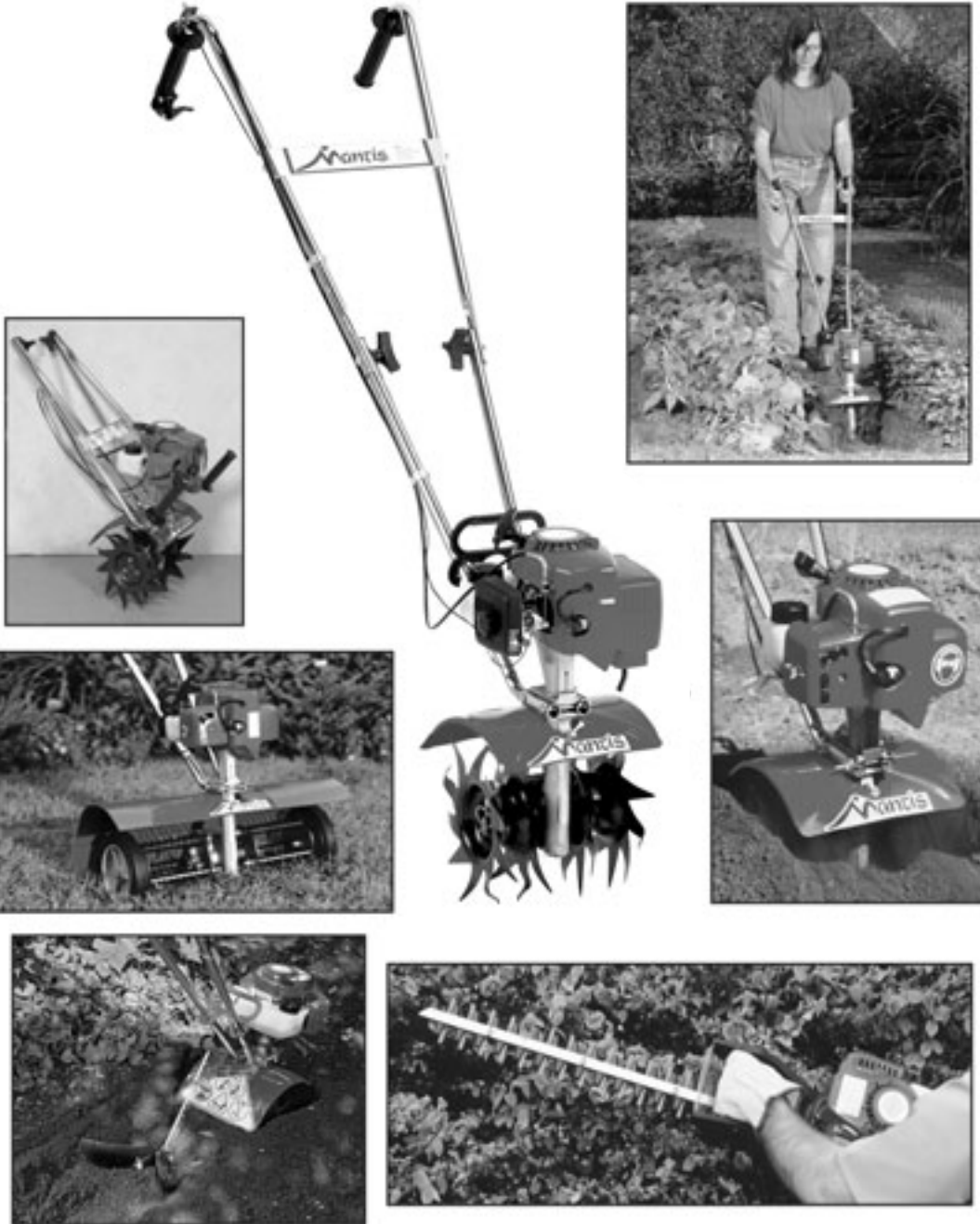




Tiller/Cultivator

OWNER'S MANUAL



WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF MANTIS GARDENING!

Here's your new MANTIS Tiller . . . the lightweight wonder that's "Changing the Way People Garden."

Unlike big tillers, your MANTIS Tiller weighs only 9 kg (20 pounds). So it lifts easily, handles smoothly, tills and weeds precisely. And, unlike other small tillers, it features serpentine tines that churn soil to 25 cm deep (10 inches). It creates a soft, smooth seed bed, even in problem soil.

Once you know how to use your tiller correctly, we guarantee you'll love it. So first, please read this manual. It shows, step by step, how to use your tiller safely. Plus, it shows how the MANTIS Border Edger can make light work of your edging needs.

If you have questions about any topic in this Manual, or for the name of your local dealer, call 1-800-363-7333 toll free, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Atlantic Time, or ask for Customer Service.

If you wish to order Mantis Attachments, call 1-800-363-7333 toll free and ask for our sales department.



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SAFETY RULES & WARNINGS

You will notice throughout this Owners Manual **Safety Rules and Important Notes**. Make sure you understand and obey these warnings for your own protection.

I. Special Safety Information

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠
**ATTENTION: THIS SYMBOL POINTS OUT
OUR IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS.**

**WHEN YOU SEE THIS SYMBOL, ⚠
HEED IT'S WARNING!! STAY ALERT!!**

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠
**TO REDUCE THE POTENTIAL FOR ACCIDENTS, COMPLY
WITH THE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL.**

**FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL
INJURY, AND/OR EQUIPMENT AND PROPERTY DAMAGE.**

II. Safety & Warnings

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠
**IMPROPER USE OR CARE OF THIS TILLER
OR FAILURE TO WEAR PROPER PROTECTION
CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY.**

**READ AND UNDERSTAND THE RULES FOR SAFE
OPERATION AND ALL INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL.**

WEAR HEARING AND EYE PROTECTION.

III. Safety Decal Information



P/N 488M

An important part of the safety system incorporated in this tiller are the warning and information decals found on various parts of the tiller. These decals must be replaced in time due to abrasion, etc. It is your responsibility to replace these decals when they become hard to read. The location and part numbers (P/N) of these decals are illustrated on Page 27.



CUTTING HAZARD;
KEEP FEET AND
HANDS AWAY FROM
ROTATING TINES.



DO NOT CARRY THE
TILLER IN THIS
POSITION.



READ OWNER'S MANUAL
BEFORE USING CULTIVATOR,
OR PERFORMING ANY
REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE.
KEEP OWNER'S MANUAL IN
A SAFE PLACE.



DON'T FUEL, REFUEL,
OR CHECK FUEL
WHILE SMOKING, OR
NEAR AN OPEN FLAME
OR OTHER IGNITION
SOURCE.



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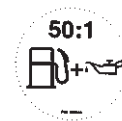
CAUTION: WHEN ASSEMBLING
THE HANDLES, MAKE SURE
FUEL TANK FACES OPERATOR.
THIS IS THE REAR OF THE
TILLER, REFER TO ASSEMBLY
INSTRUCTION ON PAGE 7.



INCORRECT ASSEMBLY.



WEAR EAR AND EYE
PROTECTION.



MIX UNLEADED GAS
WITH 2 CYCLE 50:1
OIL.

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠

**IF THE TILLER IS USED IMPROPERLY OR SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ARE NOT FOLLOWED,
THE USERS RISK SERIOUS INJURY TO THEMSELVES AND OTHERS.**

READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS MANUAL BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO OPERATE THIS TILLER.

IV. Warnings - Do's

Read and understand the owner's manual. Pay particular attention to all sections regarding safety.

1. Always keep a firm grip on both handles while the tines are moving and/or the engine is running. BE AWARE!! The tines may coast after throttle trigger is released. Make sure tines have come to a complete stop and engine is off before letting go of the tiller.

2. Always maintain a firm footing and good balance. Do not overreach while operating the tiller. Before you start to use the tiller check the work area for obstacles that might cause you to lose your footing, balance or control of the machine.

3. Thoroughly inspect the area where equipment is to be used and remove all objects, which can be thrown by the machine.

4. Always keep area clear of children, pets, and bystanders.

5. Always stay alert. Watch what you are doing and use common sense.

Do not operate unit when fatigued.

6. Always dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry, they might get caught in moving parts. Use sturdy gloves. Gloves reduce the transmission of vibration to your hands. Prolonged exposure to vibration can cause numbness and other ailments. Wear non-skid foot wear to ensure secure and proper footing.

7. While working, always wear substantial footwear and long trousers. Do not operate the equipment when barefoot or wearing open sandals.

8. Always wear ear and eye protection. Eye protection must meet ANSI Z 87.1. To avoid hearing damage, we recommend hearing protection be worn whenever using the equipment.

9. To reduce fire hazard, keep the engine, and gasoline/fuel storage area free of vegetative material and excessive grease.

10. Start the engine carefully, according to the manufacturer's instructions and with feet well away from tool(s).

11. Keep all nuts, bolts and screws tight to be sure the equipment is in safe working condition.

12. Use extreme caution when reversing or pulling the machine towards you.

13. Work only in daylight or good artificial light.

14. Always be sure of your footing on slopes.

15. Exercise extreme caution when changing direction on slopes.

16. Always keep a safe distance between two or more people when working together.

17. Always inspect your unit before each use and ensure that all handles, guards and fasteners are secure, operating, and in place.

