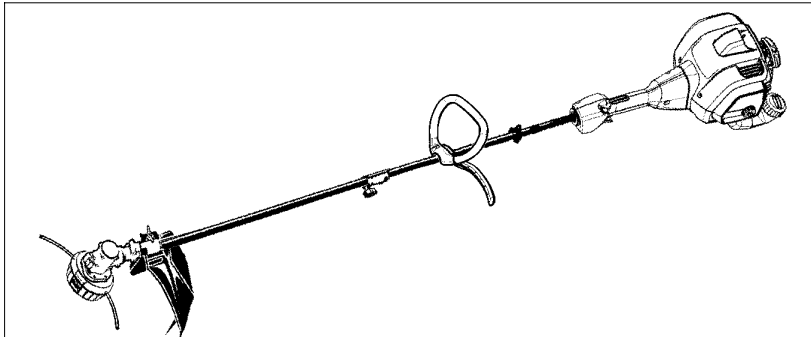




# CABRIO 433L



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#### INSTRUCTION MANUAL

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Please read these instructions carefully and make sure you understand them before using this unit. Retain these instructions for future reference.

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#### MANUEL D'INSTRUCTIONS

**RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS:** Avant d'utiliser cet appareil, veuillez lire attentivement les instructions et assurez-vous de les avoir comprises. Conservez les instructions pour référence ultérieure.

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#### BETRIEBSANWEISUNG

**WICHTIGE INFORMATION:** Lesen Sie diese Hinweise zur Handhabung des Geräts aufmerksam durch. Verwenden Sie es erst, wenn Sie sicher sind, daß Sie alle Anweisungen verstanden haben und gut aufbewahren.

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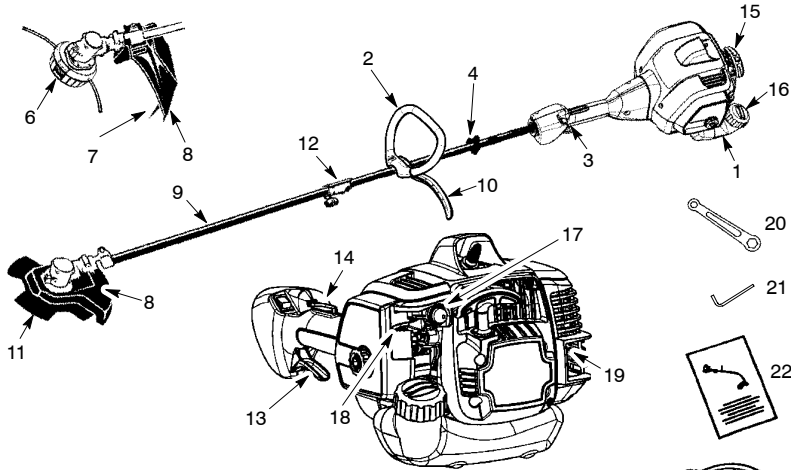
#### MANUAL DE INSTRUCCIONES

**INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE:** Lea atentamente las instrucciones y asegúrese de entenderlas antes de utilizar esta aparato. Conserve las instrucciones para la referencia en el futuro.

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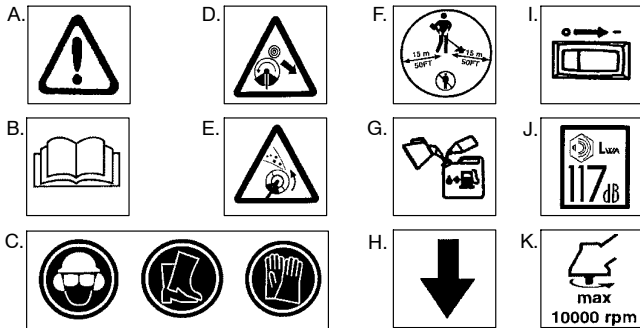
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## IDENTIFICATION (WHAT IS WHAT?)



- |                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Fuel tank            | 13. Throttle trigger   |
| 2. Loop handle          | 14. Throttle lock-out  |
| 3. ON/STOP switch       | 15. Starter handle     |
| 4. Shoulder strap clamp | 16. Fuel cap           |
| 5. Shoulder strap       | 17. Primer bulb        |
| 6. Trimmer head         | 18. Start lever        |
| 7. Line limiter blade   | 19. Muffler            |
| 8. Shield               | 20. Wrench             |
| 9. Shaft                | 21. Hex wrench         |
| 10. J-handle            | 22. Instruction manual |
| 11. Blade               | 23. Transport guard    |
| 12. Coupler             |                        |

## IDENTIFICATION OF SYMBOLS



- A. **WARNING!** This brushcutter can be dangerous! Careless or improper use can cause serious or even fatal injury.
- B. Read and understand the instruction manual before using the brushcutter.
- C. Always use:  
Ear protection, eye protection, head protection, boots, and gloves.
- D. **DANGER!** Blade can thrust violently away from material it does not cut. Blade thrust can cause amputation of arms or legs. Keep people and animals 15 meters away.
- E. **WARNING!** Blade/trimmer line can throw objects violently. You and others can be blinded or injured. Always wear eye protection and leg protection.
- F. The operator of the machine must insure that no one comes within a 15 meter radius while working. When several operators are working within the same area a safety distance of at least 15 meters must be observed.
- G. Use unleaded or quality leaded petrol and two-stroke oil mixed at a ratio of 2.5%.
- H. Assist handle to be positioned only below the arrow.
- I. Engine ON/STOP Switch.
- J. Guaranteed sound power level according to Directive 2000/14/EC
- K. Maximum rotational frequency of the spindle, rpm

## SAFETY RULES

**⚠ WARNING:** When using gardening appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire and serious injury. Read and follow all instructions.

**⚠ DANGER:** *This power tool can be dangerous!* This unit can cause serious injury including amputation or blindness to the operator and others. The warnings and safety instructions in this manual must be followed to provide reasonable safety and efficiency in using the unit. The operator is responsible for following the warnings and instructions in this manual and on the unit. Read the entire instruction manual before assembling and using the unit! Restrict the use of this unit to persons who read, understand, and follow the warnings and instructions in this manual and on the unit. Never allow children to operate this unit.



INSTRUCTION  
MANUAL

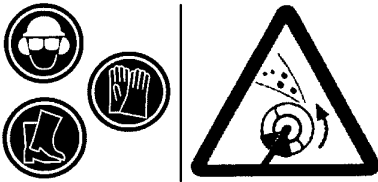


SAFETY INFORMATION  
ON THE UNIT

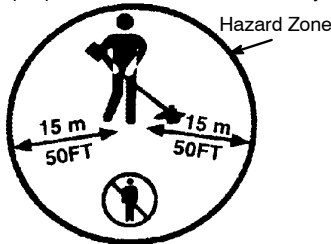
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**⚠ WARNING:** Blade/trimmer line can throw objects violently. You and others can be blinded or injured. Wear safety glasses and leg protection.



**WARNING:** Hazard zone for thrown objects. Blade/Trimmer line can throw objects violently. Others can be blinded or injured. Keep people and animals 15 meters away.

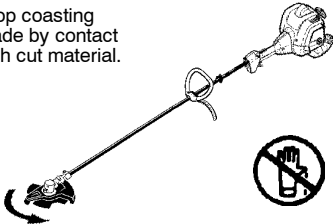


**WARNING:** Do not use trimmer head as a fastening device for the blade.



**WARNING:** The blade continues to spin after the throttle is released or, engine is turned off. The coasting blade can throw objects or seriously cut if accidentally touched. Stop the blade by contacting the right hand side of the coasting blade with material already cut.

Stop coasting blade by contact with cut material.



