Rider 14 Pro
Operator’s manual

Please read these instructions carefully and make sure you understand them before using the machine.
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Read through these instructions carefully so that you know how to use and maintain the machine before using it.

For servicing other than described in this manual contact an authorised dealer for parts and service.
SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Safety rules for USA

Safe operation practices for ride-on mowers

IMPORTANT!
This cutting machine is capable of amputating hands and feet and throwing objects. Failure to observe the following safety instructions could result in serious injury or death.

I. General operation

1. Read, understand and follow all instructions in the manual and on the machine before starting.
2. Only allow responsible adults, who are familiar with the instructions, to operate the machine.
3. Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade.
4. Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop the machine if anyone enters the area.
5. Never carry passengers.
6. Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
7. Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point it at anyone. Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher or the guard in place.
8. Slow down before turning.
10. Turn off blades when not mowing.
11. Stop engine before removing grass catcher or unclogging chute.
12. Mow only in daylight or good artificial light.
13. Do not operate the machine while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
14. Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roads.
15. Use extra care when loading or unloading the machine into a trailer or truck.

II. Slope operation

Slopes are a major factor related to loss-of-control and tip-over accidents, which can result in severe injury or death. All slopes require extra caution. If you cannot back up the slope or if you feel uneasy on it, do not mow it.

DO
Mow up and down slopes, not across. Remove obstacles such as rocks, tree limbs, etc. Watch for holes, ruts or bumps. Uneven terrain could overturn the machine. Tall grass can hide obstacles.

Use slow speed. Choose a low gear so that you will not have to stop or shift while on the slope. Follow the manufacturer’s recommendations for wheel weights or counterweights to improve stability. Use extra care with grass catchers or other attachments. These can change the stability of the machine. Keep all movement on the slopes slow and gradual. Do not make sudden changes in speed or direction. Avoid starting or stopping on a slope. If tires lose traction, disengage the blades and proceed slowly straight down the slope.

DO NOT
Do not turn on slopes unless necessary and then, turn slowly and gradually downhill, if possible.
Do not mow near drop-offs, ditches or embankments. The mower could suddenly turn over if a wheel is over the edge of a cliff or ditch, or if an edge caves in.
Do not mow on wet grass. Reduced traction could cause sliding.
Do not try to stabilize the machine by putting your foot on the ground.
Do not use grass catcher on steep slopes.

III. Children

Tragic accidents can occur if the operator is not alert to the presence of children. Children are often attracted to the machine and the mowing activity. Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them.

1. Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
2. Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the area.
3. Before and when backing, look behind and down for small children.
4. Never carry children. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe machine operation.
5. Never allow children to operate the machine.
6. Use extra care when approaching blind corners, shrubs, trees or other objects that may obscure vision.
SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

IV. Service

1. Use extra care in handling gasoline and other fuels. They are flammable and vapours are explosive.
   a) Use only an approved container.
   b) Never remove gas cap or add fuel with the engine running. Allow engine to cool before refuelling. Do not smoke.
   c) Never refuel the machine indoors.
   d) Never store the machine or fuel container inside where there is an open flame, such as in a water heater.

2. Never run a machine inside a closed area.

3. Keep nuts and bolts, especially blade attachment bolts, tight and keep equipment in good condition.


5. Keep machine free of grass, leaves or other debris build-up. Clean up oil or fuel spillage. Allow machine to cool before storing.

6. Stop and inspect the equipment if you strike an object. Repair, if necessary, before restarting.

7. Never make adjustments or repairs with the engine running.

8. Grass catcher components are subject to wear, damage and deterioration, which could expose moving parts or allow objects to be thrown. Frequently check components and replace with manufacturer’s recommended parts, when necessary.

9. Mower blades are sharp and can cut. Wrap the blade(s) or wear gloves and use extra caution when servicing them.

10. Check brake operation frequently. Adjust and service as required.

Travel and transport on public roads
Check the relevant road traffic regulations before driving the machine on a public road. If transporting the machine on another vehicle always use approved securing devices and make sure that the machine is securely held.

Towing
If your machine has a hydrostatic transmission you should only tow it very short distances at low speed if absolutely necessary, otherwise the transmission may be damaged.

Intended use
This machine is designed solely for cutting grass on conventional lawns and other cleared and leveled ground without obstacles, as rocks, stumps etc., and, in conjunction with accessories supplied by the manufacturer even for other special tasks for which instructions are delivered with the accessory. Use in any other way is considered as contrary to the intended use. Compliance with and strict adherence to the conditions of operation, service and repair as specified by the manufacturer also constitute essential elements of the intended use.

This machine should be operated, serviced and repaired only by persons who are familiar with its particular characteristics and who are acquainted with the relevant safety procedures.

