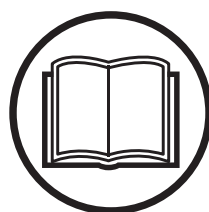


Operator's manual

323EX-series

Please read the operator's manual carefully and make sure you understand the instructions before using the machine.



English

KEY TO SYMBOLS

Symbols

WARNING! Edgers can be dangerous! Careless or incorrect use can result in serious or fatal injury to the operator or others. It is extremely important that you read and understand the contents of the operator's manual.

Please read the operator's manual carefully and make sure you understand the instructions before using the machine.

Always wear:

- A protective helmet where there is a risk of falling objects
- Approved hearing protection
- Approved eye protection

Max. speed of output shaft, rpm



This product is in accordance with applicable CE directives.



Watch out for thrown objects and ricochets.



Warning for rotating blade. Keep hands and feet clear.



Warning! The blade continues to rotate even after the engine has stopped. When the engine has stopped, stop the blade from rotating by letting the blade come in contact with the ground.



The operator of the machine must ensure, while working, that no persons or animals come closer than 15 metres.



Arrows which show limits for handle positioning.



Always wear approved protective gloves.



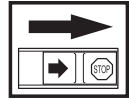
Wear sturdy, non-slip boots.



Other symbols/decals on the machine refer to special certification requirements for certain markets.

The engine is switched off by moving the stop switch to the stop position.

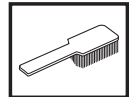
CAUTION! The stop switch automatically returns to the start position. In order to prevent unintentional starting, the spark plug cap must be removed from the spark plug when assembling, checking and/or performing maintenance.



Always wear approved protective gloves.



Regular cleaning is required.



Visual check.



Approved eye protection must always be used.



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Note the following before starting:

Please read the operator's manual carefully.

Maintenance, replacement, or repair of the emission control devices and system may be performed by any nonroad engine repair establishment or individual.



WARNING! Long-term exposure to noise can result in permanent hearing impairment. So always use approved hearing protection.



WARNING! Under no circumstances may the design of the machine be modified without the permission of the manufacturer. Always use genuine accessories. Non-authorized modifications and/or accessories can result in serious personal injury or the death of the operator or others.

Your warranty may not cover damage or liability caused by the use of non-authorized accessories or replacement parts.



WARNING! An edger can be a dangerous tool if used incorrectly or carelessly, and can cause serious or fatal injury to the operator or others. It is extremely important that you read and understand the contents of this operator's manual.

EMISSION CONTROL INFORMATION

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THIS ENGINE MEETS U S EPA AND CALIFORNIA
EXH/EVP REGS FOR  SORE. REFER TO OPERATOR'S
MANUAL FOR MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATIONS AND
ADJUSTMENTS. EMISSIONS COMPLIANCE PERIOD : 

The Emissions Compliance Period referred to on the Emission Compliance label indicates the number of operating hours for which the engine has been shown to meet Federal and Californian emissions requirements.



WARNING

The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

INTRODUCTION

Dear customer!

Congratulations on your choice to buy a Husqvarna product! Husqvarna is based on a tradition that dates back to 1689, when the Swedish King Karl XI ordered the construction of a factory on the banks of the Huskvarna River, for production of muskets. The location was logical, since water power was harnessed from the Huskvarna River to create the water-powered plant. During over 300 years of continuous operation, the Husqvarna factory has produced a lot of different products, from wood stoves to modern kitchen appliances, sewing machines, bicycles, motorcycles etc. In 1956, the first motor driven lawn mowers appeared, followed by chain saws in 1959, and it is within this area Husqvarna is working today.

Today Husqvarna is one of the leading manufacturers in the world of forest and garden products, with quality as our highest priority. We develop, manufacture and market high quality motor driven products for forestry and gardening as well as for building and construction industry.

Your purchase gives you access to professional help with repairs and service whenever this may be necessary. If the retailer who sells your machine is not one of our authorized dealers, ask for the address of your nearest servicing dealer.

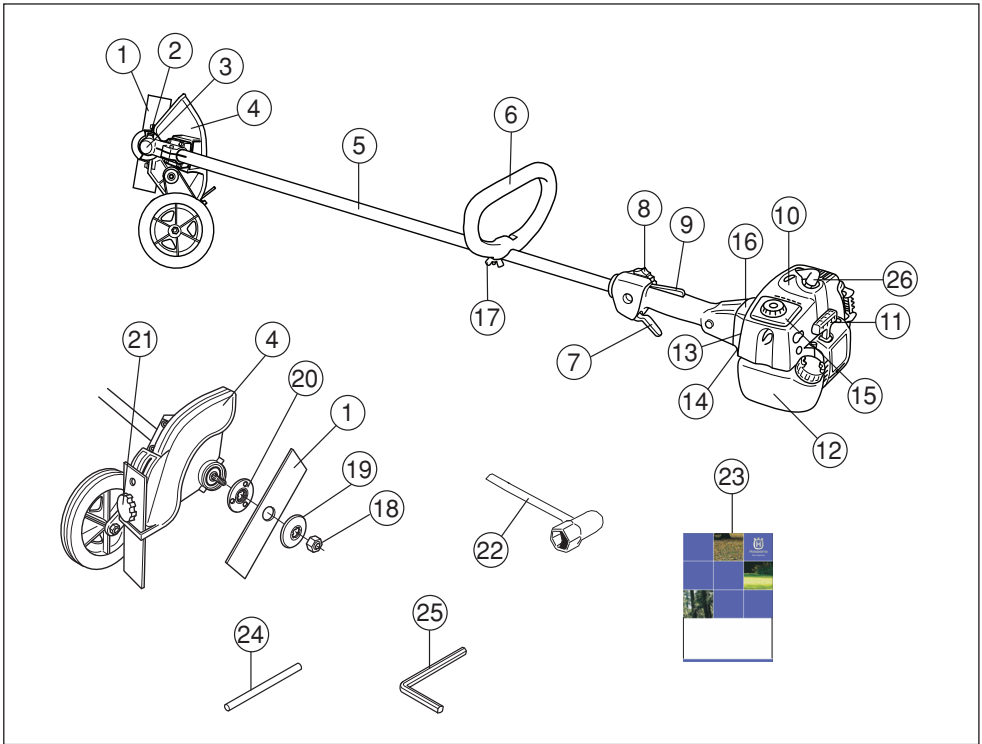
It is our wish that you will be satisfied with your product and that it will be your companion for a long time. Think of this operator's manual as a valuable document. By following its' content (using, service, maintenance etc) the life span and the second-hand value of the machine can be extended. If you ever lend or sell this machine, make sure that the borrower or buyer gets the operator's manual, so they will also know how to properly maintain and use it.

