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**Count on it.**

**Operator's Manual**

**Pro Force® Debris Blower**

Model No. 44553—Serial No. 316000001 and Up



**Important:** This engine is not equipped with a spark arrester muffler. It is a violation of California Public Resource Code Section 4442 to use or operate the engine on any forest-covered, brush-covered, or grass-covered land. Other states or federal areas may have similar laws.

**⚠ CAUTION**

If a user makes changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance, they could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

**⚠ WARNING**

**CALIFORNIA  
Proposition 65 Warning**

**This product contains a chemical or chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or reproductive harm.**

**The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.**

**Electromagnetic Compatibility**

**Domestic:** This device complies with FCC rules Part 15. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference and (2) this device must accept any interference that may be received, including interference that may cause undesirable operation.

This equipment generates and uses radio frequency energy and if not installed and used properly, that is, in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, may cause interference to radio and television reception. It has been type tested and found to comply with the limits for a FCC Class B computing device in accordance with the specifications in Subpart J of Part 15 of FCC Rules, which are designed to provide reasonable protection against such interference in a residential installation. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures: Reorient the receiving antenna, relocate the remote control receiver with respect to the radio/TV antenna or plug the controller into a different outlet so that the controller and radio/TV are on different branch circuits. If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions. The user may find the following booklet prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful: "How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems". This booklet is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. Stock No. 004-000-00345-4.

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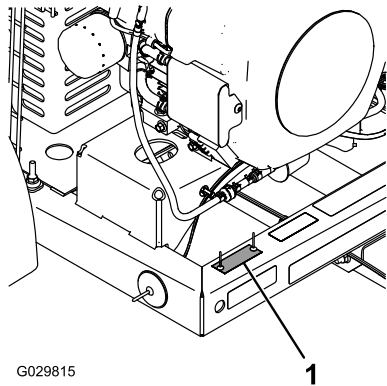
# Introduction

The debris blower is towed behind a ride-on machine which is intended to be used by professional, hired operators in commercial applications. It is primarily designed to use wind power to quickly clear large areas of unwanted debris on well-maintained lawns in parks, golf courses, sports fields, and on commercial grounds.

Read this information carefully to learn how to operate and maintain your product properly and to avoid injury and product damage. You are responsible for operating the product properly and safely.

You may contact Toro directly at [www.Toro.com](http://www.Toro.com) for product and accessory information, help finding a dealer, or to register your product.

Whenever you need service, genuine Toro parts, or additional information, contact an Authorized Service Dealer or Toro Customer Service and have the model and serial numbers of your product ready. [Figure 1](#) identifies the location of the model and serial numbers on the product. Write the numbers in the space provided.



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**Figure 1**

1. Model and serial number location

<p><b>Model No.</b> _____</p> <p><b>Serial No.</b> _____</p>
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This manual identifies potential hazards and has safety messages identified by the safety-alert symbol ([Figure 2](#)), which signals a hazard that may cause serious injury or death if you do not follow the recommended precautions.



**Figure 2**

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1. Safety-alert symbol

This manual uses 2 words to highlight information. **Important** calls attention to special mechanical information and **Note** emphasizes general information worthy of special attention.

## Tire Information

The DOT tire information is located on the side of each tire. This information gives load and speed ratings. Replacement tires should have the same or better ratings.

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# Safety

**Hazard control and accident prevention are dependent upon the awareness, concern, and proper training of the personnel involved in the operation, transport, maintenance, and storage of the machine. Improper use or maintenance of the machine can result in injury or death. To reduce the potential for injury or death, comply with the following safety instructions.**

## General Safety

This product is capable of amputating hands and feet and of throwing objects. Always follow all safety instructions to avoid serious personal injury.

Using this product for purposes other than its intended use could prove dangerous to you and bystanders.

- Read and understand the contents of this *Operator's Manual* before starting the engine.
- Do not put your hands or feet near moving components of the machine.
- Do not operate the machine without all guards and other safety protective devices in place and working on the machine.
- Keep clear of any discharge opening. Keep bystanders and pets a safe distance away from the machine.
- Keep children out of the operating area. Never allow children to operate the machine.
- Stop the machine and shut off the engine before servicing, fueling, or unclogging the machine.

Improperly using or maintaining this machine can result in injury. To reduce the potential for injury, comply with these safety instructions and always pay attention to the safety-alert symbol, which means Caution, Warning, or Danger—personal safety instruction. Failure to comply with these instructions may result in personal injury or death.

You can find additional safety information where needed throughout this *Operator's Manual*.

## Fuel Safety

- To avoid personal injury or property damage, use extreme care in handling fuel. Fuel vapors are flammable and explosive.
- Extinguish all cigarettes, cigars, pipes, and other sources of ignition.
- Use only an approved fuel container.
- Do not remove the fuel cap or add fuel to the fuel tank while the engine is running or while hot.
- Do not refuel the machine indoors.

- Do not store the machine or fuel container where there is an open flame, spark, or pilot light, such as on a water heater or on other appliances.
- Do not fill containers inside a vehicle or on a truck or trailer bed with a plastic liner. Always place containers on the ground, away from your vehicle before filling.
- Remove the equipment from the truck or trailer and refuel it while it is on the ground. If this is not possible, then refuel from a portable container rather than a fuel-dispenser nozzle.
- Do not operate the machine without the entire exhaust system in place and in proper working condition.
- Keep the fuel-dispenser nozzle in contact with the rim of the fuel tank or container opening at all times until fueling is complete. Do not use a nozzle lock-open device.
- If you spill fuel on your clothing, change your clothing immediately. Wipe up any fuel that spills.
- Never overfill the fuel tank. Replace the fuel cap and tighten it securely.
- Store fuel in an approved container and keep it out of the reach of children. Never buy more than a 30-day supply of fuel.
- Do not fill the fuel tank completely full. Add fuel to the fuel tank until the level is 6 to 13 mm (1/4 to 1/2 inch) below the bottom of the filler neck. This empty space in the tank allows fuel to expand.
  - Avoid prolonged breathing of vapors.
  - Keep your face away from the nozzle and gas tank opening.
  - Avoid contact with skin; wash off spills with soap and water.
- Do not run the engine in or direct the blower nozzle into a confined area without adequate ventilation. Engine exhaust contains carbon monoxide, an odorless gas that is fatal if inhaled.
- The machine may exceed noise levels of 85 dB(A) at the operator's position. Hearing protection is recommended for prolonged exposure to reduce the potential of permanent hearing damage.
- Using the machine demands attention. To prevent loss of control:
  - Operate only in daylight or when there is good artificial light.
  - Drive slowly and watch for holes or other hidden hazards.
  - Do not drive close to a sand trap, ditch, creek, or other hazard.
  - Reduce your speed when making sharp turns and when turning on hillsides.
  - Avoid sudden starts and stops.
  - Before backing up, look to the rear and ensure that no one is behind the machine.
  - Watch out for traffic when near or crossing roads. Always yield the right of way.
- Stay away from the nozzle opening when the machine is operating. Keep all bystanders away from the nozzle opening and don't direct discharge toward bystanders.
- Do not operate the machine while ill, tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Lightning can cause severe injury or death. If lightning is seen or thunder is heard in the area, do not operate the machine; seek shelter.
- If the towing-vehicle engine stalls or the machine loses headway and cannot make it to the top of a slope, do not turn the towing vehicle around. Always back the towing vehicle slowly straight down the slope.
- **Do not take an injury risk!** When a person or pet appears unexpectedly in or near the operating area, **stop operation**. Careless operation, combined with terrain angles, ricochets, or improperly positioned guards can lead to thrown object injuries. Do not resume operation until the area is cleared.
- Do not touch the engine or muffler while the engine is running or soon after it is stopped. These areas could be hot enough to cause a burn.

## Operation

- Before every use:
  - Inspect the coupler, ball, and hitch.
  - Always use safety chains.
  - Verify that all of the lights are functioning properly.
  - Verify that the tires are properly inflated.
  - Verify that the lug nuts are tight and torqued properly.
  - Verify that the machine is properly secured to the towing vehicle.
- Never operate the machine when it is not connected to a towing vehicle.
- Use extreme care when loading or unloading the machine into or off of a trailer or truck.
- Use care when approaching blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other objects that may obscure vision.

## Remote Control Operation

- Read and follow all instructions.
- Failure to abide by the safety precautions may result in equipment failure, loss of authority to operate the equipment, and personal injury.

- Use and maintain the proper wiring. Follow the equipment manufacturer instructions. Improper, loose, and frayed wiring can cause system failure, equipment damage, and intermittent operation.
- Changes or modifications made to the machine that are not expressly approved by the manufacturer will void the warranty
- The machine owner and operators must abide by all applicable federal, state, and local laws concerning machine installation and operation. Failure to comply could result in penalties and could void the user's authority to operate the machine.
- Ensure that the machinery and surrounding area is clear before operating. Do not activate the remote control system until you are certain that it is safe to do so.
- You can remove the power from the RF2CAN and TEC2403 controllers by removing the source power from the circuit.
- Use a damp cloth to keep the remote clean. Remove mud, concrete, and dirt after operation to prevent obstructing or clogging the buttons, levers, wiring, and switches.
- Do not allow liquid to enter the remote control or base-unit enclosures. Do not use high pressure equipment to clean the remote control or base unit.
- Disconnect the RF2CAN and TEC2403 controllers before welding on the machine. Failure to disconnect the controllers may result in destruction of or damage to the controllers.
- Operate and store the machine only within the specified operation and storage temperatures.

## Towing

- Before towing the machine, check with your local county or state safety towing regulations, in addition to meeting Department of Transportation (DOT) Safety Towing Regulations.
- Always shut off the engine before transporting.
- Always inspect the hitch and coupling for wear. Never tow the machine with defective hitches, couplings, or chains.
- Check the tire air pressure on the machine. The tires should be inflated to 241 kpa (35 psi) cold. Also, check the tire-tread wear on the machine.
- Always properly attach the machine safety chains to the towing vehicle.
- Do not tow the machine faster than 88 km/h (55 mph). Recommended off-road towing is not to exceed 24 km/h (15 mph).
- Avoid sudden stops and starts. This can cause skidding or jack knifing. Smooth, gradual starts and stops will improve towing.

- Avoid sharp turns to prevent rolling.
- Ensure that the blower chute is pointing up when towing.
- Place chock blocks underneath the wheels to prevent rolling while parked.

## Maintenance and Storage

- Let the engine cool before storing the machine. Do not store the machine near flames.
- Shut off the fuel while storing or transporting. Do not store fuel near flames or drain indoors.
- Park the machine on a level surface. Never allow untrained personnel to service the machine.
- Use jack stands to support the machine when required.
- Disconnect the battery or remove the spark-plug wires before making any repairs. Disconnect the negative terminal first and the positive terminal last. Connect the positive terminal first and the negative terminal last.
- Remove the key from the ignition switch to prevent accidental starting of the engine when servicing, adjusting, or storing the machine.
- Perform only those maintenance instructions described in this manual. If major repairs are ever needed or assistance is desired, contact an authorized Toro distributor.
- To reduce a potential fire hazard, keep the engine free of excessive grease, grass, leaves, and accumulations of dirt. Never wash a warm engine or any electrical parts with water.
- Ensure that the machine is in safe operating condition by keeping nuts, bolts, and screws tight. Check the fan-shaft bearing mounting bolts and nuts frequently to ensure that they are tightened to their specifications.
- If the engine must be running to perform a maintenance adjustment, keep your hands, feet, clothing, and other parts of the body away from the fan and other moving parts.
- Do not over speed the engine by changing the governor settings. To ensure of safety and accuracy, have an authorized Toro distributor check the maximum engine speed with a tachometer.
- Shut off the engine before checking the oil or adding oil to the crankcase.
- Keep your hands and feet away from moving parts. If possible, do not make adjustments with the engine running.
- Charge batteries in an open, well-ventilated area, away from spark and flames. Unplug the charger before connecting or disconnecting from the

battery. Wear protective clothing and use insulated tools.