Any arbitrary modifications carried out to this machine may relieve the manufacturer of liability for any resulting damage or injury.

Safe operation practices for Ride-On Mowers
Before starting cutting operations, train different driving operations on an open ground without people nearby until you feel familiar with handling the equipment. This is particularly important if you have no or little prior experience of driving a vehicle.

Data indicates that operators, age 60 years and above, are involved in a large percentage of riding mower-related injuries. These operators should evaluate their ability to operate the riding mower safely in order to protect themselves and others from serious injury.

Never carry children, even with the blades off. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe machine operation.
EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

These symbols are on the machine and in the instructions. Study them carefully so that you know what they mean.

Read the instructions.

Reverse  Neutral  Fast  Slow  Engine off  Battery  Choke  Fuel

Oil pressure  Cutting height  Backwards  Forwards  Ignition

Use hearing protection  Hydrostatic freewheel  Parking brake  Brake  Warning

Sound level  Warning! Rotating blades  Warning! Risk that the machine can tip over  Never drive across a slope  European standard for machine safety

Never use the machine if persons, especially children, or animals, are in the vicinity  Never carry passengers on the machine or equipment  Keep hands and feet away from under the hood when the engine is running  Drive very slowly without the cutting unit

Starting instructions
Read the instructions
Check the engine’s oil level
Check the hydrostat’s oil level
Lift up the cutting unit
Put the gear shift/hydrostat pedal in neutral
Brake
If the engine is cold use the choke
Start the engine
Release the parking brake before driving

Switch off the engine and take off the ignition cable before repairs or maintenance
SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

These instructions are for your safety. Read them carefully.

This symbol implies that important safety rules are applicable. This is for your safety and the operating reliability of the machine.

General use:

- Make yourself familiar with the controls and how to stop quickly.
- Read all the instructions in Operator’s Manual and on the machine before starting it. Make sure you understand them, and then follow them.
- Only allow adults who are familiar with the machine to use it.
- Wear approved safety glasses or a visor during assembly and driving.
- Never use the machine barefoot. Always wear heavy-duty shoes, preferably toe-capped.
- Never wear loose fitting clothes which can fasten in moving parting.
- Clear the area of objects such as stones, toys, and wires, etc. which can be caught up by the blades and thrown out.
- Check that there are no other persons in the area before starting to cut.
- Stop the machine if anyone comes into the work area.
- Never carry passengers.
- Do not cut backwards unless absolutely necessary.
- Always look down and behind before and during reversing.
- Keep an eye on the ejected grass and do not direct it towards anyone.
- Slow down before turning.
- Never leave the machine unattended when the engine is running. Always switch off the blades, pull on the parking brake, stop the engine and take out the keys before leaving the machine.
- Switch off the blades when you are not cutting.
- Only cut in daylight or good artificial lighting.
- Never use the machine when you have consumed alcohol, drugs, or certain medicines.

WARNING!
This machine can cut off hands and feet, and eject objects. Failure to follow the safety instructions can lead to severe injury.
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- Watch out for traffic when working close to a road, or crossing one.
- Be careful when rounding a fixed object so that the blades do not hit it. Never drive intentionally over a foreign object.
- The machine is heavy and can cause very severe crush injuries. Be extra careful when loading it on a trailer or truck.
- Be careful when pulling a load or using heavy equipment.
  a. Only use approved tow hooks.
  b. Limit the load to what you can manage safely.
  c. Do not make sharp turns. Be careful when reversing.
  d. Use counterweights or wheel weights when indicated in the instructions.

Driving on slopes
Driving on slopes is one of the situations where there is the most serious risk that the driver can lose control or that the machine tips over, which can cause severe injuries or be fatal. All slopes require extra care. If you cannot reverse up the slope or if you feel uncertain avoid cutting it.

Do as follows:
- Remove obstacles such as stones and branches etc.
- Cut upwards and downwards, not sideways.
- Look out for and avoid driving over furrows, holes or mounds. On uneven surfaces it is easier for the machine to tip over. High grass can conceal obstacles.
- Drive slowly. Select a low gear to avoid having to stop and changing gear. It is also easier to use the gear to brake in a low gear.
- Follow the manufacturer’s recommendations on wheel weights or counterweights to increase stability.
- Be extra careful with the grass collector or other equipment which can alter the stability of the machine.
- Always drive smoothly and slowly on slopes. Avoid sudden changes of speed or direction.
- Avoid starting or stopping on a slope. If the tyres begin to skid switch off the blades and drive slowly down the slope.
- Avoid unnecessary turns on slopes, and if turning is necessary turn slowly and gradually, downwards if possible.