Thank you for using a Husqvarna product.

Husqvarna AB has a policy of continuous product development and therefore reserves the right to modify the design and appearance of products without prior notice.

For customer assistance, contact us at our website: www.usa.husqvarna.com

WHAT IS WHAT?



What is what?

- | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 Blade | 14 Air purge |
| 2 Grease filler cap | 15 Air filter cover |
| 3 Angle gear | 16 Clutch cover |
| 4 Blade guard | 17 Handle adjustment |
| 5 Shaft | 18 Locking nut |
| 6 Loop handle | 19 Support flange |
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GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Important

IMPORTANT!

The machine is only designed for edging lawns.

The only accessories you can operate with this engine unit are the cutting attachments we recommend in the chapter on Technical data.

Never use the machine if you are tired, if you have drunk alcohol, or if you are taking medication that could affect your vision, your judgement or your co-ordination.

Wear personal protective equipment. See instructions under the heading "Personal protective equipment".

Never use a machine that has been modified in any way from its original specification.

Never use a machine that is faulty. Carry out the checks, maintenance and service instructions described in this manual. Some maintenance and service measures must be carried out by trained and qualified specialists. See instructions under the heading Maintenance.

All covers, guards and handles must be fitted before starting. Ensure that the spark plug cap and ignition lead are undamaged to avoid the risk of electric shock.

The operator of the machine must ensure, while working, that no persons or animals come closer than 15 metres.



WARNING! This machine produces an electromagnetic field during operation. This field may under some circumstances interfere with active or passive medical implants. To reduce the risk of serious or fatal injury, we recommend persons with medical implants to consult their physician and the medical implant manufacturer before operating this machine.



WARNING! Running an engine in a confined or badly ventilated area can result in death due to asphyxiation or carbon monoxide poisoning.



WARNING! Never allow children to use or be in the vicinity of the machine. As the machine is equipped with a spring-loaded stop switch and can be started by low speed and force on the starter handle, even small children under some circumstances can produce the force necessary to start the machine. This can mean a risk of serious personal injury. Therefore remove the spark plug cap when the machine is not under close supervision.

Personal protective equipment

IMPORTANT!

An edger can be a dangerous tool if used incorrectly or carelessly, and can cause serious or fatal injury to the operator or others. It is extremely important that you read and understand the contents of this operator's manual.

You must use approved personal protective equipment whenever you use the machine. Personal protective equipment cannot eliminate the risk of injury but it will reduce the degree of injury if an accident does happen. Ask your dealer for help in choosing the right equipment.



WARNING! Listen out for warning signals or shouts when you are wearing hearing protection. Always remove your hearing protection as soon as the engine stops.

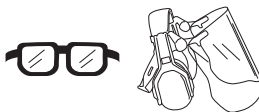
HEARING PROTECTION

Wear hearing protection that provides adequate noise reduction.



EYE PROTECTION

Always wear approved eye protection. If you use a visor then you must also wear approved protective goggles. Approved protective goggles must comply with standard ANSI Z87.1 in the USA or EN 166 in EU countries.



GLOVES

Gloves should be worn when necessary, e.g., when fitting cutting attachments.



BOOTS

Wear boots with steel toe-caps and non-slip sole.



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CLOTHING

Wear clothes made of a strong fabric and avoid loose clothing that can catch on twigs and branches. Always wear heavy, long pants. Do not wear jewellery, shorts sandals or go barefoot. Secure hair so it is above shoulder level.

FIRST AID KIT

Always have a first aid kit nearby.



Machine's safety equipment

This section describes the machine's safety equipment, its purpose, and how checks and maintenance should be carried out to ensure that it operates correctly. See the "What is what?" section to locate where this equipment is positioned on your machine.

The life span of the machine can be reduced and the risk of accidents can increase if machine maintenance is not carried out correctly and if service and/or repairs are not carried out professionally. If you need further information please contact your nearest servicing dealer.

IMPORTANT!

All servicing and repair work on the machine requires special training. This is especially true of the machine's safety equipment. If your machine fails any of the checks described below you must contact your service agent. When you buy any of our products we guarantee the availability of professional repairs and service. If the retailer who sells your machine is not a servicing dealer, ask him for the address of your nearest service agent.

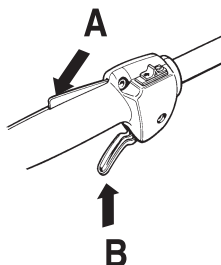


WARNING! Never use a machine with faulty safety equipment. The machine's safety equipment must be checked and maintained as described in this section. If your machine fails any of these checks contact your service agent to get it repaired.

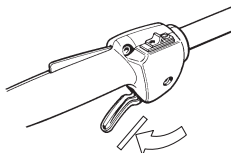
Throttle lockout

The throttle lockout is designed to prevent accidental operation of the throttle control. When you press the lock (A) (i.e. when you grasp the handle) it releases the throttle control (B). When you release the handle the throttle control and the throttle lockout both move back to their original positions. This movement is controlled by two independent return springs. This arrangement means that

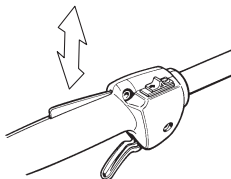
the throttle control is automatically locked at the idle setting.



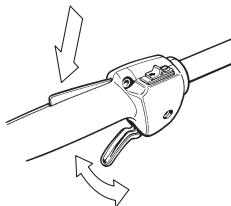
Make sure the throttle control is locked at the idle setting when the throttle lockout is released.



Press the throttle lockout and make sure it returns to its original position when you release it.



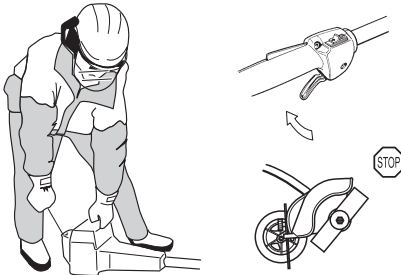
Check that the throttle control and throttle lockout move freely and that the return springs work properly.



See instructions under the heading Start. Start the machine and apply full throttle. Release the throttle and check that the cutting attachment stops and remains at a standstill. If the cutting attachment rotates with the throttle in the idle position then the carburettor idle setting must

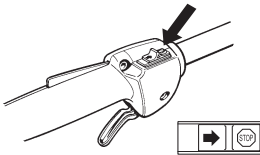
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be checked. See instructions under the heading Maintenance.



Stop switch

Use the stop switch to switch off the engine.