- Keep all parts in good working condition and all hardware tightened. Replace all worn or damaged decals.
- To ensure optimum performance and continued safety certification of the machine, use only

genuine Toro replacement parts and accessories. Replacement parts and accessories made by other manufacturers could be dangerous, and such use could void the product warranty.

## Safety and Instructional Decals



Safety decals and instructions are easily visible to the operator and are located near any area of potential danger. Replace any decal that is damaged or missing.



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1. Warning—read the *Operator's Manual*.
2. Warning—do not operate this machine unless you are trained.
3. Warning—stop the engine; remove the ignition key and read the instructions before servicing or performing maintenance.
4. Thrown object hazard—keep bystanders a safe distance from the machine.
5. Warning—stay away from moving parts; keep all guards in place.
6. Warning—do not start the engine when machine is disconnected from the tow vehicle, hitch the machine to the tow vehicle before starting the engine.



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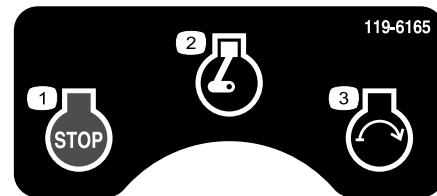
1. Warning—read the *Operator's Manual*.
2. Thrown object hazard—keep bystanders a safe distance from the machine.
3. Cutting/dismemberment hazard; hand—stay away from moving parts; keep all guards and shields in place.



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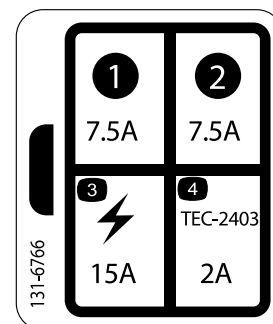
1. Warning—read the *Operator's Manual*, wear hearing and eye protection.



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1. Engine—Stop
2. Engine—Run
3. Engine—Start



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1. 7.5A
2. 7.5A
3. Electrical accessory—15A
4. TEC-2403—2A

# Setup

## Loose Parts

Use the chart below to verify that all parts have been shipped.

Procedure	Description	Qty.	Use
<b>1</b>	Petroleum jelly (not supplied—use as required)	–	Connect the battery.
<b>2</b>	Machine assembly Hitch Bolt (3/8 x 3 inches) Flange nut (3/8 inch)	1 1 2 2	Mount the hitch to the machine.
<b>3</b>	No parts required	–	Connect the machine to the towing vehicle.
<b>4</b>	Handheld remote AAA batteries Screws, small	1 4 6	Assemble the handheld remote.

## Media and Additional Parts

Description	Qty.	Use
Operator's Manual	1	Read before operating.
Engine Manual	1	Use to reference the engine operation and maintenance.
Operator Training Material	1	View before operating the machine.
Remote control	1	Use to remotely operate the blower.

**Note:** Determine the left and right sides of the machine from the normal operating position.

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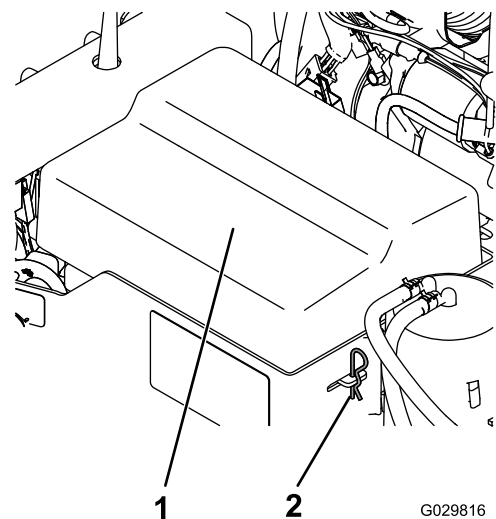
## Connecting the Battery

Parts needed for this procedure:

–	Petroleum jelly (not supplied—use as required)
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## Procedure

1. Remove the clips securing the battery cover to the battery box ([Figure 3](#)).



**Figure 3**

1. Battery cover
2. Battery clip

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## **⚠ DANGER**

Battery electrolyte contains sulfuric acid which is fatal if consumed and causes severe burns.

- Do not drink electrolyte and avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear safety glasses to shield your eyes and rubber gloves to protect your hands.
  - Fill the battery where clean water is always available for flushing the skin.
2. Attach the positive cable (red cable) to the positive (+) terminal.

## **WARNING**

### **CALIFORNIA Proposition 65 Warning**

Battery posts, terminals, and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and reproductive harm. Wash hands after handling.

3. Attach the negative cable (black cable) to the negative (-) terminal of the battery.
4. Coat the terminals and mounting fasteners with petroleum jelly to prevent corrosion.
5. Install the battery cover and secure with the clips.

# 2

## Mounting the Hitch to the Machine

### Parts needed for this procedure:

1	Machine assembly
1	Hitch
2	Bolt (3/8 x 3 inches)
2	Flange nut (3/8 inch)

## Procedure

1. Position the machine on a flat, level surface.

2. Insert the hitch tube into the frame brackets (Figure 4). Secure the tube to the frame with 2 bolts (3/8 x 3 inches) and flange nuts (3/8 inch).

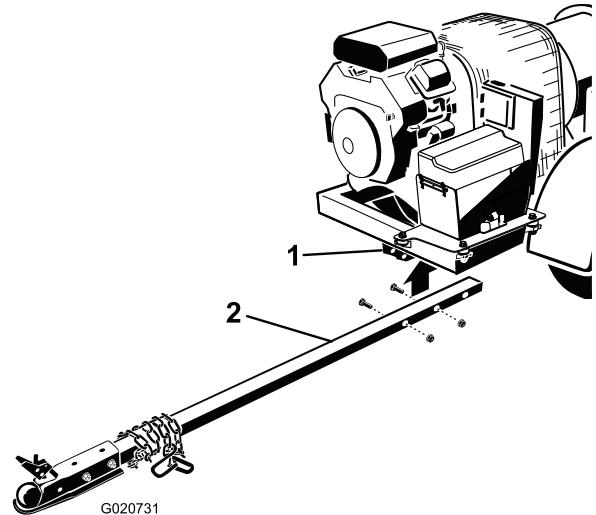


Figure 4

1. Frame brackets
2. Hitch tube

3. Route the wire harness along the right side of the hitch tube (Figure 5).

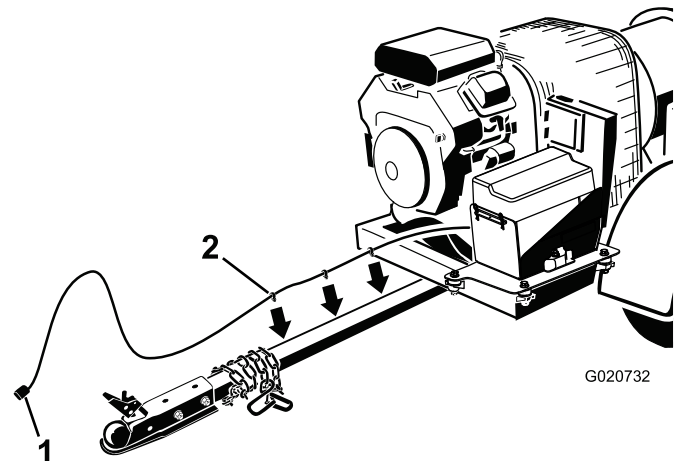


Figure 5

1. Wire harness
2. Harness clips

4. Plug the harness clips into the holes in the side of the hitch tube to secure it (Figure 5).
5. Store the harness connector in the hitch tube holster (Figure 6).

# 3

## Connecting the Machine to the Towing Vehicle

No Parts Required

### Procedure

This trailer uses a coupler that requires a 2-inch ball for the hitch.

1. Raise the trailer to a suitable height for your hitch.
2. Lift the coupler lever on the tongue while lowering the cover over the ball hitch (Figure 6).

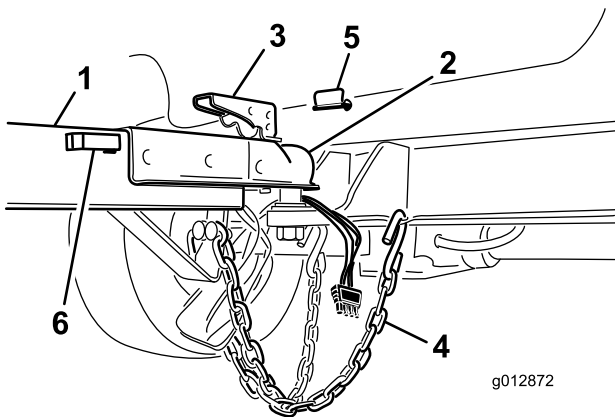


Figure 6

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Tongue                        | 4. Safety chains      |
| 2. Ball socket                   | 5. Locking pin        |
| 3. Coupler lever—locked position | 6. Hitch tube holster |

3. Close the coupler lever making sure it is securely locked.
4. Install the locking pin to lock the coupler lever (Figure 6).
5. Cross the safety chains and attach them to the holes on the hitch (Figure 6).
6. Plug the machine wire-harness connector to the towing vehicle connector. Check to make sure the brake lights illuminate properly with the brake pedal applied and the taillights flash when the turning signals are use.

# 4

## Assembling the Handheld Remote

Parts needed for this procedure:

1	Handheld remote
4	AAA batteries
6	Screws, small

### Procedure

1. Remove the rubber bands securing the remote halves together, and remove the back cover.
2. Plug each battery into a terminal cradle, observing proper polarity (Figure 7).

**Note:** If the batteries are improperly installed, the unit will not be damaged, but it will fail to operate. The cradle is embossed with polarity markings for each terminal.

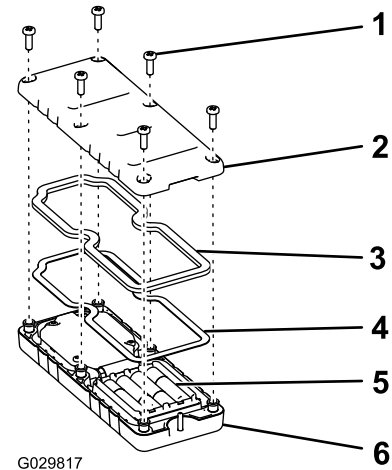


Figure 7

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|----------|--------------------|
| 1. Screw | 4. Steel gasket    |
| 2. Cover | 5. Batteries       |
| 3. Seal  | 6. Handheld remote |

3. Ensure that the steel gasket and rubber seal are seated in the channel in the remote and set the back cover in place (Figure 7).
4. Secure the cover with 6 screws (Figure 7) and torque them to 1.5 to 1.7 N·m (13 to 15 in-lb).

