IMPORTANT

SAFE OPERATION PRACTICES

This symbol points out important safety instructions which, if not followed, could endanger the personal safety and/or property of yourself and others. Read and follow all instructions in this manual before attempting to operate your electric lawn mower. Failure to comply with these instructions may result in personal injury. When you see this symbol—heed its warning.

DANGER:
Your electric lawn mower was built to be operated according to the rules for safe operation in this manual. As with any type of power equipment, carelessness or error on the part of the operator can result in serious injury. If you violate any of these rules, you may cause serious injury to yourself or others.

WARNING: When using electric lawn mowers, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and personal injury, including the following:

TRAINING
- Read all instructions carefully in their entirety before attempting to assemble or operate this machine. Be completely familiar with the controls and the proper use of this machine before operating it. Keep this manual in a safe place for future and regular reference and for ordering replacement parts.
- Your rotary mower is a precision piece of power equipment; not a plaything. Therefore, exercise extreme caution at all times.
- Use Right Appliance—Do not use lawn mower for any job except that for which it is intended.
- Never allow children to operate a power mower. Only persons well acquainted with these rules of safe operation should be allowed to use your mower.
- No one should operate this unit while intoxicated or while taking medication that impairs the senses or reactions.
- Stay Alert—Watch what you are doing. Use common sense. Do not operate lawn mower when you are tired.
- Keep the area of operation clear of all persons, particularly small children and pets. Stop motor when they are in the vicinity of your mower. Although the area of operation should be completely cleared of foreign objects, an object may have been overlooked and could be accidentally thrown by the mower in any direction and cause serious personal injury to the operator or any others allowed in the area.

PREPARATION
- Thoroughly inspect the area where the equipment is to be used. Remove all stones, sticks, wire, bones and other foreign objects which could be picked up and thrown by the mower in any direction and cause serious personal injury to the operator or any others allowed in the area.
- Always wear safety glasses or eye shields during operation or while performing an adjustment or repair, to protect eyes from foreign objects that may be thrown from the machine in any direction. Always use face or dust mask if operation is dusty.
- Dress properly. Wear sturdy, rubber-soled work shoes. Never operate a unit in barefeet, sandals or sneakers. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. They can be caught in moving parts. Use of rubber gloves and footwear is recommended when working outdoors.
- Never attempt to make a wheel or cutting height adjustment while the motor is running.
- Mow only in daylight or in good artificial light.
- Avoid Dangerous Environment—Never operate the equipment in the rain or in damp wet locations. Always be sure of your footing. A slip and fall can cause serious personal injury. Keep a firm hold on the handle and walk, never run. Do not over-reach—keep footing and balance at all times.
- Warning—To prevent electric shock use only with a UL Listed extension cord set suitable for outdoor use, such as Type SW-A, SJTW-A, STW-A, STW-J, SJTW-A, SJTWA, SJTW-A, or SJTWA-A.
- Extension Cord—Make sure your extension cord set is in good condition, is heavy enough to carry the current your mower will draw, and is polarized (one blade of plug is wider than the other). A 100' length of 14 AWG extension cord should be used. An acceptable substitute is a 150' length of 16 AWG cord. In applications where a longer cord is needed, a 150' length of 12 AWG cord may be used. An undersized cord will cause a drop in line voltage resulting in loss of power and overheating. To reduce the likelihood of disconnection of the extension cord set from the lawn mower, be sure to use the cord restraint provided or make a know as shown in the illustration in next column.

OPERATION
- To reduce the risk of electric shock, your mower is equipped with a polarized plug (one blade of plug is wider than the other). If the outlet on the end of your extension cord does not fit fully into the plug on your mower, reverse the outlet and try plugging it in again. The same is true for the end of the extension cord you plug into your house outlet. If after reversing the connections, either one still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper outlet and/or plug. Do not change the plug on the mower in any way.
- Inspect extension cord periodically and replace if damaged. Keep handles dry, clean, and free from oil and grease.
- Fuses—The mower should be operated on a 15 or 20 AMP circuit. If difficulty in starting is experienced with a standard 15 AMP fuse or circuit breaker, contact your nearest authorized service location. Do not use a higher rated fuse without consulting your power company.
- Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) protection should be provided on the circuit(s) or outlet(s) to be used for the lawn mower. Receptacles are available having built-in GFCI protection and may be used for this measure of safety.
- For your safety, use the slope gauge included as part of this manual to measure slopes before operating this unit on a sloped or hilly area. If the slope is greater than 15° as shown on the slope gauge, do not operate this unit on that area or serious injury could result.