#### OPERATOR SAFETY

- Dress properly. Always wear safety glasses or similar eye protection when operating, or performing maintenance, on your unit (safety glasses are available). Eye protection should be marked Z87.
- Always wear a helmet if the trees to be cleared are taller than 2 meters.

- Always wear face or dust mask if operation is dusty.
- Always wear heavy, long pants, long sleeves, boots, and gloves. Wearing safety leg guards is recommended.
- Always wear foot protection. Do not go barefoot or wear sandals. Stay clear of blade/spinning line.
- Secure hair above shoulder length. Secure or remove loose clothing or clothing with loosely hanging ties, straps, tassels, etc. They can be caught in moving parts.
- Being fully covered also helps protect you from debris and pieces of toxic plants thrown by spinning line.
- Stay alert. Do not operate this unit when you are tired, ill, upset or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication. Watch what you are doing; use common sense.
- Wear hearing protection. Long or continuous exposure to high noise levels may cause permanent hearing impairment.
- Never start or run inside a closed room or building. Breathing exhaust fumes can kill.
- Keep handles free of oil and fuel.
- Always use the handlebar and a properly adjusted shoulder strap with a blade (see ASSEMBLY).

#### UNIT / MAINTENANCE SAFETY


**WARNING:** Stop unit and disconnect the spark plug before performing maintenance (except carburetor adjustments).

- Throw away blades that are bent, warped, cracked, broken, or damaged in any other way. Replace trimmer head parts that are cracked, chipped, broken, or damaged in any other way before using the unit.
- Maintain unit according to recommended procedures. Keep blade sharp. Keep cutting line at the proper length.
- Use only 2,4 mm diameter McCulloch brand replacement line. Never use wire, rope, string, etc.
- Install required shield properly before using the unit. Use the metal shield for all metal blade use. Use the plastic shield for all line trimmer use.
- Use only specified blade or trimmer head; make sure it is properly installed and securely fastened.
- Never start engine with clutch shroud removed. The clutch can fly off and cause serious injury.
- Be sure blade or trimmer head stops turning when engine idles.
- Make carburetor adjustments with the lower end supported to prevent blade or trimmer line from contacting any object. Hold unit by hand; do not use the shoulder strap for support.
- Keep others away when making carburetor adjustments.
- Use only recommended McCulloch accessories and replacement parts.
- Have all maintenance and service not explained in this manual performed by your authorized service dealer.

## FUEL SAFETY

- Mix and pour fuel outdoors.
- Keep away from sparks or flames.
- Use a container approved for fuel.
- Do not smoke or allow smoking near fuel or the unit.
- Avoid spilling fuel or oil. Wipe up all fuel spills.
- Move at least 3 meters away from fueling site before starting engine.
- Stop engine and allow to cool before removing fuel cap.
- Always store petrol in a container approved for flammable liquids.

## CUTTING SAFETY

-  **WARNING:** Inspect the area to be cut before each use. Remove objects (rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, string, etc.) which can be thrown or become entangled in the blade or trimmer head.
- Keep others including children, animals, bystanders, and helpers at least 15 meters away. Stop engine immediately if you are approached.
  - Always keep engine on the right-hand side of your body.
  - Hold the unit firmly with both hands.
  - Keep firm footing and balance. Do not overreach.
  - Keep blade or trimmer head below waist level. Do not raise engine above your waist.
  - Keep all parts of your body away from blade, trimmer head, and muffler when engine is running. A hot muffler can cause serious burns.

- Cut from your left to your right. Cutting on right side of the shield will throw debris away from the operator.
- Use only in daylight or good artificial light.
- Use only for jobs explained in this manual.

## TRANSPORTING AND STORAGE

- Allow the engine to cool; secure unit before storing or transporting in vehicle.
- Empty fuel tank before storing or transporting the unit. Use up fuel left in the carburetor by starting engine and letting it run until it stops.
- Store unit and fuel in an area where fuel vapors cannot reach sparks or open flames from water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.
- Store unit so line limiter cannot accidentally cause injury. Unit can be hung by the shaft.
- Always install transport guard on blade before transporting or storage.
- Store the unit out of the reach of children.


**SPECIAL NOTICE:** Exposure to vibrations through prolonged use of petrol powered hand tools could cause blood vessel or nerve damage in the fingers, hands, and joints of people prone to circulation disorders or abnormal swellings. Prolonged use in cold weather has been linked to blood vessel damage in otherwise healthy people. If symptoms occur such as numbness, pain, loss of strength, change in skin color or texture, or loss of feeling in the fingers, hands, or joints, discontinue the use of this tool and seek medical attention. An anti-vibration system does not guarantee the avoidance of these problems. Users who operate power tools on a continual and regular basis must monitor closely their physical condition and the condition of this tool.


# ASSEMBLY

## CARTON CONTENTS

Check carton contents against the following list:

- Powerhead
- Trimmer attachment
  - Trimmer head
- Blade
- Blade shield
- Blade shield screws (4)
- Cupped washer
- Large nut for installing blade
- Plastic shield
- Nut (screwed onto plastic shield)
- Loop handle
  - Securing plate
  - Bolt
  - Wing nut
- J-handle
  - Screws (2)
- Hex wrench
- Wrench
- Shoulder strap
- Transport guard

 **WARNING:** Always stop unit and disconnect spark plug before performing any assembly procedures.

 **WARNING:** If received assembled, repeat all steps to ensure your unit is properly assembled and all fasteners are secure. Examine parts for damage. Do not use damaged parts. It is normal for the fuel filter to rattle in the empty fuel tank. Finding fuel or oil residue on muffler is normal due to carburetor adjustments and testing done by the manufacturer.

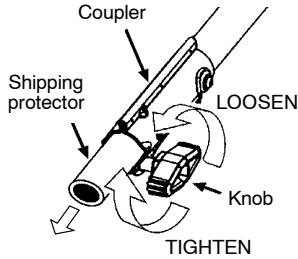
## TOOLS REQUIRED

- Hex wrench (provided)
- Adjustable wrench
- Phillips screwdriver

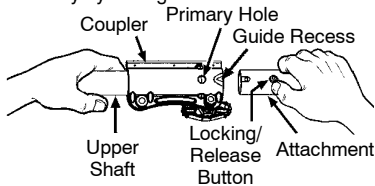
## INSTALLING TRIMMER ATTACHMENT

**WARNING:** When installing attachment, place the unit on a flat surface for stability.

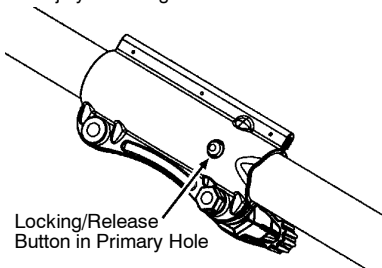
1. Loosen the coupler by turning the knob counterclockwise.



2. Remove shipping protector from coupler.
3. Remove the shaft cap from the attachment (if present).
4. Position locking/release button of attachment into guide recess of coupler.
5. Push the attachment into the coupler until the locking/release button snaps into the primary hole.
6. Before using the unit, tighten the knob securely by turning clockwise.



**WARNING:** Make sure the locking/release button is locked in the primary hole and the knob is securely tightened before operating the unit. All attachments are designed to be used in the primary hole unless otherwise stated in the applicable attachment instruction manual. Using the wrong hole could lead to serious injury or damage to the unit.

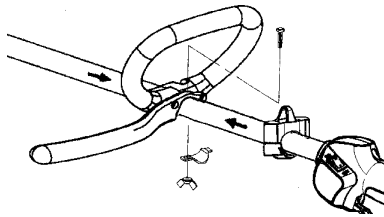


For optional attachments, see the ASSEMBLY section of the applicable attachment instruction manual.