# Product Overview

## Controls

### Engine Stop

Press the ENGINE STOP button to shut off the engine (Figure 8).

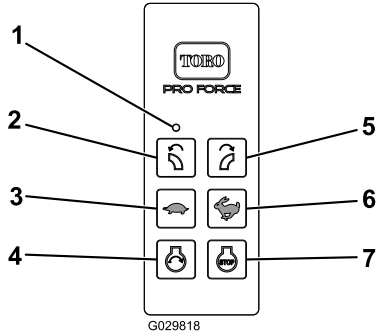


Figure 8

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. LED light             | 5. Rotate right          |
| 2. Rotate left           | 6. Increase engine speed |
| 3. Decrease engine speed | 7. Engine stop           |
| 4. Engine start          |                          |

### Engine Start

After completing the starting sequence, press the ENGINE START button to start the engine (Figure 8). Refer to [Starting the Engine \(page 15\)](#) for the starting sequence.

### Nozzle Direction

Press the right or left button to rotate the nozzle to the desired direction (Figure 8).

### Engine Speed

Press the INCREASE ENGINE SPEED (rabbit) or DECREASE ENGINE SPEED (turtle) button to increase or decrease the speed of the engine (Figure 8). Pressing the INCREASE ENGINE SPEED and DECREASE ENGINE SPEED buttons at the same time returns the engine to idle.

### Ignition Switch

The ignition switch (Figure 9), which is used to start and shut off the engine, has three positions: OFF, RUN and START. Rotate the key clockwise to START to engage the starter motor. Release the key when the engine starts. The key moves automatically to the RUN position. To shut off the engine, rotate the key counterclockwise to the OFF position.

## Choke Control

To start a cold engine, move the choke control lever (Figure 9) to the ON position.

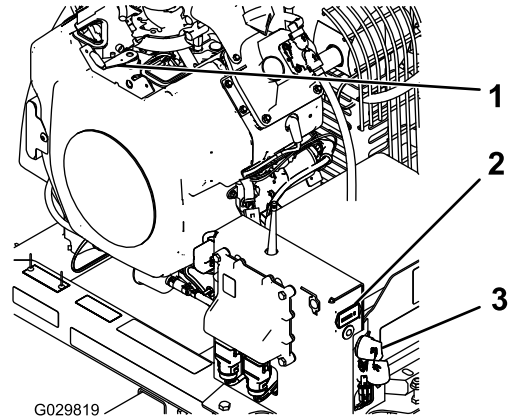


Figure 9

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|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Choke control | 3. Ignition switch |
| 2. Hour meter    |                    |

## Hour Meter

The hour meter (Figure 9) indicates the total hours of machine operation.

## Diagnostic Light

The diagnostic light (Figure 10) is located below the hour meter and indicates machine fault codes. After you turn the key to the RUN position, the diagnostic light will illuminate for 5 seconds, turn off for 5 seconds, and then begin flashing 3 times a second until you push a button on the handheld remote. If the light turns on for 5 seconds and then starts blinking 10 times a second (with or without a 5 second pause) there is a fault with the machine; refer to [Checking Fault Codes](#) (page 31).

**Note:** If you have a button pressed on the handheld remote when you start the machine, the light will not flash 3 times a second after it turns off for 5 seconds.

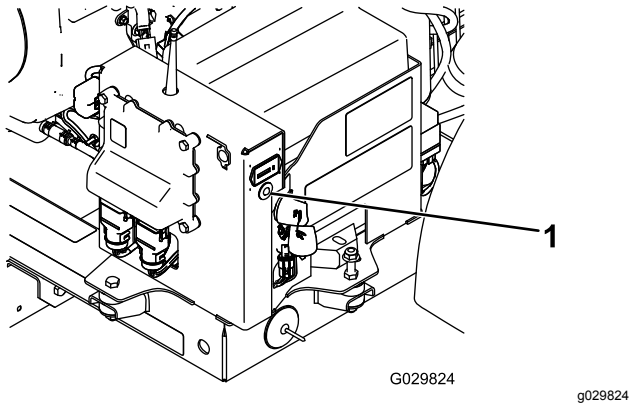


Figure 10

1. Diagnostic light

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## Specifications

### Radio Specifications

Frequency	2.4 GHz
Max output power	19.59 dBm

# Operation

**Note:** Determine the left and right sides of the machine from the normal operating position.

## Attaching the Trailer

This trailer uses a coupler that requires a 2-inch ball for the hitch.

1. Raise the trailer to a suitable height for your hitch.
2. Lift the coupler lever on the tongue while lowering the cover over the ball hitch (Figure 11).

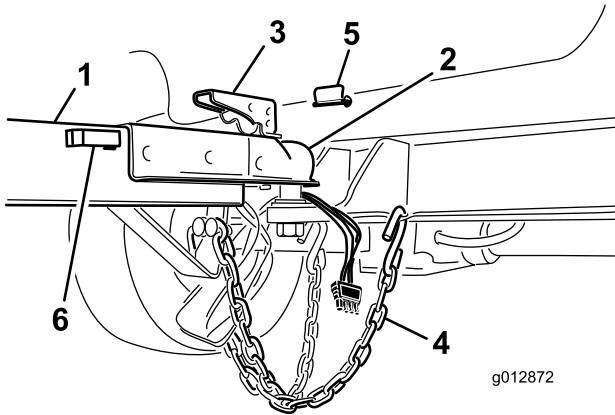


Figure 11

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Tongue                        | 4. Auxiliary chains   |
| 2. Ball socket                   | 5. Locking pin        |
| 3. Coupler lever—locked position | 6. Hitch tube holster |

3. Close the coupler lever and ensure that it is securely locked.
4. Install the locking pin to lock the coupler lever.
5. Cross the safety chains and attach them to the holes on the hitch. Connect the machine-wire-harness connector to the connector on the towing vehicle.

## Adding Fuel

- **Fuel tank capacity:** 18.9 L (5 US gallons)
- **Recommended Fuel:**
  - For best results, use only clean, fresh (less than 30 days old), unleaded gasoline with an octane rating of 87 or higher ((R+M)/2 rating method).
  - Ethanol: Gasoline with up to 10% ethanol (gasohol) or 15% MTBE (methyl tertiary butyl ether) by volume is acceptable. Ethanol and

MTBE are not the same. Gasoline with 15% ethanol (E15) by volume is not approved for use. Never use gasoline that contains more than 10% ethanol by volume, such as E15 (contains 15% ethanol), E20 (contains 20% ethanol), or E85 (contains up to 85% ethanol). Using unapproved gasoline may cause performance problems and/or engine damage which may not be covered under warranty.

- Do not use fuel containing methanol.
- Do not store fuel either in the fuel tank or fuel containers over the winter unless a fuel stabilizer is used.
- Do not add oil to fuel.

**Important:** Do not use fuel additives other than a fuel stabilizer/conditioner. Do not use fuel stabilizers with an alcohol base, such as ethanol, methanol, or isopropanol.

### **⚠ DANGER**

In certain conditions, fuel is extremely flammable and highly explosive. A fire or explosion from fuel can burn you and others and can damage property.

- Fill the fuel tank outdoors, in an open area, when the engine is cold. Wipe up any fuel that spills.
- Never fill the fuel tank inside an enclosed trailer.
- Do not fill the fuel tank completely full. Add fuel to the fuel tank until the level is 6 to 13 mm (1/4 to 1/2 inch) below the bottom of the filler neck. This empty space in the tank allows gasoline to expand.
- Never smoke when handling fuel, and stay away from an open flame or where fuel fumes may be ignited by a spark.
- Store fuel in an approved container and keep it out of the reach of children. Never buy more than a 30-day supply of fuel.
- Do not operate without entire exhaust system in place and in proper working condition.

## ⚠ DANGER

In certain conditions during fueling, static electricity can be released causing a spark which can ignite the fuel vapors. A fire or explosion from gasoline can burn you and others and can damage property.

- Always place fuel containers on the ground away from your vehicle before filling.
- Do not fill fuel containers inside a vehicle or on a truck or trailer bed because interior carpets or plastic truck bed liners may insulate the container and slow the loss of any static charge.
- When practical, remove gas-powered equipment from the truck or trailer and refuel the equipment with its wheels on the ground.
- If this is not possible, then refuel such equipment on a truck or trailer from a portable container, rather than from a gasoline dispenser nozzle.
- If a fuel dispenser nozzle must be used, keep the nozzle in contact with the rim of the fuel tank or container opening at all times until fueling is complete.

## ⚠ WARNING

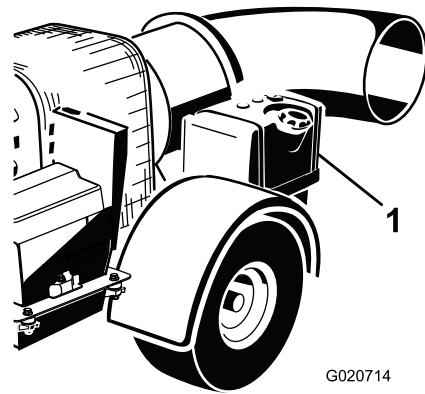
Fuel is harmful or fatal if swallowed. Long-term exposure to vapors can cause serious injury and illness.

- Avoid prolonged breathing of vapors.
- Keep your face away from the nozzle and fuel tank or conditioner opening.
- Keep fuel away from your eyes and skin.

## Filling the Fuel Tank

1. Shut off the engine.
2. Clean the area around the fuel tank cap and remove the cap (Figure 12).

**Note:** The fuel tank cap contains a gauge which shows the fuel level.



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Figure 12

1. Fuel tank

3. Add fuel to the fuel tank, until the level is 6 mm to 13 mm (1/4 to 1/2 inch) below the bottom of the filler neck.

**Note:** This space in the tank allows fuel to expand. Do not fill the fuel tanks completely full.

4. Install the fuel-tank cap securely.
5. Wipe up any fuel that may have spilled.

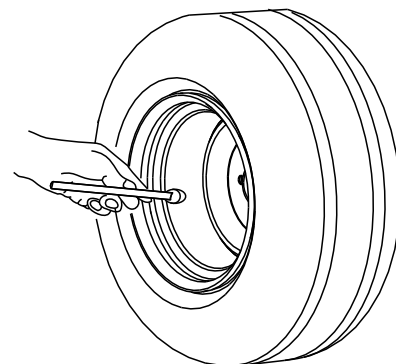
## Checking the Engine-Oil Level

Before you start the engine and use the machine, check the oil level in the engine crankcase; refer to [Checking the Engine-Oil Level \(page 23\)](#).

## Checking the Tire Pressure

Check the tire pressure (Figure 13).

The correct tire pressure is 241 kPa (35 psi).



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Figure 13

# Checking the Torque of the Wheel Lug Nuts

**Service Interval:** After the first 10 hours

Check the torque of the wheel lug nuts initially and after the first 10 hours of operation.

## ⚠ WARNING

Failure to maintain the proper torque could result in failure or loss of the wheel, and could result in personal injury.

Torque the wheel lug nuts to 95 to 122 N·m (70 to 90 ft-lb).

# Starting and Shutting Off the Engine

## Starting the Engine

## ⚠ WARNING

Rotating parts can cause serious personal injury.