- Do not cut close to edges, ditches or banks. The machine can suddenly tip over if a wheel goes over the edge of a drop or a ditch, or if a bank gives way.
- Do not cut wet grass. It is slippery and the tyres can lose their grip so that the machine slides.
- Do not try to stabilise the machine by placing one foot on the ground.
- The Rider lawn mower must never be driven close to an edge or ditch when cleaning the chassis.

Be extra careful when driving on slopes.

Cut slopes upwards and downwards, not sideways.
Children

Tragic accidents can occur if the driver does not pay attention to children in the vicinity. Children are often attracted to the machine and the work of mowing. Never assume that children stay where you last saw them.

- Keep children away from the mowing area and under the close supervision of another adult.
- Be on your guard and switch off the machine if children come into the work area.
- Before and during reversing look behind and down for small children.
- Never allow children to ride on the machine. They can fall off and become seriously injured or obstruct an otherwise safe manoeuvre of the machine.
- Never allow children to steer the machine.
- Be extra careful close to corners, bushes, trees or other objects which obstruct your view.

Maintenance

- Petrol/gasoline and petrol/gasoline fumes are toxic and highly inflammable. Be extra careful when handling petrol.
  a. Store the fuel in containers approved for this purpose.
  b. Never fill up the machine with petrol when the engine is running. Let the engine cool before filling up with petrol. Do not smoke, or fill up with fuel in the vicinity of naked flames or sparks.
  c. Never fill up with fuel indoors.
  d. If leakage has occurred in the fuel system the engine must not be started until this is rectified.
  e. Never store the machine or fuel containers indoors if there are naked flames, such as in a boiler room or where there is electrical equipment which can emit sparks.
- Check the fuel level each time before using the machine, and leave space for the fuel to expand since the heat from the engine and hot sun can cause the fuel to run over.
- Avoid overfilling. If fuel has been spilt on the Rider wipe it up and wait until it has evaporated before starting the engine. If petrol is spilt on clothes, change them.
- Be extra careful when handling battery acid. Spilling acid on the skin can cause severe burn injuries. Rinse immediately with water. If acid gets into the eyes this can cause blindness. Contact a doctor.
• Be careful with the maintenance of the battery. Explosive gas is formed in the battery. Never handle the battery when smoking or in the vicinity of naked flames or sparks. Otherwise the battery can explode and cause severe injuries.

• Never drive the machine in an enclosed space. The exhaust fumes contain carbon monoxide, an odourless, toxic and fatal gas.

• Make sure that bolts and nuts, especially attachment bolts for the blade units are properly tightened and that the equipment is in good order.

• Never alter the safety devices. Check regularly that they function. The machine must not be driven with defective or unmounted safety devices.

• Do not alter the setting of the governor and do not race the engine.

• Reduce the fire risk. Keep the machine clean from grass, leaves and other refuse which fastens in it. Allow the machine to cool before placing it in the storage area.

• Stop and inspect the equipment if you drive over an object. If necessary repair the machine before starting.

• Never make adjustments with the engine running.

• The parts on the grass collector can become worn, damaged and aged, so that moving parts are exposed or so that an object can be thrown out. Check the parts regularly and if necessary replace them with spare parts recommended by the manufacturer.

• The machine is tested for safety and approved only for equipment supplied or recommended by the manufacturer.

• The blades are sharp and can cause cutting injuries. Wrap over the blades or use protective gloves when handling them.

• Check the functioning of the brakes regularly. Adjust and maintain them as necessary.
Presentation

Congratulations on choosing an excellent quality product, Rider ProFlex. These instructions describe the Rider 14 Pro.

The Rider 14 Pro is equipped with a 14 horsepower Vanguard V-Twin engine from Briggs & Stratton.

The power transmission from the engine is handled by a hydrostatic gearbox, which enables variable speed by using the pedals.

One pedal for driving forward and one for reverse.

Location of the controls

1. Ignition lock
2. Choke lever
3. Throttle control
4. Counter
5. Lever for adjustment of cutting height
6. Lifting lever for cutting unit with lock button
7. Speed limiter for reversing
8. Speed limiter for driving forward
9. Parking brake
10. Lock button for parking brake
11. Lever for adjustment of seat
12. Fuel tank cap
13. Main lock
14. Lever to disengage the drive
**Throttle control**
The throttle control regulates the engine speed, and thereby also the rotation speed of the blades.
To increase or reduce the engine speed the control is moved forwards or backwards.

**Choke lever**
The choke lever is used for cold starting and to give the engine a richer fuel mixture.
For cold starting the lever is moved backwards to its end position.

**Speed limiter**
The speed of the machine is steplessly regulated with two pedals. Pedal (1) is used to drive forwards, and pedal (2) to reverse.
Cutting unit

Rider 14 Pro can be equipped with numerous attachments.