- Do not abuse cord—never pull lawn mower by cord or yank it to disconnect from receptacle. Keep cord from heat, oil, and sharp edges.
- If extension cord is damaged in any manner while plugged in, disconnect extension cord from house receptacle.
- Do not put hands or feet near or under rotating parts. Keep clear of the discharge opening at all times as the rotating blade can cause injury.
- Stop the motor when you leave the mower and before crossing gravel drives, walks or roads.
- After striking a foreign object, shut off the motor, make absolutely sure the blade and all moving parts have completely stopped, disconnect the power cord to prevent accidental starting, then thoroughly inspect the mower for any damage. Such damage must be repaired before restarting and operating the mower.
- If the equipment should start to vibrate abnormally, stop the motor and check immediately for the cause. Vibration is generally a warning of trouble.
- Stop the motor, unplug the power cord, and wait for the blade and all moving parts to stop before cleaning or unlogging, repairing or inspecting the mower. The cutting blade continues to rotate for a few seconds after the motor is shut off.
- Do not force lawn mower. It will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed. Use right appliance—Do not use lawn mower for any job except that for which it is intended.
- Mow across the face of slopes, never up-and-down. Never cut grass by pulling mower toward you. Exercise extreme caution when operating mower on uneven terrain or changing direction on slopes. Do not mow excessively steep slopes. Don’t overreach—Keep proper footing and balance at all times. A slip and fall can cause serious personal injury.
- Never operate mower without proper guards, plates or other safety protective devices in place and in working order.
SAFE OPERATION PRACTICES (Continued)

- The blade/motor control on this mower is installed to minimize the risk of blade contact injury and is required by federal regulations. Do not under any circumstances attempt to defeat the function of the blade/motor control.
- To avoid electric shock hazard, never push mower over cord. Do not mow around the lawn in circles. Always travel back and forth across the lawn, beginning at the point nearest the electric outlet to which the extension cord is connected. This will keep the cord on the mowed area of the lawn and out of the way.
- Do not operate mower after it has been dropped or damaged in any manner. Return mower to nearest authorized service location.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the mower manufacturer may cause hazards.
- Do not operate this mower with the chute door open, unless the complete grass catcher or side chute deflector is properly mounted on the mower.

MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE
- Warning—Disconnect power cord from electrical outlet before performing any maintenance or service on mower.
- Check the blade and motor mounting bolts at frequent intervals for proper tightness. Keep all nuts, bolts, and screws tight to be sure the equipment is in safe working condition.
- Keep blade sharp.
- Use identical replacement blades only. Replace damaged cord.
- To reduce fire hazard, keep the motor free of grass, leaves, or excessive grease.
- Store idle lawn mower indoors when not in use. Allow motor to cool before storing in any enclosure. Lawn mower should be stored indoors in dry, high or locked-up place, out of reach of children.
- Check the grass catcher bag frequently for wear or deterioration. Replace a worn or damaged bag immediately. Be sure replacement bag meets original equipment specifications.

DOUBLE INSULATED LAWN MOWER
DOUBLE INSULATION is a concept in safety in electric lawn mowers, which eliminates the need for the usual three wire grounded power cord and grounded supply system. Wherever there is electric current in the mower, there are two complete sets of insulation to protect the user. All exposed metal parts are isolated from the internal metal motor components with protecting insulation.

IMPORTANT—Servicing of a lawn mower with double insulation requires extreme care and knowledge of the system and should be performed only by a qualified service technician. For service we suggest you return the lawn mower to your nearest authorized service dealer for repair. Always use original factory replacement parts when servicing.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS
CONGRATULATIONS on your purchase of a Sears Craftsman Lawn Mower. It has been designed, engineered and manufactured to give you the best possible dependability and performance.

Should you experience any problem you cannot easily remedy, please return the lawn mower to the nearest Sears Service Center/Department in the United States. We have competent, well-trained technicians and the proper tools to service or repair this unit.

Please read and retain this manual. The instructions will enable you to assemble and maintain your lawn mower properly. Always observe the “SAFETY RULES.”

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THE MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBERS WILL BE FOUND ON A LABEL ATTACHED TO THE DECK, NEAR THE RIGHT REAR WHEEL.

YOU SHOULD RECORD BOTH SERIAL NUMBER AND DATE OF PURCHASE AND KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

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MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

A Sears Maintenance Agreement is available on this product. Contact your nearest Sears store for details.

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Read and observe the safety rules.
- Follow a regular schedule in maintaining, caring for and using your lawn mower.
- Follow the instructions under “Customer Responsibilities” (page 10) and “Storage” sections of this Owner’s Manual.

FULL ONE YEAR WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN LAWN MOWER

For one year from the date of purchase, when this Craftsman lawn mower is maintained, lubricated, and tuned up according to the operating and maintenance instructions in the operator’s manual, Sears will repair, free of charge, any defect in material or workmanship.

This warranty excludes the mower blades and blade adapters, which are expendable parts and become worn during normal use.

If this lawn mower is used for commercial or rental purposes, this warranty applies for only 30 days from the date of purchase.

WARRANTY SERVICE IS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING THE NEAREST SEARS SERVICE CENTER IN THE UNITED STATES. THIS WARRANTY APPLIES ONLY WHILE THIS PRODUCT IS IN USE IN THE UNITED STATES.