18. Always maintain and examine your tiller with care. Follow maintenance instructions given in manual.

19. Always store tiller in a sheltered area (a dry place), not accessible to children. The tiller as well as fuel should not be stored in a house.

V. Warnings - Don'ts

Don't use tiller with one hand. Keep both hands on handles with fingers and thumbs encircling the handles, while tines are moving, and engine is running.

Don't overreach. Keep a good footing at all times.

Don't run with the machine, walk.

Don't work on excessively steep slopes.

Don't attempt to clear tines while they are moving. Never try to remove jammed material before switching the engine off and making sure the tines have stopped completely.

Don't allow children or incapable people to operate this tiller.

Don't operate while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Don't attempt to repair this tiller. Have repairs made by a qualified dealer or repairman. See that only original MANTIS parts are used.

WARNING • DANGER

HANDLE FUEL WITH CARE, IT IS HIGHLY FLAMMABLE. FUELING A HOT ENGINE OR NEAR AN IGNITION SOURCE CAN CAUSE A FIRE AND RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

VI. Engine/Fuel Warnings - Do's

Always use fresh gasoline in the fuel mixture. Stale gasoline can cause damage.

Always store fuel in containers specifically designed for this purpose.

Always pull starter cord slowly until resistance is felt.

Then pull cord rapidly to avoid kickback and prevent arm or hand injury.

Always operate engine with spark arrestor installed and operating properly. The use of spark arrestor mufflers is required by law.

Stop the engine whenever you leave the machine.

Allow the engine to cool before storing in any enclosure.

If the fuel tank needs to be drained, this should be done outdoors.

VII. Engine/Fuel Warnings - Don'ts

Don't fuel, refuel or check fuel while smoking, or near an open flame or other ignition source. Stop engine and be sure it is cool before refueling.

Don't leave the engine running while the tiller is unattended. Stop engine before putting the tiller down or while transporting from one place to another.

Don't refuel, start or run this tiller indoors or in an improperly ventilated area.

Don't run engine when electrical system causes spark

outside the cylinder. During periodical checks of the spark plug, keep plug a safe distance from cylinder to avoid burning of evaporated fuel from cylinder.

Don't check for spark with spark plug or plug wire removed. Use an approved tester.

Don't crank engine with spark plug removed unless spark plug wire is disconnected. Sparks can ignite fumes.

Don't run engine when the odor of gasoline is present or other explosive conditions exist.

Don't operate the unit if gasoline is spilled. Clean up spill completely before starting engine.

Don't operate your tiller if there is an accumulation of debris around the muffler, and cooling fins.

Don't touch hot mufflers, cylinders or cooling fins as contact may cause serious burns.

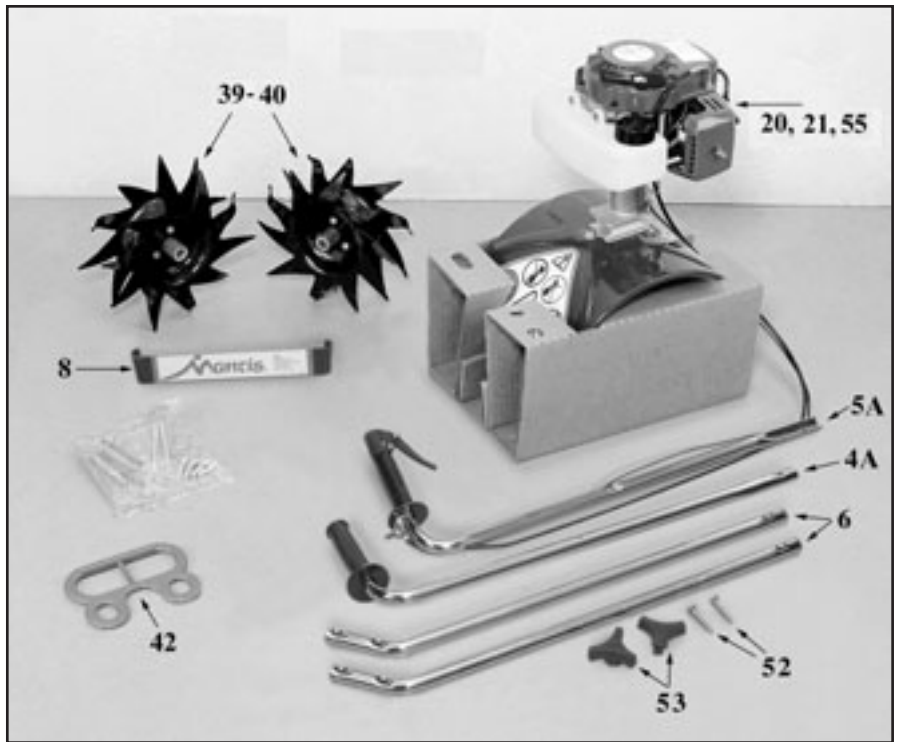
Don't change the engine governor setting or over speed the engine.

The spark ignition system meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

ASSEMBLY

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠
IMPROPER ASSEMBLY OF THIS TILLER CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY. MAKE SURE TO FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT OUR FACTORY AT 1-800-363-7333 OR AN AUTHORIZED MANTIS DEALER



Your MANTIS Tiller comes partially assembled. You must install only the handlebars, the carrying handle, and the tines. This will take just a few minutes if you follow the directions.

First, take all items out of the carton. But do not remove the cardboard from around the tiller's base.

The list at the right, shows the parts that come with your tiller. Check to make sure you have them.

The bag of hardware is in the plastic bag containing the owner's manual and video.

To assemble your MANTIS Tiller, you'll need two 11 mm (7/16") wrenches or two adjustable wrenches. We suggest that you install all nuts and bolts only "finger tight" — that is, one-half to one full turn — until you've completed assembly. **The nuts are self locking, but you must use a wrench to tighten them completely.**

Quantity	Description	*Key No.
1	Upper Handle Assembly	4A
1	Upper Handle Throttle Side Assembly	5A
2	Lower Handles	6
1	Pair Tiller/Cultivator Tines	39/40
1	Engine Assembly (includes Fender Guard & Worm Gear Transmission)	20, 21, 55
1	Handle Brace	8
1	Plastic Carrying Handle	42
1	Bag of hardware containing:	
2	Cap Screws	47*
4	Lock Nuts	48*
2	Bolts 3" (7.62 cm) long	49*
2	Tine Retaining Pins	41*
2	Handle Clamps	51*
1	Throttle Clips	13*
2	Bolts	52*
2	Knobs	53*

*These numbers are the same numbers shown on the Parts Layout on page 27.

ASSEMBLY *(continued)*

HOW TO ASSEMBLE LOWER HANDLES

To identify part numbers, see pages 6 and 27.

1. Use the protective cardboard sleeve to stabilize your tiller. Stand the engine assembly (No. 21) up.

2. Lay the handle parts within easy reach. You'll need one of the handle clamps (No. 51) and one of the lower handles (No. 6). Note that the lower handles have a short leg on one end. (Picture 1)

3. Fit the handle clamp along the outside of the short leg. Line up the holes on the clamp and the leg.

4. Choose one of the two 3-inch (7.62 cm) bolts (No. 49). Slide it through the first set of holes — near the elbow where the lower handle curves. (Picture 2)

5. Now slide the other lower handle onto the 3-inch (7.62 cm) bolt. (Picture 3.) Fit the other

clamp onto this other handle's short leg. Add a nut and tighten finger tight.

6. Locate the worm-gear housing. It starts just above — and extends down through — the tiller's red fender guard. You'll notice that there's a recessed channel on either side of the housing's top. (Picture 4.)

7. Take the lower handles that you've just put together. Slide them into the two recessed channels.

! Make sure you insert them from the rear of the tiller (gasoline tank faces the operator) . . . so that the bolt fits along the back of the housing. (Picture 5)

8. Slide the second 3-inch (7.62 cm) bolt through the second set of holes in the short legs. Add a nut and tighten finger tight.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3



Picture 4



Picture 5

NOTE: THE LOCK NUTS ARE STAMPED. FINGER TIGHT IS APPROXIMATELY 1/2 TO 1-1/2 TURNS.

ASSEMBLY (continued)

HOW TO ASSEMBLE UPPER HANDLES & PLASTIC CARRYING HANDLE.

1. Lightly squeeze the lower handles (No. 6) toward one another so that they line up with the two smaller holes on the carrying handle (No. 42). Then slide the carrying handle over and down the lower handles. It will rest about 10-15 cm (4-6 inches) above the engine. (Picture 1)

2. Gently pull the lower handles out to their original position.

3. Attach the upper handle assembly (No. 5A) – the handle with the throttle cable and ground wire – onto either handle, and secure



Picture 1

with the handle knob (No. 53). You can attach this upper handle to whichever lower handle you prefer, depending on which hand you'd rather use to squeeze the throttle. (Picture No. 2) Note: If throttle handle is mounted on the left, it will not fold down as completely as when mounted on the right. **Be sure you have proper throttle movements and that the throttle cable is not wrapped or twisted around the handle bar.** Squeeze trigger and let go. The triangle must click in both directions. If there is any doubt, remove air filter and visually check that the throttle triangle hits both the idle screw and the full open stop. **THIS MUST BE DONE BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE.**

4. Follow the same steps to install the other upper handle onto the other lower handle. (Picture 3)

5. Use the clip (No. 13) to secure the throttle cable and wire in place on the lower handle. (Picture 4)

6. Now install the handle brace. Line it up with the holes on the upper handles. Then insert a cap screw and a lock nut on either side (Picture 5)

7. Use a wrench to tighten cap screws and lock nuts.

8. Now use wrench to tighten all nuts and bolts firmly and securely.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Make sure you have installed the handles properly. When you stand behind your tiller, holding the handles, you should face the gasoline tank.

