

Sod Cutter, 18"

- To prevent possible hearing loss, hearing protection should be worn when operating the Jr. Sodcutter. The preceding decal is used on the Jr. Sodcutter to remind operators to always wear adequate hearing protection.

STARTING ENGINE

- Be sure gas is turned on. Check shut-off valve located on the bottom side of the fuel tank.
- Place all controls in "Disengaged" position.
- Put throttle lever at half speed.
- Turn engine switch to "ON" position.
- Pull recoil starter, and choke as required to start engine. Allow engine to warm up.

MOVING OF UNIT

To move unit without running blade:

- Place blade shifter handle in "disengaged" position (handle will point straight out from unit). Refer to Figure 21.
- Set engine speed at slow speed.
- Engage drive shifter handle.
- Depress operator presence control.
- Engage operator presence control.
- Engage clutch control lever.
- Adjust throttle to desired walking speed.

To move unit **without running engine**, put drive shifter handle and clutch control lever in "Disengaged" position.

ADJUSTING OPERATOR PRESENCE CONTROL

- To adjust operator presence cable, pull clutch control handle rearward as far as possible.
- Press operator presence handle (right handlebar) down as far as possible.
- Adjust cable until the pivot arm contacts the arm extending from the operator presence switch (see Figure 22).
- Tighten cable clamp to secure cable. Check for proper operation.

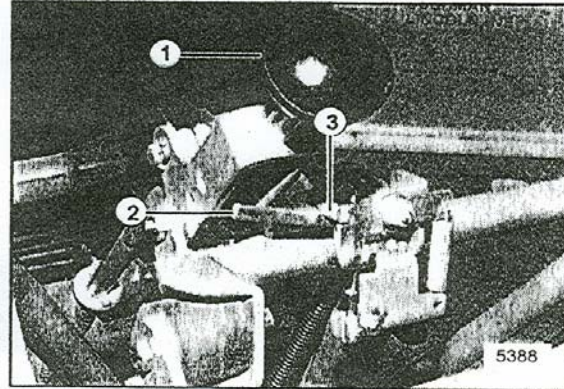


FIGURE 22

- Clutch Control Handle
- Operator Presence Switch Arm
- Pivot Arm

ADJUSTING BLADE ANGLE

Loosen blade angle control locking lever and move H-frame forward or backward until blade is at desired angle of pitch. Tighten blade angle control locking lever. See Figure 19.

ADJUSTING DEPTH OF CUT

- Make a trial run in turf. Set depth to cut approximately 3/4" of soil.
- Loosen depth gauge handle (see Figure 19). Adjust depth gauge to contact bottom on depth control lever.
- Loosen depth control locking lever and lower depth control until it rests on depth gauge.
- Tighten depth control locking lever.

NOTICE

- Numbers on depth gauge do not necessarily represent thickness of sod being cut.

CUTTING SOD

- Engage drive wheel shifter handle.
- Engage blade shifter handle.
- Standing on the right side of unit, lift handle with left hand, and lower blade to preset depth with right hand.
- Adjust throttle to full speed.
- Push clutch lever forward and lower handle.
- After cutting a short distance, stop unit and check thickness of sod. Adjust if necessary.
- At end of each cutting pass, lift up on handle to clear cutting blade from sod, retard throttle and turn Jr. Sodcutter around for return pass.