The BioClip unit finely cuts the lawn by cutting the grass several times before returning the clippings to the lawn as fertiliser.

The cutting unit with side or rear ejection, that is, the clippings are ejected to the side or behind the unit.

Lift lever for cutting unit

The lift lever is used to set the cutting unit in transport or mowing position.

1. Pull back the lever to the locked position for transport. The cutting unit will lift up and the blades stop rotating.

2. Press in the lock button and move the lever forwards for the mowing position. The unit will lower down and the blades start to rotate.

3. The lever can also be used to temporarily regulate the cutting height, e.g. for a small mound in the lawn.
**Lever for adjustment of the cutting height**

The cutting height can be adjusted to 9 different positions with the cutting height lever.

- Cutting unit with side/rear ejector, 40-90 mm.
- BioClip cutting unit, 45-95 mm.

**Parking brake**

The parking brake is applied as follows:

1. Push down the brake pedal (1).
2. Push in the lock button on the steering column (2).
3. Release the brake pedal while holding the button pressed.

The parking brake lock disengages automatically when the brake pedal is pressed.

**Seat**

The seat has a jointed attachment on the front edge and can be tipped forward.

The seat can also be adjusted lengthways.

To adjust move the lever under the front edge of the seat to the left, so that the seat can be moved forward or backwards to the required position.

**Fuelling**

The engine should be run on 85 octane (or higher) unleaded petrol/gasoline (no added oil). Environmentally adapted alkylate fuel, such as Aspen, is also recommended.

**WARNING!**

Petrol is highly inflammable. Exercise care and refuel outdoors (see safety instructions).
Before starting

- Read the safety instructions and information on the location and function of the controls before starting (see pages 5–12).
- Conduct daily maintenance before starting (see maintenance schedule on page 17).
- Adjust the seat to the required position.

Starting the engine

1. Lift up the cutting unit by pulling the lever backwards to locked position (transport position) and apply the parking brake.

2. Move the throttle control to the middle position.

3. If the engine is cold move the choke lever backwards to its end position.

4. Turn the ignition key to the start position.
5. When the engine starts release the ignition key immediately back to neutral position.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Do not run the starter for more than about 5 seconds at a time. If the engine does not start, wait about 10 seconds before trying again.

6. Push the choke lever gradually forward when the engine has started.

7. Set the required engine speed with the throttle control.

**WARNING!**

Never run the engine indoors, in enclosed or poorly ventilated areas. The exhaust fumes contain toxic carbon monoxide.

**Driving the machine**

1. Release the parking brake by pressing the brake pedal.

2. Carefully press down one of the pedals until the required speed is obtained.

   To drive forward press down pedal (1), or to reverse pedal (2).
3. Push in the lock button on the lift lever and lower down the cutting unit.

4. Select the required cutting height (1–9) with the cutting height lever.

**Cutting tips**

- Localise and mark stones and other fixed objects to avoid collision.
- Start with a high cutting height and reduce down until the required mowing results are obtained.
- The mowing results are best with a high engine speed (fast rotating blades) and low driving speed (slow moving machine). If the grass is not too high and thick the driving speed can be increased or the engine speed reduced without noticeably affecting the mowing results.
- The best lawns are achieved if the grass is cut often. Mowing becomes more uniform and the grass cuttings become more evenly distributed over the surface.
- The total time consumption is not greater since it is possible to select a higher driving speed without inferior mowing results.
- Avoid mowing a wet lawn. The mowing results are inferior since the wheels sink down into the soft lawn.
- Hose down the cutting unit with water underneath each time it is used. Put the cutting unit in the service position first.
- If you use the BioClip unit it is important to mow the grass regularly.

**WARNING!**
Clear the lawn from stones and other objects which can be thrown out by the blades.

**Mowing pattern**
Stopping the engine

Preferably allow the engine to idle for a minute to obtain normal working temperature before stopping it if it has been working hard.

1. Lift up the cutting unit by pulling the lever back to the locked position.

2. Move the throttle control to the MIN. position. Turn the ignition key to the STOP.

Disengage lever

To move the machine when the engine is switched off the disengage lever must be pulled backwards.
## Maintenance schedule

The following is a list of the maintenance which should be conducted on the machine. For the items which are not described in these instructions go to an authorised service workshop.

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1) First change after 8 hours. 2) During dusty conditions cleaning and replacement should be more frequent. 3) For daily use of the machine lubrication should be conducted twice a week. 4) Conducted by authorised service workshop.

● = Described in these instructions.
○ = Not described in these instructions.