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

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MOWER ACCESSORIES

These accessories were available when the mower was purchased. They are also available at most Sears retail outlets, catalog and service centers. Most Sears stores can order repair parts for you, when you provide the model number of your mower.

MOWER PERFORMANCE

![Extension Cord](Part No. 764-0447)

MOWER MAINTENANCE

![Grass Bag](Part No. 742-0719)

![Blade Adapter](Part No. 764-0447)

![Wheels](Part No. 764-0447)
TO REMOVE MOWER FROM CARTON
Remove the carton inserts (if any). Lift the mower from the carton, or cut the corners of the carton and roll the mower out. Make certain all parts and literature have been removed from the carton before the carton is discarded.

HOW TO SET-UP YOUR MOWER
- Remove any cardboard pieces which may be between the upper and lower handles for shipping purposes.
- Pull up and back on the lower handle. Pivot the upper handle up to raise the handle into the operating position. See figure 1.
- The upper handle may be adjusted to three different height positions. To select desired position, align one of the three marks on the top of the lower handle insulators with the mark on the upper handle insulators. Tighten the hand knobs.
- Remove the hairpin clips from the outer hole in the weld pins on the handle mounting brackets. Place the hairpin clips in the inner hole.

NOTE: The outer hole in the weld pin is for storage. The hairpin clip must be placed in the inner hole for operation.

IMPORTANT: YOUR MOWER IS SHIPPED WITH THE MULCHING BAFFLE IN PLACE. THE MULCHING BAFFLE ALLOWS THE BLADE TO CUT AND RECYCLE THE GRASS CLIPPINGS INTO SMALL PARTICLES, RETURNING THEM TO YOUR LAWN AS NUTRIENTS FOR THE SOIL.

IF YOU WISH TO BAG INSTEAD OF MULCH THE CLIPPINGS, SIMPLY LIFT THE REAR DISCHARGE DOOR, AND REMOVE THE MULCHING BAFFLE FROM THE REAR OF THE DECK BY PULLING OUTWARD ON THE BAFFLE. THEN ASSEMBLE AND ATTACH GRASS CATCHER AS FOLLOWS.

ASSEMBLING THE GRASS CATCHER
NOTE: Make certain the grass bag is turned right side out before assembling (warning label will be on the outside).
- Join the rear frame and front frame assembly as shown in figure 2A. Push frames together as far as they will go.
- Place bag over frame (black plastic side is the bottom of bag) so the handle is outside the bag. Slip openings in the side of the plastic channel on bag over the hooks on the grass catcher frame.

NOTE: It may be necessary to pull the edge of the fabric away from the plastic channel in order to see the opening.
- Secure bag to frame by working the plastic channels on bag over frame as shown in figure 2B. All of the plastic channels except center top of bag attach from the outside of bag. Center top of bag attaches from the inside of bag.
ASSEMBLY

ATTACHING GRASS CATCHER TO MOWER
Lift the rear discharge door on the mower. Make certain the mulching baffle has been removed. Place the hooks on the grass catcher into the slots in the handle bracket assemblies. See figure 3. Release the rear discharge door.

To remove the grass catcher, lift the rear discharge door on the mower. Lift the grass catcher up, out of the slots in the handle bracket assemblies. Release the rear discharge door.

WARNING: NEVER OPERATE MOWER UNLESS HOOKS ON GRASS CATCHER ARE SEATED IN SLOTS ON HANDLE BRACKET ASSEMBLIES, AND REAR DISCHARGE DOOR RESTS FIRMLY AGAINST TOP OF GRASS CATCHER.

OPERATION

KNOW YOUR LAWN MOWER
READ THIS OWNER'S MANUAL AND SAFETY RULES BEFORE OPERATING YOUR LAWN MOWER. Compare the illustrations with your lawn mower to familiarize yourself with the location of various controls and adjustments. Save this manual for future reference.

MEETS CPSC BLADE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS
OPERATION

MOTOR/BLADE CONTROL—consists of two parts, the motor/blade control handle and the starter button.
- Motor/Blade Control Handle—must be held against the handle to start and run the motor and blade. Release to stop the motor and blade.
- Starter Button—must be depressed in order to engage the motor/blade control handle.

CORD RESTRAINT—helps prevent disconnection of extension cord from motor/blade control.

CIRCUIT BREAKER RESET BUTTON—used to reset the circuit breaker (circuit breaker prevents too much strain being placed on the mower).

BEFORE USING YOUR LAWN MOWER, AGAIN REFER TO THE "SAFETY RULES" AS SHOWN ON PAGE 2 OF THIS MANUAL. ALWAYS BE CAREFUL

The operation of any lawn mower can result in foreign objects being thrown into the eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Always wear safety glasses or eye shields before starting power tool operation or while performing any adjustments or repairs. We recommend Wide Vision Safety Mask for over spectacles or standard glasses available at Sears Retail or Catalog Stores.