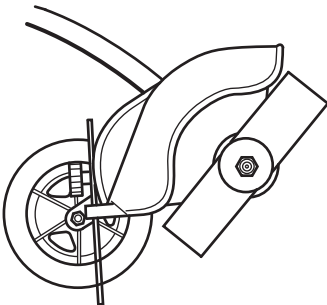


Start the engine and make sure the engine stops when you move the stop switch to the stop setting.

Cutting attachment guard



This guard is intended to prevent loose objects from being thrown towards the operator. The guard also protects the operator from accidental contact with the cutting attachment.



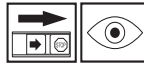
Check that the guard is undamaged and not cracked. Replace the guard if it has been exposed to impact or is cracked.

Always use the recommended guard for the cutting attachment you are using. See chapter on Technical data.

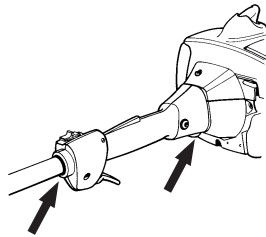


WARNING! Never use a cutting attachment without an approved guard. See the chapter on Technical data. If an incorrect or faulty guard is fitted this can cause serious personal injury.

Vibration damping system

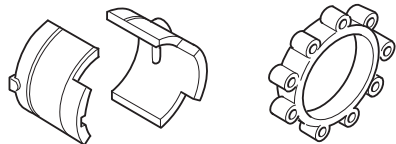


Your machine is equipped with a vibration damping system that is designed to reduce vibration and make operation easier.



The use of incorrect cutting attachments increases the level of vibration. See instructions under the heading Cutting equipment.

The machine's vibration damping system reduces the transfer of vibration between the engine unit/cutting equipment and the machine's handle unit.



Regularly check the vibration damping units for cracks or deformation. Check that the vibration damping element is undamaged and securely attached.



WARNING! Overexposure to vibration can lead to circulatory damage or nerve damage in people who have impaired circulation. Contact your doctor if you experience symptoms of overexposure to vibration. These symptoms include numbness, loss of feeling, tingling, pricking, pain, loss of strength, changes in skin colour or condition. These symptoms normally appear in the fingers, hands or wrists.

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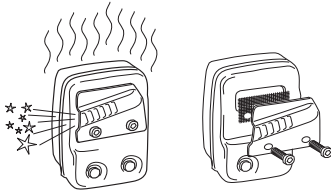
Muffler



The muffler is designed to keep noise levels to a minimum and to direct exhaust fumes away from the user. A muffler fitted with a catalytic converter is also designed to reduce harmful exhaust gases.



In countries that have a warm and dry climate there is a significant risk of fire. We therefore fit certain mufflers with a spark arrestor screen. Check whether the muffler on your machine is fitted with this kind of screen.

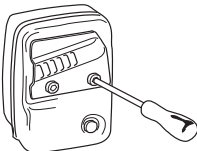


For mufflers it is very important that you follow the instructions on checking, maintaining and servicing your machine.

Never use a machine that has a faulty muffler.

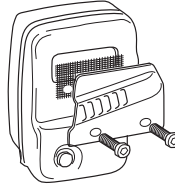


Regularly check that the muffler is securely attached to the machine.



If the muffler on your machine is fitted with a spark arrestor screen this must be cleaned regularly. A blocked

screen will cause the engine to overheat and may lead to serious damage.



WARNING! Mufflers fitted with catalytic converters get very hot during use and remain so for some time after stopping. This also applies at idle speed. Contact can result in burns to the skin. Remember the risk of fire!



WARNING! The inside of the muffler contain chemicals that may be carcinogenic. Avoid contact with these elements in the event of a damaged muffler.



WARNING! Bear in mind that:

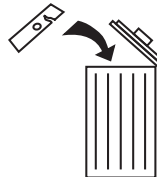
The exhaust fumes from the engine are hot and may contain sparks which can start a fire. Never start the machine indoors or near combustible material!

Cutting equipment



The cutter is designed and manufactured to withstand the loads that edging of a lawn involves.

Check the cutting attachment for damage or cracks. A damaged cutting attachment should always be replaced.



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A non-balanced blade induces heavy vibrations that may damage the machine.



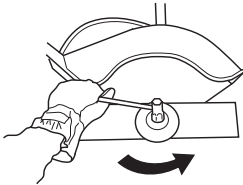
WARNING! Always stop the engine before you work on any part of the cutting equipment. This continues to move even after the throttle is released. Check that the cutting equipment has stopped completely and remove the HT lead from the spark plug before you start any work on it.

Locking nut



The locking nut secures the cutting attachment on the output shaft.

Protect your hand from injury when assembling, use the blade guard as protection when tightening with a socket spanner.



When fitting, tighten the nut in the opposite direction to the direction of rotation of the cutting attachment. To remove it, undo the nut in the same direction as the cutting attachment rotates. (CAUTION! The nut has a left-hand thread.)

Tighten the nut using the socket spanner. 35-50 Nm (3.5-5 kpm).

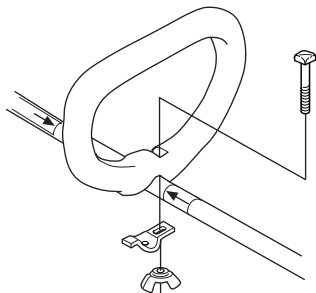
The nylon lining inside the locking nut must not be so worn that you can turn it by hand. The lining should offer a resistance of at least 1.5 Nm. The nut should be replaced after it has been put on approx. 10 times.

ASSEMBLY

Fitting the loop handle



- Position the handle on the shaft. Note that the handle must be mounted below the arrow on the shaft.
- Fit the bolt, securing plate and wing nut as shown in the diagram.

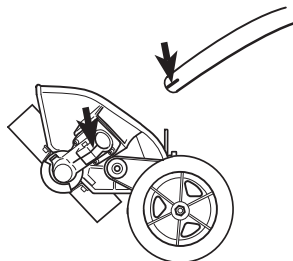


- Tighten the wing nut.

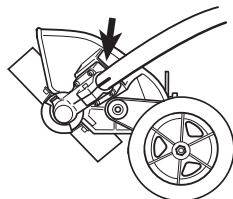
Assembling the angle gear



- Assemble the angle gear back on the supporting tube. Turn the blade so that the drive shaft engages in the angle gear.



- Position the angle gear so that its slot is aligned with the line on the supporting tube.



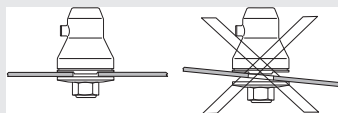
- Firmly tighten the screw.

Assembling the cutting equipment



WARNING!