- Keep hands and feet away from the machine when it is running.
- Keep hands, feet, hair, and clothing away from all moving parts to prevent injury.
- Never operate the machine with covers, shrouds, or guards removed.

Before you start the engine, you must attach the machine to the towing vehicle.

1. Move the choke control to the ON position before starting a cold engine.

**Note:** A warm or hot engine may not require choking. After the engine starts, move the choke control to the OFF position.

2. Rotate the engine ignition key to the START position (Figure 14).

**Note:** If the key was left in the RUN position for an extended time, move the key to the OFF position before proceeding to the starting procedure.

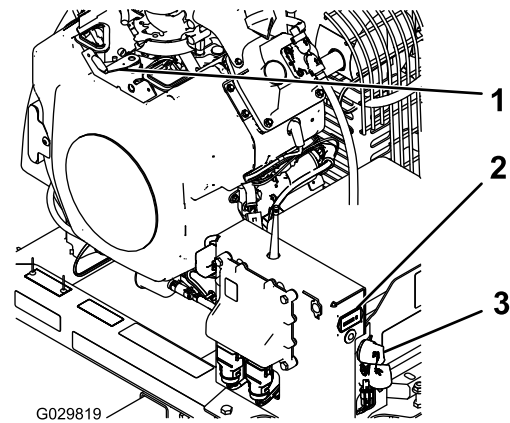


Figure 14

1. Choke control
2. Hour meter
3. Ignition switch

3. Engine Start will only become energized by pressing the Start button while the Engine Start Enable Condition is active. The Engine Start Enable Condition becomes active only when the following Engine Start Enable Sequence has been performed (Figure 15):

- Press the START button.
- Then, press the rotate left button.
- Then, press the rotate right button.
- Then, press and hold the START button until the engine starts.

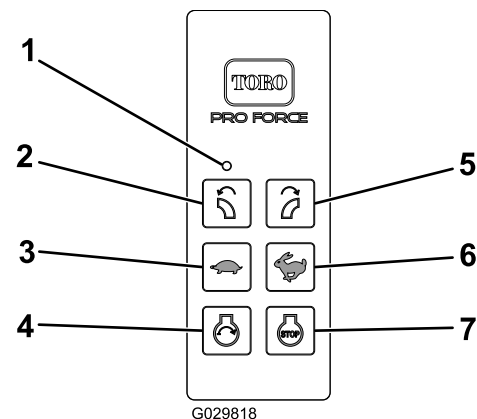


Figure 15

1. LED light
2. Rotate left
3. Decrease engine speed
4. Engine start
5. Rotate right
6. Increase engine speed
7. Engine stop

**Note:** There is a time limit of 3 seconds between each button press. If the next button in the sequence is not pressed within 3 seconds of the last button press, the sequence is aborted and must be started from the beginning.



**Note:** If any button other than the next appropriate button in the sequence is pressed the sequence is aborted.

**Note:** If the START button is not pressed within 10 seconds after pressing the ROTATE RIGHT button, or any other button is pressed in this period, the Engine Start Enable Condition expires

**Note:** Engine Start Enable Condition persists for 10 seconds after pressing the ROTATE RIGHT button allowing momentary activation of Engine Start by pressing the START button. Pressing the START button does not extend this time period—the maximum length of time that the Start Relay Control can be active is 10 seconds from pressing the ROTATE RIGHT button. After the Engine Start Enable Condition expires, the Engine Start Enable Sequence must be performed again in order to energize the Start Relay Control with the START button. This cannot be performed for 10 seconds after the START button is released.

**Note:** If the sequence is aborted or the Engine Start Enable Condition expires, normal functionality of the ROTATE RIGHT and ROTATE LEFT buttons return to control the Chute Motor.

**Important:** Do not engage starter for more than 10 seconds at a time. If engine fails to start allow 10 second cool-down period between attempts. Failure to follow these instructions can burn out starter motor.

4. After the engine starts, move the choke control to the OFF position. If the engine stalls or hesitates, move the choke back to the ON position for a few seconds, then set the engine speed to the desired setting. Repeat this as required.

## Shutting Off the Engine

1. Decrease the engine speed to 3/4 throttle.
2. Press the STOP button on the remote control.
3. If leaving the machine, rotate the key to the OFF position and remove it from the ignition switch (Figure 14).

## Start, Stop, and Inactivity Time Out

The remote control activates (powers up) when any push button is pressed. To conserve battery power, the remote control stays active for approximately 3 seconds before automatically shutting down unless there is button activity within the 3 second limit. When the unit times out and powers down, all remote control LED activity stops (Figure 16). Pressing any button will reactivate the remote control

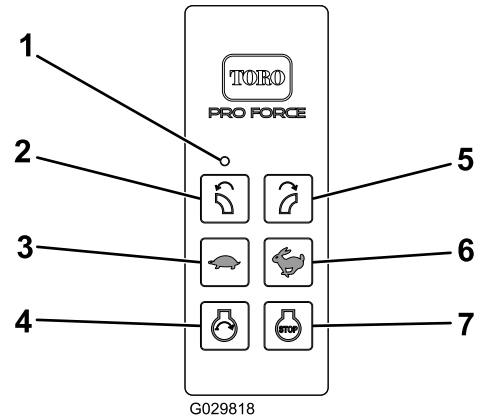


Figure 16

1. LED light
2. Rotate left
3. Decrease engine speed
4. Engine start
5. Rotate right
6. Increase engine speed
7. Engine stop



## Power Save Mode (Inactive)

The RF2CAN and TEC2403 controllers will revert to Power Save Mode if the base unit is inactive for more than 2.5 hours without communication from the remote control. Power Save Mode is a low current state of the machine. The machine does not communicate with the remote control, will not activate outputs, and will not generally function as normal.

- When in the time-out mode the engine will not run (or will quit running) and the remote control will not control any function.
- To wake controller in time-out mode, turn the key switch to the OFF position and then turn the key switch to the RUN position.
- To avoid controller time-out during operation, use the remote control to rotate the chute or change the engine speed at least every 2.5 hours.

## Adjusting the Nozzle Direction

The direction of the nozzle opening can be changed from right to left by pressing the appropriate button on the remote control (Figure 17).

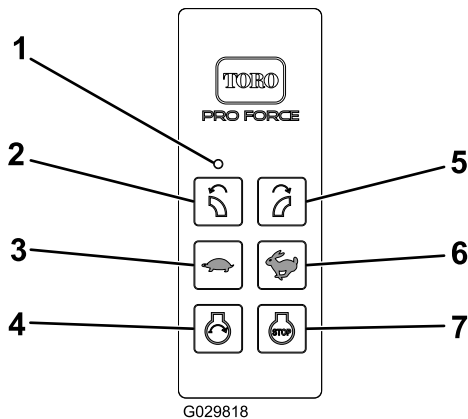


Figure 17

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. LED light             | 5. Rotate right          |
| 2. Rotate left           | 6. Increase engine speed |
| 3. Decrease engine speed | 7. Engine stop           |
| 4. Engine start          |                          |

## Hauling the Machine

- Use care when loading or unloading the machine into a trailer or truck.
- Use full-width ramps for loading machine into trailer or truck.
- Tie the machine down securely using straps, chains, cable, or ropes. Both front and rear straps

should be directed down and outward from the machine.

## Towing the Machine

- Ensure that the hitch and coupling of the towing vehicle are rated equal to, or greater than, the trailer gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR).
- **Always** inspect the hitch and coupling for wear. **Never** tow the machine with defective hitches, couplings, or chains.
- Check the tire air pressure and the tire-tread wear on the machine.
- Ensure that the machine is equipped with the safety chains.
- **Always** attach the machine safety chain to the frame of the towing vehicle.
- Before towing the machine, check your local state and county vehicle-towing requirements. In most cases, the maximum speed for highway towing is 88 km/h (55 mph). Recommended off-road towing speed must not exceed 24 km/h (15 mph) or less.
- While the machine is parked and disconnected from the towing vehicle, place chocked blocks underneath the wheels to prevent rolling.
- Ensure that the tire pressure is correct; inflate or deflate as necessary. Inspect the tires for cuts and excessive wear.
- Rotate the chute opening so that it faces upwards.
- Check the wheel-mounting lug nuts with a torque wrench. Torque the wheel lug nuts to 95 to 122 N·m (70 to 90 ft·lb).
- Avoid sudden stops and starts. This can cause skidding or jack knifing. Smooth, gradual starts and stops will improve the gas mileage.
- Avoid sharp turns to prevent rolling.

### ⚠ CAUTION

**Never tow the machine with a defective tow bar. Use of a defective tow bar may cause the machine to separate from the towing vehicle.**

**Replace a defective tow bar before you tow the machine.**

## Connecting the Machine to the Towing Vehicle

- Check the towing-vehicle hitch ball and machine coupler for signs of wear or damage. Replace any

parts that are worn or damaged before towing the machine.

- The machine coupler is 5.1 cm (2 inches). The towing vehicle ball hitch diameter must be . Use of different ball diameter will create an extremely dangerous condition which can result in separation of the coupler and ball or ball failure.
- After the tow bar has been connected to the machine, secure the machine coupler to the towing-vehicle hitch and ensure that the lock lever is in the locked position.

### **⚠ CAUTION**

**The safety chain is intended to prevent complete separation of the machine from the towing vehicle in the event of a tow bar failure.**

**If the safety chain is removed from the machine, do not tow the machine.**

## Operating Tips

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Discharged air has considerable force and could cause injury or loss of footing.**

- **Stay away from nozzle opening when machine is operating.**
- **Keep bystanders away from nozzle opening when machine is running.**

### **⚠ DANGER**

**Tip over can cause serious injury or death.**

- **Never operate on steep slopes.**
- **Operate on slopes up and down, never across the face.**
- **When going uphill or downhill, do not stop or start suddenly.**
- **Stay alert for holes in the terrain or other hidden hazards. To avoid tipping or loss of control, do not drive close to a ditch, creek or drop off.**
- **If the tow vehicle stops while going uphill, back slowly downhill. Do not attempt to turn.**
- Never operate the machine when it is not connected to a tow vehicle.
- Practice operating the blower. It is advisable to blow the same direction the wind is blowing

to prevent material from blowing back into the cleared area.

- Be aware of the blower nozzle direction and do not point it at anyone.
- Use care when approaching blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other objects that may obscure vision.
- Reduce your speed when making sharp turns and when turning on hillsides
- Before backing up, look to the rear and ensure that no one is behind the machine.
- Do not run the engine in or direct the blower nozzle into a confined area without adequate ventilation. Exhaust fumes are hazardous and could possibly be deadly.
- Run the engine at full throttle when operating.
- Adjust the nozzle opening so it blows under the debris.
- Use caution when blowing around newly planted sod as the force of the air could disrupt the grass.
- Do not use on highways.
- Stay away from the nozzle opening when the machine is operating. Keep all bystanders away from the nozzle opening and don't direct discharge toward bystanders.
- If the towing-vehicle engine stalls or the machine loses headway and cannot make it to the top of a slope, do not turn the machine around. Always back the towing vehicle slowly straight down the slope.
- **Do not take an injury risk!** When a person or pet appears unexpectedly in or near the operating area, **stop operation**. Careless operation, combined with terrain angles, ricochets, or improperly positioned guards can lead to thrown object injuries. Do not resume operation until the area is cleared.
- Do not exceed 88 km/h (55 mph) when transporting the machine.
- Do not touch the engine or muffler while the engine is running or soon after it is stopped. These areas could be hot enough to cause a burn.