HOW TO USE YOUR MOWER

WARNING: DO NOT OPERATE THIS MOWER WITH THE REAR DISCHARGE DOOR OPEN, UNLESS THE COMPLETE GRASS CATCHER IS IN PLACE. DO NOT OPERATE THE MOWER WITHOUT THE PROTECTIVE SHIELD ON THE HEAR OF THE DECK IN PLACE.

WARNING: BE SURE THAT LAWN IS CLEAR OF STONES, STICKS, WRENS, OR OTHER OBJECTS WHICH COULD DAMAGE LAWN MOWER OR ENGINE. SUCH OBJECTS COULD BE ACCIDENTALLY THROWN BY THE MOWER IN ANY DIRECTION AND CAUSE SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY TO THE OPERATOR AND OTHERS.

WARNING: TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT OPERATE THE MOWER IN DAMP OR WET LOCATIONS.

TO STOP MOTOR AND BLADE
- Release the motor/blade control handle to stop the engine and blade. (You will hear a high pitched noise, which is the result of deceleration of the electric motor. Sparking at the top of motor, inside the motor cover, is also normal during deceleration.)

WARNING: THE BLADE CONTINUES TO ROTATE FOR A FEW SECONDS AFTER THE MOTOR IS SHUT OFF. IF MOTOR DOES NOT COME TO AN IMMEDIATE STOP WHEN THE MOTOR/BLADE CONTROL HANDLE IS RELEASED, CONTACT AN AUTHORIZED SERVICE LOCATION.

- Disconnect the power source to prevent accidental starting while equipment is unattended.


TO START MOTOR AND ENGAGE BLADE
Standing behind the unit, depress starter button on the motor/blade control. Pull motor/blade control handle up against handle. Release starter button.

IMPORTANT: YOUR MOWER IS EQUIPPED WITH A CIRCUIT BREAKER, LOCATED ON THE MOTOR/BLADE CONTROL HOUSING. SEE FIGURE 5. IF THE CIRCUIT BREAKER TRIPS, RESET AS INSTRUCTED IN THE MAINTENANCE SECTION.

![Diagram of Motor/Blade Control Handle, Starter Button, and Circuit Breaker Reset Button]

FIGURE 5.
MOTOR/BLADE CONTROL

WARNING: THE MOTOR/BLADE CONTROL ON THIS MOWER IS INSTALLED TO MINIMIZE THE RISK OF BLADE CONTACT INJURY AND IS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL REGULATIONS. DO NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES ATTEMPT TO DEFEAT THE FUNCTION OF THE MOTOR/BLADE CONTROL.

The motor/blade control requires the operator to be behind the handle to start and run the mower. When the operator releases the control handle, the motor will stop and an internal brake helps the blade to stop quickly.

When the operator leaves the operating position to remove the grass catcher, change the cutting height, or pick up sticks or other objects in the way, the motor will stop automatically when the motor/blade control handle is released.

CORD CONNECTION
EXTENSION CORD

IMPORTANT: A 100 FOOT LENGTH OF 14 AWG EXTENSION CORD SHOULD BE USED. AN ACCEPTABLE SUBSTITUTE IS A 50 FOOT LENGTH OF 16 AWG CORD. IN APPLICATIONS WHERE A LONGER CORD IS NEEDED, A 150 FOOT LENGTH OF 12 AWG CORD MAY BE USED. USING ANY OTHER LENGTH OR RATING OF CORD WILL DIMINISH THE PERFORMANCE AND POSSIBLY THE LIFE OF THE ELECTRIC MOTOR. IN ALL CASES, THE EXTENSION CORD SHOULD BE A UL LISTED CORD SET SUITABLE FOR OUTDOOR USE.

- The length of extension cord you will need (not provided with unit) depends on the size of the area to be mowed. See extension cord information above.

CORD RESTRAINT

- Attach extension cord to the cord restraint as follows. Form a small loop in the extension cord. Allow enough excess cord to make the connection to the motor/blade control (approximately 20 inches). Slip the loop through the slot on the bottom of the cord restraint, and up over the tab, to prevent disconnection from the motor/blade control during operation. Leave enough cord to allow the cord restraint to move freely from side to side. See figure 7.

CONNECTION TO THE MOTOR/BLADE CONTROL

- Connect the plug on the extension cord fully onto the plug on the mower. The mower is equipped with a polarized AC power plug (one blade of the plug is wider than the other), which will fit into the plug on the extension cord only one way. If unable to make a full connection, try reversing the plug on the extension cord. Should the plugs still fail to fit, contact your service dealer for assistance. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug.

CUTTING HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT

WARNING: TURN OFF MOTOR AND DISCONNECT POWER CORD BEFORE ADJUSTING THE CUTTING HEIGHT.

Each wheel has an adjuster lever to set the cutting height on your mower. They should always be set to the same position.

- Raise wheels for low cut and lower wheels for high cut.
- To change cutting height, move adjuster levers toward wheels. See figure 6. Move wheels up or down to suit your requirements. Be sure all four levers are in the same setting.

Wheel Adjuster

FIGURE 6.

