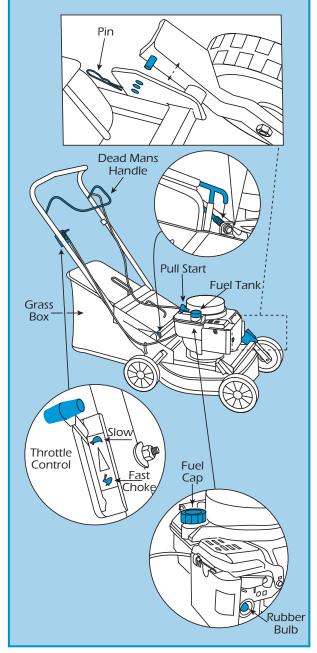
and pull a few times on the starter cord should now start the engine. Once started, let the engine warm up for a few minutes before setting the throttle to operating speed.

Do not release the OPL, as the engine will cut out.

Lawnmower Model 1



BASIC TECHNIQUES

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For the best results, mow in a straight line, tackling the lawn in a series of overlapping strips.

If mowing long grass, start with the mower set to the maximum cutting height then re-mow, several times if necessary, gradually reducing the cutting height at each pass until satisfied.

Watch your footing, especially on wet and/or sloping ground. Mow across the face rather than up and down the slope.

If the mower should strike a stone or something similar, stop mowing at once. Switch OFF and inspect for damage. If in doubt contact your HSS Hire for advice. Empty the grass box at frequent intervals – remembering to switch OFF the mower first. Simply unhook it, empty it out and then re-fit it.

Finally set the throttle control in the STOP position, (If model I, turn OFF the fuel tap) then wait for the engine to die and for moving parts to stop.

In an emergency, however simply release the OPL levers. The engine will automatically cut out.

FINISHING OFF

Never push the equipment beyond its design limits. If it will not do what you want with reasonable ease and speed, assume you have the wrong equipment for the job. Contact you local HSS Hire for advice.

Keep the equipment clean – you will find this less of a chore if you clean it regularly, rather than wait until the end of hire period.

Regularly check the fuel level and top up as necessary with unleaded petrol.

Regularly check the oil level – when the engine is cold and on level ground. Withdraw the dipstick, wipe it clean than replace it, remove it a second time and verify that the oil level is between the min and max lines. Top up as necessary. Suitable oils are available on sale or return from your local HSS Hire.

When not in use, store the equipment somewhere clean, dry and safe from thieves.

EQUIPMENT CARE

Switch the engine OFF (turn off the engine if model I), empty the grass collection box and give the unit a final clean up ready for return to your local HSS Hire.



Petrol Rotary Mowers

For General lawn maintenance with grass collection, particularly those that have overgrown, this rotary push mower is a natural choice



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GENERAL SAFETY

For advice on the safety and suitability of this equipment contact your local HSS Hire.

There is a serious risk of personal injury if you do not follow all instructions laid down in this guide.

The hirer has a responsibility to ensure that all necessary risk assessments have been completed prior to the use of this equipment.

This equipment should only be used by an operator who has been deemed competent to do so by his/her employer.

This equipment should be used by an able bodied, competent adult who has read and understood these instructions. Anyone with either a temporary or permanent disability should seek expert advice before using it.

Keep children, animals and bystanders away from the work area. Cordon off a NO GO area using either cones, barriers or tape, available for hire from your local HSS Hire.

Never use this equipment if you are ill, feeling tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Safety goggles MUST be worn by everyone in the work area.

This equipment generates potentially harmful noise levels. To comply with health and safety at work regulations, ear defenders must be worn by everyone in the vicinity.

Wear practical, protective clothing, gloves and footwear. Avoid loose garments and jewellery that could catch in moving parts. Tie back long hair.

Take all necessary precautions to protect yourself and others against the possibility of contracting infectious diseases in your work environment.

Always switch OFF the engine when not in use.

Ensure the work area is well lit and ventilated. If in doubt ask about lighting and ventilation equipment at your local HSS Hire.

Do not work near flammable gases or liquids, petrol or paint thinner fumes for example. Keep combustible materials at a safe distance – at least 5m.

Make sure you know how to switch this machine OFF before you switch it ON in case you get into difficulty. Always switch the engine OFF and wait for moving parts to come to rest before making adjustments to it.

Engines, especially the exhausts, get very hot so switch OFF and allow to cool before touching them. Keep flammable materials well away from engine and exhaust. Make sure that anyone in the immediate work area is warned of what you are doing.

Having switched OFF, always wait for moving parts to come to rest.

Check the condition of the equipment before use. If it shows signs of damage or excessive wear, return it to your local HSS Hire.

Ensure all guard are correctly fitted and secure before starting work.

COSHH information sheet are available from your local HSS Hire.

Exhaust Danger

Never operate petrol engines indoor or in confined space. The exhaust contains gases that can kill.

Fuel Safety

Never refuel while the engine is hot and running. Never smoke and allow naked lights into the area while refuelling. Never inhale fuel vapour. ALWAYS mop up spillages as quickly as possible and immediately change your clothes if you get fuel on yourself. ALWAYS store fuel in a purpose-made sealed container, in a cool, shaded, safe place well away

from the work area.

GETTING STARTED

It is essential to familiarise yourself with all the controls before starting.

With the machine on firm level ground, check fuel and oil levels (see EQUIPMENT CARE).

Mower model 1...

Adjust the handle to working height and stand the mower on level ground ready for starting – making sure there is nothing, such as long grass, to foul the cutters.

Set the mower to the required cutting height using the adjustment levers on each wheel to the desired height then replacing the pin. Make sure the height of the front and the rear wheels are identically set.

Lift the safety flap at the rear of the mower and fit the grass box, making sure it is securely hooked in place.

Turn ON the fuel tap and set the throttle lever – in the choke position if starting from cold, in the FAST position if the engine has already warmed up.

If the engine has a rubber bulb by the carburettor pump this in and out a few times to prime the system.

Any Operator Present Lever (OPL) fitted should now be held against the main handlebar –or the engine won't start and will cut out as soon as the handle is released.

A few pulls on the starter cord should now start the engine. Once started, let the engine warm up for a few minutes before setting the throttle to operating speed. Mower model 2 & 3

If the handle is folded forward, swing it back so that it is at the rear of the unit. Secure the handle in position by tightening the handle release knob(s).

Set the mower to the required cutting height using the adjustment lever on the front wheels for model 2 and on the right hand rear wheel for model 3, move the lever forward or backward to achieve the desired height.

Lift and safety flap at the rear of the mower and fit the grass box, making sure it is securely hooked in place.

Set the throttle lever – in the CHOKE position if starting from cold, in the FAST position if the engine has already warmed up, pump the primer bulb in and out a few times to prime the system.

Squeeze the operator presence lever on the handle bar