***Important:* Raise the nozzle to an upward position before transporting the machine. If the nozzle is left in a downward-facing position during transport, the nozzle may contact the ground and cause damage.**

# Maintenance

## Recommended Maintenance Schedule(s)

Maintenance Service Interval	Maintenance Procedure
After the first 8 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the condition and the tension of the belt.</li></ul>
After the first 10 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the torque of the wheel lug nuts.</li></ul>
Before each use or daily	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the engine-oil level.</li><li>• Clean the engine screen and the oil cooler.</li><li>• Check the nozzle clamp and the nozzle guides.</li></ul>
Every 50 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the condition and the tension of the belt.</li></ul>
Every 100 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Replace the air filter element (more frequently if conditions are dusty or sandy).</li><li>• Change the engine oil.</li><li>• Check the condition of the tires.</li></ul>
Every 200 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Replace the carbon-canister air filter (Service more frequently if conditions are extremely dusty or sandy).</li><li>• Replace the carbon-canister purge-line filter.</li><li>• Replace the oil filter.</li><li>• Check the spark plugs.</li></ul>
Every 500 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Replace the fuel filter.</li></ul>

# Daily Maintenance Checklist

Duplicate this page for routine use.

Maintenance Check Item	For the week of:						
	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Check the instrument operation							
Check the fuel level.							
Check the engine-oil level.							
Clean the engine air cooling fins.							
Inspect the air filter pre-cleaner.							
Check for any unusual engine noises.							
Check for fluid leaks.							
Check the tire pressure.							
Check nozzle mounting clamp torque.							
Touch up damaged paint.							

Notation for Areas of Concern		
Inspection performed by:		
Item	Date	Information

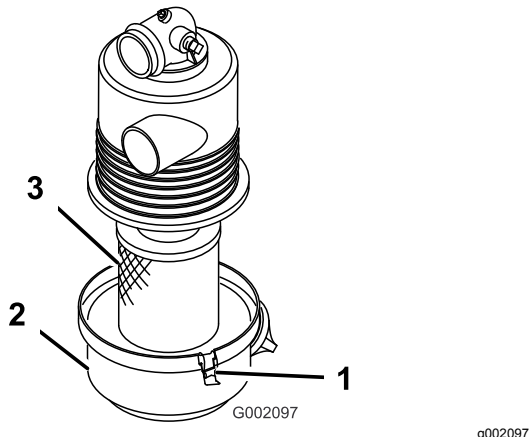
# Servicing the Air Cleaner

**Service Interval:** Every 100 hours—Replace the air filter element (more frequently if conditions are dusty or sandy).

## Checking the Air Filter

1. Check the air cleaner body for damage, which could possibly cause an air leak. Ensure that the cover seals around the air-cleaner body (Figure 18).

**Note:** Replace a damaged air-cleaner cover or housing.



**Figure 18**

1. Latch
2. Air-filter cover
3. Air-filter element

2. Release the latches securing the air-filter cover to the air-filter housing (Figure 18).
3. Separate the air-filter cover from the air-filter housing, and clean the inside of the cover (Figure 18).
4. Gently slide the air-filter element out of the filter housing.

**Note:** To reduce the amount of dust dislodged, avoid knocking the filter against the air-filter housing.

5. Inspect the air-filter element.
  - If the air-filter element is clean, install the filter element, refer to [Installing the Air Filter \(page 21\)](#).
  - If the air-filter element is damaged, replace the filter element; refer to [Replacing the Air Filter \(page 21\)](#).

## Replacing the Air Filter

1. Remove the air-filter element; refer to [Checking the Air Filter \(page 21\)](#).

2. Inspect the new filter for shipping damage.

**Note:** Check the sealing end of the filter.

**Important:** Do not install a damaged filter.

3. Install the new air filter; refer to [Installing the Air Filter \(page 21\)](#).

## Installing the Air Filter

**Important:** To prevent engine damage, always operate the engine with the complete air cleaner assembly installed.

**Important:** Do not use a damaged element.

**Note:** Cleaning of the used air-filter element is not recommended due to the possibility of damage to the filter media.

1. Clean the dirt ejection port located on the air-filter cover.
2. Remove the rubber outlet valve from the cover, clean the cavity, and replace the outlet valve.
3. Insert the air-filter element into air-filter housing (Figure 18).

**Note:** Ensure that the filter is sealed properly by applying pressure to the outer rim of the filter when installing it. Do not press on the flexible center of the filter.

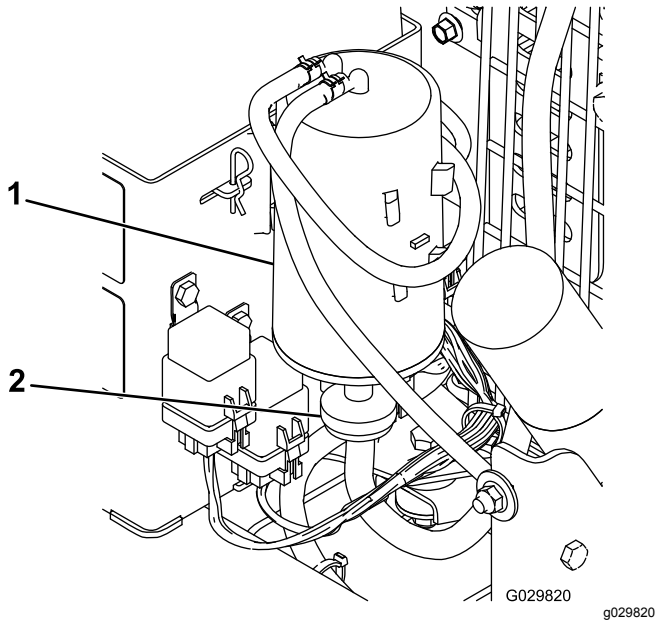
4. Align the air-cleaner cover with the air-cleaner housing (Figure 18).
5. Secure the cover to the housing with the latches (Figure 18).

# Servicing the Carbon Canister

## Replacing the Carbon Canister Air Filter

**Service Interval:** Every 200 hours

1. Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving the operating position.
2. Remove and discard the carbon canister air filter, but retain the hoses (Figure 19).



**Figure 19**

1. Carbon canister
2. Carbon canister air filter

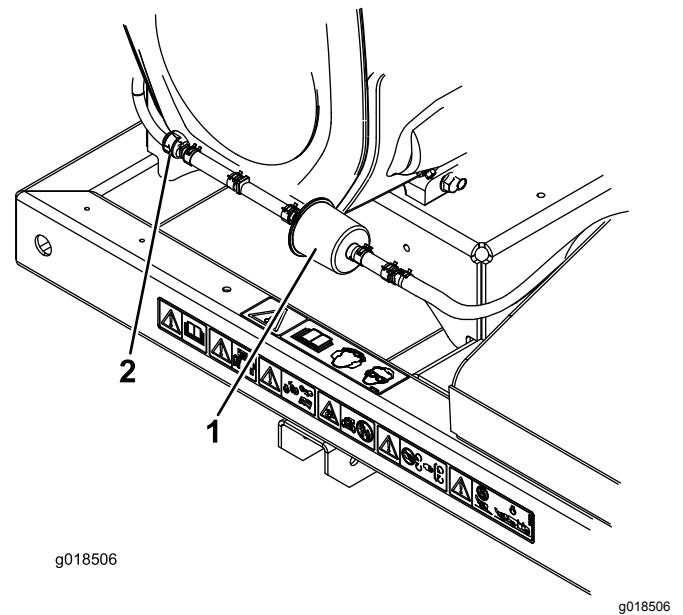
3. Install the new air filter and the previously removed hoses.

## Replacing the Carbon Canister Purge-line Filter

**Service Interval:** Every 200 hours

**Note:** Check the purge-line filter occasionally for dirt. If the filter appears to be dirty, replace it.

1. Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving the operating position.
2. Move the spring-type hose clamps on both sides of the carbon canister purge-line filter away from the filter (Figure 20).



**Figure 20**

1. Carbon-canister purge-line filter
2. Check valve

3. Remove and discard the carbon filter (Figure 20).
4. Install a new filter into the hose with the arrow on the filter pointing toward the check valve and secure it with the hose clamps (Figure 20).

## Servicing the Engine Oil

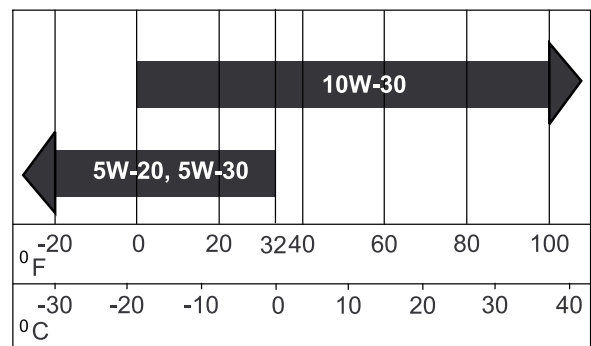
**Note:** Change the oil more frequently when the operating conditions are extremely dusty or sandy.

**Oil Type:** Detergent oil (API service SG, SH, SJ or higher)

**Crankcase Capacity:** with filter, 2 Liters (67 fl oz)

**Viscosity:** See the table below.

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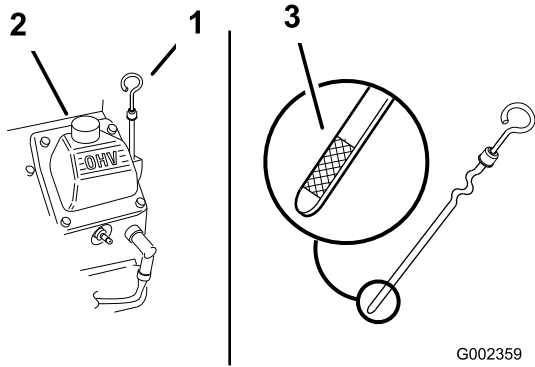
**Figure 21**

# Checking the Engine-Oil Level

**Service Interval:** Before each use or daily

**Note:** The best time to check the engine oil is when the engine is cool before it has been started for the day. If you have ran the engine, allow the oil to drain back down to the sump for at least 10 minutes before checking. If the oil level is at or below the ADD mark on the dipstick, add oil to bring the oil level to the FULL mark. **Do not overfill.** If the oil level is between the FULL and ADD marks, no oil addition is required.

1. Park the machine on a level surface.
2. Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving the operating position.
3. Clean around the oil dipstick (Figure 22) so that dirt cannot fall into the hole and damage the engine.



**Figure 22**

1. Oil dipstick
2. Filler hole
3. Oil-level range

4. Remove the oil dipstick and wipe the end clean (Figure 22).
5. Slide the oil dipstick fully into the filler tube (Figure 22).
6. Pull the dipstick out and look at the metal end. If the oil level is low, slowly pour only enough oil into the filler tube to raise the level to the FULL mark.

