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## Safety Information Sheet

# Stump Grinder SC252

**WARNING!** Wear personal protective equipment. Wear close-fitting clothing, avoid jewelry. Use a hard hat, ear and eye protection with wraparound safety glasses and a full face shield.

**WARNING!** Check machine before operating; be sure all guards are in place, be sure all blades and cutters are in place and in good condition. Review all the machine's safety decals.

**WARNING!** Make sure the work area and cutter in particular are free from metallic objects such as wire, nails, electrical cables, barbed wire, and other foreign objects.

**WARNING!** Keep spectators away. Make sure children and animals maintain a distance of at least 50 ft. from machine.

### Operation:

**WARNING!** NEVER allow the blade to touch the ground until it has stopped turning.

1. Place the cutting blade near the top front edge of the tree stump
2. Set the brake to lock position.
3. Set the throttle to SLOW ( START) DISENGAGE.
4. Set engine switch on handlebar to ON
5. Tilt the machine on its wheels, lifting the cutting wheel off the ground.
6. Hold in the dead man's grip bar and start the engine.
7. Allow the engine to warm up for two minutes at idle before grinding.
8. Place the middle of the cutting wheel approximately one inch above and 3/4 inches into the stump.
9. Place the cutting wheel in the upper front edge of the stump. Swing the cutting wheel from side to side while lowering it about one inch after each pass until the front edge of the stump is gone.
10. Before moving the machine forwards, you should ensure that the cutting wheel is above the ground and located on either side of the stump. Move the machine forward by releasing the brake, pushing it forward, activating the brake again and repeating steps 9 and 10.
11. Repeat steps 9 through 11 until the upper portion of the stump has been removed. DO NOT cut deeper than ground level at this stage.
12. Set the throttle to SLOW (START) DISENGAGE and wait until the cutting wheel stops rotating.
13. Release the brake and pull the machine away from the stump.
14. It may be necessary to clear wood chips from the area around the stump.
15. If you want to grind below the ground level it may become necessary to adjust the handle position to achieve a better hand and arm work position. Pull the handle control lever and adjust the handle to the desired position.
16. Repeat steps 6 through 10 until you reach the desired depth.
17. Shut off the machine when you are done.

### Runover/Rollover Prevention

- Keep feet clear of tires. Stand or walk at a maximum comfortable distance from the machine while operating.
- Never operate the machine faster than you can comfortably walk.
- If machine must be transported across a slope where sideways rollover is possible, operate in a direction which places the operator on the uphill side of the machine.
- Never attempt to manually move the stump cutter on sloped or uneven ground with the wheel lock pins disengaged. Loss of control may result.