⚠ WARNING: Improper throttle installation can cause tines to rotate unexpectedly .

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠
REMOVE TINES BEFORE STARTING ENGINE AND MAKING ADJUSTMENTS.



Picture 2



Picture 3



Picture 4



Picture 5

ASSEMBLY (continued)

Assembling the Tines for Tilling

1. Remove the cardboard from around your Tiller's base.

2. Slide the tines onto the axle shafts. The "D" hole goes on the outside.

3. Make sure you've installed the tines properly for tilling. Liken the tines to your fingers. When your palm faces the ground, your fingers curl down. Stand behind the tiller and hold your hand next to the tines. Do the tine blades curl down, as your fingers do? If so, they are in the *tilling* position. (To switch to the cultivating position, see page 15.)

4. To secure each tine to the axle, insert a tine retaining pin.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Before you use your MANTIS Tiller, read the safety rules & warnings on pages 3-5.



Mixing Fuel

Your MANTIS Tiller is powered by a commercial two stroke, air cooled engine which requires a fuel mixture of gasoline and lubricating oil.

Use a mixture of 50 parts unleaded regular gasoline and 1 part two-stroke MANTIS oil (50:1.) Use branded 89 octane (R+M+2) unleaded gasoline or ethanol (maximum 10% ethyl alcohol, or 15% MTBE, no methyl alcohol.)



⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠
FUEL IS EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE. HANDLE IT WITH CARE. KEEP AWAY FROM IGNITION SOURCES. DO NOT SMOKE WHILE FUELING YOUR EQUIPMENT.

Your Mantis Tiller comes with a free pre-measured bottle of two-cycle engine oil. Here's how to mix the oil with the gasoline:

1. Pour 2.5 l of the gasoline into a safe container. Do not mix the fuel and oil in the engine fuel tank.

2. Add one bottle (100 ml) of two-cycle engine oil to the gasoline and mix. Then add the other 2.5 liters of the gasoline.

3. Screw the cap onto the gasoline can. Then swirl the can to blend the oil and gas.

4. Carefully pour the fuel mix into the tiller's fuel tank. After putting the fuel tank's cap back on, wipe up any spilled fuel from tank and gasoline can.

IMPORTANT:

Two stroke fuel separates and ages. Do not mix more than you will use in a month. Using old fuel can cause difficult starting or engine damage. Shake fuel container to thoroughly mix fuel before each use. Do not attempt to run your engine on gasoline only, use proper fuel mixture.

Need more pre-measured engine oil? You can order it directly from Mantis. Just call toll free 1-800-363-7333 and ask for our Sales Dept.

Remember ...

- Always mix two-cycle oil with gasoline before fueling your tiller. Never, ever run your tiller on gasoline alone. This will ruin your engine and void all warranties.
- Always use a clean gas can and always use unleaded gas.
- Never try to mix the oil and gasoline in the engine fuel tank.
- Always mix oil and gas in the proper proportions: 5 liters of unleaded gasoline to 100 ml of two-cycle engine oil.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Do not use old or stale oil/gasoline mixture. Always use the proper oil/gasoline mixture. If you do not, your engine will suffer rapid, permanent damage. And you will void the engine warranty.

STARTING

To Start your Tiller for the First Time:

1. Fill the fuel tank with the proper oil/gasoline mixture. (See previous section.)
2. Hand tighten the gasoline cap just until it's snug.
3. Place the start/stop switch into the "start" position. (Picture 1)
4. Pull the choke button to close the engine choke. (Picture 2)
5. Locate the **purge bulb** on the upper right of the engine, in front of the fuel tank. (**See Picture 3**) It sends fuel into the carburetor, **for easy starting**. Press the **purge bulb** until you see fuel flow through the **clear fuel return line**. Since you're starting "cold," you may need to press six to eight times. As soon as fuel starts flowing through the clear fuel line, stop pressing! (Picture 3)
6. **Don't** press the throttle lever during the starting of the engine.
7. Pull the starter cord (Picture 4) slowly until

resistance is felt. Then give the recoil starter cord a few short, brisk pulls until the engine fires. **During cold starting**, you may need to pull at least three or four times before the engine fires.

NOTE: When the choke is closed, never pull the cord more than four or five times.

Overpulling may cause flooding. Also, bear in mind that, when the engine **fires, it only coughs or sputters, and will not run on choke.**

8. Push in the choke button to open the choke. (Picture 5)

9. Then pull the starter cord again. The engine should start and run. Let the engine warm up two to three minutes before using.

*Follow these steps whenever you are starting the engine "cold", or when the engine has run dry and you have just added fuel. Remember, always use short, brisk pulls. Don't give the cord a long, forceful yank. **And, do not let the cord snap back into the starter housing.***

⚠ WARNING ⚠

**AVOID ACCIDENTAL
BLADE ENGAGEMENT**

**DO NOT SQUEEZE THE
THROTTLE TRIGGER
WHEN STARTING.**

**MAINTAIN PROPER IDLE
SPEED ADJUSTMENT
(2500-3100 RPM)**



Picture 4



Picture 5

Never use starting fluids as they will cause permanent engine damage. Using them will void the warranty. Before you use the tiller, read the safety & warning rules on pages 3-6.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

STARTING (continued)

Starting a Warm Engine

1. Slide ignition switch to START position.
2. Push choke button in to the RUN (open) position.
3. If there is no fuel in the

clear return line, push primer bulb 3-4 times or until fuel is visible in the line.

4. Pull starter rope using short pulls, 1/2 to 2/3 of the rope length.
5. If engine fails to start in 4 pulls, use “First time” starting

procedure on page 10.

6. With engine running, and both hands on the handles, squeeze throttle trigger gradually to increase the engine speed and engage the tines.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠

IF ENGINE DOES NOT STOP WHEN SWITCH IS PUT IN THE STOP POSITION, RELEASE THE THROTTLE, ALLOW ENGINE TO IDLE.

PUT THE TILLER DOWN, AND PULL THE CHOKE BUTTON OUT TO COLD START (CLOSED) POSITION.

CHECK AND RETURN IGNITION SWITCH TO ON POSITION BEFORE STARTING ENGINE AGAIN.

A Tip for Extending Your Engine's Life

After you start the engine, let your tiller warm up for two to three minutes before you use it. Then, before you put your tiller away, let it idle for a minute to give the engine a chance to cool down.

How to Stop the Engine

Simply push the start/stop switch to “stop.” (Picture 1) This will stop the engine instantly. If it should ever fail to do so, just pull out the choke button. The engine will stop at once.

About the Choke

The choke controls the amount of air drawn into the engine. Your tiller will run only

if the choke is open — that is, if the choke is pushed in.

A Special Feature (with the idle set properly and the engine running)

Even when the engine is running, the tines won't turn unless you press the throttle lever on the handlebars. And, when you release the throttle lever, the tines will stop.



Picture 1

WHAT TO DO JUST IN CASE



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

If you follow the normal starting procedure, you should have no problem starting your tiller. But, just in case you do have problems, here's what to do.

Make sure the start/stop switch is on "start." You'd be surprised how many people forget to push the switch into the "start" position.

If the switch was on "stop" when you pulled the cord, you may have flooded the engine.

- First, examine the spark plug. Use the special wrench that comes with our optional MANTIS Handy Item Kit (Item No. MT5444) or a spark plug wrench. (Picture 1)
- Remove the cap over the spark plug.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

To avoid possible damage to the threads, do not try to remove the plug from a hot aluminum cylinder head.

- Unscrew the spark plug. (Picture 2)

Starting a Flooded

⚠ WARNING ⚠
MAKE SURE THE START/STOP SWITCH IS IN THE STOP POSITION.
KEEP PLUG WIRE AWAY FROM ENGINE TO AVOID UNINTENTIONAL SPARK.

Engine

1. If the end of the spark plug is wet, the engine may be flooded. **Make sure the switch**

is in the stop position, disconnect spark plug wire and remove plug. Use a paper towel or a clean rag to dry the spark plug, then, with the spark plug out of the engine, pull the starter cord several times. Shake the fuel out of the inside of the plug and air dry. Next, replace the spark plug. Use the wrench to tighten it and replace the cap. Next, put the switch in the start position and pull the choke button out. Pull the starter cord three or four times until the engine coughs or sputters. Open the choke (push the choke button in) and pull the cord a few times. The engine should start and run.