**Important:** Do not overfill the crankcase with oil and run the engine. Engine damage can result.

# Changing the Oil

**Service Interval:** Every 100 hours

1. Start the engine and let it run for 5 minutes.

**Note:** A running engine will warm the oil, allowing it to easily drain from the engine.

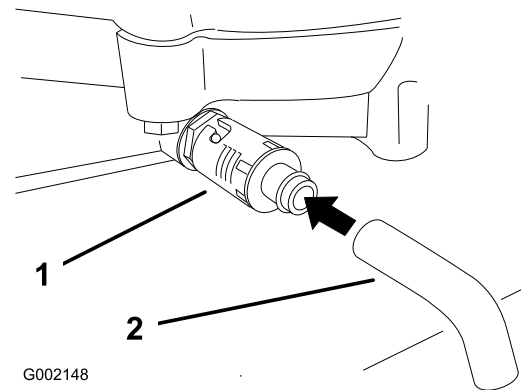
2. Park the machine so that the drain side is slightly lower than the opposite side to ensure the oil drains completely.
3. Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving the operating position.

4. Place a pan below the drain. Rotate the oil drain valve to allow the oil to drain (Figure 23).

**Note:** A hose may be inserted onto the drain valve to direct the oil flow. The hose is not included with the machine.

5. When the oil has drained completely, close the drain valve.

**Note:** Dispose of the used oil at a recycling center.



**Figure 23**

1. Oil drain valve
2. Oil drain hose (Not included)

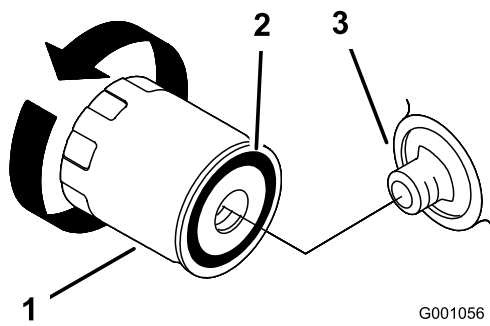
6. Slowly pour approximately 80% of the specified oil into the filler hole (Figure 22).
7. Check the oil level; refer to [Checking the Engine-Oil Level](#) (page 14).

# Changing the Oil Filter

**Service Interval:** Every 200 hours

**Note:** Change the oil filter more frequently when the operating conditions are extremely dusty or sandy.

1. Drain the oil from the engine; refer to [Changing the Oil](#) (page 23).
2. Remove the old filter and wipe the filter-gasket surface (Figure 24).



**Figure 24**

1. Oil filter
2. Gasket
3. Adapter

3. Apply a thin coat of new oil to the rubber gasket on the replacement filter ([Figure 24](#)).
4. Install the replacement oil filter to the filter adapter, turn the oil filter clockwise until the rubber gasket contacts the filter adapter, then tighten the filter an additional 2/3 to 1 turn ([Figure 24](#)).
5. Fill the crankcase with the proper type of new oil; refer to [Servicing the Engine Oil \(page 22\)](#).
6. Run the engine for about 3 minutes, shut off the engine, and check for oil leaks around the oil filter.
7. Check the engine oil level and add oil if needed; refer to [Checking the Engine-Oil Level \(page 23\)](#).

## Associating the Remote Control to the Machine

**Important:** Read the entire procedure before attempting the association procedure.

The remote control is associated to the machine before leaving the factory. The remote control must establish communications with the base unit before the machine can be used. In situations where it is necessary to reestablish remote control to machine communications (e.g., introducing a new or spare remote control to an existing base unit), you must perform the following associating procedure.

**Note:** Associating the remote control to a different base unit will disassociate that remote control from the original base unit.

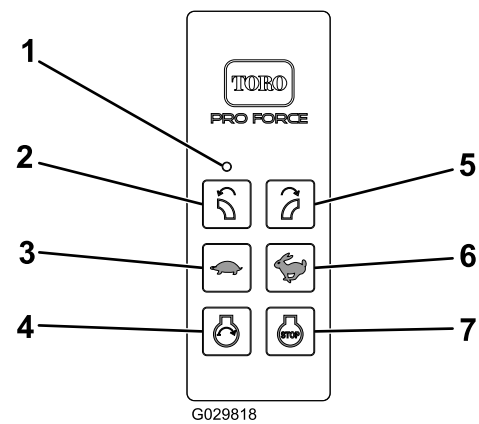
1. Turn the key to the OFF position to turn off the power.
2. Stand near the base unit in an unobstructed, clear line of sight with the remote control in hand.

3. Simultaneously press and hold the ROTATE RIGHT and ROTATE LEFT buttons. The LED light will flash about once per second.
4. Continue to hold both buttons until the LED light begins to flash about twice per second.
5. Release the buttons.
6. Press and hold the ROTATE LEFT button. The LED will flash about twice per second.
7. Turn the key to the RUN position while continuing to hold the ROTATE LEFT button. The LED light will turn solid if the procedure is successful.

**Note:** This could take up to 20 seconds.

8. Release the ROTATE LEFT button.

The system is ready for use with that remote control.



**Figure 25**

1. LED light
2. Rotate left
3. Decrease engine speed
4. Engine start
5. Rotate right
6. Increase engine speed
7. Engine stop

## Servicing the Spark Plugs

Ensure that the air gap between the center and side electrodes is correct before installing the spark plugs. Use a spark plug wrench for removing and installing the spark plugs and a gapping tool/feeler gauge to check and adjust the air gap. Install new sparks plugs if necessary.

Type: Champion® RC12YC, Champion® Platinum 3071 or equivalent

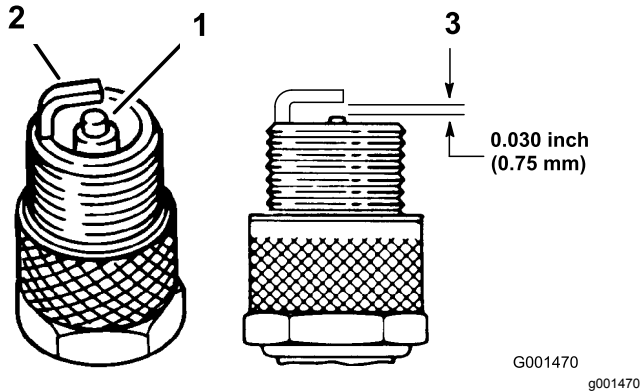
Air Gap: 0.76 mm (0.030 inch)



# Checking the Spark Plugs

**Service Interval:** Every 200 hours

1. Look at the center of the spark plugs (Figure 26). If you see light brown or gray on the insulator, the engine is operating properly. A black coating on the insulator usually means that the air cleaner is dirty.



**Figure 26**

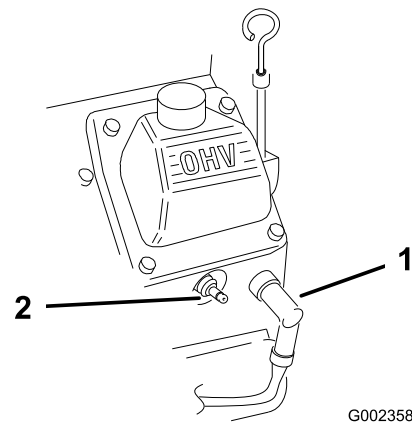
1. Center electrode insulator
2. Side electrode
3. Air gap—0.75 mm or 0.030 inch (not to scale)

**Important:** Always replace a spark plug when it has a black coating, worn electrodes, an oily film, or cracks.

2. Check the gap between the center and side electrodes (Figure 26). Bend the side electrode if the gap is not correct.

## Removing the Spark Plugs

1. Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving the operating position.
2. Disconnect the spark-plug wires from the spark plugs (Figure 27).



**Figure 27**

1. Spark-plug wire
2. Spark plug
3. Clean around the spark plugs to prevent dirt from falling into the engine and potentially causing damage.
4. Remove the spark plugs and the metal washers.

## Installing the Spark Plugs

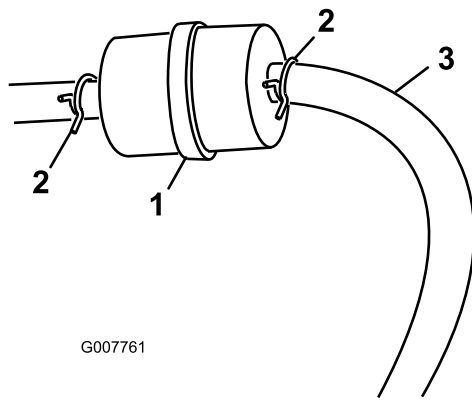
1. Install the spark plugs and the metal washer. Ensure that the air gap is set correctly; refer to [Checking the Spark Plugs \(page 25\)](#).
2. Tighten the spark plugs to 24 to 30 N·m (18 to 22 ft·lb).
3. Connect the spark-plug wires to the spark plugs (Figure 27).

## Replacing the Fuel Filter

**Service Interval:** Every 500 hours

Never install a dirty filter if it is removed from the fuel line.

1. Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving the operating position.
2. Allow the machine to cool down.
3. Squeeze the ends of the hose clamps together and slide them away from the filter (Figure 28).



**Figure 28**

1. Fuel filter
2. Hose clamp
3. Fuel hose

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4. Remove the filter from the fuel lines.
  5. Install a new filter and move the hose clamps close to the filter ([Figure 28](#)).

## Servicing the Fuel Tank

### **⚠ DANGER**

In certain conditions, fuel is extremely flammable and highly explosive. A fire or explosion from fuel can burn you and others and can damage property.

- Drain fuel from the fuel tank when the engine is cold. Do this outdoors in an open area. Wipe up any fuel that spills.
- Never smoke when draining fuel, and stay away from an open flame or where a spark may ignite the fuel fumes.

1. Park the machine on a level surface to ensure that the fuel tanks drain completely.
2. Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving the operating position.
3. Loosen the hose clamp at the fuel filter and slide it up the fuel line away from the fuel filter ([Figure 28](#)).
4. Disconnect the fuel line from the fuel filter ([Figure 28](#)).

**Note:** Allow the fuel to drain into a fuel container or drain pan ([Figure 28](#)).

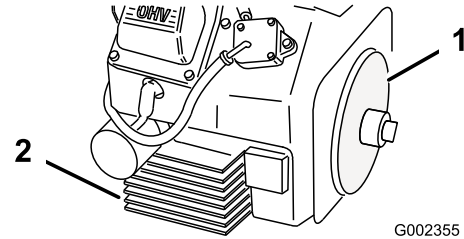
**Note:** This is the best time to install a new fuel filter, as the fuel tank is empty.

5. Install the fuel line onto the fuel filter. Slide the hose clamp close to the fuel filter to secure the fuel line ([Figure 28](#)).

## Cleaning the Engine Screen and the Oil Cooler

**Service Interval:** Before each use or daily

Before each use, check and clean the engine screen and oil cooler. Remove any build up of grass, dirt or other debris from the oil cooler and engine screen ([Figure 29](#)).



**Figure 29**

1. Engine screen
2. Oil cooler

# Checking the Nozzle

**Service Interval:** Before each use or daily

## Checking the Nozzle Clamp

Check the nozzle clamp (Figure 30) daily to ensure that it is tight. If the nozzle is dragged over obstacles or through low areas in the terrain, it could be knocked loose from the clamp. Torque the clamp fasteners to 5 to 6 N·m (45-50 in-lb).

