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# SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

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## SAFETY FIRST

This symbol, the industry's "Safety Alert Symbol", is used throughout this manual and on labels on the machine itself to warn of the possibility of personal injury. Read these instructions carefully. It is essential that you read the instructions and safety regulations before you attempt to assemble or use this unit.



**DANGER :** Indicates an immediate hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



**WARNING :** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



**CAUTION :** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

**IMPORTANT :** Indicates that equipment or property damage could result if instructions are not followed.

**NOTE :** Gives helpful information.

All products are designed to give safe, dependable service if they are operated and maintained according to instructions. **Read and understand this manual before operation.** It is the owner's responsibility to be certain anyone operating this product reads this manual, and all other applicable manuals, to become familiar with this equipment and all safety precautions. Failure to do so could result in serious personal injury or equipment damage. If you have any questions, consult your dealer.

## **BEFORE OPERATION**

### **Children**

Tragic accidents can occur if the operator is not alert to the presence of children. Children are generally attracted to machines and the work being done. Never assume children will remain where you last saw them.

1. Keep children out of the operating area and under the watchful eye of another responsible adult.
2. Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the work area.
3. Before and when backing, look behind for small children.
4. Never carry children while operating the machine. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with the safe operation of the machine.
5. Never allow children to play on the machine or attachment even when they are turned off.
6. Never allow children to operate the machine even under adult supervision.
7. Use extra care when approaching blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other obstructions that might hide children from sight.