2. If the end of the spark plug is dry, check to see if the fuel line is blocked. The fuel line runs from the fuel tank to the carburetor. Pull it off at the carburetor end. Fuel should drip slowly from the line. Wipe off any excess or spilled fuel.

If fuel does not drip from the line, check the line for any bends or pinches. (Picture 3). Kinks in the line restrict the flow of fuel to the engine. Just straighten out the line. Reconnect. Then follow the normal starting procedure.

If fuel drips too freely, the line may be disconnected from the fuel filter. You'll find the fuel filter inside the fuel tank. Just re-attach the line to the filter, and put the filter back in the tank. Then follow the normal starting procedure.

Here's Another Way to Start Your MANTIS Tiller

If you follow the steps above and your engine still won't start, try this:

1. Push the switch to "start."

WHAT TO DO JUST IN CASE (continued)

2. Push in the choke button to open the choke.

3. Press the plastic bubble a few times.

4. Give the starter cord a few short, quick pulls. The engine should start and run.

5. If the engine does not start, then pull out the choke button to close the choke. Pull the starter cord four to five times. The engine should sputter or cough.

6. After the engine sputters, push the choke button in. Then pull the starter cord. The engine should start and run.

7. If the engine still does not start, repeat steps 2 through 6.

8. If the engine still does not start, call 1-800-363-7333 and ask for Customer Service or the name of your local MANTIS dealer.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Never use starting fluids. Starting fluids will cause permanent engine damage. Using them will void the warranty.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Before you use your MANTIS Tiller, read the safety rules & warnings on pages 3-5.

GETTING YOUR TILLER TO YOUR GARDEN

Walk It.

Once your tiller is running, you can “walk” it to your garden. Just press the throttle lever gently and let the tiller “tip-toe” across your garden on its tines. It won’t hurt your lawn or driveway. (Picture 1)

Carry It.

Make sure the engine is off. Then use one hand to grasp the

convenient carrying handle. Use the other hand to hold the handlebars. (Picture 2) Then lift your tiller and carry it to your garden. Since it weighs only 9 kg, it won’t strain your muscles or tire you out!

Take It For a Ride.

You can easily transport your MANTIS Tiller to a friend’s or relative’s house. Just empty the fuel tank. (This is crucial.)

Then stow your tiller in the trunk of your car or truck. It fits easily. And you can put it in and take it out without straining your back.

⚠ WARNING ⚠

NEVER CARRY YOUR TILLER AS THE PERSON IN PICTURE 3 IS DOING. IF YOU DO, AND THE TINES ENGAGE, YOU COULD SUFFER SERIOUS INJURY.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

TILLING



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠

THE OPERATOR OF THIS TILLER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS OR HAZARDS OCCURRING TO HIMSELF, OTHER PEOPLE OR THEIR PROPERTY.

Now You're Ready to Use Your MANTIS Tiller.

If you've seen other tillers, your MANTIS Tiller may surprise you. It tills best when you pull it backward! You see, when you pull your MANTIS Tiller backward, you give extra resistance to the tines, so they dig deeper. (Picture 1)

What's more when you go backward, you erase your footprints. So your soil stays light and fluffy. With other tillers, by contrast, you walk right over the soil you've just tilled, packing it down, so it's less plantable.

Run Your MANTIS Tiller Like a Vacuum Cleaner.

Place your tiller at the head of the row or area you want to till. Start it up. Then use an easy rocking motion. First, pull your tiller backward. Then use an easy rocking motion. Again, pull your tiller backward. Then, let it move forward just a little bit. Then pull it backward again. This will help you till deeper.

Keep repeating these steps until you've tilled an entire row. Start again on the next row. It's much like running a vacuum cleaner! (Picture 2)

You Can Even Control Depth.

For Deeper Tilling:

Move your tiller slowly back and forth, as you would a vacuum cleaner. Work the same area over and over until you've dug to your desired depth.

For Shallow Tilling:

Switch the tines to the cultivating position. (See page 15 to learn how.) Then move your Tiller quickly over your soil surface.

For Big Weeds or Tough Roots:

Let your tiller rock back and forth over the tough spot, until the tines slice through the weed or root.

Your MANTIS Tiller Handles Special Tilling Projects.

Want to turn part of your lawn into a colorful flower border? Your MANTIS Tiller makes it easy! Just run your tiller back and forth until the sod begins to break up. Then continue tilling. Your tiller will chop the clumps of sod until they're fine. Then, it will work them into the soil. Pretty soon, you'll have a soft, fresh planting bed.

TILLING/CULTIVATING

⚠ WARNING • DANGER ⚠

**IF YOUR TINES GET JAMMED OR ENTANGLED, SHUT OFF THE ENGINE AT ONCE.
REMOVE THE OBSTRUCTION WHILE THE ENGINE IS OFF.
NEVER TRY TO REMOVE AN OBSTRUCTION WHILE THE ENGINE IS RUNNING.
SERIOUS INJURY CAN RESULT.**

How About a Family-Size Vegetable Garden?

Nowadays many gardeners prefer small gardens — especially in the suburbs, where space is at a premium. But, if you're fortunate enough to own a large lot, you can create a bigger garden — a half acre or more. Here's how:

1. First, hire someone with a tractor or big tiller to break ground for you. This is a one-time-only investment that's well worth the small cost.

2. Then, use your tiller to break up any remaining clumps of soil or sod. Unlike a tractor or big tiller, your MANTIS Tiller is a precision tool. It will pulverize your soil into a smooth seed bed.



Picture 1

Your MANTIS Tiller Makes Weeding a Pleasure!

As a tiller, your MANTIS Tiller works the soil down to 10" (25.4 cm) deep. But, as a tiller, it gently cultivates the surface, only 2" to 3" (5.09 cm to 7.62 cm) deep.

First, you must switch the tines to the weeding position. This takes less than a minute.

Then, your MANTIS Tiller's sharp "tine teeth" will slice up those pesky weeds, burying them as you go along. And, since the tines in this position won't dig too deep, they won't hurt your plants' precious root systems.

The result? Your Tiller will cut your weeding time in half, and turn a tiresome chore into a pleasure.

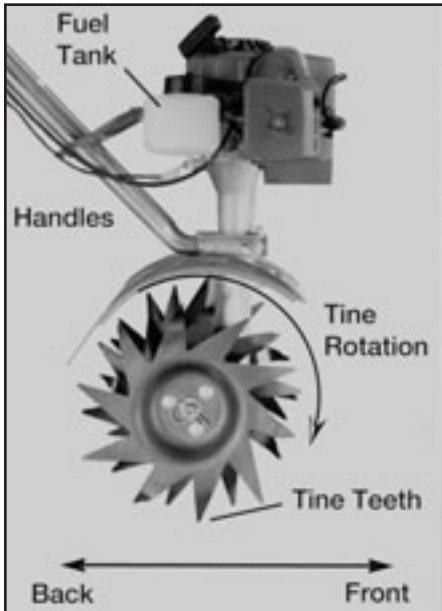


Picture 2

How to Switch From Tilling to Cultivating Position

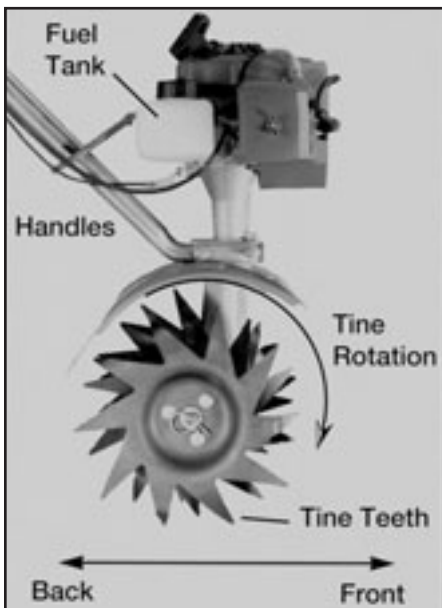
1. Make sure your tiller is off.
2. Remove the retaining pins from the tines.
3. Remove the tines from the axle.
4. Place the right-side tine onto the left-side axle. Place the left side tine onto the right-side axle. The "D" hole should be to the outside.
5. Here is how to make sure you've installed the tines properly. Stand behind the tiller and hold your hand, palm up, next to the tines. Do the tine points curl up, as your fingers do? If so, they are in the correct cultivating position.
6. Reinsert the retaining pins.

CULTIVATING



Tilling Position

Tine teeth point in the same direction as the rotation of the tine; or toward the front of the tiller, away from the operator.



Cultivating Position

Tine teeth point in the opposite direction as the rotation of the tine. Tines point toward the back of the tiller, or toward the operator.

Now You're Ready to Cultivate or Weed.

Guide your Tiller where you want to weed and start it up. Pull your tiller backward slowly, then let it move forward a bit, in a gentle rocking motion. Watch it slice, shred, and bury those weeds!

Got tough weeds? Lighten your pressure on the throttle to slow your tiller down. Then work back and forth until your tiller chops up the weeds. It's easy and effective!

Remember, any tiller will tangle in tall grass, stringy vines, or super-big weeds. So, if you have a "backgarden jungle," first use a knife, pruner, or brush cutter to chop up the overgrowth. If the tines become tangled anyway, **turn the engine off completely** before trying to clear them.