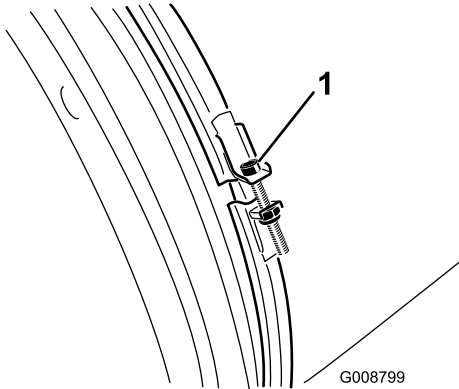


Figure 30

1. Nozzle clamp

## Cleaning the Nozzle Guides

Check and remove any grass, dirt, or debris buildup around and in between the nozzle guides (Figure 31). If the nozzle guides are not kept free of debris, the nozzle may not rotate freely which could cause the motor to stall.

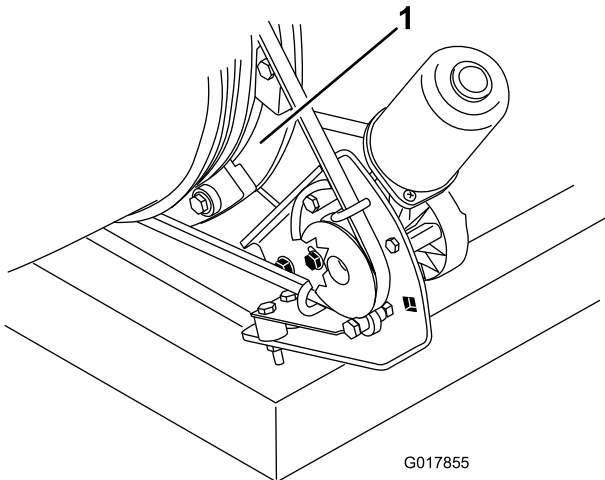


Figure 31

1. Nozzle guides

# Adjusting the Belt

**Service Interval:** After the first 8 hours

Every 50 hours

If the belt slips when changing the direction of the nozzle, an adjustment to the belt is required.

1. Loosen the bolts securing the pulley mounting bracket to the blower frame (Figure 32).
2. Position a torque wrench into the pulley mounting bracket (Figure 32).
3. Pivot the pulley mounting bracket away from the nozzle until the torque wrench reads 23 to 26.0 N·m (200 to 230 in-lb) (Figure 32).
4. Tighten the mounting bolts.

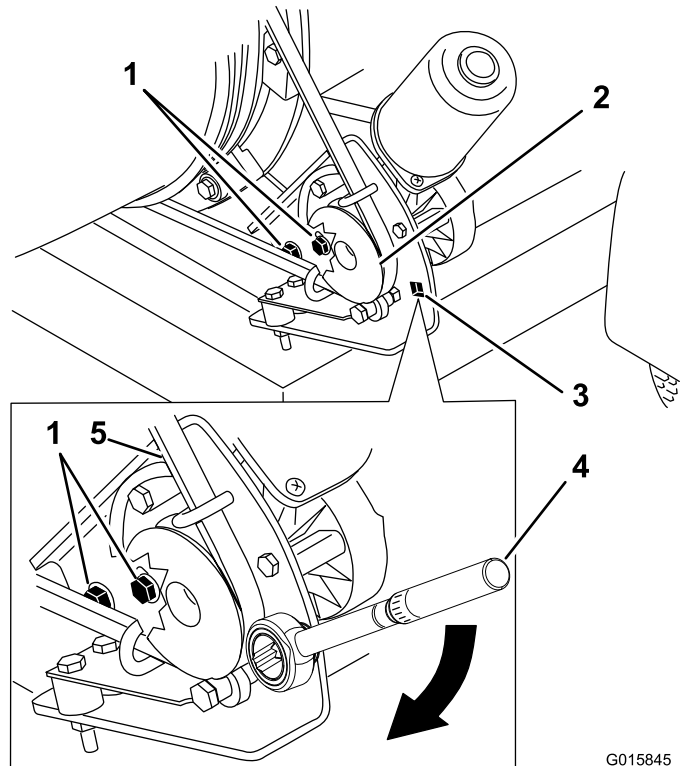


Figure 32

1. Mounting bolts
2. Pulley
3. Hole for torque wrench
4. Torque wrench in pulley mounting bracket (22.6 to 26.0 N·m (200 to 230 in-lb))
5. Belt

# Inspecting the Tires

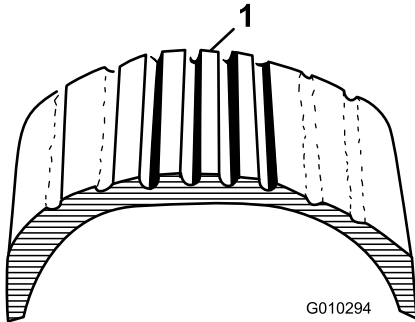
**Service Interval:** Every 100 hours

Check the tire pressure frequently to ensure proper inflation (241 kPa (35 psi)). If the tires are not inflated to the correct pressure, the tires will wear prematurely.

Operating accidents can damage a tire or rim, so inspect the tire condition after an accident.

The DOT tire information is located on the side of each tire. This information gives load and speed ratings. Replacement tires should have the same or better ratings.

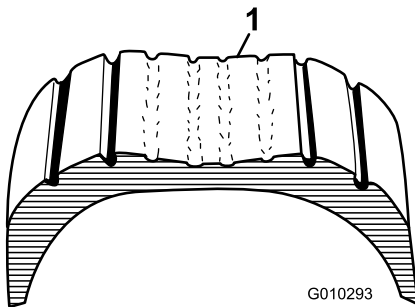
Figure 33 is an example of tire wear caused by under inflation.



**Figure 33**

1. Example of tire wear caused by underinflation

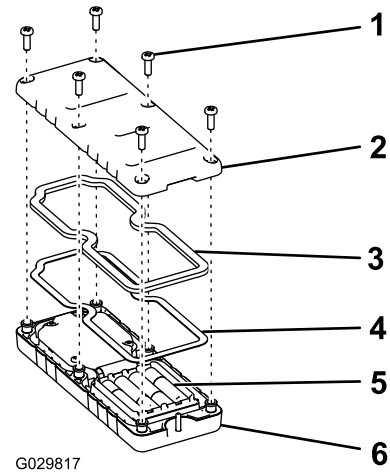
Figure 34 is an example of tire wear caused by over inflation.



**Figure 34**

1. Example of tire wear caused by overinflation

**Note:** If possible, leave the rubber seal and steel gasket in the channel when removing the cover and batteries.



**Figure 35**

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|----------|--------------------|
| 1. Screw | 4. Steel gasket    |
| 2. Cover | 5. Batteries       |
| 3. Seal  | 6. Handheld remote |

2. Remove the discharged batteries and properly dispose them in accordance with local regulations.

3. Plug each fresh battery into a terminal cradle. Observe the proper polarity.

**Note:** If the batteries are improperly installed, the machine will not be damaged, but it will fail to operate.

4. If you accidentally removed the rubber seal and the steel gasket, replace them carefully into the channel in the handheld remote.

5. Replace the cover and secure it with the 6 screws removed previously (Figure 35) and torque them to 1.5 to 1.7 N·m (13 to 15 in·lb).

## Electrical Maintenance

**Important:** Before welding on the machine, disconnect the controller and the negative cable from the battery to prevent damage to the electrical system.

## Replacing the Remote Batteries

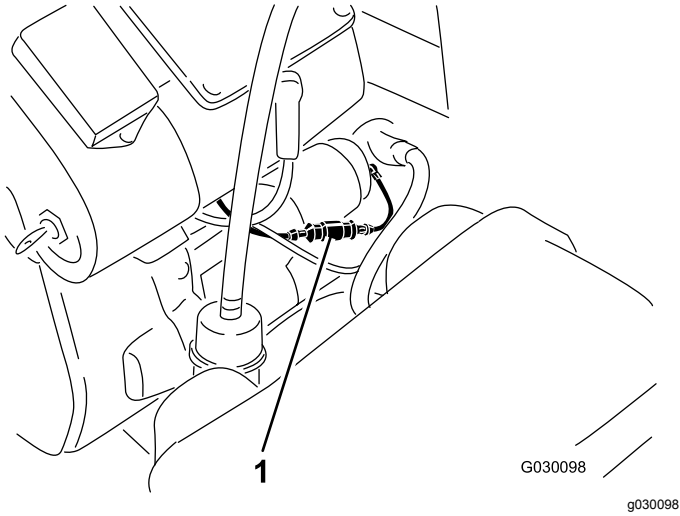
The handheld remote is powered by 4 AAA batteries. When installing batteries, be sure to observe the proper polarity as marked on the inside of the compartment.

1. Remove the 6 screws from the back of the remote and remove the cover (Figure 35).

# Fuses

## Engine

A 15A in-line fuse is incorporated into the engine wiring harness (Figure 36).



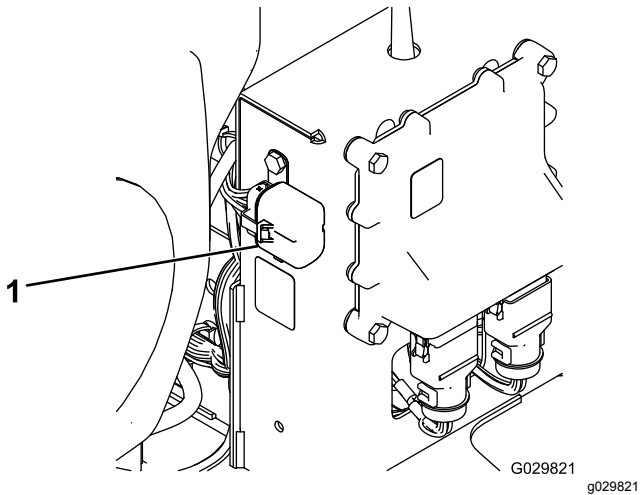
**Figure 36**

1. Fuse block

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## Receiver

A fuse block is incorporated into the receiver wire harness. It is located behind the receiver on the right side of the control tower (Figure 37).



**Figure 37**

1. Fuse

# Storage

1. Shut off the engine, remove the spark-plug wire, and remove the key from the ignition.
2. Remove grass clippings, dirt, and grime from the external parts of the entire machine, especially the engine. Clean dirt and chaff from the outside of the fins on the engine cylinder head and blower housing.

**Important:** You can wash the machine with mild detergent and water. Do not pressure wash the machine. Avoid excessive use of water.

3. Service the air cleaner; refer to [Servicing the Air Cleaner \(page 21\)](#).
4. Change the crankcase oil; refer to [Servicing the Engine Oil \(page 22\)](#).
5. Check the tire pressure; refer to [Checking the Tire Pressure \(page 14\)](#).
6. Prepare the machine for storage when non-use occurs over 30 days. Prepare machine for storage as follows:
  - A. Add a petroleum-based stabilizer/conditioner to fuel in the tank. Follow the mixing instructions from the stabilizer manufacture. Do not use an alcohol-based stabilizer (ethanol or methanol).

**Note:** A fuel stabilizer/conditioner is most effective when mixed with fresh fuel and used at all times.
  - B. Run the engine to distribute conditioned fuel through the fuel system (5 minutes).
  - C. Shut off the engine, allow the engine to cool, and drain the fuel tank; refer to [Servicing the Fuel Tank \(page 26\)](#).
  - D. Start the engine and run it until it stops.
  - E. Choke the engine. Start and run the engine until it will not start.
  - F. Dispose of fuel properly. Recycle as per local codes.