- Adjust cutting height to suit your requirements. Refer to the “Mowing and Mulching Tips” on page 10. (The height adjusters may seem hard to move when new. They will operate easier after some use.)
OPERATION

CONNECTION TO THE ELECTRIC POWER SOURCE
- Plug the extension cord into any convenient 110-120 volt 60 cycle A.C. outlet or receptacle for your source of power. This outlet may be located either out-of-doors or indoors. If an inside receptacle is used, the extension cord can be taken out either through the doorway or a window. To avoid blowing fuses, pick an outlet that is not overloaded. Your mower will operate satisfactorily on a circuit that is fused for 15 amperes. Do not use oversized fuses without consulting your power company.

TO CONVERT MOWER TO MULCHER
- To convert the mower to a mulching mower, first remove the grass catcher. Then simply lift the rear discharge door, insert the mulching blade, and release the rear discharge door.

MOWING AND MULCHING TIPS
Never mow around the lawn in circles. Always travel back and forth across the lawn, beginning at the point nearest the electric outlet where cord is connected. See figure 8. Cut grass moving away from the outlet so the cord lies in the cut portion of the lawn, out of the way. Do not allow extension cord to wrap around trees, shrubs or other obstacles.

FIGURE 8.
The grass condition at the time of mowing determines the proper mower cutting height setting for best lawn appearance. For a healthy lawn, always cut one-third or less of the total length of the grass at any one cutting.

For extremely heavy cutting, reduce the width of cut.

When mulching under certain conditions, such as very tall grass, it may be necessary to raise the height of cut to reduce pushing effort and to keep from overloading the engine and leaving clumps of grass clippings. Under heavy conditions cross cut for additional mulching of surface debris.

When picking up the extension cord, wind the cord in a series of equal loops on each side of your hand to prevent snarling. See illustration at right.

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS
- Follow the Maintenance Schedule below.

WARNING: BE CERTAIN TO DISCONNECT THE POWER SUPPLY BEFORE PERFORMING ANY REPAIRS OR MAINTENANCE.

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

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CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

LUBRICATION
MOTOR
The motor on your mower does not require lubrication.

WHEELS
DO NOT oil or grease the wheels. Viscous lubricants will attract dust and dirt that will shorten the life of the wheels. If you feel the wheels must be lubricated, use only a dry, silicone type lubricant sparingly.

WHEEL ADJUSTERS
For easy operation, lubricate the wheel adjusters at least once a season with light oil.

MOWER
CIRCUIT BREAKER
The circuit breaker is located on the motor/blade control housing. This breaker may trip when too much strain is placed on the mower. The circuit breaker has been tripped if the mower will not run, and the white part of the reset button projects out of the motor/blade control housing. If this occurs, wait approximately 30 seconds, then depress the reset button. Restart the mower, but be sure to reduce the strain on the mower (i.e., mow at a higher cutting height, slow down, or take a smaller width of cut). If the circuit breaker does not reset, or if it trips repeatedly under normal cutting conditions, the mower should be examined at an authorized service location.

BLADE CARE
Your mower will work better with a sharp blade.

WARNING: BE CERTAIN TO DISCONNECT THE POWER SUPPLY BEFORE PERFORMING ANY MAINTENANCE.

TO REMOVE BLADE (See Figure 9):
- Turn mower on its side.
- Use a block of wood between blade and mower deck to prevent blade from turning when bolt is removed. Protect your hands with gloves and/or wrap blade with heavy cloth.
- Remove center blade bolt by turning counterclockwise. Use a 9/16" box or open-end wrench.

WARNING: PERIODICALLY INSPECT THE BLADE ADAPTER FOR CRACKS, ESPECIALLY IF YOU STRIKE A FOREIGN OBJECT. REPLACE WHEN NECESSARY.

TO SHARPEN BLADE
NOTE: We do not recommend sharpening the blade—but if you do, be sure blade is balanced.
- The blade can be sharpened with a file or on a grinding wheel. Do not attempt to sharpen while on the mower.
- Care should be taken to keep the blade balanced. An unbalanced blade will cause excessive vibration when running and eventual damage to mower and motor.
- To check blade balance, drive a nail into a beam or wall. Leave about one inch of straight nail exposed. Place center hole of blade over the head of the nail. If blade is balanced, it should remain in a horizontal position. If either end of the blade moves downward, blade is not balanced. Sharpen the heavy end until the blade is balanced.

FIGURE 9.
TO REPLACE BLADE (See Figure 9):
- Put blade adapter on motor shaft.
- Fit blade in adapter. Be sure trailing edge of blade is up towards engine.
- Assemble bolts, washers, and nuts in the exact order of removal.
- Use block of wood to hold blade and tighten bolt clockwise. The recommended torque for the center blade bolt is 450-600 in. lbs. The recommended torque for the two blade adapter bolts is 200-300 in. lbs. Torque wrenches are available at most Sears stores and through the catalog.