The optional tine Detangler (Item #MT1322) will clear tines in a jiffy. Call 1-800-363-7333 for details. (Ask for the Sales Department.)



MAINTENANCE

Check the Air Filter Often

A wet or dirty air filter can affect the way your engine starts, performs, and wears. So, it's a good idea to check your air filter once a month.

If you work in dusty soil, or if you want to be on the safe side — then check your filter more often (for instance, before each use). But be sure to replace it at least once a year, in the spring or autumn. Clean or change it as needed. It is recommended to change the air filter yearly.

How to Check, Clean and Change the Air Filter

1. Loosen the thumb screw on the side of the air-cleaner cover. (See Picture 1, or look up Key No. 1 in air cleaner parts assembly on page 28.)

2. Take off the cover. (Picture 2)

3. The air filter is the white pad on the inside of the air-cleaner cover. Check whether it is soiled or moist.

4. If the air filter needs

cleaning or no longer fits properly, remove it. Just lift an edge carefully and “peel” it out. (Picture 3)

5. Use a brush to remove debris from the pad.

6. If the air filter is so dirty that it won't come clean, you must replace it or severe engine damage will occur. Order a new one directly from our Customer Service Dept. Call 1-800-363-7333.

7. Insert your clean filter inside the air-cleaner cover.

IMPORTANT! Make sure filter is “seated” properly in the housing. The filter must fit snugly inside the rim of the air cleaner case.

Installing the filter incorrectly will cause engine damage and void the warranty. Fit the cover back over the air cleaner.

8. Tighten the thumb screw to secure the cover.



Picture 1



Picture 2

Note:

Please check the lip on the air cleaner cover. If the lip is chipped or cracked, it should be replaced. This will prevent dirt from being ingested through the carburetor into the inside of the engine.



Picture 3

MAINTENANCE (continued)

How to Check the Grease Level Inside The Worm Gear Housing

When we built your MANTIS Tiller, we lubricated the worm gear housing thoroughly.

It is imperative that you inspect the grease level once a year. Simply remove the cover plate on the worm gear housing. (Picture 1) Then check to make sure the grease comes almost to the top of the housing. If it doesn't, add lithium #0 grease (Item M9985.) This is the only way to add grease to the worm gear housing. (Picture 2) To purchase Mantis grease, call our sales Dept. - 1-800-363-7333.

Please do not overfill. Too much grease can create pressure, which could cause seals to fail or the clutch to slip.



Picture 1



Picture 2

Clear Blockages from the Fuel Line & Filter:

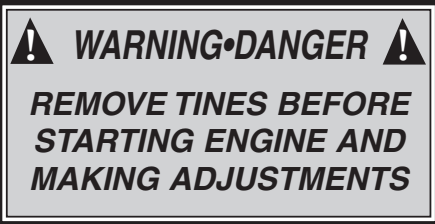
After you've used your tiller for a few seasons, check for blockages in the fuel tank and fuel filter. Such blockages can keep your tiller from starting.

Clear any blockages you see in the tank, fuel filter, or fuel line. Remember: The fuel filter is located inside the tank. (See Picture 3) Then use the normal starting procedure to start your Tiller.



Picture 3

MAINTENANCE (continued)



What to Do if Your Engine Idles Too High

What if your engine runs too fast ... or if the tines turn the instant you start the tiller? You may need to adjust the idle screw (Key No. 29 under Carburetor on page 28) by itself right below the H and L screws. Gently turn it counterclockwise. You'll know you've adjusted it correctly when the axles do not turn at low idle.

If you continue to have idle problems, you may need to adjust the throttle cable.

First, locate the metal triangle at the end of the throttle cable. (Picture 1) The idle screw must touch this triangle. But, if the throttle cable's too tight, you'll see a gap between the idle screw and the triangle.

To fix this, loosen the top nut that holds the throttle cable in place. (Picture 2) (Use an

11mm or an adjustable wrench.) Then, slide the cable down until you close the gap between the triangle and the idle screw. (Picture 1) Now, tighten the bottom nut that holds the throttle cable.

Locate the metal "button" on the triangle. This is the swivel. The large end of the throttle cable must be inside the slot in this swivel. (Picture 3)

What to Do if Your Engine Runs "Rough"

When we built your Mantis Tiller, we adjusted the carburetor for top performance. But from time to time, it may need readjusting. If your engine runs "rough" or stalls, the carburetor may be the cause.

1. Make sure the engine is shut off.
2. To identify the carburetor, look up parts assembly on page 29. Then find the identical part on your tiller.
3. If you remove the air cleaner cover, you'll see two letters stamped on the carburetor body: "H" (on the

left) and "L" (on the right). They stand for "High-speed needle valve" and "Low-speed needle valve," respectively (Key No. 23 & 22 under Carburetor on page 29.) Lightly turn each screw clockwise until it's completely closed. (Picture 2)

4. Then, turn each screw counterclockwise very slowly - one full turn plus one-quarter turn, more or less.

Every season, you may need to readjust the H and L screws to ensure smooth running. You don't need to take off the air-cleaner cover. Just remove the tines and start the engine. While the engine is at low idle, slowly turn the L screw counterclockwise, until the engine sputters. Then slowly turn it clockwise until the engine sounds smooth.

Next, repeat the procedure for the H screw. but this time, squeeze the throttle and run the engine at high speed. This will make your tiller run smoothly.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

MAINTENANCE (continued)

How to reseal the flange (Clutch Case)

At some point, you may find that the tines won't turn when you press the throttle. This may mean the engine isn't sitting all the way down on the worm-gear housing.

Perhaps you've been using your tiller for several years. Or perhaps you've removed the engine for use with our hedge trimmer attachment, then replaced it. In either case, the flange bolt (Key No. 35, page 29) may have come loose and lifted the engine up.

If this happened you'll notice a gap between the bottom of the engine flange (clutch case) (Key No. 36, page 29) and the top of the worm gear housing. (Picture 1)

To fix this, loosen the flange bolt. Take the engine off the worm gear housing. Notice the hex head on top of the drive shaft (Key No. 22, Page 27). Inside the flange housing, you'll find the clutch drum (Key No. 30, Page 29). Make sure the hex head lines up with the clutch drum inside the flange housing.

Then put the engine back on the worm gear housing. Make sure the plastic carrying handle is not under the fuel tank.

If you've followed these steps properly, there will be no gap between the engine flange and the worm gear housing. (Picture 2) Make sure you tighten the flange bolt!



Picture 1 ... Note how the engine doesn't sit all the way down on the transmission.



Picture 2 ... Note how the engine sits all the way down on the transmission.

Cleaning the Muffler Screen

Removing cylinder cover

1. Remove spark plug cap and spark plug.
2. Remove 2 screws (Key No. 33) and 1 bolt (Key No. 34).
3. Remove cylinder cover (Key No. 32).

Remove exhaust muffler

1. Remove 2 bolts (Key No. 24) and exhaust muffler (Key No. 21).

2. Cover exhaust port with piston to keep debris from entering the engine.

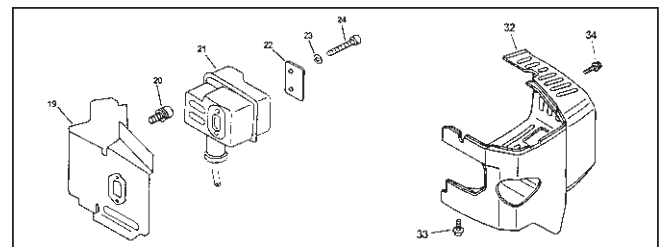
Check inlet and tail pipe of exhaust muffler

1. Inspect exhaust muffler inlet, remove carbon deposits with wooden or plastic stick.

2. Inspect tail pipe of exhaust muffler, remove carbon deposits with small nylon brush.

NOTE: This maintenance is recommended once a month or every 90 hours of use.

Reinstall muffler assembly and cylinder cover.



WARNING • DANGER
ALWAYS REPLACE FAULTY MUFFLER.

STORAGE



WARNING•DANGER

DO NOT STORE IN AN AREA WHERE FUEL FUMES MAY ACCUMULATE AND REACH A FLAME OR SPARK.

Each fall — or before you store your Mantis Tiller for any long period — be sure to take these measures:

1. Do not store your tiller with fuel still in it. Even under ideal conditions, stored fuel containing ethanol or MTBE can start to go stale in 30 days. And, since stale fuel has a high gum content, it can clog the carburetor, this, in turn, will restrict fuel flow. **So, when you're ready to store your Tiller, or will not be using it for more than 2 weeks, drain the fuel tank completely.** (Picture 2)

2. Next, restart the engine to make sure no fuel is left in the carburetor. Then run the engine until it stops. This will prevent gum deposits, forming inside of the carburetor and possible engine damage.

3. Disconnect spark plug wire and remove the spark plug. (Use the wrench that comes in our **optional** Handy item Kit, Item No. MT5444. Or use a 19mm or 3/4" spark-plug wrench.) Pour about a teaspoon of clean, air-cooled, two-cycle oil through the spark-plug hole into the combustion chamber. (Picture 3) Slowly pull the starter cord two or three times to coat the inside of the cylinder wall.



