
SAFETY PRECAUTIONS - continued

THE TRACTOR

General Information

1. Read the operator's manual carefully before using tractor. Lack of operating knowledge can lead to accidents.
2. Do not permit anyone but the operator to ride on the tractor. There is no safe place for passengers.

Operating the Tractor

1. Never run the tractor engine in a closed building without adequate ventilation, as the exhaust fumes are hazardous.
2. Adopt safe driving practice: Keep the brake pedals latched together at all times unless independent braking is required. Never use independent braking during transport.
3. Always drive at a safe speed relative to local conditions and ensure that your speed is low enough for an emergency stop to be safe and secure.
4. Reduce speed prior to turns to avoid the risk of overturning. Keep speed to a minimum.
5. Always keep the tractor in gear to provide engine braking when going downhill. Do not coast.
6. Never allow an open flame near the fuel tank or battery.
7. Make sure the PTO shield is installed when using the equipment and always replace the PTO shield if damaged.
8. Park the tractor/snowblower on level ground, place the transmission in neutral, set the parking brake, disengage the PTO, lower the equipment to the ground, place all levers including auxiliary control levers in neutral, shut off the engine and remove the ignition key BEFORE leaving the tractor.
9. Never park the tractor on a steep slope.
10. Do not attempt to operate on steep slopes. Avoid sudden uphill turns on steep slopes.
11. Use of rear counterweights for better traction and stability is recommended.
12. Handle fuel with care, as it is highly flammable.
13. Use approved fuel container.
14. Never add fuel to a running engine or a hot engine.
15. Fill fuel tank outdoors with extreme care. Never fill fuel tank indoors. Replace fuel cap securely and wipe up spilled fuel.
16. Never allow anyone to operate the snowblower until they have read the manual completely and are thoroughly familiar with basic tractor and snowblower operation.
17. Make sure the tractor is counterweighted as recommended by your dealer. Weights provide the necessary balance to improve stability, traction and steering.
18. Always make sure all snowblower components are properly installed and securely fastened BEFORE operation.
19. Never attempt to start the engine and/or engage snowblower drive while standing beside the tractor.
20. Always start the engine from the operator's seat with all the transmission lever(s) and snowblower drive lever in neutral.
21. DO NOT bypass the safety system by shorting across the terminals of the starter motor to start the engine. This may cause the tractor to move suddenly.
22. If the safety start system does not work, consult your dealer immediately.