IMPORTANT: THE BOLT USED TO SECURE THE BLADE TO THE MOTOR SHAFT IS SPECIALLY HEAT-TREATED. DO NOT SUBSTITUTE.

CAUTION: A LOOSE BLADE CAN BE DANGEROUS AND MAY MAKE THE MOTOR HARD TO START.

Use only a Sears authorized replacement blade to get the best cutting results.
CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

CLEANING

WARNING: DISCONNECT POWER SUPPLY BEFORE CLEANING YOUR MOWER.

- Remove any build-up of grass and leaves on or around motor cover. DO NOT USE WATER.
- Clean the underside of your mower after each use by turning the mower on its side and scrapping to remove any build-up of grass, leaves, dirt or other matter. DO NOT USE WATER.
- Occasionally use a dry cloth to wipe mower.
- Wash grass bag periodically with water. Allow to dry thoroughly in the shade. Do not use heat.

IMPORTANT: UNDER NORMAL USAGE, THE GRASS BAG IS SUBJECT TO WEAR AND SHOULD BE CHECKED PERIODICALLY. BE CERTAIN ANY REPLACEMENT BAG COMPLIES WITH THE MOWER MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS.

SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

REAR TRAIL SHIELD
The rear trail shield, attached between the rear wheels of your mower, is provided to minimize the possibility that objects will be thrown out the rear of the mower toward the operator. If the shield becomes damaged, it should be replaced.

TO ADJUST CUTTING HEIGHT
Refer to "CUTTING HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT" in Operation section of manual.

TO ADJUST HANDLE HEIGHT
The upper handle may be adjusted to three different height positions. To select desired position, loosen hand knobs and align one of the three marks on the top of the lower handle insulators with the mark on the upper handle insulators. Tighten the hand knobs.

STORAGE

Your mower should be prepared for off-season storage as follows:

MOWER
- Make sure motor/blade control is in OFF (released) position for storage.
- Clean underside of mower housing (See "CLEANING" in Customer Responsibilities section of manual).
- Inspect and replace/sharpen blade, if required (See "BLADE CARE" in Customer Responsibilities section of manual).
- Lubricate as shown in "MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE" (See Customer Responsibilities section of manual).

HANDLE
The handle may be folded away completely for storage.
- Remove the grass bag (if attached).
- Loosen the hand knobs on the sides of the handle, and let the upper handle fold down to the rear.
- Pull outward on each side of the lower handle, and lift the sides of the lower handle past the edges of the handle mounting brackets. Fold the lower handle forward.

CAUTION: When folding the handle for storage or transportation, be careful not to bend or kink the power cord.
To return the mower to the operating position, pull up and back on the handle until it locks in position. Tighten the hand knobs which secure the upper and lower handles.

EXTENSION CORD
- Replace extension cord if cut or abraded.
- Extension cord should be wiped dry of any foreign substances such as oil or stains.
- Wind cord and store in cool, dry place (See cord winding instruction on page 10).

OTHER
Do not store your mower under any plastic cover. Plastic cannot breathe which allows condensation to form and causes metal components of mower to rust.
# TROUBLE SHOOTING GUIDE

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**Note:** For repairs beyond the minor adjustments listed above, contact your nearest SEARS Service Center.

## HOW TO ORDER REPLACEMENT PARTS

Each lawn mower has its own model number.

The model number for your lawn mower will be found on a label attached to the lawn mower near the right rear wheel.

All parts listed herein may be ordered through Sears, Roebuck and Co. Service Centers and most Retail Stores.

**WHEN ORDERING REPAIR PARTS, ALWAYS GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:**

- PRODUCT - “19” Electric Mulching Mower
- MODEL NUMBER - 247.370252
- PART NUMBER
- PART DESCRIPTION

**IF YOU NEED REPAIR SERVICE OR PARTS:**

**REPAIR SERVICE**
1-800-4-REPAIR
(1-800-473-7247)

**ORDERING PARTS**
1-800-FON-PART
(1-800-366-7278)
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*Common Hardware—May be purchased locally.
†Part of Motor, Switch & Cord Ass’y. Comp. (Ref. 49)
USE THIS PAGE AS A GUIDE TO DETERMINE SLOPES WHERE YOU MAY NOT OPERATE SAFELY.

SIGHT AND HOLD THIS LEVEL WITH A VERTICAL TREE

A POWER POLE

A CORNER OF A BUILDING

OR A FENCE POST

FOLD ON DOTTED LINE, REPRESENTING A 15° SLOPE

Do not mow on inclines with a slope in excess of 15 degrees (a rise of approximately 2-1/2 feet every 10 feet). A riding mower could overturn and cause serious injury. If operating a walk-behind mower on such a slope, it is extremely difficult to maintain your footing and you could slip, resulting in serious injury.

Operate RIDING mowers up and down slopes, never across the face of slopes.
Operate WALK-BEHIND mowers across the face of slopes, never up and down slopes.
No se puede operar el cortacesped con seguridad.