**Important:** Do not store stabilizer/conditioned gasoline over 90 days.

7. Remove and check the condition of the spark plug(s); refer to [Servicing the Spark Plugs \(page 24\)](#). With the spark plug(s) removed from the engine, pour 2 TBS of engine oil into the spark plug hole. Now use the starter to crank the engine and distribute the oil inside the cylinder. Install the spark plug(s). Do not install the wire on the spark plug(s).

8. Check and tighten all bolts, nuts, and screws. Repair or replace any part that is damaged or defective.
9. Paint all scratched or bare metal surfaces. Paint is available from your Authorized Service Dealer.
10. Store the machine in a clean, dry garage or storage area. Remove the key from the ignition switch and keep it out of reach of children or other unauthorized users. Cover the machine to protect it and keep it clean.

# Waste Disposal

Engine oil, engine and remote control batteries are pollutants to the environment. Dispose of these according to your state and local regulations.

# Troubleshooting

## Checking Fault Codes

If the diagnostic light indicates that there is a system fault, check the fault codes to determine what is wrong with the machine; refer to [Diagnostic Light \(page 12\)](#).

## Entering Diagnostic Mode and Checking the Codes

1. Turn the key to the OFF position to turn off the power.
2. Pull the tethered cap off of the 2 diagnostic, shunt connectors ([Figure 38, A](#)).
3. Connect the diagnostic, shunt connectors together ([Figure 38, B](#)).

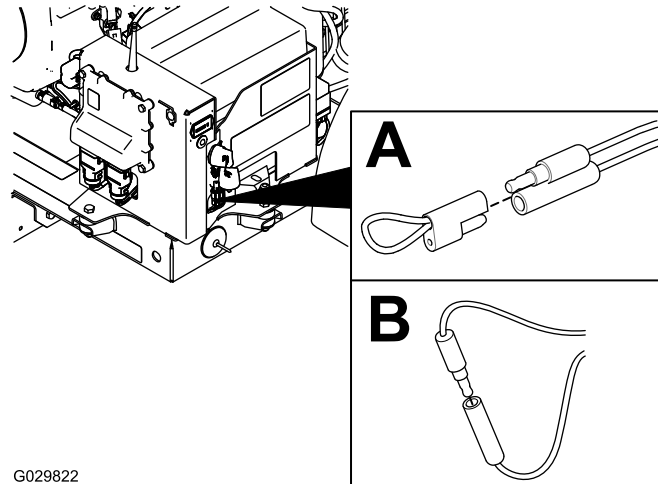


Figure 38

4. Turn the key to the RUN position to turn on the power.
5. Count the number of flashes to determine the fault code, then consult the following table:

**Note:** If there are multiple faults, both faults will flash, then a long pause, then the flash sequences will repeat.

Code	LED Flash Pattern	Behavior	Details
Machine Specific Faults			
11	Blink once, pause, blink once, long pause, then repeat	Lost communication with BASE.	Connector not plugged in; locate the loose or disconnected harness connector and connect it.
			Something wrong in the wiring; contact your Toro Distributor.
			BASE is bad; contact your Toro Distributor.
12	Blink once, pause, blink twice, long pause, then repeat	Version incompatibility of the BASE and/or HH	Wrong software (install the correct software from TORODIAG); contact your Toro Distributor.
13	Blink once, pause, blink 3 times, long pause, then repeat	Wrong HH—not implemented on RevA	Wrong product association (i.e. trying to update software on a MH-400 with a ProPass handheld)
14	Blink once, pause, blink 4 times, long pause, then repeat	ETR dropped due to low oil pressure.	Oil pressure is low; check the oil. If it continues, the oil pressure switch may be damaged.
15	Blink once, pause, blink 5 times, long pause, then repeat	ETR dropped due to low voltage.	Voltage regulator or alternator is bad; contact your Toro Distributor.

## Checking Fault Codes

If the diagnostic light indicates that there is a system fault, check the fault codes to determine what is wrong with the machine; refer to [Diagnostic Light \(page 12\)](#).

## Resetting the Fault Codes

After solving the problem, disconnect and reconnect the diagnostic connectors. The diagnostic light will flash continuously once per second.

## Exiting Diagnostic Mode

1. Turn the key to the OFF position to turn off the power.
2. Disconnect the diagnostic, shunt connectors.
3. Push the tethered cap onto the 2 diagnostic, shunt connectors.
4. Turn the key to the RUN position to turn on the power.



**Notes:**

# Notes:

## **European Privacy Notice**

### **The Information Toro Collects**

Toro Warranty Company (Toro) respects your privacy. In order to process your warranty claim and contact you in the event of a product recall, we ask you to share certain personal information with us, either directly or through your local Toro company or dealer.

The Toro warranty system is hosted on servers located within the United States where privacy law may not provide the same protection as applies in your country.

**BY SHARING YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION WITH US, YOU ARE CONSENTING TO THE PROCESSING OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION AS DESCRIBED IN THIS PRIVACY NOTICE.**

### **The Way Toro Uses Information**

Toro may use your personal information to process warranty claims, to contact you in the event of a product recall and for any other purpose which we tell you about. Toro may share your information with Toro's affiliates, dealers or other business partners in connection with any of these activities. We will not sell your personal information to any other company. We reserve the right to disclose personal information in order to comply with applicable laws and with requests by the appropriate authorities, to operate our systems properly or for our own protection or that of other users.

### **Retention of your Personal Information**

We will keep your personal information as long as we need it for the purposes for which it was originally collected or for other legitimate purposes (such as regulatory compliance), or as required by applicable law.

### **Toro's Commitment to Security of Your Personal Information**

We take reasonable precautions in order to protect the security of your personal information. We also take steps to maintain the accuracy and current status of personal information.

### **Access and Correction of your Personal Information**

If you would like to review or correct your personal information, please contact us by email at [legal@toro.com](mailto:legal@toro.com).

## **Australian Consumer Law**

Australian customers will find details relating to the Australian Consumer Law either inside the box or at your local Toro Dealer.



# The Toro Warranty

## A Two-Year Limited Warranty

### Conditions and Products Covered

The Toro Company and its affiliate, Toro Warranty Company, pursuant to an agreement between them, jointly warrant your Toro Commercial product ("Product") to be free from defects in materials or workmanship for two years or 1500 operational hours\*, whichever occurs first. This warranty is applicable to all products with the exception of Aerators (refer to separate warranty statements for these products). Where a warrantable condition exists, we will repair the Product at no cost to you including diagnostics, labor, parts, and transportation. This warranty begins on the date the Product is delivered to the original retail purchaser.

\* Product equipped with an hour meter.

### Instructions for Obtaining Warranty Service

You are responsible for notifying the Commercial Products Distributor or Authorized Commercial Products Dealer from whom you purchased the Product as soon as you believe a warrantable condition exists. If you need help locating a Commercial Products Distributor or Authorized Dealer, or if you have questions regarding your warranty rights or responsibilities, you may contact us at:

Toro Commercial Products Service Department  
Toro Warranty Company  
8111 Lyndale Avenue South  
Bloomington, MN 55420-1196  
952-888-8801 or 800-952-2740  
E-mail: commercial.warranty@toro.com

### Owner Responsibilities

As the Product owner, you are responsible for required maintenance and adjustments stated in your *Operator's Manual*. Failure to perform required maintenance and adjustments can be grounds for disallowing a warranty claim.

### Items and Conditions Not Covered

Not all product failures or malfunctions that occur during the warranty period are defects in materials or workmanship. This warranty does not cover the following:

- Product failures which result from the use of non-Toro replacement parts, or from installation and use of add-on, or modified non-Toro branded accessories and products. A separate warranty may be provided by the manufacturer of these items.
- Product failures which result from failure to perform recommended maintenance and/or adjustments. Failure to properly maintain your Toro product per the Recommended Maintenance listed in the *Operator's Manual* can result in claims for warranty being denied.
- Product failures which result from operating the Product in an abusive, negligent, or reckless manner.
- Parts subject to consumption through use unless found to be defective. Examples of parts which are consumed, or used up, during normal Product operation include, but are not limited to, brake pads and linings, clutch linings, blades, reels, rollers and bearings (sealed or greasable), bed knives, spark plugs, castor wheels and bearings, tires, filters, belts, and certain sprayer components such as diaphragms, nozzles, and check valves, etc.
- Failures caused by outside influence. Conditions considered to be outside influence include, but are not limited to, weather, storage practices, contamination, use of unapproved fuels, coolants, lubricants, additives, fertilizers, water, or chemicals, etc.
- Failure or performance issues due to the use of fuels (e.g. gasoline, diesel, or biodiesel) that do not conform to their respective industry standards.

### Countries Other than the United States or Canada

Customers who have purchased Toro products exported from the United States or Canada should contact their Toro Distributor (Dealer) to obtain guarantee policies for your country, province, or state. If for any reason you are dissatisfied with your Distributor's service or have difficulty obtaining guarantee information, contact the Toro importer.

- Normal noise, vibration, wear and tear, and deterioration.
- Normal "wear and tear" includes, but is not limited to, damage to seats due to wear or abrasion, worn painted surfaces, scratched decals or windows, etc.

### Parts

Parts scheduled for replacement as required maintenance are warranted for the period of time up to the scheduled replacement time for that part. Parts replaced under this warranty are covered for the duration of the original product warranty and become the property of Toro. Toro will make the final decision whether to repair any existing part or assembly or replace it. Toro may use remanufactured parts for warranty repairs.

### Deep Cycle and Lithium-Ion Battery Warranty:

Deep cycle and Lithium-Ion batteries have a specified total number of kilowatt-hours they can deliver during their lifetime. Operating, recharging, and maintenance techniques can extend or reduce total battery life. As the batteries in this product are consumed, the amount of useful work between charging intervals will slowly decrease until the battery is completely worn out. Replacement of worn out batteries, due to normal consumption, is the responsibility of the product owner. Battery replacement may be required during the normal product warranty period at owner's expense. Note: (Lithium-Ion battery only): A Lithium-Ion battery has a part only prorated warranty beginning year 3 through year 5 based on the time in service and kilowatt hours used. Refer to the *Operator's Manual* for additional information.

### Maintenance is at Owner's Expense

Engine tune-up, lubrication, cleaning and polishing, replacement of filters, coolant, and completing recommended maintenance are some of the normal services Toro products require that are at the owner's expense.

### General Conditions

Repair by an Authorized Toro Distributor or Dealer is your sole remedy under this warranty.

**Neither The Toro Company nor Toro Warranty Company is liable for indirect, incidental or consequential damages in connection with the use of the Toro Products covered by this warranty, including any cost or expense of providing substitute equipment or service during reasonable periods of malfunction or non-use pending completion of repairs under this warranty. Except for the Emissions warranty referenced below, if applicable, there is no other express warranty. All implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for use are limited to the duration of this express warranty.**

Some states do not allow exclusions of incidental or consequential damages, or limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above exclusions and limitations may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

### Note regarding engine warranty:

The Emissions Control System on your Product may be covered by a separate warranty meeting requirements established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and/or the California Air Resources Board (CARB). The hour limitations set forth above do not apply to the Emissions Control System Warranty. Refer to the Engine Emission Control Warranty Statement supplied with your product or contained in the engine manufacturer's documentation for details