### WARNING!

No service procedures must be conducted on the engine or cutting unit unless:

- The engine is switched off.
- The parking brake is applied.
- The ignition key is removed.
- The cutting unit is disengaged.
- The ignition cables are removed from the plugs.
Removing of the machine hoods

**Engine hood**
Release the two rubber straps on the rear edge of the engine hood and lift off the hood.

**Front hood**
Release the clip on the front hood and lift off the fender.

**Right-hand fender**
Dismantle the foot-plate (1), screws (2 and 3), and lift off the fender.

**Left-hand fender**
Dismantle the screws (1 and 2), and lift off the fender.
MAINTENANCE

Check the engine’s oil level
Check the oil level in the engine when the machine is horizontal.
Dismantle the engine hood as per the description on page 18.
Take out the dip stick, wipe off the oil, and insert again.
The dip stick must be fully screwed down.
Now take out the dip stick again and check the oil level.

The oil level should lie between the markings on dip stick. If the level approaches the ADD mark, top up with oil to the FULL mark on the dip stick.
The oil is filled in the same hole as the dip stick is in.
Use engine oil SAE 30 or SAE 10W-30, class CD–CF (over 0°). Use engine oil SAE 5W-30, class CD–CF (below 0°).
The total oil volume in the engine is 1,5 litres.

Check the engine’s cooling air intake
Dismantle the engine hood as described on page 18.
Check that the cooling intake is free from leaves, grass and dirt.
If the cooling intake is blocked this will interfere with the cooling of the engine, which can damage the engine.

Checking of the fuel pump’s air filter
Check regularly that the fuel pump’s air filter is free from dirt.
The filter can when necessary be cleaned with a brush.
Check the transmission’s air intake
Check that the transmission’s air intake is not blocked.

Check the transmission’s oil level
1. Check the transmission’s oil level by looking through the mesh on the air intake. The oil level should lie between the MIN and MAX markings on the oil canister at 20°C.

   If oil needs to be added the transmission cover must be dismantled first. Release the two screws (one on each side) and then lift off the transmission cover.

2. Screw off the oil canister cap and top up with engine oil SAE 10W/30, class CD–CF, until the oil level reaches the MAX marking. Screw the oil canister cap back on, and fit the transmission cover.
Checking and adjustment of the steering wires

The steering is controlled by means of wires. These can in time become slack, which implies that the adjustment of the steering becomes altered.
Check and adjust the steering as follows:

1. Dismantle the frame-plate by releasing the screws (two on each side).

2. Check the tension of the steering wires by pushing them together (at the arrows). It should be possible to push them together so that the distance between them is half as much, without using unnecessary force.

3. When necessary the wires can be tensioned by tightening the adjusting nuts one on each side of the machine. Do not tension the wires too tightly, they should only be *tightened up* to the steering rim.
Check the wire tension on completion of the adjustment as per item 2.
Adjusting the brakes

The brakes are adjusted as follows:

1. Loosen the lock nuts (1).
2. Adjust the wire using the adjuster screw (2) until the play on the wire is taken up.
3. Tighten the lock nuts (1).

WARNING!
Poorly adjusted brakes can result in reduced braking power.

Check the level of the battery acid

Check that the level of the battery acid lies between the markings. Top up the cells with distilled water only.

WARNING!
Procedures on contact with acid
External: Rinse well with plenty of water.
Internal: Drink large quantities of water or milk. Contact a doctor as soon as possible.
Eyes: Rinse well with plenty of water. Contact a doctor as soon as possible.

Batteries emit explosive gas. Sparks, flames and cigarettes must absolutely not be brought into the vicinity of the battery.

Check the safety system

The machine is equipped with a safety system which prevents starting or driving the machine unless someone is sitting in the seat. Check daily that the safety system functions.
This check is carried out by applying the parking brake and raising the cutting unit into the transport position. Start the engine and get off the machine. When the cutting unit is lowered into the cutting position the engine should stop.
Replacing the air filter

If the engine seems to lack power or does not run smoothly this may be because the air filter is clogged. It is therefore important to replace the air filter at regular intervals (see maintenance schedule on page 17 for correct service interval).

The air filter is replaced as follows:

1. Dismantle the engine hood as described on page 18.
2. Fold out the two snap-locks and lift off the cover on the air filter housing.

3. Release and remove the wing-nut in the centre of the air filter and lift off the paper filter with pre-filter.

4. Pull off the foam plastic pre-filter from the paper filter and wash clean in mild detergent. Squeeze it dry in a clean cloth. Drench it with new engine oil. Wrap the filter in an absorbent cloth and squeeze out excess oil. If the paper filter is heavily soiled it should be replaced.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Do not use compressed air to clean the paper filter.