Use esta página como guía para determinar los pendientes en donde...
### DESCRIPCION DE LA PIZKA

Número de Modelo: A7.3725.2

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### CUANDO ORDENAR PIEZAS DE REPUESTO

Las piezas se venden en cajas de 12. Para mayor información sobre piezas, consulte su centro de servicio más cercano.

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**PRECAUCIÓN**

1. **PERSONAL TECNICO EN Formación DE Serras**

Su personal de servicio se ha formado en el uso y mantenimiento de esta herramienta.
RESPONSABILIDADES DEL PROPIETARIO

**ADVERTENCIA:** Desconecte la fuente de energía antes de limpiar el cortacésped.
- Limpie la superficie inferior del motor con agua.
- Elimine el residuo de ceps y escáneres después de cada uso para evitar problemas con el ceps y otros objetos.

**LIMPIEZA**
- Quite cualquier residuo de hojas o césped encima del ceps.
- Limpie de cada uso para remover residuo del césped, hojas, tierra u otras cosas. NO USE AGUA.

**MANTENIMIENTO Y AJUSTES**
- Para ajustar la altura del mango, vea en la sección de operación del manual "AJUSTE DE LA ALTURA DE CORTESPED." Si el guardado se da, se debe reemplazar.

**RESGUARDO TRASERO**
El resguardo trasero de su cortacésped se proporciona para minimizar la posibilidad de que objetos salgan del mango intenso en la parte superior de los asideros del mango superior. Apriete las perillas de mano.

**CORTACÉSPED**
- Asegúrese de que el control del motor/escobilla se encuentre en la posición "OFF" (apagado) para el almacenamiento.
- Limpie el mango inferior de la caja del cortacésped (Vea "LIMPIEZA" en la sección "Responsabilidades del Propietario" del manual).
- Limpie la cuchilla del mango inferior (Vea "LIMPIEZA" en la sección "Responsabilidades del Propietario" del manual).
- Lubrique como se demuestra en "HORARIO DE MANTENIMIENTO" (Vea la sección "Responsabilidades del Propietario" del manual).

**CABLE DE EXTENSIÓN**
El cable debe limpiar y mantener libre de aceite o grasa. Reemplace el cable de extensión si está contaminado.

**ALMACENAMIENTO**
Su cortacésped se debe preparar de la siguiente manera antes de almacenamiento:
- Asegúrese de que el control del motor/escobilla se encuentre en la posición "OFF" (apagado) para el almacenamiento.
- Limpie el mango inferior de la caja del cortacésped (Vea "LIMPIEZA" en la sección "Responsabilidades del Propietario" del manual).
- Limpie la cuchilla del mango inferior (Vea "LIMPIEZA" en la sección "Responsabilidades del Propietario" del manual).
- Lubrique como se demuestra en "HORARIO DE MANTENIMIENTO" (Vea la sección "Responsabilidades del Propietario" del manual).

**OTRA INFORMACIÓN**
- El mango puede doblar completamente para el almacenamiento. Quite la bolsa para ceps (si está unida).
- Sujete las perillas de mango de los lados del mango inferior y gire las perillas de mango de los lados del mango superior.
- Tire hacia atrás en cada lado del mango inferior pasando los bordes de los soportes del mango. Doble el mango inferior hacia adelante.
CONEXION A LA FUENTE DE ELECTRICIDAD

PARA CONVERTIR EL CORRESEPED A UN TRUATOR

Diagrama de conexión a la fuente de electricidad.

**ADVERTENCIA:**

Asegúrese de que el equipo esté en una ubicación con un acceso adecuado para su uso. No intente reparar el equipo si está dañado. Si ocurre un problema, contacte a un profesional calificado.

**RECOMENDACIONES GENERALES**

- Evite el uso de dispositivos portátiles en el interior del equipo.
- Use guantes de seguridad al manipular el equipo.
- Asegúrese de que el equipo esté desconectado antes de realizar cualquier trabajo de mantenimiento.

**CONSEJOS DE COÑECE Y TRUATOR**

- Limpieza periódica del equipo.
- Mantenga las partes móviles lubricadas.
- Verifique la tensión de los cables regularmente.

**Fechas de Mantenimiento**

- Limpieza:
  - Limpie el correseped regularmente.
- Cambio de la cuchilla:
  - La cuchilla se debe cambiar cada 25 horas de uso.
- Regular:
  - Llene las partes en las que se necesita.

**CONTROL DE MANUTENIMIENTO**

- Mantenga los componentes en buen estado.
- Verifique regularmente las funciones del equipo.

**DIRECCIONES GENERALES**

- Use guantes de seguridad al manipular el equipo.
- Asegúrese de que el equipo esté desconectado antes de realizar cualquier trabajo de mantenimiento.

**CONEXIÓN A LA FUENTE DE ELECTRICIDAD**

- Conecte el cable de extensión a la toma de corriente adecuada.
- Use un tomacorriente adecuado para el cable.