Picture 1

4. Inspect the spark plug, and, if necessary, clean it. If you need to replace it, buy a NGK-BPMR-7A. A replacement spark plug is included in the **optional** Handy Item Kit item No. MT5444.

5. Install the spark plug, but leave the spark plug wire disconnected.

6. Clean the air filter as described on Page 17.

7. Clean dirt, grass, and other materials from the entire machine.

8. Wipe the tines with oil or spray them with WD-40, to prevent rusting.

9. Oil the throttle cable and all visible moving parts. (Do not remove the engine cover.)



Picture 2



Picture 3

STORAGE (continued)

10. Check the grease level in the worm gear housing, as described on page 18.

11. Order new parts to replace any that are badly worn or broken. Just call 1-800-363-7333 and ask for a local authorized Mantis dealer.

12. Store your tiller, in an upright position, in a clean, dry place. You can store with the handles in an extended position or folded down. (Picture 1, preceding page)

13. To fold the handles, follow these easy steps: Loosen the handle knobs (No. 53), fold the handles forward (see picture 1, inset, preceding page). Tighten knobs securely. Your handles are now folded and ready to store in a smaller area.

14. Do you have fuel left over from last season? Dispose of it properly. Buy fresh oil and gasoline next season.

How to Prepare Your MANTIS Tiller for Restarting

Unfold the handles into an upright or extended position. Tighten the two handle knobs (No. 53)

!Warning!
Always make sure the handle knobs are secure before starting your Mantis Tiller.

In the Spring, when you take your Tiller out of storage, remove the spark plug. Pull the starter cord three or four times to clean oil from the combustion chamber.

(Picture 1) Wipe oil from the spark plug. Place the spark plug back into the cylinder. Re-connect the spark plug wire back on the spark plug. Then follow the steps on pages 9 & 10 to refuel and restart your tiller.

Again, Check the Carburetor.

If your Tiller won't restart in the Spring — or if it lacks its usual power — the carburetor may need attention. Follow the steps on page 19 for adjusting the H and L screws. (Picture 2)

Check the Spark Plug Too.

If your tiller won't restart, or if it lacks full power, the spark plug may be at fault. Check to see if the plug is fouled with oily black deposits. Clean or replace it if it is. (Picture 3)

Also, check whether the center electrode is rounded at the end, or if the ground electrode is worn. If either is the case, you should replace it with a NGK-BPMR-7A spark plug. Use a 19mm or a 3/4" spark-plug wrench to install it. Adjust the plug gap .024 - .028 in. (0.6 to 0.7 mm)

Caution: Do not over tighten the plug. The correct torque is 18 to 22 ft.-lbs. (24-30 n.m)

IMPORTANT NOTE:

To avoid possible damage to the threads, do not try to remove the plug from a hot aluminum cylinder head.



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

TROUBLE SHOOTING

Problem	Cause	Remedy
1. Tines don't turn when throttle is depressed	Engine is not seated properly on the gear housing.	Re-install engine following the instructions on page 20 (How to re-seat the flange).
2. Engine fails to start	Start/Stop switch is in Stop position. No fuel in tank. Fuel strainer clogged. Fuel line clogged. Spark plug shorted or fouled. Spark plug is broken (cracked porcelain or electrodes broken) Ignition lead wire shorted, broken or disconnected from spark plug. Ignition inoperative	Move switch to start. Fill Tank. Replace strainer. Clean fuel line. Install new spark plug. Replace spark plug. Replace lead wire or attach to spark plug. Call Mantis Customer Service for nearest authorized dealer.
3. Engine hard to start	Water in gasoline or stale fuel mixture. Too much oil in fuel mixture. Engine under or over choked. Carburetor out of adjustment. Gasket leaks (carburetor or cylinder base gasket). Weak spark at spark plug.	Drain entire system and refill with fresh fuel. Drain and refill with correct mixture. If flooded by over choking, proceed according to instructions in operation section. If under choked, move choke lever to closed position and crank two or three times. See "Carburetor adjustment" Replace gaskets. Call Mantis Customer Service for nearest authorized dealer.
4. Engine misses	Dirt in fuel line or carburetor. Carburetor improperly adjusted. Spark plug fouled, broken or incorrect gap setting. Weak or intermittent spark at spark plug.	Remove and clean. See "Carburetor adjustment". Clean or replace spark plug - set gap to .024-.028 in. (0.6-0.7 mm) Call Mantis Customer Service for nearest authorized dealer.

TROUBLE SHOOTING (continued)

Problem	Cause	Remedy
5. Engine lacks power	Air filter clogged. Carburetor out of adjustment. Exhaust clogged. Clogged exhaust ports. Spark Arrestor Clogged. Poor compression.	Clean or replace air filter. See "Carburetor Adjustment". Clean carbon from exhaust. Remove exhaust, rotate engine until the piston is at top of cylinder. With a wooden scraper or blunt tool, remove all carbon from exhaust ports. Be careful not to scratch or damage piston or cylinder walls. Blow out all loose carbon with compressed air. Install exhaust and gasket. Clean spark arrestor Call Mantis Customer Service for nearest authorized dealer.
6. Engine overheats	Insufficient oil in fuel mixture. Air flow obstructed.	Mix fuel as described in starting instructions. Clean flywheel cylinder fins and screen.
7. Engine noisy or knocking	Spark plug in incorrect heat range. Bearings, piston ring or cylinder walls are worn.	Replace with plugs specified for engine. Call Mantis Customer Service for nearest authorized dealer.
8. Engine stalls under load	Carburetor adjustment too "lean". Engine overheats.	See "Carburetor adjustment". Remove dust and dirt from between fins.

ENGINE SPECIFICATIONS

Dry weight	2.8kg — 6 lbs., 3 ounces
Type of engine	Air cooled, two stroke, single-cylinder, gasoline engine
Rotation	Clockwise, viewed from TOP
Bore	32.2 mm (1.268 in.)
Stroke	26.0 mm (1.04 in.)
Spark plug	NGK BPMR-7A
Fuel	Premixed two stroke fuel
Fuel oil ratio	50:1 ratio with MANTIS oil
Gasoline	Unleaded (see page 9)
Displacement	21.2 cc (1.294 cu. in.)
Exhaust system	Spark arrester exhaust
Carburetor	ZAMA diaphragm model C1U type
Ignition system	Flywheel magneto, capacitor discharge ignition type
Starter	Automatic rewind type
Oil	Designated, two-stroke, air-cooled engine oil
Fuel tank capacity	0.5 lit. (17.0 oz.)
Starter system clutch	Automatic rewind starter centrifugal type

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Area	Maintenance	Frequency
Air filter	Clean Replace	Before use
Fuel filter	Inspect Replace	Monthly
Spark plug	Inspect/Clean Adjust/Replace	Monthly
Carburetor	Adjust	Yearly
Cooling system	Inspect / Clean	Before use
Exhaust (Spark arrestor)	Inspect / Clean	Monthly
Gear housing	Check Grease	Yearly
Blades	Inspect / Clean / Lubricate	After use
Fuel leaks	Inspect / Repair	Before use
Fasteners	Inspect / Tighten / Replace	Before use
Decals	Inspect / Replace	Before use
Handles	Inspect / Replace	Before use
Guards / Safety devices	Inspect / Replace	Before use
Fuel line	Inspect / Replace	Monthly
Starter rope	Inspect / Replace	Monthly

IMPORTANT: Time Intervals shown are maximum. Actual use and your experience will determine the frequency of required maintenance.

Notes:

USING THE BORDER EDGER ATTACHMENT

Your MANTIS Tiller has been designed and built to accept a wide range of MANTIS Tiller Attachments to increase its usefulness in your lawn and garden. And, all MANTIS Tiller Attachments have been designed for quick and easy attachment to the Tiller or Engine.

The Border Edger (Item No. MT3222)

The most popular attachment, the Border Edger can be used to cut clean, neat edges along walkways, or around trees, shrubs, and garden beds.

The Border Edger has two parts: a wheel and a hardened steel blade, with pointed tines.

How to Install the Border Edger

The following instructions refer to “right” and “left” axles. Assume that you’re standing behind your tiller, as you would for tilling and cultivating.

Some areas of your garden may harbor roots and other underground obstructions. In

places like this you’ll want to edge your borders shallowly 2.54 to 5 cm deep (1” to 2”). Here’s how to install the Border Edger for shallow edging:

1. First remove your tilling/cultivating tines.
2. Then slide the edger’s wheel onto the right axle.
3. Now slide the edger blade onto the left axle. The blade’s angled face should hit the ground when you spin the blade forward.

4. Insert retaining pins on both left and right axles.

Around walkways and garden beds, you’ll want to edge more deeply 7.5 to 10 cm deep (3” to 4”). Here’s how to install the Border Edger for that purpose:

1. Remove the tilling/cultivating tines.
2. Slide the edger’s blade onto the right axle. The blade’s pointed face should hit the ground when you spin the blade forward.
3. Slide the wheel onto the left axle.
4. Insert retaining pins on both sides.

How to Use the Border Edger

1. Position your MANTIS Tiller so that the edger blade is right along the garden edge and the wheel is outside (on the lawn, on the sidewalk, wherever). (Picture 1)

2. Start your tiller and pull your MANTIS backward along the garden edge. (Picture 2)

The Border Edger can Handle Special Projects!