5. Fit the air filter as follows:
   - Push the pre-filter over the paper filter.
   - Fit the paper filter with pre-filter in the air filter housing and tighten the wing-nut in the centre.
   - Replace the cover over the air filter housing and clamp the two snap-locks tight.
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Fitting the cutting unit

1. Position the Rider on a flat surface and apply the parking brake, see page 10. Check that the lever for adjusting the cutting height is at the lowest setting.

Make sure the support wheels are fitted to the cutting unit (1).

2. Grasp the handle at the front (BioClip 90) or hold the frame of the cutting unit (2) and slide the unit underneath the rider mower, making sure that the tongue on the cutting unit (3) engages correctly.

3. Insert the bolt and secure it with a locking pin.

4. Press down the frame and insert the pin. Fit the drive belt around the drive wheels of the cutting unit.

5. Hook up the height adjustment strut.

6. Fit the front cover.

7. Fit the spring that tensions the tensioning pulley, see page 27.
Installing BioClip 90

In order to install BioClip 90 the drive belt support wheel must first be removed.
1. Disengage the spring from the tensioning wheel.
3. Remove the locking pin (1) that is located next to the support wheel.
4. Fit the cutting unit as instructed on the previous page.

Checking and adjustment of the cutting unit’s ground pressure

To achieve the best cutting results the cutting unit should follow the underlying surface without pressing too hard against it. The pressure is adjusted with a screw on each side of the machine.

Adjusting of the cutting unit’s ground pressure is conducted as follows:
1. Place a set of bathroom scales under the cutting unit’s frame (front edge) so that it rests on the scales. If necessary a block can be placed between the frame and scales so that the support wheels do not bear any weight.

2. Adjust the unit’s ground pressure by screwing in or out the adjusting screws located behind the front wheels on both sides.
   The ground pressure should be between 12 and 15 kg.
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Checking the cutting unit’s parallelism

Check the parallelism of the cutting unit as follows:
1. Place the machine on a level surface.
2. Measure the distance between the ground and the front and rear edges of the cutting unit hood. The cutting unit should slope forwards slightly so that the rear edge is 2-4 mm higher than the front edge.

Adjusting the parallelism of the cutting unit

1. Remove the front hood and right-hand fender, as described on page 18.
2. Undo the nuts on the lift strut.
3. Unscrew the strut (anticlockwise) to lower the rear edge of the hood.
   Screw the strut in (clockwise) to raise the rear edge of the hood.
4. Tighten the nuts after adjustment.
5. On completion of the adjustment the unit’s parallelism should be re-checked.
6. Fit the right-hand fender and the front hood.
Removing the cutting unit

1. Apply the parking brake, see page 10.
2. Adjust the cutting height to its lowest setting.
3. Remove the front hood, as described on page 18.
4. Fit the support wheels.

**WARNING!**
Wear protective glasses when removing the cutting unit. The spring which tensions up the belt can go off and cause personal injury.

5. Relieve the tensioning wheel by disconnecting the spring.
6. Lift the drive belt off the cutting unit drive pulley.
7. Pull out the pin.
8. Place one foot on the front edge of the cutting unit. Raise the front edge of the unit slightly and unhook the height adjustment strut.

9. Remove the bolt and pull out the cutting unit.

**Removing the belt**

Starting point when Removing the belt:

- No unit attached to the Rider.
- The front part of the belt hangs loose.

The entire belt is only dismantled as set out below, when the snow plough is fitted on the Rider.

- Remove the guide plate from underneath the drive wheel. Use a 13 mm spanner.
- Prise the belt off the middle pulley and remove the belt.

Reverse the above sequence to refit the belt.
Replacing the cutting unit’s belts

Belt replacement on the BioClip 103

Two transmission belts that synchronise the rotation of the blades power a BioClip 103. The belts are located under a hood on the cutting unit.

1. Remove the cutting unit, see page 25.

2. Remove the front bolt from the parallel strut and tip the strut backwards. Push the height adjustment strut forwards.

3. Loosen the two bolts holding the protective hood and then lift off the hood.

4. Loosen the nuts on the eccentric plate and turn this away.

   Loosen the four nuts (see diagram) holding the outer blade bearing enough so that the bearing can be moved.

   Slide the blade bearing in towards the centre bearing and pry off the upper belt.

   Repeat the procedure for the lower belt.

WARNING!
Protect your hands by wearing gloves when working with the blades.
5. Assembly: First fit the lower belt and then the upper belt.

Ensure the blades are positioned as set out in the diagram, at 90 degrees to each other, otherwise the belts must be adjusted. When the blade bearings are loose the belts can be moved around to the next tooth.

Tighten the nuts enough so that the bearings rest against the cutting hood but still can be moved.

