

TRACTOR MOWERS

POWER TAKE OFF OR 'PTO' DRIVEN



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1 ALWAYS USE COMMON SENSE

This Equipment Safety Data Sheet is intended as a guide only for the safe operation of this mower. It does not override Worksafe NZ recommendations, the manufacturers manual or any other industry requirements. You MUST be a competent qualified person to operate this machine. Do not use this mower for work that it was not designed for!

If you are unsure about any aspect of this mower or its capabilities or its suitability, or if you are in doubt as to its proper usage you must contact one of the Hire Company Employees or an industry expert before continuing.

2 PLANNING FOR SAFETY

A hazard identification assessment & control site plan, including a pedestrian management plan, MUST be in place before starting any work.

BEFORE USING THIS MOWER:

- › Specify the tasks and methods for the job.
- › Ensure that this Mower is the best machine for the job.
- › Understand the capabilities of this machine and its limitations.
- › Identify any site specific hazards that may affect the safe use of this machine and remove any hazards.
- › Ensure site emergency procedures, first aid kit and fire extinguisher are in place.

3 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT



EYE PROTECTION



PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR



HEARING PROTECTION
(Where noise exceeds 85dB)



MASK
(In Dusty conditions)

SUN PROTECTION:
Protective clothing and sunscreen may be required for extensive outdoor use.

4 IMPORTANT HAZARDS



▪ **Danger! Risk of amputation!** Never place hands or feet in the cutting area, especially when the mower is operating. Do not touch blade, even when stationary. Keep pets and people well away when mowing.



▪ **Danger! Risk of being hit with flying debris!** Ensure flaps or protective guards are correctly fitted. Remove any loose material before mowing. Keep people and pets 15 meters away.



▪ **Danger! Risk of entanglement!** Power Take Off (PTO) mechanism must be fully guarded. Never wear loose clothing. PTO mechanism should only be engaged when mower is lowered and mowing.

! DANGER!

- Risk of Toppling! Take care when mowing on sloping ground and in wet conditions. Mow up & down rather than across slope. Use a spotter when loading and unloading.
- Take care when climbing onto or off tractor. Use three points of contact.
- Never remove or tamper with the safety features of this machine, especially guarding around mower and PTO. If any of the safety features have been tampered with or are not functional, do not use this machine.
- Mowing in dry conditions may produce dust. Wear a suitable mask.
- Exhaust gases are poisonous. Never run the engine in confined spaces.
- Turn off engine when refuelling. No smoking. Use appropriate PPE when refuelling.
- Fatigue warning: Vibration and prolonged use may cause accidents from fatigue. Never operate this mower if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, medication or any substance capable of impairing your abilities. You must be physically strong enough to operate this mower. Minimum age 18 years.

5 WORK ZONE

Identify any site-specific hazards that may affect the safe use of this machine.

Remove hazards such as stones. Check for potholes, gulleys etc, especially on unknown ground.

A traffic management plan is required when mowing around others.

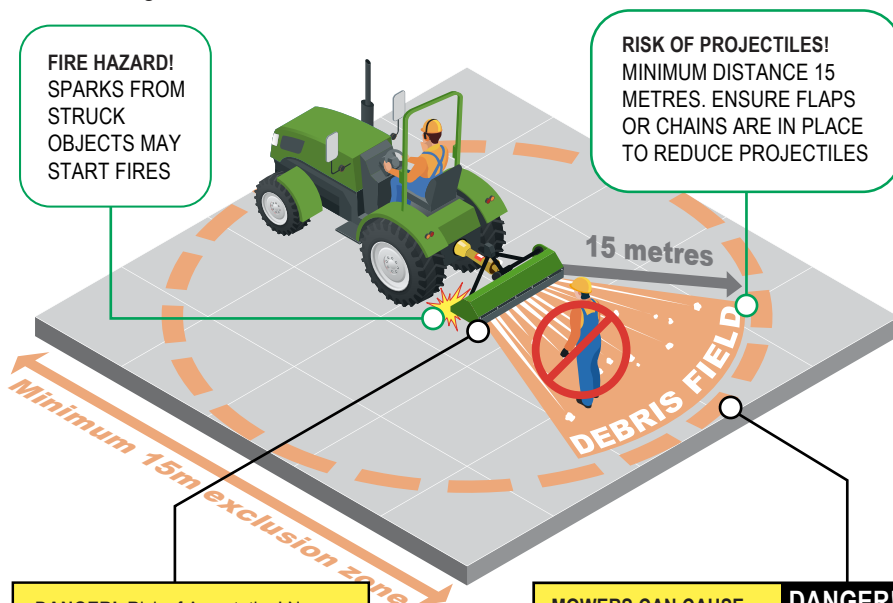
Be aware of tail swing of tractor / mower when turning.

WORK SITE PRECAUTIONS

- Before commencing work ensure everyone understands the site traffic management plan, emergency procedures, where to find a fire extinguisher or first aid kit, and that you can call 111 in an emergency

**IN EMERGENCY
DIAL 111**

FIRST AID KIT



FIRE HAZARD!
SPARKS FROM STRUCK OBJECTS MAY START FIRES

RISK OF PROJECTILES!
MINIMUM DISTANCE 15 METRES. ENSURE FLAPS OR CHAINS ARE IN PLACE TO REDUCE PROJECTILES

DANGER! Risk of Amputation! Never place hands or feet in the cutting area. If mower becomes blocked, turn off engine, remove key and lock mower in raised position before attempting clearance.

MOWERS CAN CAUSE SEVERE INJURIES OR DEATH TO CHILDREN. Take the necessary steps to keep kids and mowers separated!