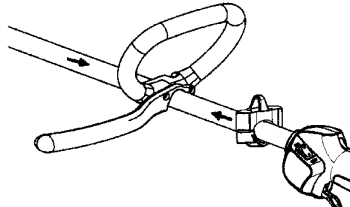
## ATTACHING THE HANDLE

**DANGER:** To avoid serious injury, the barrier portion of the handle must be installed as shown to provide a barrier between operator and the spinning blade.

1. Position the loop handle on the shaft. Note that the handle must be mounted between the arrows on the shaft.



2. Install the bolt, securing plate and wing nut as shown in the illustration.



3. Make a final adjustment of the handle to a comfortable working position. Tighten the wing nut.

### ASSEMBLY OF SHOULDER STRAP

Proper shoulder strap and handlebar adjustments must be made with the engine completely stopped before using unit.

1. Insert your right arm and head through the shoulder strap and allow it to rest on your left shoulder. Make sure the hook is to the right side of your waist.

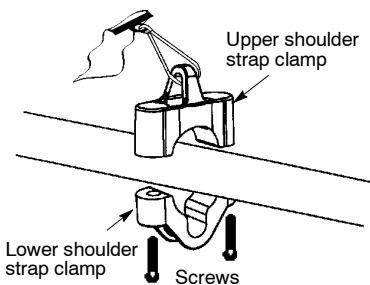
**NOTE:** A one-half twist is built in the shoulder strap to allow the strap to rest flat on the shoulder.

2. Adjust the strap, allowing the hook to be about 15 cm below the waist.
3. Fasten the strap hook to the clamp located between the trigger handle and the handlebar clamp base and lift the tool to the operating position.
4. Try on shoulder strap and adjust for fit and balance before starting the engine or beginning a cutting operation.

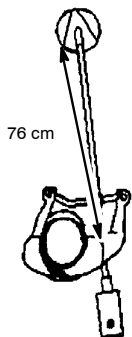
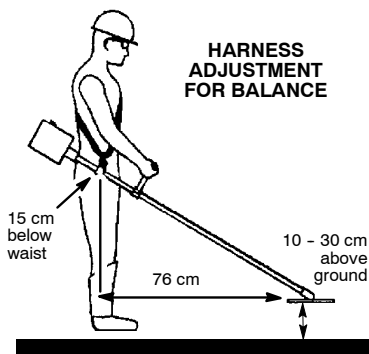
**NOTE:** It may be necessary to relocate the shoulder strap clamp on the shaft for proper balancing of unit.

### TO RELOCATE SHOULDER STRAP CLAMP:

1. Loosen and remove both clamp screws.
2. Place the upper shoulder strap clamp over the shaft.
3. Position the lower shoulder strap clamp under the shaft and align the upper and lower clamp screw holes.



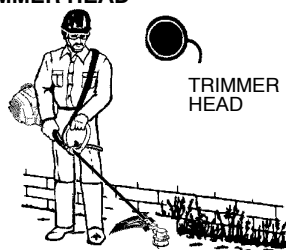
4. Insert two screws into the screw holes.
5. Secure shoulder strap clamp by tightening screws with a hex wrench.



### CONFIGURING YOUR UNIT

You can configure your unit using a cutting head for grass and light weeds, or a weed blade for cutting grass, weeds, and brush up to 1 cm in diameter. To assemble your unit, go to the section for the desired configuration and follow the instructions.

### ASSEMBLY INFORMATION - TRIMMER HEAD

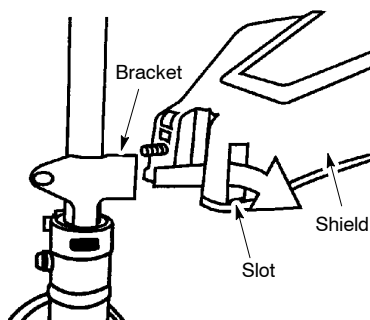


**NOTE:** Remove the blade and metal shield before attaching the plastic shield and trimmer head. To remove blade, align hole in the dust cup with the hole in the side of the gearbox by rotating the blade. Insert a small screwdriver into aligned holes. This will keep the shaft from turning while loosening the blade nut. Remove blade nut by turning clockwise. Remove the screwdriver. Remove both washers and blade. To remove metal shield, loosen and remove the four mounting screws. See ATTACHING THE METAL SHIELD and INSTALLATION OF THE METAL BLADE for illustrations. Be sure to store all parts and instructions for future use.

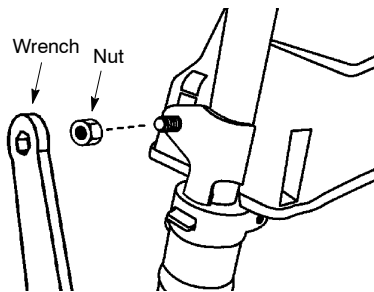
### ATTACHING THE PLASTIC SHIELD AND TRIMMER HEAD

**WARNING:** The shield must be properly installed. The shield provides partial protection to the operator and others from the risk of thrown objects, and is equipped with a line limiter blade which cuts excess line to the proper length. The line limiter blade (on underside of shield) is sharp and can cut you.

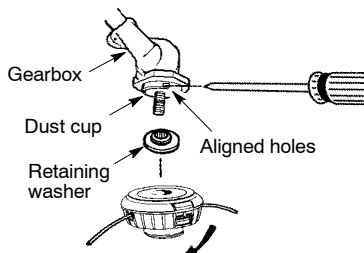
1. Remove nut from shield.
2. Insert bracket into slot on shield.
3. Pivot shield until bolt passes through hole in bracket.



4. Reinstall nut and tighten securely with wrench (provided).



**NOTE:** If your unit has a plastic cover over the threads on the threaded shaft, remove the covering to expose the threads. Before installing the trimmer head, make sure the dust cup and retaining washer are positioned on the gearbox.



**NOTE:** Make sure all parts are properly installed as shown in the illustration before installing the trimmer head.

5. Align hole in the dust cup with the hole in the side of the gearbox by rotating the dust cup.
6. Insert a small screwdriver into aligned holes. This will keep the shaft from turning while tightening trimmer head.
7. While holding the screwdriver in position, thread trimmer head onto the shaft in the direction shown on the decal (counterclockwise). Tighten until secure.

**NOTE:** The retaining washer must be positioned with the raised section facing toward the gearbox.

### ASSEMBLY INFORMATION - WEED BLADE

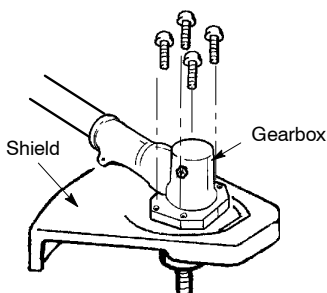


**NOTE:** Remove the trimmer head and plastic shield before attaching the metal shield and installing the weed blade. To remove the trimmer head, align hole in the dust cup with the hole in the side of the gearbox by rotating the dust cup. Insert a small screwdriver into aligned holes. This will keep the shaft from turning while loosening the trimmer head. Remove the trimmer head by turning clockwise. Remove the screwdriver. To remove the plastic shield, loosen and remove nut. Pivot shield to release bracket from slot. See **INSTALLATION OF THE CUTTING HEAD** and **ATTACHING THE PLASTIC SHIELD** for illustrations. Be sure to store all parts and instructions for future use. Never use the trimmer head with the metal blade installed.

### ATTACHING THE METAL SHIELD

**WARNING:** The metal shield must be properly installed on the tool anytime the tool is used with a blade. Failure to install the shield in the position shown can result in serious injury to the operator. The length of the shield must be aligned with the length of the shaft.

1. Place the metal shield under the gearbox, and align the screw holes.



2. Insert and thread the 4 mounting screws through the holes of the gearbox and the metal shield. Tighten evenly and securely with the hex wrench provided.

### INSTALLATION OF THE METAL BLADE

**WARNING:** Wear protective gloves when handling or performing maintenance on the blade to avoid injury. The blade is sharp and can cut you even when it is not moving.

**WARNING:** Do not use any blades, or fastening hardware other than the washers and nuts shown in the following illustrations. These parts must be provided by McCulloch and installed as shown below. Failure to use proper parts can cause the blade to fly off and seriously hurt you or others.

**NOTE:** The dust cup and retaining washer are located on the gearbox shaft and not in the parts bag. All other fasteners mentioned in the following assembly steps are in the parts bag.



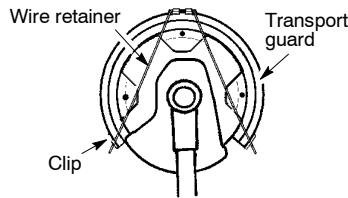
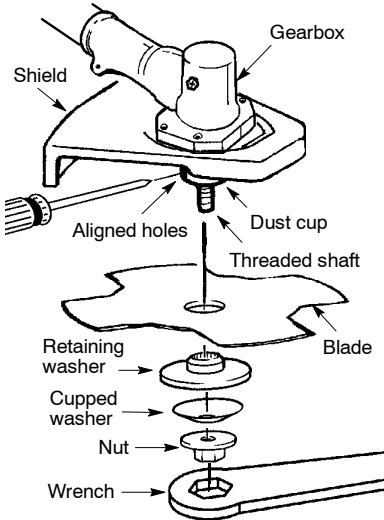
1. Remove the retaining washer from the threaded shaft of the gearbox. Leave the dust cup on the shaft.
2. Install the blade and the retaining washer over the threaded shaft.
3. Make sure the raised part of the retaining washer is facing the gearbox and the raised area fits into the hole in the center of the blade.
4. Slide the blade and retaining washer onto the shaft of the gearbox.
5. Place the cupped washer onto the shaft. Make sure the cupped side of the washer is toward the blade.
6. Install the blade nut by threading onto the shaft counterclockwise.
7. Align hole in dust cup with hole in side of gearbox by rotating the blade.
8. Insert a small screwdriver into aligned holes. This will keep the shaft from turning while tightening the blade nut.
9. Tighten blade nut firmly with wrench (provided) while holding screwdriver in position.
10. Remove the screwdriver.
11. Turn blade by hand. If the blade binds against the shield, or appears to be uneven, the blade is not centered, and you must re-install.

**NOTE:** To remove blade, insert screwdriver into aligned holes. Unthread the nut and remove parts. Be sure to store parts and instructions for future use.

### ATTACHING THE TRANSPORT GUARD

**NOTE:** The transport guard must always be attached to the blade when the machine is being transported or in storage.

1. Remove ends of wire retainer from the clips on the transport guard.
2. Lift wire retainer and position blade in transport guard.
3. Place wire retainer over blade and insert both ends of wire retainer back into clips.



**NOTE:** Make sure all parts are in place as illustrated, and the blade is sandwiched between the dust cup and the retaining washer. There should be no space between the blade and the dust cup or the retaining washer.

## OPERATION

**WARNING:** Be sure to read the fuel information in the safety rules before you begin. If you do not understand the safety rules, do not attempt to fuel your unit. Contact an authorized service dealer.

### FUELING ENGINE

**WARNING:** Remove fuel cap slowly when refueling.

This engine is certified to operate on unleaded petrol. Before operation, petrol must be mixed with a good quality 2-cycle air-cooled engine oil. We recommend McCulloch brand oil mixed at a ratio of 40:1 (2.5%). A 40:1 ratio is obtained by

mixing 5 liters of unleaded petrol with 0,125 liter of oil. DO NOT USE automotive oil or boat oil. These oils will cause engine damage. When mixing fuel, follow instructions printed on oil container. Once oil is added to petrol, shake container momentarily to assure that the fuel is thoroughly mixed. Always read and follow the safety rules relating to fuel before fueling your unit.

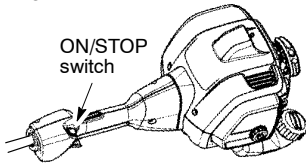
### IMPORTANT

Experience indicates that alcohol blended fuels (called gasohol or using ethanol or methanol) can attract moisture which leads to separation and formation of acids during storage. Acidic petrol can damage the fuel system of an engine while in storage. To avoid engine problems,

empty the fuel system before storage for 30 days or longer. Drain the fuel tank, start the engine and let it run until the fuel lines and carburetor are empty. Use fresh fuel next season. Never use engine or carburetor cleaner products in the fuel tank or permanent damage may occur.

### HOW TO STOP YOUR UNIT

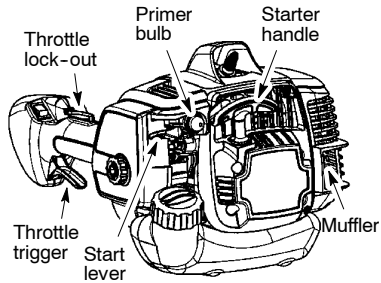
- Stop the engine by pushing and holding the ON/STOP switch in the STOP position until the engine stops.



### HOW TO START YOUR UNIT

**WARNING:** Avoid any contact with the muffler. A hot muffler can cause serious burns.

### STARTING A COLD ENGINE (or a warm engine after running out of fuel)



**NOTE:** The throttle lock-out is designed to prevent unintentional use of the throttle trigger. The lock-out must be pressed with the palm of your hand as you grip the throttle handle before the trigger can be used. DO NOT squeeze the throttle trigger until the engine has started and runs.

1. Set unit on a flat surface.
2. Slowly press the primer bulb 6 times.
3. Move the start lever to the START position.
4. Pull starter rope handle sharply until engine starts and runs.
5. Allow unit to run for 10-15 seconds, then fully squeeze the throttle trigger to disengage the starting system.

### STARTING A WARM ENGINE

Pull starter rope sharply until engine starts and runs.

**NOTE:** Normally, the warm starting procedure can be used within 5 - 10 minutes after the unit is turned off. If the unit sits for more than 10 minutes without being run, it will be necessary to start the unit by following the steps under STARTING A COLD ENGINE or following the starting instruction steps shown on the unit.

### STARTING A FLOODED ENGINE

Move the start lever to the RUN position and fully squeeze throttle trigger. Pull the starter handle repeatedly while squeezing throttle trigger until engine starts and runs. This could require pulling the starter handle many times, depending on how badly the unit is flooded. If the unit still doesn't start, refer to TROUBLE-SHOOTING TABLE.

### OPERATING THE COUPLER

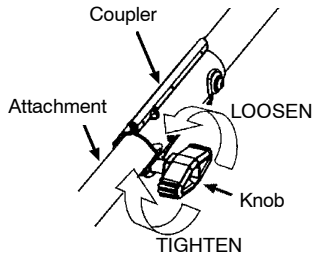
This model is equipped with a coupler which enables optional attachments to be installed.

**WARNING:** Always stop unit and disconnect spark plug before removing or installing attachments.

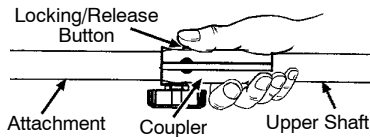
### REMOVING TRIMMER ATTACHMENT (OR OTHER OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS)

**CAUTION:** When removing or installing attachments, place the unit on a flat surface for stability.

1. Loosen the coupler by turning the knob counterclockwise.



2. Press and hold the locking/release button.

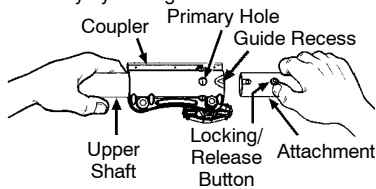


3. While securely holding the engine and upper shaft, pull the attachment straight out of the coupler.

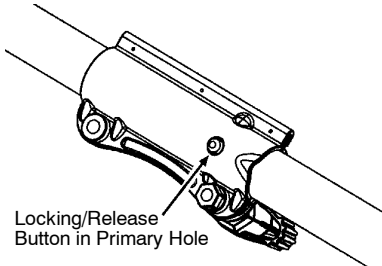
### INSTALLING OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS

1. Remove the shaft cap from the attachment (if present).
2. Position locking/release button of attachment into guide recess of coupler.
3. Push the attachment into the coupler until the locking/release button snaps into the primary hole.

4. Before using the unit, tighten the knob securely by turning clockwise.



**WARNING:** Make sure the locking/release button is locked in the primary hole and the knob is securely tightened before operating the unit. All attachments are designed to be used in the primary hole unless otherwise stated in the applicable attachment instruction manual. Using the wrong hole could lead to serious injury or damage to the unit.



## OPERATING POSITION

ALWAYS WEAR:



Cut from your left to your right.

When operating unit, clip shoulder strap onto clamp, stand as shown and check for the following:

- Wear eye protection and heavy clothing.
- Extend your left arm and hold loop handle with your left hand.
- Hold throttle grip with your right hand with finger on throttle trigger.
- Keep unit below waist level.
- Keep shoulder strap pad centered on your left shoulder.
- Maintain full weight of tool on your left shoulder.
- Without bending over, keep the blade or trimmer head near and parallel to the ground and not crowded into material being cut.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE WITH TRIMMER HEAD

**WARNING:** Always wear eye protection. Never lean over the trimmer head. Rocks or debris can ricochet or be thrown into eyes and face and cause blindness or other serious injury.

Before trimming, bring engine to a speed sufficient to cut material to be trimmed.

Do not run the engine at a higher speed than necessary. The cutting line will cut efficiently when the engine is run at less than full throttle. At lower speeds, there is less engine noise and vibration. The cutting line will last longer and will be less likely to "weld" onto the spool.

Always release the throttle trigger and allow the engine to return to idle speed when not cutting.

To stop engine:

- Release the throttle trigger.
- Push and hold the ON/STOP switch in the STOP position until the engine stops.

## TRIMMER LINE ADVANCE

Advance line by tapping the bottom of the cutting head lightly on the ground while engine is running at full speed. The metal line limiter blade attached to the guard will cut the line to the proper length.

**WARNING:** Use only 2.4 mm diameter line. Other sizes of line will not advance properly and will result in improper cutting head function or can cause serious injury. Do not use other materials such as wire, string, rope, etc. Wire can break off during cutting and become a dangerous missile that can cause serious injury.

## CUTTING METHODS

**WARNING:** Use minimum speed and do not crowd the line when cutting around hard objects (rock, gravel, fence posts, etc.), which can damage the trimmer head, become entangled in the line, or be thrown causing a serious hazard.

- The tip of the line does the cutting. You will achieve the best performance and minimum line wear by not crowding the line into the cutting area. The right and wrong ways are shown below.

Tip of line does the cutting.



Right

Line crowded into work area.

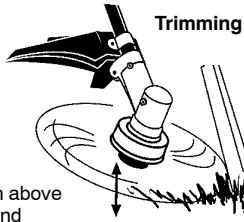


Wrong

- The line will easily remove grass and weeds from around walls, fences, trees and flower beds, but it also can cut the tender bark of trees or shrubs and scar fences.

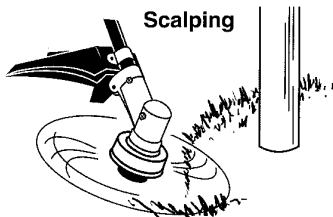
- For trimming or scalping, use less than full throttle to increase line life and decrease head wear, especially:
  - During light duty cutting.
  - Near objects around which the line can wrap such as small posts, trees or fence wire.
- For mowing or sweeping, use full throttle for a good clean job.

**TRIMMING** - Hold the bottom of the trimmer head about 8 cm above the ground and at an angle. Allow only the tip of the line to make contact. Do not force trimmer line into work area.

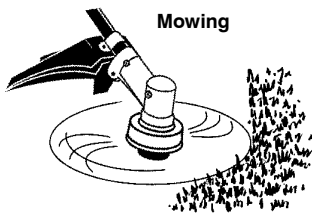


8 cm above ground

**SCALPING** - The scalping technique removes unwanted vegetation down to the ground. Hold the bottom of the trimmer head about 8 cm above the ground and at an angle. Allow the tip of the line to strike the ground around trees, posts, monuments, etc. This technique increases line wear.



**MOWING** - Your trimmer is ideal for mowing in places conventional lawn mowers cannot reach. In the mowing position, keep the line parallel to the ground. Avoid pressing the head into the ground as this can scalp the ground and damage the tool.



**SWEEPING** - The fanning action of the rotating line can be used to blow away loose debris from an area. Keep the line parallel to and above the area surface and swing the tool from side to side.



### OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE WITH WEED BLADE

- **Blade Thrust** is a reaction that only occurs when using a bladed unit. This reaction can cause serious injury such as amputation. Carefully study this section. It is important that you understand what causes blade thrust, how you can reduce the chance of its occurring, and how you can remain in control of unit if blade thrust occurs.
- **WHAT CAUSES BLADE THRUST - Blade Thrust** can occur when the spinning blade contacts an object that it does not cut. This contact causes the blade to stop for an instant and then suddenly move or "thrust" away from the object that was hit. The "thrusting" reaction can be violent enough to cause the operator to be propelled in any direction and lose control of the unit. The uncontrolled unit can cause serious injury if the blade contacts the operator or others.
- **WHEN BLADE THRUST OCCURS - Blade Thrust** can occur without warning if the blade snags, stalls, or binds. This is more likely to occur in areas where it is difficult to see the material being cut. By using the unit properly, the occurrence of blade thrust will be reduced and the operator will be less likely to lose control.



- Cut only grass, weeds, and woody brush up to 1 cm in diameter with the weed blade. Do not let the blade contact material it cannot cut such as stumps, rocks, fences, metal, etc., or clusters of hard, woody brush having a diameter greater than 1 cm.
- Keep the blade sharp. A dull blade is more likely to snag and thrust.
- Cut only at full throttle. The blade will have maximum cutting power and is less likely to bind or stall.
- "Feed" the blade deliberately and not too rapidly. The blade can thrust away if it is fed too rapidly.

- Cut only from your left to your right. Cutting on right side of the shield will throw debris away from the operator.
- Use the shoulder strap and keep a firm grip on the unit with both hands. A properly adjusted shoulder strap will support the weight of the unit, freeing your arms and hands to control and guide the cutting motion.
- Keep feet comfortably spread apart and braced for a possible sudden, rapid thrust of unit. Do not overreach. Keep firm footing and balance.
- Keep blade below waist level; it will be easier to maintain control of unit.
- Do not raise the engine above your waist as the blade can come dangerously close to your body.
- Do not swing unit with such force that you are in danger of losing your balance.

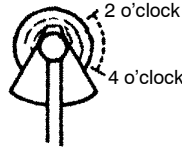
Bring the engine to cutting speed before entering the material to be cut. If the blade does not turn when you squeeze the throttle trigger, make sure shaft is fully inserted into the engine. Always release the throttle trigger and allow engine to return to idle speed when not cutting. The blade should not turn while the engine is running at idle. If the blade turns at idle,

do not use your unit. Refer to the CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENT section or contact your authorized service dealer.

- Maintain good firm footing while using the unit. Do this by planting feet firmly in a comfortable apart position.
- Cut while swinging the upper part of your body from left to right.
- As you move forward to the next area to cut, be sure to maintain your balance and footing.