When fitting the cutting attachment it is extremely important that the raised section on the drive disc/support flange engages correctly in the centre hole of the cutting attachment. If the cutting attachment is fitted incorrectly it can result in serious and/or fatal personal injury.

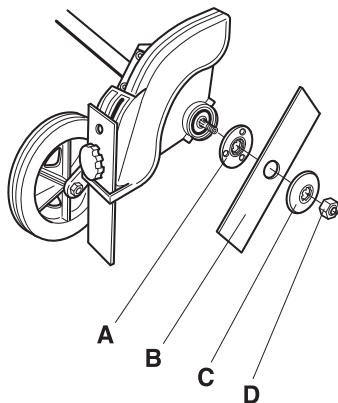


WARNING! Under no circumstances may the edge cutter blade be used without the blade guard fitted.

Assembling the blade



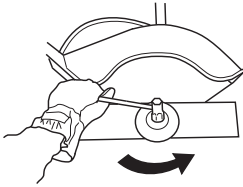
Fit the blade as follows:



- 1 Fit the drive disc (A) on the outgoing shaft. Make sure that the edge that fits in the hole of the blade is facing outward.
- 2 Block the blade rotation by inserting the locking pin in the hole behind the blade guard engaging it in the corresponding hole in the drive disc.
- 3 Fit the blade (B) on the drive disc.
- 4 Fit the support flange (C). The support flange must be fitted with its outer edge hard up against the blade.

ASSEMBLY

- 5 Fit the locking nut (D). **CAUTION!** The locking nut has a left-hand thread. Tighten the locking nut to a torque of 35-50 Nm.



- 6 Remove the locking pin.

CAUTION! Do not forget to remove the locking pin before using the machine.

FUEL HANDLING

Fuel safety

Never start the machine:

- 1 If you have spilled fuel on it. Wipe off the spillage and allow remaining fuel to evaporate.
- 2 If you have spilled fuel on yourself or your clothes, change your clothes. Wash any part of your body that has come in contact with fuel. Use soap and water.
- 3 If the machine is leaking fuel. Check regularly for leaks from the fuel cap and fuel lines.

Transport and storage

- Store and transport the machine and fuel so that there is no risk of any leakage or fumes coming into contact with sparks or naked flames, for example, from electrical machinery, electric motors, electrical relays/ switches or boilers.
- When storing and transporting fuel always use approved containers intended for this purpose.
- When storing the machine for long periods the fuel tank must be emptied. Contact your local gas station to find out where to dispose of excess fuel.
- Ensure the machine is cleaned and that a complete service is carried out before long-term storage.
- The transport guard must always be fitted to the cutting attachment when the machine is being transported or in storage.
- Secure the machine during transport.
- In order to prevent unintentional starting of the engine, the spark plug cap must always be removed during long-term storage, if the machine is not under close supervision and when performing all service measures.



WARNING! Take care when handling fuel. Bear in mind the risk of fire, explosion and inhaling fumes.

Fuel

CAUTION! The machine is equipped with a two-stroke engine and must always been run using a mixture of gasoline and two-stroke engine oil. It is important to accurately measure the amount of oil to be mixed to ensure that the correct mixture is obtained. When mixing small amounts of fuel, even small inaccuracies can drastically affect the ratio of the mixture.



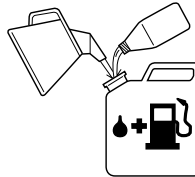
WARNING! Fuel and fuel fumes are highly inflammable and can cause serious injury when inhaled or allowed to come in contact with the skin. For this reason observe caution when handling fuel and make sure there is adequate ventilation.

Gasoline



CAUTION! Always use a quality gasoline/oil mixture with an octane rating of at least 87 octane ((RON+MON)/2). If your machine is equipped with a catalytic converter (see chapter on Technical data) always use a good quality unleaded gasoline/oil mixture. Leaded gasoline will destroy the catalytic converter.

Use low-emission gasoline, also known as alkylate gasoline, if it is available.



This engine is certified to operate on unleaded gasoline.

- The lowest recommended octane grade is 87 ((RON+MON)/2). If you run the engine on a lower octane grade than 87 so-called knocking can occur. This gives rise to a high engine temperature and increased bearing load, which can result in serious engine damage.
- When working at continuous high revs a higher octane rating is recommended.

Two-stroke oil

- For best results and performance use HUSQVARNA two-stroke engine oil, which is specially formulated for our air-cooled two stroke-engines.
- Never use two-stroke oil intended for water-cooled engines, sometimes referred to as outboard oil (rated TCW).
- Never use oil intended for four-stroke engines.
- Mixing ratio
1:50 (2%) with HUSQVARNA two-stroke oil.

Gasoline, litre	Two-stroke oil, litre
	2% (1:50)
5	0,10
10	0,20
15	0,30
20	0,40
US gallon	US fl. oz.
1	2 1/2
2 1/2	6 1/2
5	12 7/8

FUEL HANDLING

Mixing

- Always mix the gasoline and oil in a clean container intended for fuel.
- Always start by filling half the amount of the gasoline to be used. Then add the entire amount of oil. Mix (shake) the fuel mixture. Add the remaining amount of gasoline.
- Mix (shake) the fuel mixture thoroughly before filling the machine's fuel tank.



- Do not mix more than one month's supply of fuel at a time.
- If the machine is not used for some time the fuel tank should be emptied and cleaned.



WARNING! The catalytic converter muffler gets very hot during and after use. This also applies during idling. Be aware of the fire hazard, especially when working near flammable substances and/or vapours.

Fueling



WARNING! Taking the following precautions, will lessen the risk of fire:

Do not smoke or place hot objects near fuel.

Always shut off the engine before refuelling.

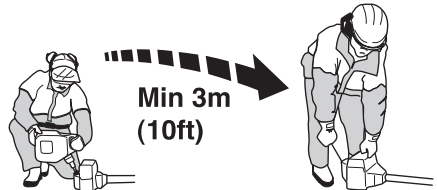
Always stop the engine and let it cool for a few minutes before refuelling.

When refuelling, open the fuel cap slowly so that any excess pressure is released gently.

Tighten the fuel cap carefully after refuelling.

Always move the machine away from the refuelling area before starting.

- Clean the area around the fuel cap. Contamination in the tank can cause operating problems.
- Ensure that the fuel is well mixed by shaking the container before filling the tank.

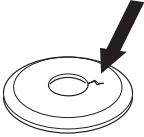


STARTING AND STOPPING

Check before starting



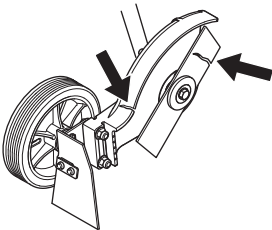
- Check that the support flange is not cracked due to fatigue or due to being tightened too much. Discard the support flange if it is cracked.