Tension the belt by turning the eccentric adjuster on top of the cutting hood. Tighten the nut.

Tighten all nuts on the blade bearings.

6. When the belt can be moved 7 mm inwards using a force of 10 N the belt is adjusted correctly.

Fit the protective cover over the belts and replace the parallelism arm.

**Belt replacement on BioClip 90**

The BioClip 90 is driven by a toothed belt that synchronises rotation of the blades. The belt is located under the cover of the cutting unit.

To replace the belt on the BioClip 90 follow steps 1-6 of the procedure above. NOTE! BioClip 90 has just 1 belt.

**Belt replacement on cutting unit’s with side or rear ejectors**

Cutting units with side or rear ejectors are powered by one V-belt. Proceed as follows to replace the V-belt:

1. Remove the cutting unit, see page 27.
2. Undo the bolt on the lift strut and the two screws on the cover. Lift the cover off the cutting unit.
3. Loosen the spring that tensions the V-belt and pry off the belt.

To fit a new belt, follow the instructions above in the reverse order.
Service position for cutting unit

The cutting head can be placed in the service position to provide easy access for cleaning, repairs and servicing. In the service position the cutting unit is raised and locked in the vertical position.

Placing in service position

1. Position the machine on flat ground. Apply the parking brake (1), see page 8. Adjust the cutting unit to the lowest cutting height and lower the cutting unit.

2. Remove the front hood by removing the pin. (There are complete instructions on using the service position inside the front hood).

3. Remove the two support wheels from under the front hood.
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4. Fit the support wheels on either side of the rear of the cutting unit.

5. Disengage the spring from the drive belt tensioning wheel.

6. Place a foot on the front edge of the cutting unit near the wheel and raise the front edge of the unit to make it easier to remove the lift strut. Engage the strut in the holder.
7. Lift off the drive belt (1). Then pull out the pin (2).
   Take care not to get your hand trapped.

8. Pull the frame forwards and insert the pin.

9. Grasp the front edge of the cutting unit, pull out and raise into the service position.

Restoring from service position
To restore the machine from the service position, reverse the sequence “Placing in Service position”.
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Checking the blades
To achieve the best mowing results it is important that the blades are undamaged and well-sharpened. Check that the blades’ attachment screws are tight.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Replacing or sharpening the blades should be conducted by an authorised service workshop.

On the Bioclip unit the relative positioning of the blades should always be as shown in the diagram with an angle of 90° between the blades. Otherwise the blades can go against each other and damage the unit.
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Changing the oil
The oil should be changed for the first time after 8 hours of running time. Thereafter it should be changed every 50 hours of running time. If the engine is run hard or during high temperatures the oil should be changed every 25 running hours.

1. Dismantle the engine hood as described on page 18.
2. Place a receptacle under the engine’s drain plug.
3. Remove the dip stick. Remove the drain plug on the left-hand side of the engine.
4. Let the oil run out into the receptacle.
5. Fit the oil plug and tighten well.

6. Fill up with oil to the FULL mark on the dip stick. Use engine oil SAE 30 or SAE 10W-30, class CD–CF (over 0°). Use engine oil SAE 5W-30, class CD–CF (below 0°). The total oil volume in the engine is 1.5 litres.
7. Run the engine warm and then check that there is no leakage from the oil plug.

The oil is filled in the same hole as the dip stick.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Used engine oil is hazardous to health and must by law not be poured out on the ground or in the nature, but shall be handed in to a workshop or special environmental station. Avoid skin contact, wash with soap and water in the event of spillage.
Replacement of the oil filter
1. Dismantle the engine hood as described on page 18.
2. Drain off the engine oil according to the work description “Changing of engine oil” on page 34.
3. Dismantle the oil filter. If necessary use a filter extractor.
4. Apply new, clean engine oil on the seal for the new filter.
5. Fit the filter and tighten by hand.
6. Run the engine warm and check that there is no leakage round the oil filter seal.

Lubrication
The following three lubrication points shall be lubricated regularly with graphite grease of good quality.

In the event of daily use lubrication should be conducted twice a week.

General lubrication
All joints and bearings are lubricated on manufacture with molybdenum sulphide grease.
Re-grease with same type of grease.
Lubricate the steering and control wires with engine oil.

Conduct this lubrication regularly: during daily use of the machine it should be lubricated twice a week.

Lubrication of front wheel bearings
1. Remove the plastic cover on the hub.
2. Remove the lock-ring and washer on the front wheel axle.
3. Lift off the wheel.
4. Grease the axle journal with molybdenum sulphide grease.
5. Assemble the parts in the reverse order.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Check that the lock-ring is correctly positioned in the slot.
Checking and adjustment of the throttle wire

Check that the engine responds to the throttle control and that the correct engine speed is achieved at full throttle.

