

Never clear the discharge chute or remove the bag while the engine is running.

Provide adequate ventilation when operating this equipment. Internal combustion engines consume oxygen and give off deadly carbon monoxide gas.

IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES TO FOLLOW

1. Use extreme caution: The mower blade is very sharp. Do not put hands or feet near or under rotating parts. Keep clear of the discharge opening at all times.
2. Only allow responsible individuals to operate the lawn mower.
3. Make sure the area is clear of people before mowing. Stop the mower if anyone enters the area.
4. Do not operate the mower barefoot or when wearing sandals.
5. Do not pull the mower backwards unless absolutely necessary.
6. Do not operate the mower without all guards in proper working order and in place.
7. Operate from designed location only.
8. Shut the mower off when crossing gravel drives, walks, or roads.
9. Stop the engine whenever you leave the mower unattended.
10. Mow only in daylight or good artificial light.
11. Never operate the mower on wet grass. Keep a firm hold of the handle at all times.
12. Always wear safety goggles or safety glasses when operating the mower.
13. Mow across the face of slopes; never up and down. Do not exceed 10 degrees.
14. Do not refuel while the engine is hot or running.
15. Keep children out of the mowing area. Do not allow children to operate the lawn mower at any time.
16. Before and while moving backwards, look behind and down for small children and other obstructions.

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. If there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment, **DO NOT USE!!! CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!! FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH**