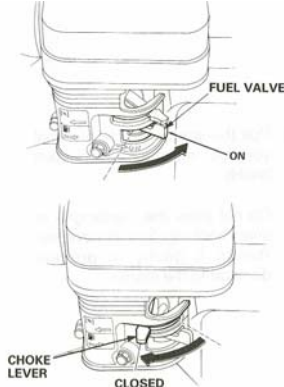


Rear Tine Tiller, 8hp

STARTING THE ENGINE

1. Turn the fuel valve to the ON position.
2. Move the choke lever to the CLOSED position to start a cold engine. Leave the choke lever in the OPEN position to restart a warm engine.
3. Turn the engine switch to the ON position.
4. Move the throttle lever away from the SLOW position, about 1/3 of the way toward the FAST position.
5. Pull the starter grip lightly until you feel resistance, then pull briskly. Do not allow the starter grip to snap back against the engine. Return it gently to prevent damage to the starter.
6. If the choke lever was moved to the CLOSED position to start the engine, gradually move it to the OPEN position as the engine warms up.



Front Wheel

After getting to the tilling site, move the front wheel to the raised position before tilling. Always stop the engine before lowering or raising the wheel.

OPERATING THE CONTROLS FOR TILLING

If the tines dig in but the machine will not move forward, move the handlebars from side-to-side. When turning, push down on the handlebars to bring the tiller's weight to the rear; this will make turning easier.

Handlebar Height Adjustment: stop the engine before adjusting the height. To adjust the handlebar height loosen the handlebar height adjuster, select the appropriate holes and tighten it.

Clutch: When the clutch lever is squeezed, the clutch is engaged, and power is transmitted to the transmission. When the lever is released, the clutch is disengaged, and power is not transmitted.

Forward Gear Selection:

1. Return the throttle lever to the slowest position.
2. Release the clutch lever to disengage the clutch.
3. Move the shift lever to the desired gear position.

If the shift lever will not engage the desired gear, squeeze the clutch lever and move the tiller slightly to reposition the gears.

⚠ WARNING

Tines are sharp and spin fast.

Spinning tines can cut you severely and can amputate body parts.

- Wear protective footwear.
- Keep your hands and feet away from the tines while the engine is running.
- Stop the engine before performing any adjustment, inspection, or maintenance.

REVERSE GEAR OPERATION

Use the reverse gear only when it is necessary to move the tiller away from an obstacle.

1. Check the area behind you and make sure it is clear of any obstacles.
2. Move the throttle to the SLOW position.
3. Make sure the clutch lever is released. Move the shift lever to the REVERSE position.
4. Engage the clutch lever and carefully walk the tiller backwards. Be prepared to release the clutch lever quickly.
5. Release the clutch lever, lower the handlebar, and move the shift lever out of the REVERSE position when done.

TILLING DEPTH ADJUSTMENT

The drag bar is used to control the tilling depth, which can be adjusted by removing the pin and retainer and sliding the drag bar up and down as necessary. During operation, if the machine jerks forward while tilling, press down on the handlebars. This will cause the drag bar to dig more deeply into the soil.

STOPPING THE ENGINE

1. Release the main clutch lever to DISENGAGED position.
2. Move the throttle to the slowest position.
3. Turn the engine switch to the OFF position.
4. Turn the fuel valve to the OFF position.