If in doubt, contact the service workshop

If necessary the following adjustment can be made:

1. Release the clamping screw and push the throttle control to full throttle position.

2. Pull the throttle wire’s outer casing to the right and tighten the clamping screw.

Checking the tyre pressure

The tyre pressure should be 60 kPa (0.6 kp/cm²) all round.

To improve driving the pressure on the rear tyres can be reduced to 40 kPa (0.4 kp/cm²).

The maximum tyre pressure is 80 kPa (0.8 kp/cm²).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Different tyre pressures on the front tyres will result in the blades cutting the grass at different heights.
Replacement of the fuel filter

Replace the fuel filter every 100 running hours (once per season) or more frequently if it is clogged.

Replace the filter as follows:
1. Dismantle the engine hood as described on page 18.
2. Move the hose clips away from the filter. Use a pair of flat pliers.
3. Pull off the filter from the hose ends.
4. Press in the new filter on the hose ends. If necessary soap solution can be applied on the filter ends to simplify fitting.
5. Push the hose clips back on the filter and tighten.

Muffler air intake

Cleaning the filter

1. Loosen the two rubber straps and lift off the engine hood.
2. Loosen the four quick-action clips and lift off the cover and remove the filter.
3. Blow out the filter using compressed air.
4. Replace the filter in the cover and secure the cover using the quick-action clips. Replace the engine hood.
# TROUBLE SHOOTING SCHEDULE

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Winter storage

At the end of the season the machine should immediately be put in order for storage, also if it is going to stand idle for more than 30 days. Fuel which is left to stand for long periods (30 days or more) can leave tacky deposits which can block the carburettor and interfere with the engine.

Fuel stabiliser is an acceptable alternative to avoid tacky deposits during storage. If alkylate petrol (Aspen) is used stabiliser is not necessary since this fuel is stable. However, one should avoid changing from standard to alkylate petrol since sensitive rubber parts can harden. Add stabiliser to the fuel in the tank or the storage container. Always use the mixing ratios indicated by the manufacturer. Run the engine for at least 10 minutes after adding the stabiliser so that it will reach the carburettor. Do not empty the fuel tank and carburettor if stabiliser has been added.

To put the machine in order for storage follow these instructions:

1. Carefully clean the machine, especially under the cutting unit. Touch-up paint damage to avoid rust.
2. Inspect the machine for worn or damaged parts and tighten loose screws and nuts.
3. Change the oil, and take care of the waste oil.
4. Empty the fuel tank. Start the engine and run it until the carburettor is emptied of fuel.
5. Remove the plugs and pour in a tablespoon of engine oil in each cylinder. Pull round the engine to distribute the oil and screw the plugs back on.
6. Grease all grease nipples, joints and axles.
7. Remove the battery. Clean it, charge it, and store it in a cool place. Protect the battery from low temperatures (below freezing point).
8. Store the machine in a clean and dry place and cover it over for extra protection.

Service

When ordering spare parts state the purchase year, model, type, and serial number.

Always use genuine parts.

Annual inspection or trimming by an authorised service workshop is a good way of getting the best out of your machine the next season.
1. Brake switch, hydrostat
2. Microswitch, cutting unit
3. Microswitch, seat
4. Ignition lock
5. Counter
6. Start relay
7. Engine

Explanation of colour abbreviations in wiring diagram.

R = Red
B = Blue
W = White
BL = Black
Y = Yellow
BR = Brown
TECHNICAL DATA

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When the service life of this product has been served and it is no longer used it should be returned to the dealer or to an applicable station for recycling.
## TECHNICAL DATA

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We reserve the right to change technical specifications without prior notice.

Note that no legal claims are valid on the basis of information in this manual.

Use only genuine parts for repairs. The warranty is not valid if non genuine parts are used.

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### EU declaration of conformity (Only applies to Europe)

(Directive 89/392/EEC, Annex II, A)

We, Husqvarna AB, S-561 82 Huskvarna, Sweden, tel. +46 36-146500, declare under sole responsibility that the rider mowers Husqvarna Rider 14 Pro from 1998’s serial numbers and onwards (the year is clearly stated in plain text on the type plate with subsequent serial number), is in conformity with the following standards or other normative documents following the provisions in the COUNCIL’S DIRECTIVES:

- of June 14 1989 “relating to machinery” 89/392/EEC, and applicable supplements.
- of March 22 1984 “relating to permitted sound power levels for lawn mowers” 84/538/EEC, and applicable supplements.
- of May 3 1989 “relating to electromagnetic compatibility” 89/336/EEC, and applicable supplements.

The following standards have been applied: EN292-2, EN836.

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