

Operating and Safety Instructions

If you are collecting the equipment for someone else please make sure this sheet is given to the equipment user to read. In accordance with Health and Safety in Employment Act requirements, this sheet should be given to the site supervisor if the equipment is being hired for use at a commercial worksite so that the information is available to all users.



Required Safety Equipment



Ear Muffs



Gloves



Boots



Protective Clothing



Visual Inspection

Pre-Start Checks and Safety

- ! Fuel tank is full (straight petrol)
- ! Engine oil is at correct level
- ! Ensure gear box oil is at correct level
- ! Blade edges aren't burred or concaved
- ! Check centrifugal safety switch on handle is operational
- ! Keep untrained people from using the machine
- ! Never leave machine unattended while engine is running
- ! Keep hands and feet away from moving parts
- ! Don't fuel the machine while engine is running
- ! Maintain good footing while using the machine
- ! Never allow rotating machine to hit foreign obstacles as this may cause serious damage or injury
- ! Do not have throttle above 1/4 when starting machine

When Operating

- When the slab has set sufficiently firm that the operator's footprint leaves a very slight depression on the surface of the slab, it is ready to float
- Do not leave the machine standing in one spot
- Set the trowel pitch by means of the adjustment knob at the end of the handles
- Never set the pitch more than 5mm
- Guide the machine on the slab (a slight upward lift of the handle causes the machine to travel to the left - Holding in neutral the machine will stay in one spot - slight downward pressure causes the machine to travel to the right)
- Best results are obtained by covering approx 100mm on each turn (i.e. let machine move left or right - backwards or forwards approx 100mm with each revolution of the trowel)
- To fill a hole or cut down a hump, move the unit back and forth

Starting procedure

- Set the centrifugal safety switch on handle to the "on" position
- Open the fuel tap
- Switch engine switch to "on"
- Choke engine (cold start)
- Position throttle lever to approximately 1/4 throttle
- Hold machine with left hand
- Pull starter cord until a slight resistance is felt
- Return starter cord and give a sharp pull
- When engine has started open choke
- Allow the engine to warm up

Stopping and After Use

- Throttle down engine to an idle
- Set the centrifugal safety switch on the handle to the "off" position
- Turn off fuel and engine switch