- Ensure the locking nut has not lost its captive force. The nut lock should have a locking force of at least 1.5 Nm. The tightening torque of the locking nut should be 35-50 Nm.



- Check that the blade and the blade guard are not damaged or cracked. Replace the blade or blade guard if it has been exposed to impact or if it is cracked.



- Never use the machine without a guard nor with a defective guard.
- All covers must be correctly fitted and undamaged before you start the machine.

Starting and stopping



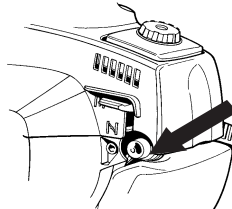
WARNING! The complete clutch cover and shaft must be fitted before the machine is started, otherwise the clutch can come loose and cause personal injury.

Always move the machine away from the refuelling area before starting. Place the machine on a flat surface. Ensure the cutting attachment cannot come into contact with any object.

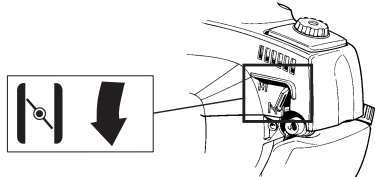
Make sure no unauthorised persons are in the working area, otherwise there is a risk of serious personal injury. The safety distance is 15 metres.

Starting

Primer bulb: Press the air purge repeatedly until fuel begins to fill the bulb. The bulb need not be completely filled.



Choke: Set the choke control in the choke position.



WARNING! When the engine is started with the choke in either the choke or start throttle positions the cutting attachment will start to rotate immediately.

Hold the body of the machine on the ground using your left hand (CAUTION! Not with your foot!). Grip the starter handle, slowly pull out the cord with your right hand until you feel some resistance (the starter pawls grip), now quickly and powerfully pull the cord. **Never wrap the starter cord around your hand**

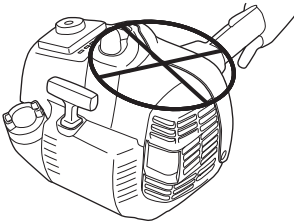
STARTING AND STOPPING

Repeat pulling the cord until the engine starts. When the engine starts, return choke control to run position and apply full throttle; the throttle will automatically disengage from the start setting.

CAUTION! Do not pull the starter cord all the way out and do not let go of the starter handle when the cord is fully extended. This can damage the machine.

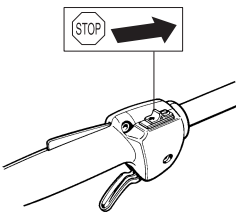


CAUTION! Do not put any part of your body in marked area. Contact can result in burns to the skin, or electrical shock if the spark plug cap has been damaged. Always use gloves. Do not use a machine with damaged spark plug cap.



Stopping

The engine is switched off by moving the stop switch to the stop position.



CAUTION! The stop switch automatically returns to the start position. In order to prevent unintentional starting, the spark plug cap must be removed from the spark plug when assembling, checking and/or performing maintenance.

WORKING TECHNIQUES

General working instructions

IMPORTANT!

This section describes the basic safety rules for working with edgers.

If you encounter a situation where you are uncertain how to proceed you should ask an expert. Contact your dealer or your service workshop.

Avoid all usage which you consider to be beyond your capability.



WARNING! The machine can cause serious personal injury. Read the safety instructions carefully. Learn how to use the machine.



WARNING! A faulty cutting attachment may increase the risk of accidents.



WARNING! Cutting tool. Do not touch the tool without first switching off the engine.

Safety instructions regarding the surroundings

- Never allow children to use the machine.
- Ensure that no-one comes closer than 15 m while you are working.
- Never allow anyone else to use the machine without first ensuring that they have understood the contents of the operator's manual.

Safety instructions before starting work



- Inspect the working area. Remove all loose objects, such as stones, broken glass, nails, steel wire, string, etc. that could be thrown out or become wrapped around the cutter or cutter guard.
- Keep unauthorised persons at a distance. Children, animals, onlookers and helpers should be kept outside the safety zone of 15 m. Stop the machine immediately if anyone approaches.
- Check the entire machine before starting. Replace damaged parts. Check that there are no fuel leaks and that all guards and covers are complete and fastened securely. Check all nuts and screws.
- Check the blade for cracks or any other damage.
- Ensure the blade guard is mounted and not damaged.
- Check that the blade and blade guard are correctly secured.

- Make sure the blade does not rotate when idling.
- Make sure that the handle and safety features are in good working order. Never use a machine that lacks a part or has been modified outside its specifications.
- Only use the machine for the purpose it was intended for.

Basic safety rules



- 1 Look around you:
 - To ensure that people, animals or other things cannot affect your control of the machine.
 - To ensure that people, animals, etc., do not come into contact with the cutting attachment or loose objects that are thrown out by the cutting attachment.
 - CAUTION! Do not use the machine unless you are able to call for help in the event of an accident.
- 2 Do not use the machine in bad weather, such as dense fog, heavy rain, strong wind, intense cold, etc.
- 3 Make sure you can move and stand safely. Check the area around you for possible obstacles (roots, rocks, branches, ditches, etc.) in case you have to move suddenly. Take great care when working on sloping ground.



- 4 The engine must be switched off before moving.
- 5 Never put the machine down with the engine running unless you have it in clear sight.

Basic working techniques

Safety instructions while working



- Always ensure you have a safe and stable working position.

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- Always hold the machine with both hands. Hold the machine on the right side of your body.



- Use your right hand to control the throttle setting.
- Make sure that your hands and feet do not come near the cutting attachment when the engine is running.
- When the engine is switched off, keep your hands and feet away from the cutting attachment until it has stopped completely.
- Always carry out edging at full throttle.
- Always keep the blade close to the ground.
- Always slow the engine to idle speed after each working operation. Long periods at full throttle without any load on the engine (i.e. without the resistance that the cutting attachment exerts on the engine when you are using the machine) can lead to serious engine damage.
- Be especially careful when pulling the edger towards you during work.
- If any foreign object is hit or if vibrations occur stop the machine immediately. Disconnect the HT lead from the spark plug. Check that the machine is not damaged. Repair any damage.



WARNING! Sometimes grass or stones can get trapped in the cutter guard and cutter. Always stop the engine before cleaning.



WARNING! Watch out for thrown objects. Always wear approved eye protection. Never lean over the cutting attachment guard. Stones, rubbish, etc. can be thrown up into the eyes causing blindness or serious injury.