1. Install the Edger for deep edging, as directed above. Then use it to cut sod strips.

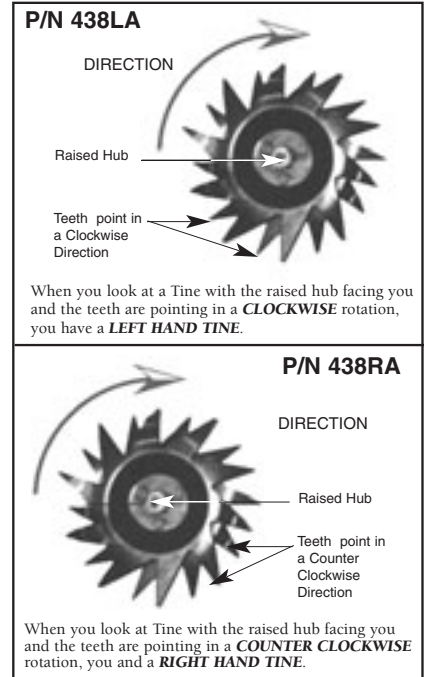
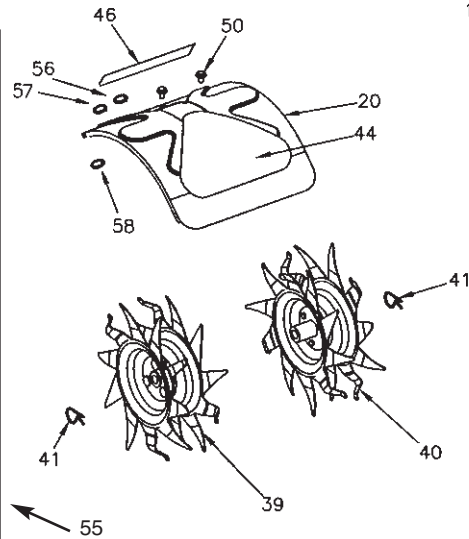
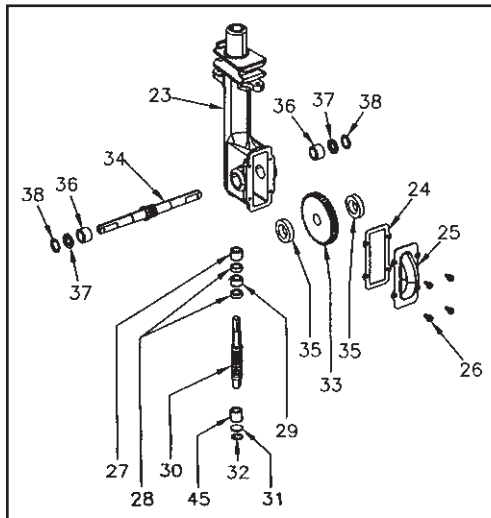
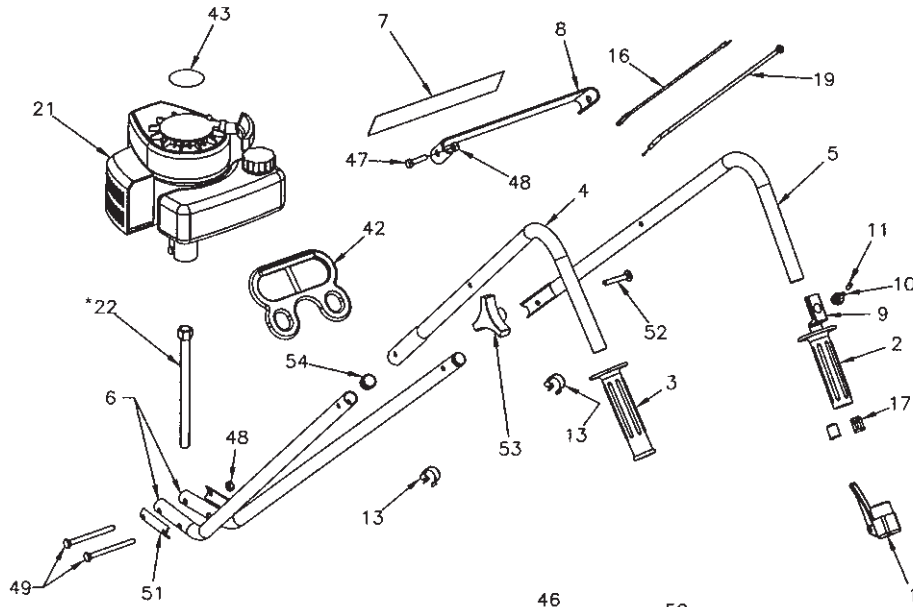
2. Edge and weed at the same time! Just attach the Edger blade on one axle and a Tiller tine on the other axle, “Mix and match” blades; don’t be afraid to experiment.

IMPORTANT NOTE:
If you do a lot of edging, you’ll appreciate the MANTIS Wheel Set (Item No. MT9222.) It gives you added stability, for even easier handling.

To order the Wheel Set, or any Mantis Attachment, call 1-800-363-7333, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Atlantic Time. Ask for the Sales Department.



MANTIS TILLER ASSEMBLY

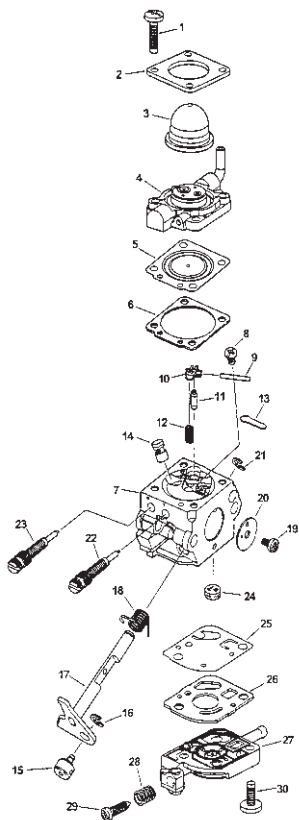


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1	400215	1	Throttle lever	20	465	1	Fender guard	40	438RA	1	Tine assembly (RT)
2	400220	1	Grip-thru	21	400903	1	Engine assembly	41	418-1	2	Tine retaining hair pin
3	400214	1	Grip	22*	468	1	Drive shaft	42	400218	1	Carrying handle
4	400226	1	Upper handle - tube left	23	466	1	Worm gear housing	43	487MA	1	Engine decal
4A	400236	1	Upper handle assembly Includes items 3 & 4	24	436	1	Gasket	44	4043	1	Tine decal
5	400225	1	Upper handle - tube right	25	437A	1	Housing cover	45	458	1	Roller bearing
5A	400235	1	Upper handle throttle side assembly. Includes items 1,2,5,9,10,11,13,16,17,18,19.	26	651	4	Rd. Hd. self tapping screw	46	4058	1	Mantis decal
6	400224	2	Lower handle - fold down	27	423	1	Roller bearing	47	410	2	Cap screw 1/4-20 x 1" LG.
7	488M	1	Decal	28	425	2	Worm bearing race	48	972	4	Lock nut 1/4 - 20
8	148	1	Handle brace	29	424	1	Worm thrust bearing	49	470	2	1/4 - 20 x 3" Bolt
9	464	1	Switch bracket	30	422	1	Worm shaft	50	400516	2	Bolt 1/4-20 x 1/2" w/patch
10	479	1	Switch	31	426	1	Worm disk	51	377	2	Handle clamp
11	1612-70A	1	Switch cover	32	428	1	Retaining ring	52	400509	2	Bolt
13	478	2	Throttle clip	33	429	1	Worm gear	53	400510	2	Knob
16	4075	1	Connector wire	34	431	1	Tine shaft	54	400230	2	Plug
17	400229	2	Cable retainer	35	430	2	Worm gear thrust washer	55	400010	1	Transmission assembly
19	467-2	1	Throttle cable assy.	36	432	2	Worm gear bearing	56	400515	2	Washer 1/4 x 41/64
				37	434	2	Bearing seal	57	400136	2	Rubber Washer .12 Thick
				38	435	2	Bearing seal retainer	58	400137	2	Rubber Washer .04 Thick
				39	438LA	1	Tine assembly (LT)				

* Also in Key No. 55

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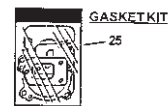
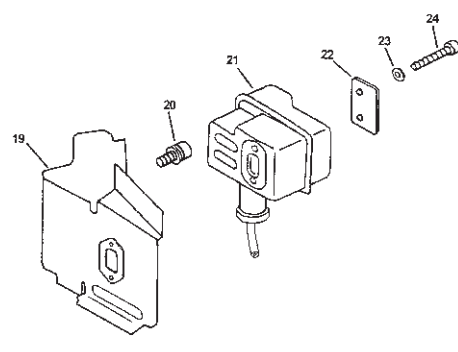
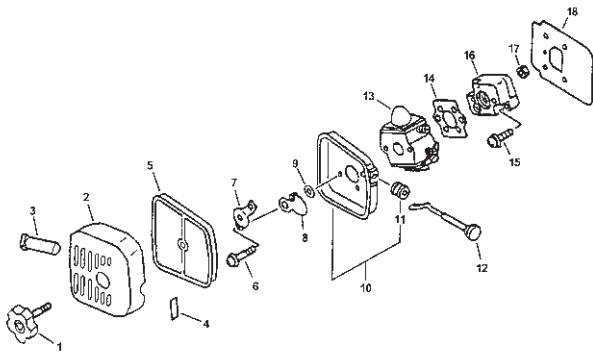
CARBURETOR