**CONSEJOS DE COÑECE Y TRUATOR**

- Use un tomacorriente adecuado para el cable.
- Asegúrese de que el equipo esté desconectado antes de realizar cualquier trabajo de mantenimiento.

**OPERACION**

Diagrama de conexión a la fuente de electricidad.
OPERACIÓN

CONTROL DEL MOTOR/CUCHILLA - consiste de dos partes, la palanca de control del motor/cuchilla y el botón de arranque.

- Palanca de control del motor/cuchilla - debe de mantenerse el motor y la cuchilla.
- Botón de arranque - debe ser inclinado para poder encender la palanca de control del motor/cuchilla.

La operación de cualquier cortacésped puede hacer que objetos salgan volando y que sean tirados a los objetos. Si puede resultar en daño severo. Siempre use gafas de seguridad al hacer ajustes o reparaciones. Recomendamos la Mascar A Ancha Protectora sobre gafas o anteojos de seguridad disponibles en Seavas.

ANTES DE USAR SU CORTACESPED, DE NUEVO HAGA REFERENCIA A LAS "NORMAS DE SEGURIDAD" DE LA PÁGINA 2 DE ESTE MANUAL. TENGÁN SIEMPRE CUIDADO.

CONO UTILIZAR SU CORTACESPED

- Desconecte la fuente de energía para prevenir arranque accidental mientras el equipo esté en uso.

ATENCION: NO OPERE ESTE CORTACESPED CON LA CUCHILLA EN EL VACÍO. SIEMPRE MANTENGA LA CUCHILLA EN EL CORTACESPED CON LA PROTECCIÓN EN LA PARTE TRASERA DE LA PLATAFORMA.

- Asegúrese de que no haya piedras, rocas, cables u otros objetos que puedan ser arrastrados por el motor, tal y como objetos pueden ser arrastrados por el motor. Si hay objetos en el motor, puede causar daño al motor. Si hay objetos en el motor, puede causar daño al motor. Si hay objetos en el motor, puede causar daño al motor.

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- El motor enciende un ruido alto, cuando el resultado de deceleración del motor eléctrico. Chispas en el motor, normalmente deceleración (a deceleración).

- La cuchilla continúa girando por unos segundos después de apagar el motor. Suelte la palanca de control del motor/cuchilla para que el motor no entre en arranque. Si el motor/cuchilla se suelta, llame a un centro de servicio autorizado.
OPERACION

CONOZCA SU CORTECÉSPED

ENSEAMABLE

ADVERTENCIA: NUNCA OPERE EL CORTACÉSPED SIN LAS PROTECCIONES DE SEGURIDAD Y LAS MANOS CUBIERTAS CON GUANTES. LEA EL MANUAL DE INSTRUCCIONES ANTES DE USARLA.
ENSAMBLAJE DEL COLLECTOR DE CESPED

DE CESPED DE LA SIGUIENTE MANERA:

1. Inserte la parte superior del agarrador en el soporte del mango. 
2. Deslice el mango sobre el agarrador y apriete los tornillos. 
3. Compruebe que el mango esté correctamente ajustado. 

NOTA: Asegúrese de que el mango esté correctamente ajustado.

PARA SACAR LA MAGNUINA DE LA CAJA:

Quite el mango superior y el mango intermedio. 
Asegúrese de que el mango esté correctamente ajustado.

COMO MONTAR LA MAGNUINA DE LA CAJA:

Para el montaje de la magüina de la caja:

1. Inserte el mango superior en el soporte del mango. 
2. Deslice el mango intermedio sobre el mango superior. 
3. Ajuste los tornillos. 

IMPORTANTE: Asegúrese de que el mango esté correctamente ajustado.

Nota: Si no se ajusta correctamente, la magüina podría causar daño.

Apriete los tornillos de manera uniforme.

Cómo guardar la magüina:

El mango superior y el mango intermedio se guardan separados. 
El mango inferior se coloca en la cavidad de las manos.

En caso de almacenar la magüina durante un tiempo prolongado, 
asegúrese de que esté correctamente almacenada.

PARA LA MAGNUINA DE LA CAJA:
ACCESORIOS DEL CORTECESEPED

MANTENIMIENTO DEL CORTECESEPED

Funcionamiento del cortacésped

El pedido, cuando usada proporcione el número de modelo de su cortacésped; el personal de los centros de servicio de Sears, la mayor de las tiendas Sears puede hacerle mayoría de los centros, catalogan y centros de servicio de Sears; la misma son disponibles en la tienda de compra del cortacésped. También son disponibles en la

ACCESORIOS

ENSAMBLAJE

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TABLA DE MATERIALES
FELICITACIONES por su compra de una Cortacésped Craftsman Sears. Ha sido diseñada, construida y fabricada para un rendimiento superior.

Por favor, lea y guarde este manual. Las instrucciones le permitirán armar y mantener apropiadamente su cortacésped. Observe siempre las "REGLAS DE SEGURIDAD".
PRECAUCIÓN: Lea y observe todas las reglas de seguridad antes de operar este equipo.