Safety instructions after completing work



- Make sure the cutting attachment has stopped before cleaning, carrying out repairs or an inspection. Disconnect the HT lead from the spark plug.
- Always wear heavy-duty gloves when repairing the cutting attachment. This is extremely sharp and can easily cause cuts.
- Store the machine out of reach of children.
- Use only original spare parts for repairs.

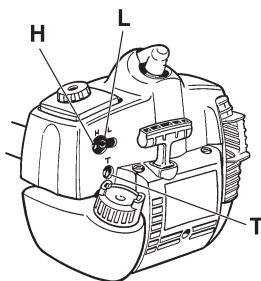
Carburetor

Your Husqvarna product has been designed and manufactured to specifications that reduce harmful emissions. After the engine has used 8-10 tanks of fuel the engine will be run-in. To ensure that it continues to run at peak performance and to minimise harmful exhaust emissions after the running-in period, ask your dealer/service workshop (who will have a rev counter at their disposal) to adjust your carburettor.

Function



- The carburetor governs the engine's speed via the throttle control. Air and fuel are mixed in the carburetor. The air/fuel mixture is adjustable. Correct adjustment is essential to get the best performance from the machine.
- The setting of the carburetor means that the engine is adapted to local conditions, for example, the climate, altitude, fuel and the type of 2-stroke oil.
- The carburetor has three adjustment controls:
 - L = Low speed jet
 - H = High speed jet
 - T = Idle adjustment screw



- The L and H-jets are used to adjust the supply of fuel to match the rate that air is admitted, which is controlled with the throttle. If they are screwed clockwise the air/fuel ratio becomes leaner (less fuel) and if they are turned anti-clockwise the ratio becomes richer (more fuel). A lean mixture gives a higher engine speed and a rich mixture gives a lower engine speed.
- The T-screw regulates the throttle setting at idle speed. If the T-screw is turned clockwise this gives a higher idle speed; turning it anti-clockwise gives a lower idle speed.

Basic setting

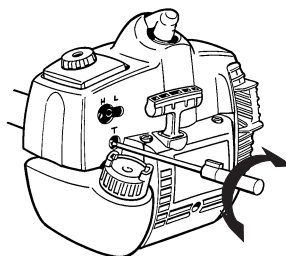
- The basic carburetor settings are adjusted during testing at the factory. The basic setting is richer than the optimal setting and should be maintained for the first few hours the machine is in use. The carburettor should then be finely adjusted. Fine adjustment should be carried out by a skilled technician.

CAUTION! If the cutting attachment rotates when the engine is idling the idle adjustment screw T should be turned anti-clockwise until the cutting attachment stops.

Adjustment of the idle speed

Before any adjustments are made, make sure that the air filter is clean and the air filter cover is fitted.

Adjust the idle speed using the idle adjustment screw T, if it is necessary to readjust. First turn the idle adjustment screw T clockwise until the cutting attachment starts to rotate. Then turn the screw anticlockwise until the cutting attachment stops. The idle speed is correctly adjusted when the engine will run smoothly in every position. The idle speed should also be well below the speed at which the cutting attachment starts to rotate.



WARNING! If the idle speed cannot be adjusted so that the cutting attachment stops, contact your dealer/service workshop. Do not use the machine until it has been correctly adjusted or repaired.

Rec. idle speed: See the Technical data section.

Muffler

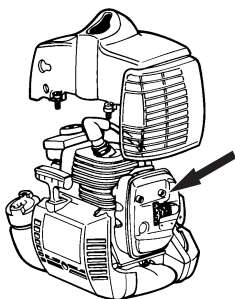


CAUTION! Some mufflers are fitted with a catalytic converter. See chapter on Technical data to see whether your machine is fitted with a catalytic converter.

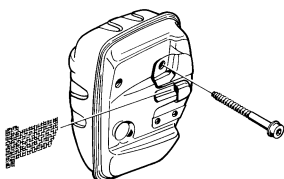
The muffler is designed to reduce the noise level and to direct the exhaust gases away from the operator. The exhaust gases are hot and can contain sparks, which may

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cause fire if directed against dry and combustible material.



Some mufflers are equipped with a special spark arrestor screen. If your machine has this type of muffler, you should clean the screen at least once a week. This is best done with a wire brush. On mufflers without a catalytic converter the screen should be cleaned weekly, or replaced if necessary. On mufflers fitted with a catalytic converter the screen should be checked, and if necessary cleaned, monthly. **If the screen is damaged it should be replaced.** If the screen is frequently blocked, this can be a sign that the performance of the catalytic converter is impaired. Contact your dealer to inspect the muffler. A blocked screen will cause the machine to overheat and result in damage to the cylinder and piston.



CAUTION! Never use a machine with a defective muffler.

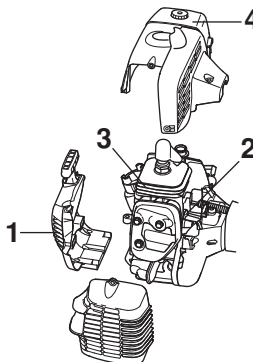


WARNING! Mufflers fitted with catalytic converters get very hot during use and remain so for some time after stopping. This also applies at idle speed. Contact can result in burns to the skin. Remember the risk of fire!

Cooling system



To keep the working temperature as low as possible the machine is equipped with a cooling system.



The cooling system consists of:

- 1 Air intake on the starter.
- 2 Fins on the flywheel.
- 3 Cooling fins on the cylinder.
- 4 Cylinder cover (directs cold air over the cylinder).

Clean the cooling system with a brush once a week, more often in demanding conditions. A dirty or blocked cooling system results in the machine overheating which causes damage to the piston and cylinder.

Spark plug



The spark plug condition is influenced by:

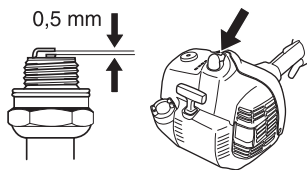
- Incorrect carburetor adjustment.
- An incorrect fuel mixture (too much or incorrect type of oil).
- A dirty air filter.

These factors cause deposits on the spark plug electrodes, which may result in operating problems and starting difficulties.

If the machine is low on power, difficult to start or runs poorly at idle speed: always check the spark plug first before taking any further action. If the spark plug is dirty, clean it and check that the electrode gap is 0.020 inch (0.5

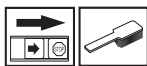
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mm). The spark plug should be replaced after about a month in operation or earlier if necessary.



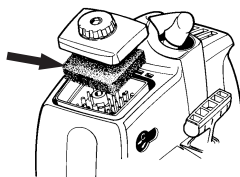
CAUTION! Always use the recommended spark plug type! Use of the wrong spark plug can damage the piston/cylinder. Check that the spark plug is fitted with a suppressor.