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	12520013124	1	Carburetor -- CIU-K54A Includes Items 1-30	13	A	1	Plug, Welch
1	P005000980	4	Screw, Purge Pump Retainer	14	12537613120	1	Nozzle, Main Check Valve
2	P005000620	1	Retainer, Purge Pump	15	12537242030	1	Swivel, Throttle Shaft
3	12538108660	1	Pump, Purge	16	12532713930	1	Clip, Throttle Shaft Swivel
4	P005000975	1	Base, Purge	17	12531713310	1	Shaft, Throttle
5	A B	1	Diaphragm, Metering	18	12531342030	1	Spring, Throttle Return
6	A B	1	Gasket, Metering Diaphragm	19	12531413930	1	Screw, Throttle Valve
7	-----	1	Body, Carburetor Not Available Separately	20	12531649030	1	Valve, Throttle
8	12533942030	1	Screw, Metering Lever Pin	21	12532715130	1	Clip, Throttle Shaft
9	A	1	Pin, Metering Lever	22	12531813120	1	Needle, Low Speed
10	A	1	Lever, Metering	23	12532013310	1	Needle, High Speed
11	A	1	Valve, Inlet Needle	24	A	1	Strainer
12	A	1	Spring, Metering Lever	25	A B	1	Diaphragm, Fuel Pump
				26	A B	1	Gasket, Fuel Pump
				27	12532412820	1	Cover, Pump
				28	12533306960	1	Spring, Idle Adjust Screw
				29	12533406960	1	Screw, Idle Adjust
				30	12531012820	2	Screw, Pump Cover
				A	12530013120	1	Repair Kit
				B	12530313120	1	Gasket/Diaphragm Kit

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AIR CLEANER, MUFFLER, AND THROTTLE

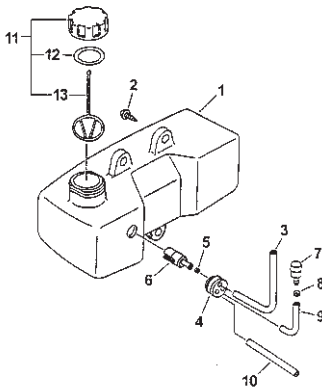


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	13040652131	1	Thumb Screw	16	13001742031	1	Insulator, Intake*
2	A232000041	1	Lid, Air Cleaner	17	90050000005	2	Nut 5
3	V141000010	1	Plug	18	13001042032	1	Shield, Cylinder*
4	X506000020	1	Label, Choke	19	V104000410	1	Gasket, Exhaust*
5	13031051830	1	Filter, Air	20	9110704008	1	Flange Bolt
6	90024205057	2	Screw 5x57	21	A300000410	1	Exhaust
7	12901152130	1	Plate, Prevent	22	V150000371	1	Plate, Eye
8	17851505060	1	Shutter, Choke	23	90060000005	2	Washer 5
9	17851600830	1	Spacer	24	90010505070	2	Bolt 5x70
10	13030151730	1	Case, Air Cleaner	25	P021006190	1	Gasket Kit
11	17881005230	1	Grommet				
12	17851051730	1	Rod, Choke				
13	12520013124	1	Carburetor -- CIU-K54A				
14	V103000111	1	Gasket, Intake*				
15	90023805020	2	Screw 5x20				

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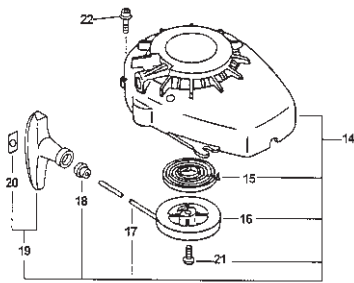
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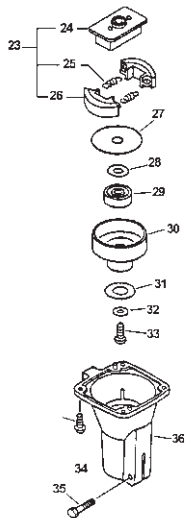
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1	13100511821	1	Tank, Fuel
2	90027505015	3	Screw 5x15
3	13201011520	1	Pipe, Fuel - 3x5x210mm Bulk Option: 90014
4	13211546730	1	Grommet
5	13201309820	1	Clip
6	13120507320	1	Filter, Fuel
7	A356000030	1	Valve, Check
8	13011100530	1	Clip, Pipe
9	13131239130	1	Pipe, Vent - 3x5x70mm Bulk Option: 90014
10	13201049030	1	Pipe, Return - 3x6x50mm Bulk Option: 90017
11	13100409060	1	Fuel Tank Cap Assy Includes Items 12-13
12	13101655830	1	Gasket, Fuel Tank Cap
13	13105156030	1	Connector, Fuel Tank Cap

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STARTER, PAWL CATCHER & CLUTCH



Key No	Part No	Qty.	Description
14	17720012820	1	Starter Assy Includes Items 15-20
15	17722042030	1	Spring, Rewind
16	17721544430	1	Drum, Starter
17	17722605530	1	Rope, Starter 3mm(1/8")x1000mm(39-1/2") Bulk Option: 9994444000
18	17722742030	1	Guide, Rope
19	17722811120	1	Starter Grip Kit
20	17724611120	1	Clip, Starter Rope
21	17723644330	1	Screw
22	90023804016	4	Screw 4x16
23	1750007531	1	Clutch Assy Includes Items 24-26
24	17501605020	1	Hub, Clutch
25	17501805130	1	Spring, Clutch
26	17500905131	2	Shoe, Clutch
27	17501904630	1	Plate, Clutch
28	90060000010	1	Washer 10
29	90080836000	1	Bearing, Ball
30	17501004633	1	Drum, Clutch
31	17504404630	1	Washer, Clutch
32	17501411520	1	Washer, Clutch
33	90023806012	1	Screw 6x12
34	90023804014	4	Screw 4x14
35	13041611520	1	Bolt 5x25
36	61022311520	1	Case, Clutch

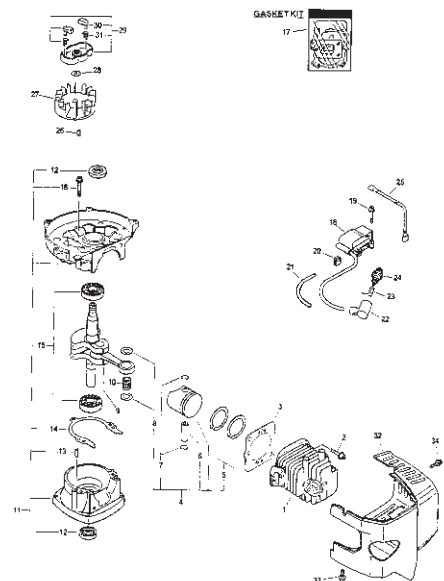


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BLOCK

Key No	Part No	Qty.	Description
1	A130000530	1	Cylinder
2	90016205022	2	Bolt 5x22
3	V100000080	1	Gasket, Cylinder*
4	P021001101	1	Piston, Kit Includes Items 5-8
5	A101000000	2	Ring, Piston
6	10001311520	1	Pin, Piston
7	10001504630	2	Circlip, Piston Pin
8	10001411520	2	Spacer, Piston Pin
9	A011000270	1	Crankshaft Assy Includes Item 10
10	V553000010	1	Bearing, Needle
11	10020411520	1	Crankcase Kit Includes Items 12-16
12	10021242031	2	Oil Seal
13	10021503930	2	Dowel Pin
14	10024242030	1	Gasket, Crankcase*
15	9403536201	2	Bearing, Ball
16	90016205028	3	Bolt 5x28
17	P021006190	1	Gasket Kit
18	A411000170	1	Coil, Ignition
19	90016204020	2	Bolt 4x20
20	15611004920	1	Bushing
21	V475002200	1	Tube
22	15901201620	1	Cap, Spark Plug
23	159011034432	1	Terminal, Spark Plug
24	15901010230	1	Spark Plug -- BPMR-7A
25	V485000450	1	Lead, Ignition
26	61032502730	1	Woodruff Key
27	A409000150	1	Flywheel
28	90060500008	1	Spring Washer 8
29	17720212220	1	Starter Pawl Assy Includes Items 30-31
30	17721844330	2	Pawl, Starter
31	17723412220	2	Springl, Pawl Return
32	P021006160	1	Cover, Cylinder
33	90023804018	2	Screw 4x18
34	9110704008	1	Screw 4x8

* Also Included in Gasket Kit



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Name _____ Phone: Day () _____

Address _____ Evening () _____

City State Zip _____ Customer No.: _____

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Product(s) being returned _____

What do you want us to do? Repair Refund Other _____

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