#### RECOMMENDED CUTTING POSITION

Cut using the 2 o'clock to 4 o'clock position of the blade

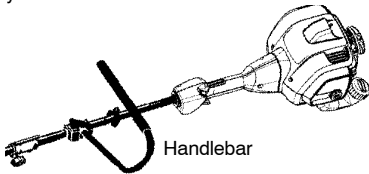


**WARNING:** The operator or others must not try to clear away cut material with the engine running or the blade turning to avoid serious injury. Stop engine and blade before removing materials wrapped around blade or shaft.

## ADDITIONAL SAFETY RULES FOR OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS

**WARNING:** For each optional attachment used, read entire instruction manual before use and follow all warnings and instructions in manual and on attachment.

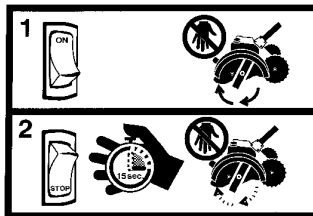
**WARNING:** Ensure handlebar is installed when using edger or brushcutter attachments. Attach handlebar above arrow on safety label on the upper shaft (engine end of unit). If your edger or brushcutter attachment does not include a handlebar, a handlebar accessory kit (#530071451) is available from your authorized service dealer.



#### EDGER SAFETY

**WARNING:** Inspect the area to be edged before each use. Remove objects (rocks, broken glass, nails, wire, etc.) which can be thrown by the blade or can wrap around the shaft.

**WARNING:** Blade rotates momentarily after the trigger is released. The blade can seriously cut you or others. Allow blade to stop before removing it from the cut.



- Throw away blades that are bent, warped, cracked, broken or damaged in any other way. Replace parts that are cracked, chipped, or damaged before using the unit.
- Do not attempt to remove cut material nor hold material to be cut when the engine is running or when cutting blade is moving.
- Always keep the wheel and depth adjusting skid in contact with the ground.
- Always push the unit slowly over the ground. Stay alert for uneven sidewalks, holes in the terrain, large roots, etc.
- Always use the handlebar when using edger attachment.

#### BLOWER/VACUUM SAFETY

**WARNING:** Inspect area before starting unit. Remove all debris and hard objects such as rocks, glass, wire, etc. that can ricochet, be thrown, or otherwise cause injury or damage during operation.

- Do not set unit on any surface except a clean, hard area while engine is running. Debris such as gravel, sand, dust, grass, etc., could be picked up by the air intake and thrown out

through discharge opening, damaging unit, property, or causing serious injury to bystanders or operator.

- Never place objects inside the blower tubes, vacuum tubes or blower outlet. Always direct the blowing debris away from people, animals, glass, and solid objects such as trees, automobiles, walls, etc. The force of air can cause rocks, dirt, or sticks to be thrown or to ricochet which can hurt people or animals, break glass, or cause other damage.
- Never run unit without the proper equipment attached.
- Check air intake opening frequently always with engine stopped and spark plug disconnected. Keep vents and discharge tubes free of debris which can accumulate and restrict proper air flow.
- Never place any object in air intake opening as this could restrict proper air flow and cause damage to the unit.
- Never use for spreading chemicals, fertilizers, or other substances which may contain toxic materials.
- To avoid spreading fire, do not use near leaf or brush fires, fireplaces, barbecue pits, ashtrays, etc.

### CULTIVATOR SAFETY

**WARNING:** Rotating tines can cause serious injury. Keep away from rotating tines. Stop the engine and disconnect the spark plug before unclogging tines or making repairs.

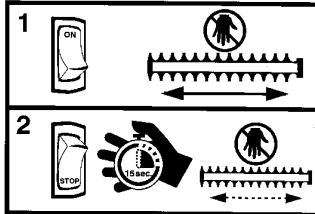


- WARNING:** Inspect the area to be cultivated before starting the unit. Remove all debris and hard and sharp objects such as rocks, vines, branches, rope, string, etc.
- Avoid heavy contact with solid objects that might stop the tines. If heavy contact occurs, stop the engine and inspect the unit for damage.
  - Never operate the cultivator without the tine cover in place and properly secured.
  - Keep the tines and guard clear of debris.
  - After striking a foreign object, stop the engine, disconnect the spark plug and inspect the cultivator for damage. Repair before restarting.
  - Disconnect attachment from the drive engine before cleaning the tines with a hose and water to remove any build-up. Oil the tines to prevent rust.

- Always wear gloves when servicing or cleaning the tines. The tines become very sharp from use.
- Do not run unit at high speed unless cultivating.

### HEDGE TRIMMER SAFETY

**DANGER:** RISK OF CUT; KEEP HANDS AWAY FROM BLADE - Blade moves momentarily after the trigger is released. Do not attempt to clear away cut material when the blade is in motion. Make sure the spark plug wire is disconnected, and the blade has stopped moving before removing jammed material from the cutting blade. Do not grab or hold the unit by the cutting blade.



**WARNING:** Inspect the area before starting the unit. Remove all debris and hard objects such as rocks, glass, wire, etc. that can ricochet, be thrown, or otherwise cause injury or damage during operation.

- Do not use a cutting blade that is bent, warped, cracked, broken or damaged in any other way. Have worn or damaged parts replaced by your authorized service dealer.
- Always keep unit in front of your body. Keep all parts of your body away from the cutting blade.
- Keep the cutting blade and air vents clear of debris.

### POLE PRUNER SAFETY

**WARNING:** The reciprocating blade/rotating chain can cause severe injury. Inspect the unit before use. Do not operate unit with a bent, cracked or dull blade or dull chain. Keep away from the blade/chain.

**WARNING:** The reciprocating blade/rotating chain is sharp. Do not touch. To prevent serious injury, always stop engine and ensure blade/chain has stopped moving, disconnect spark plug, and wear gloves when changing or handling the blade or chain.

**WARNING:** A coasting blade/rotating chain can cause injury while it continues to move after the engine is stopped. Maintain proper control of the unit until the blade/chain has completely stopped moving. Keep hands, face and feet at a distance from all moving parts. Do not attempt to touch or stop the blade or chain when it is moving.



**⚠ WARNING:** Falling objects can cause severe head injury. Wear head protection when operating this unit with a pole pruner attachment.



**⚠ WARNING:** To prevent serious injury, do not use more than one boom extension with a pole pruner attachment.

**⚠ WARNING:** Keep the pruner away from power lines or electrical wires.

- Only use for pruning limbs or branches up to 15 cm in diameter.
- Do not operate the unit faster than the speed needed to prune. Do not run the unit at high speed when not pruning.
- Always stop the unit when work is delayed or when walking from one cutting location to another.
- If you strike or become entangled with a foreign object, stop the engine immediately and check for damage. Have any damage repaired by an authorized service dealer before attempting further operations. Discard blades that are bent, warped, cracked or broken.
- Stop the unit immediately if you feel excessive vibration. Vibration is a sign of trouble. Inspect thoroughly for loose nuts, bolts or damage before continuing. Contact an authorized service dealer for repair or replacement of affected parts as necessary.

## SNOW THROWER SAFETY

**⚠ WARNING:** Keep hands and feet away from the rotor when starting or running the engine. Never attempt to clear the rotor with the engine/motor running. Stop engine and disconnect spark plug before unclogging snow or debris from discharge chute or when adjusting vanes.



**⚠ WARNING:** Never lean over discharge chute. Rocks or debris could be thrown into the eyes and face and cause serious injury or blindness.

**⚠ WARNING:** Inspect the area where the unit is to be used. Remove objects that could be thrown or damage the unit. Some objects may be hidden by fallen snow - be alert for the possibility.