Air filter



The air filter must be regularly cleaned to remove dust and dirt in order to avoid:

- Carburettor malfunctions
- Starting problems
- Loss of engine power
- Unnecessary wear to engine parts
- Excessive fuel consumption.



Clean the filter every 25 hours, or more regularly if conditions are exceptionally dusty.

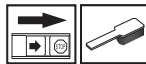
Cleaning the air filter

Remove the air filter cover and take out the filter. Wash it clean in warm, soapy water. Ensure that the filter is dry before refitting it.

An air filter that has been in use for a long time cannot be cleaned completely. The filter must therefore be replaced with a new one at regular intervals. **A damaged air filter must always be replaced.**

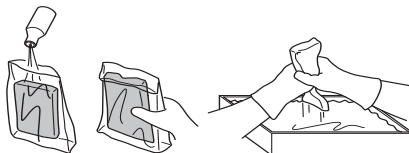
If the machine is used in dusty conditions the air filter should be soaked in oil. See instructions under the heading Oiling the air filter.

Oiling the air filter



Always use HUSQVARNA filter oil, art. no. 531 00 92-48. The filter oil contains a solvent to make it spread evenly through the filter. You should therefore avoid skin contact.

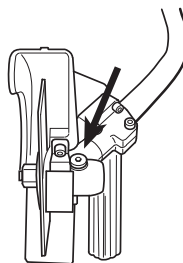
Put the filter in a plastic bag and pour the filter oil over it. Knead the plastic bag to distribute the oil. Squeeze the excess oil out of the filter inside the plastic bag and pour off the excess before fitting the filter to the machine. Never use common engine oil. This would drain through the filter quite quickly and collect in the bottom.



Angle gear



The angle gear is filled with a sufficient quantity of grease at the factory. However, before using the machine you should check that the angle gear is filled to 3/4 with grease. Use HUSQVARNA special grease.



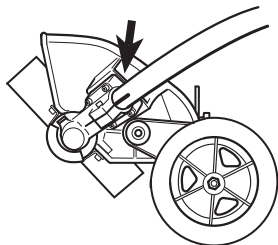
The grease in the bevel gear does not normally need to be changed except if repairs are carried out.

Lubricating the flexible drive shaft



Inside the hollow drive shaft of the edger is a flexible drive shaft. This flexible drive shaft should be regularly lubricated every 25 hours in operation. Loosen the two screws on the angle gear and remove it. The flexible drive shaft is easily removed from the hollow shaft by taking a firm grip on the shaft end. Lubricate the entire length of the flexible drive shaft and reinsert it in the hollow drive shaft. Turn the shaft while inserting it so that it correctly

engages in the clutch. Refit the angle gear on the hollow drive shaft and tighten the two screws.

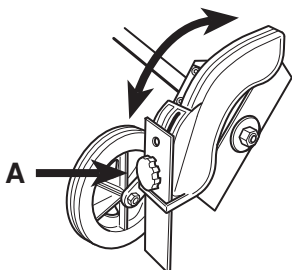


Adjusting the edger's cutting depth



The cutting depth must be adjusted before starting work.

- Loosen the locking knob (A) and rotate the guard by moving the locking knob forwards or backwards. If the locking knob is moved forwards (away from the machine) the cutting depth is increased. If the locking knob is moved backwards (towards the machine) the cutting depth is reduced.



- Set the desired cutting depth.
- Lock the locking knob.

CAUTION! Use only HUSQVARNA replacement parts. Use of other brands of replacement parts can cause damage to your unit or injury to the operator or others. Your warranty does not cover damage or liability caused by the use of accessories and/or attachments not specifically recommended by HUSQVARNA.

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Maintenance schedule

The following is a list of the maintenance that must be performed on the machine. Most of the items are described in the Maintenance section.

Maintenance	Daily maintenance	Weekly maintenance	Monthly maintenance
Clean the outside of the machine.	X		
Make sure the throttle trigger lock and the throttle function correctly from a safety point of view.	X		
Check that the stop switch works correctly.	X		
Check that the cutting attachment does not rotate at idle.	X		
Clean the air filter. Replace if necessary.	X		
Check that the guard is undamaged and not cracked. Replace the guard if it has been exposed to impact or is cracked.	X		
Check the blade for cracks and chips or damage. Replace if necessary.	X		
Check that the locking nut of the cutting equipment is tighten correctly.	X		
Check that nuts and screws are tight.	X		
Check that there are no fuel leaks from the engine, tank or fuel lines.	X		
Check the starter and starter cord.		X	
Check that the vibration damping elements are not damaged.		X	
Clean the outside of the spark plug. Remove it and check the electrode gap. Adjust the gap to 0.5 mm (.20"), or replace the spark plug. Check that the spark plug is fitted with a suppressor.		X	
Clean the machine's cooling system.		X	
Clean or replace the spark arrestor screen on the muffler (only applies to mufflers without a catalytic converter).		X	
Clean the outside of the carburettor and the space around it.		X	
Check that the angle gear is filled three-quarters full with lubricant. Fill if necessary using special grease.		X	
The flexible drive shaft must be lubricated every 25 working hours or more frequently.		X	
Check the fuel filter from contamination and the fuel hose from cracks or other defects. Replace if necessary.			X
Check all cables and connections.			X
Check the clutch, clutch springs and the clutch drum for wear. Replace if necessary by an authorized service workshop.			X
Replace the spark plug. Check that the spark plug is fitted with a suppressor.			X
Check and clean the spark arrestor screen on the muffler (only applies to mufflers fitted with a catalytic converter).			X

TECHNICAL DATA

Technical data

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Motor

Cylinder displacement, cu.in/cm ³	1,50/24,5
Cylinder bore, inch/mm	1,34/34,0
Stroke, inch/mm	1,06/27
Idle speed, rpm	2700
Recommended max. speed, rpm	8300
Max. engine output, acc. to ISO 8893, kW/ rpm	0,9/8400
Catalytic converter muffler	Yes
Speed-regulated ignition system	Yes
Emissions Durability Period according to California Air Resources Board, h.	125

Ignition system

Spark plug	Champion RCJ 6Y
Electrode gap, inch/mm	0,02/0,5

Fuel and lubrication system

Fuel tank capacity, US pint/litre	1,06/0,5
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Weight

Weight without fuel, Lbs/kg	11,2/5,1
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Sound levels

(see note 1)

Equivalent sound pressure level at the operator's ear, measured according to ISO 22868, dB(A):	96
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Vibration levels

(see note 2)

Equivalent vibration levels ($a_{hv,eq}$) at handles, measured according to ISO 22867, m/s²

Front/rear handles:	3,0/3,6
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Cutting equipment

Blade	503 84 82-02
Blade guard	503 84 65-01

Note 1: Reported data for noise pressure level has a typical statistical dispersion (standard deviation) of 1.0 dB(A).