- Direct material discharge away from glass enclosures, automobiles, etc.
- Do not run engine at high speed while not removing snow.
- Be attentive when using the snowthrower, and stay alert for holes in the terrain and other hidden hazards.
- Make sure the rotor will spin freely before attaching the snowthrower to the powerhead.
- If the rotor will not rotate freely due to frozen ice, thaw the unit before thoroughly before attempting to operate under power.
- Keep the rotor clear of debris.
- Do not throw snow near other people. The snow thrower could propel small objects at high speed causing injury.
- After striking a foreign object, stop the engine, disconnect spark plug and inspect the snowthrower for damage and repair if necessary before restarting unit.
- Never operate the snowthrower near glass enclosures, automobiles and trucks.
- Never attempt to use the snowthrower on a roof.
- Never operate the snowthrower near window wells, dropoffs, etc.
- Never discharge snow onto public roads or near moving traffic.
- Clear snow from slopes by going up and down; never across. Use caution when changing directions. Never clear snow from steep slopes.
- Let snowthrower run for a few minutes after clearing snow so moving parts do not freeze.
- Look behind and use care when backing up. Exercise caution to avoid slipping or falling, especially when operating in reverse.
- Know how to stop quickly.

## MAINTENANCE

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 authorised service dealer.

**⚠ WARNING:** Disconnect the spark plug before performing maintenance except for carburetor adjustments.

### CHECK FOR LOOSE FASTENERS AND PARTS

- Spark Plug Boot
- Air Filter
- Housing Screws
- Handlebar Screws
- Debris Shield

### CHECK FOR DAMAGED OR WORN PARTS

Contact an authorized service dealer for replacement of damaged or worn parts.

- Fuel Tank - Discontinue use of unit if fuel tank shows signs of damage or leaks.
- Debris Shield - Discontinue use of unit if debris shield is damaged.

### INSPECT AND CLEAN UNIT AND LABELS

- After each use, inspect complete unit for loose or damaged parts. Clean the unit and labels using a damp cloth with a mild detergent.
- Wipe off unit with a clean dry cloth.

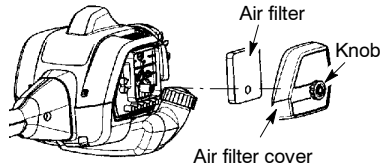
### CLEAN AIR FILTER

A dirty air filter decreases engine performance and increases fuel consumption and harmful emissions. Always clean after every 5 hours of operation.

1. Clean the cover and the area around it to keep dirt from falling into the carburetor chamber when the cover is removed.
2. Remove parts as illustrated.

**NOTE:** Do not clean filter in petrol or other flammable solvent to avoid creating a fire hazard or producing harmful evaporative emissions.

3. Wash the filter in soap and water.
4. Allow filter to dry.
5. Replace parts.



### REPLACE SPARK PLUG

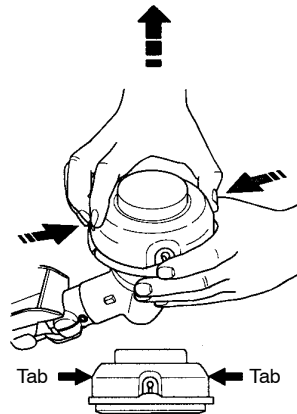
Replace the spark plug each year to ensure the engine starts easier and runs better. Set spark plug gap at 0,6 mm. Ignition timing is fixed and nonadjustable.

1. Twist, then pull off spark plug boot.
2. Remove spark plug from cylinder and discard.
3. Replace with Champion RCJ-6Y spark plug and tighten securely with a 19 mm socket wrench.
4. Reinstall the spark plug boot.

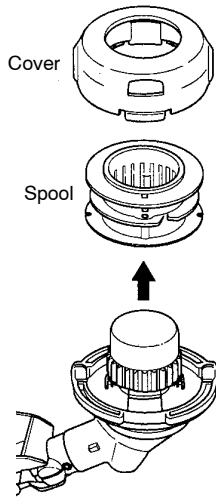
## SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

### REPLACING THE LINE

1. Press the tabs on the side of the trimmer head and remove cover and spool.



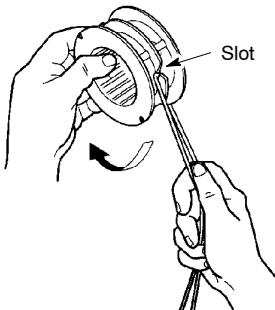




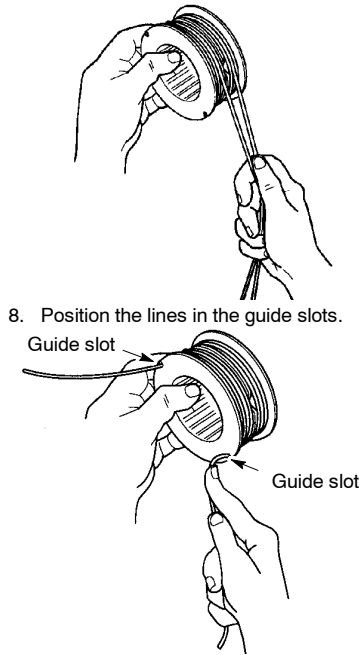
2. Remove any remaining line.
3. Clean dirt and debris from all parts. Replace spool if it is worn or damaged.
4. Replace with a pre-wound spool, or replace line using a 4,5 meters length of 2,4 mm diameter McCulloch brand line.

**⚠ WARNING:** Never use wire, rope, string, etc., which can break off and become a dangerous missile.

5. When installing new line on an existing spool, hold the spool as shown.
6. Bend the line at the midpoint and insert the bend into the slot in the center rim of the spool. Ensure line snaps into position in the slot.

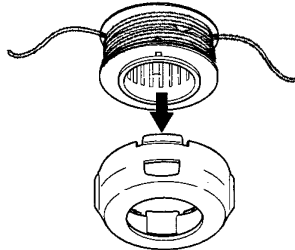


7. With your finger between the lines, wrap the lines evenly and firmly around the spool in a clockwise direction.

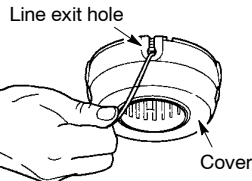


8. Position the lines in the guide slots.

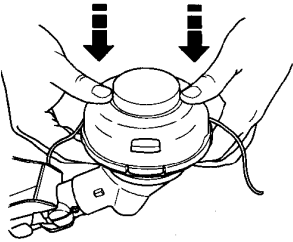
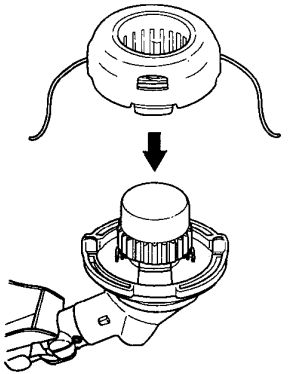
9. Place the spool in the cover as shown below.



10. Insert the ends of the lines through exit holes in the sides of the cover.



11. Reinstall the spool and cover onto the trimmer head. Push until cover snaps into place.



### BLADE REPLACEMENT

Refer to the ASSEMBLY section for blade replacement instructions and illustrations.

### CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENT

**WARNING:** Keep others away when making idle speed adjustments. The trimmer head will be spinning during most of this procedure. Wear your protective equipment and observe all safety precautions. After making adjustments, the trimmer head must not move/spin at idle speed.

The carburetor has been carefully set at the factory. Adjustments may be necessary if you notice any of the following conditions:

- Engine will not idle when the throttle is released.
- The trimmer head moves/spins at idle speed.