Note 2: Reported data for vibration level has a typical statistical dispersion (standard deviation) of 1 m/s².

FEDERAL AND CALIFORNIA EMISSIONS CONTROL WARRANTY STATEMENT

IMPORTANT: This product is compliant with U.S. EPA Phase 3 regulations for exhaust and evaporative emissions. To ensure EPA Phase 3 compliance, we recommend using only genuine Husqvarna brand replacement parts. Use of non-compliant replacement parts is a violation of federal law.

YOUR WARRANTY RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

The EPA (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency), CARB (California Air Resources Board), Environment Canada and Husqvarna Forest & Garden are pleased to explain the emissions control system's warranty on your 2012-2013* small off-road engine. In U.S. and Canada, new equipment that use small off-road engines must be designed, built, and equipped to meet the applicable Federal or Californian stringent anti-smog standards. Husqvarna Forest & Garden must warrant the emissions control system on your small off-road engine for the period listed below provided there has been no abuse, neglect or improper maintenance of your equipment. Your emissions control system may include parts such as the carburetor, ignition system, catalytic converter, fuel tank, filters and other associated components. Also, included may be hoses, belts, connectors, sensors, and other emission-related assemblies. Where a warrantable condition exists, Husqvarna Forest & Garden will repair your small off-road engine at no cost to you including diagnosis, parts and labor.

MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTY COVERAGE

The emissions control system is warranted for two years. If any emissions-related part on your equipment is defective, the part will be repaired or replaced by Husqvarna Forest & Garden.

OWNER'S WARRANTY RESPONSIBILITIES

- As the small off-road engine owner, you are responsible for performance of the required maintenance listed in your operator's manual. Husqvarna Forest & Garden recommends that you retain all receipts covering maintenance on your small off-road engine, but Husqvarna Forest & Garden cannot deny warranty solely for the lack of receipts or your failure to ensure the performance of all scheduled maintenance.
- As the small off-road engine owner, you should however be aware that Husqvarna Forest & Garden may deny you warranty coverage if your small off-road engine or a part has failed due to abuse, neglect, or improper maintenance or unapproved modifications.
- You are responsible for presenting your small off-road engine to a Husqvarna Forest & Garden distribution center or service center as soon as the problem exists. The warranty repairs should be completed in a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed 30 days. If

you have any questions regarding your warranty coverage, you should contact Husqvarna Forest & Garden at 1-800-487-5951 or visit www.usa.husqvarna.com.

WARRANTY COMMENCEMENT DATE

The warranty period begins on the date the engine or equipment is delivered to an ultimate purchaser.

LENGTH OF COVERAGE

Husqvarna Forest & Garden warrants to the ultimate purchaser and each subsequent owner that the engine or equipment is designed, built, and equipped so as to conform with all applicable regulations adopted by EPA and CARB, and is free from defects in materials and workmanship that causes the failure of a warranted part for a period of two years.

WHAT IS COVERED

REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF PARTS Repair or replacement of any warranted part under the warranty must be performed at no charge to the owner at a warranty station. Warranty services or repairs will be provided at all Husqvarna Forest & Garden distribution centers that are franchised to service the subject engines. Throughout the emissions warranty period of two years, Husqvarna Forest & Garden must maintain a supply of warranted parts sufficient to meet the expected demand for such parts.

WARRANTY PERIOD Any warranted part that is scheduled for replacement as required in the maintenance schedule, is warranted for the period of time prior to the first scheduled replacement point for that part. If the part fails prior to the first scheduled replacement, the part will be repaired or replaced by Husqvarna Forest & Garden at no cost. Any such part repaired or replaced under warranty is warranted for the remainder of the period prior to the first scheduled replacement point for the part. Any warranted part that is not scheduled for replacement as required in the maintenance schedule, is warranted for two years. If any such part fails during the period of warranty coverage, it will be repaired and replaced by Husqvarna Forest & Garden at no cost. Any such part repaired or replaced under the warranty is warranted for the remaining warranty period. Any warranted part that is scheduled only for regular inspection in the maintenance schedule will be warranted for a period of two years. A statement in such written instructions to the effect of "repair or replace as necessary" will not reduce the period of warranty coverage. Any such part repaired or replaced under warranty will be warranted for the remaining warranty period.

DIAGNOSIS The owner must not be charged for diagnostic labor that leads to the determination that a warranted part is in fact defective, provided that such diagnostic work is performed at a warranty station.

FEDERAL AND CALIFORNIA EMISSIONS CONTROL WARRANTY STATEMENT

CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES Husqvarna Forest & Garden is liable for damages to other engine components proximately caused by a failure under warranty of any warranted part.

EMISSION WARRANTY PARTS LIST

- 1 Carburetor and internal parts
- 2 Intake pipe, airfilter holder and carburetor bolts.
- 3 Airfilter and fuelfilter covered up to maintenance schedule.
- 4 Spark Plug, covered up to maintenance schedule
- 5 Ignition Module
- 6 Fuel tank, line and cap

WHAT IS NOT COVERED

All failures caused by abuse, neglect or improper maintenance are not covered.

ADD -ON OR MODIFIED PARTS

Add-on or modified parts that are not exempted by CARB or EPA may not be used. The use of any non-exempted add-on or modified parts will be grounds for disallowing a warranty claim. Husqvarna Forest & Garden will not be liable to warrant failures of warranted parts caused by the use of a non-exempted add-on or modified part.

HOW TO FILE A CLAIM

If you have any questions regarding your warranty rights and responsibilities, you should contact your nearest authorized servicing dealer or call Husqvarna Forest & Garden at 1-800-487-5951 or visit www.usa.husqvarna.com.

WHERE TO GET WARRANTY SERVICE

Warranty services or repairs are provided through all Husqvarna Forest & Garden authorized servicing dealers.

MAINTENANCE, REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OF EMISSION-RELATED PARTS

Any replacement part may be used in the performance of any warranty maintenance or repairs and must be provided without charge to the owner. Such use will not reduce the warranty obligations of the manufacturer.

MAINTENANCE STATEMENT

The owner is responsible for the performance of all required maintenance, as defined in the operator's manual.

*Current and following model year will be updated annually in the warranty statement provided to the consumer. For example, in 2012 model year, 2012-2013 will be specified.

Original instructions

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