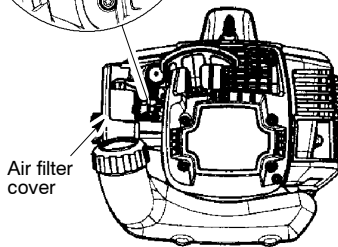
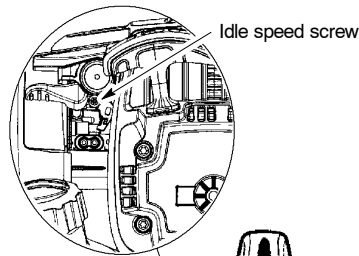
Make adjustments with the unit supported so the cutting attachment is off the ground and will not make contact with any object. Hold the unit by hand while running and making adjustments. Keep all parts of your body away from the cutting attachment and muffler.

### Idle Speed Adjustment

Allow engine to idle. Adjust speed until engine runs without trimmer head moving or spinning (idle speed too fast) or engine stalling (idle speed too slow).

- Turn idle speed screw clockwise to increase engine speed if engine stalls or dies.
- Turn idle speed screw counterclockwise to decrease engine speed if trimmer head moves or spins at idle speed.

**WARNING:** Recheck the idle speed after each adjustment. The trimmer head must not move or spin at idle speed to avoid serious injury to the operator or others.



If you require further assistance or are unsure about performing this procedure, contact an authorized service dealer.

## STORAGE

**WARNING:** Perform the following steps after each use:

- Allow engine to cool before storing or transporting.
- Store unit and fuel in a well ventilated area where fuel vapors cannot reach sparks or open flames from water heaters, electric motors or switches, furnaces, etc.
- Empty fuel tank before storing or transporting the unit.
- Store unit and fuel well out of the reach of children.
- Store unit with all guards in place. Position unit so that any sharp object cannot accidentally cause injury.

## SEASONAL STORAGE

Prepare unit for storage at end of season or if it will not be used for 30 days or more.

If your unit is to be stored for a period of time:

- Clean the entire unit before lengthy storage.
- Store in a clean dry area.
- Lightly oil external metal surfaces.

## ENGINE

- Remove spark plug and pour 1 teaspoon of 40:1, 2-cycle engine oil (air cooled) through the spark plug opening. Slowly pull the starter rope 8 to 10 times to distribute oil.
- Replace spark plug with new one of recommended type and heat range.

- Clean air filter.
- Check entire unit for loose screws, nuts, and bolts. Replace any damaged, broken, or worn parts.
- At the beginning of the next season, use only fresh fuel having the proper petrol to oil ratio.

## OTHER

- Do not store petrol from one season to another.
- Replace your petrol can if it starts to rust.

## TROUBLESHOOTING TABLE

**⚠ WARNING:** Always stop unit and disconnect spark plug before performing all of the recommended remedies below except remedies that require operation of the unit.

TROUBLE	CAUSE	REMEDY
Engine will not start.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Engine flooded.</li> <li>2. Fuel tank empty.</li> <li>3. Spark plug not firing.</li> <li>4. Fuel not reaching carburetor.</li> <li>5. Carburetor requires adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. See "Starting a Flooded Engine" in Operation Section.</li> <li>2. Fill tank with correct fuel mixture.</li> <li>3. Install new spark plug.</li> <li>4. Check for dirty fuel filter; replace. Check for kinked or split fuel line; repair or replace.</li> <li>5. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> </ol>
Engine will not idle properly.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Carburetor requires adjustment.</li> <li>2. Crankshaft seals worn.</li> <li>3. Compression low.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. See "Carburetor Adjustment" in Service and Adjustments Section.</li> <li>2. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> <li>3. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> </ol>
Engine will not accelerate, lacks power, or dies under a load.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Air filter dirty.</li> <li>2. Spark plug fouled.</li> <li>3. Carburetor requires adjustment.</li> <li>4. Carbon build-up on muffler outlet screen.</li> <li>5. Compression low.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean or replace air filter.</li> <li>2. Clean or replace plug and regap.</li> <li>3. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> <li>4. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> <li>5. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> </ol>
Engine smokes excessively.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fuel mixture incorrect.</li> <li>2. Air filter dirty.</li> <li>3. Carburetor requires adjustment.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Empty fuel tank and refill with correct fuel mixture.</li> <li>2. Clean or replace air filter.</li> <li>3. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> </ol>
Engine runs hot.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fuel mixture incorrect.</li> <li>2. Spark plug incorrect.</li> <li>3. Carburetor requires adjustment.</li> <li>4. Carbon build-up on muffler outlet screen.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Empty fuel tank and refill with correct fuel mixture.</li> <li>2. Replace with correct spark plug.</li> <li>3. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> <li>4. Contact an authorized service dealer.</li> </ol>

## DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

### EC Declaration of Conformity (Only applies to Europe)

We, **Husqvarna AB**, SE-561 82 Huskvarna, Sweden, Tel: +46-36-146000, as authorised representative in the Community, declare that the brushcutter model **McCulloch Cabrio 433L** from serial numbers 2009-031N00001 and onwards (the year is clearly stated on the rating plate, followed by the serial number), comply with the requirements of the **COUNCIL'S DIRECTIVES**:

of 22 June 1998 "relating to machinery" **98/37/EC**, annex IIA;


of 15 December 2004 "relating to electromagnetic compatibility" **2004/108/EC**, and applicable supplements; and

of 8 May 2000 "relating to the noise emissions in the environment" in accordance with Annex V of **2000/14/EC**. The measured sound power is 112,3 dB(A), the guaranteed sound power is 117,0 dB(A). The cutting width is 43 cm.

The following standards have been applied: **EN12100-1:2003**, **EN 12100-2:2003**, **EN ISO 11806:1997** and **CISPR 12:2005**.

**SMP, The Swedish Machinery Testing Institute**, Fyrisborgsgatan 3 S-754 50 Uppsala, Sweden, has carried out voluntary type approval. The certificate(s) are numbered: **SEC/08/1271**.

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## TECHNICAL DATA

<b>MODEL: Cabrio 433L</b>	<b>Trimmer</b>	<b>Blade</b>
<b>ENGINE</b>		
Displacement, cm <sup>3</sup>	33	33
Maximum engine power, measured in accordance with ISO 8893, kW	0,9	0,9
Catalytic converter muffler	No	No
<b>ENGINE ROTATIONAL SPEEDS</b>		
At maximum engine power, rpm	7000	7000
Maximum rotational frequency of the spindle	10000	10000
Engine speed at recommended maximum spindle rotational frequency	7400	7400
Recommended speed idling, rpm	2900	2900
<b>FUEL AND LUBRICATION SYSTEM</b>		
Fuel tank volume capacity, cm <sup>3</sup>	480	480
Fuel consumption at maximum engine power, measured in accordance with ISO 8893, g/h	570	570
Specified fuel consumption at max. engine power, measured in accordance with ISO 8893, g/kWh	637	637
<b>WEIGHT</b>		
Without cutting attachment or shield, empty tank, kg	6,6	6,6
<b>CUTTING ATTACHMENT</b>		
Weed blade, part number	Opt.	#530055892
Cutting head assembly, part number	#537419202	Opt.
<b>NOISE LEVELS (Octave Band Analysis 100-10000hz 1/3 Octave)</b>		
SOUND PRESSURE LEVELS measured in accordance with ISO 22868		
Idling, dB(A)	80,1	80,1
Racing, dB(A)	102,0	99,8
SOUND POWER LEVELS in accordance with ISO 22868		
Idling, dB(A)	112,3	112,3
Racing, dB(A)	117,0	117,0
<b>VIBRATION LEVELS</b> measured in accordance with ISO 22867		
<b>LEFT HANDLE</b>		
Idling, m/s <sup>2</sup>	2,5	3,4
Racing, m/s <sup>2</sup>	8,8	11,7
<b>RIGHT HANDLE</b>		
Idling, m/s <sup>2</sup>	2,2	2,2
Racing, m/s <sup>2</sup>	11,6	11,7