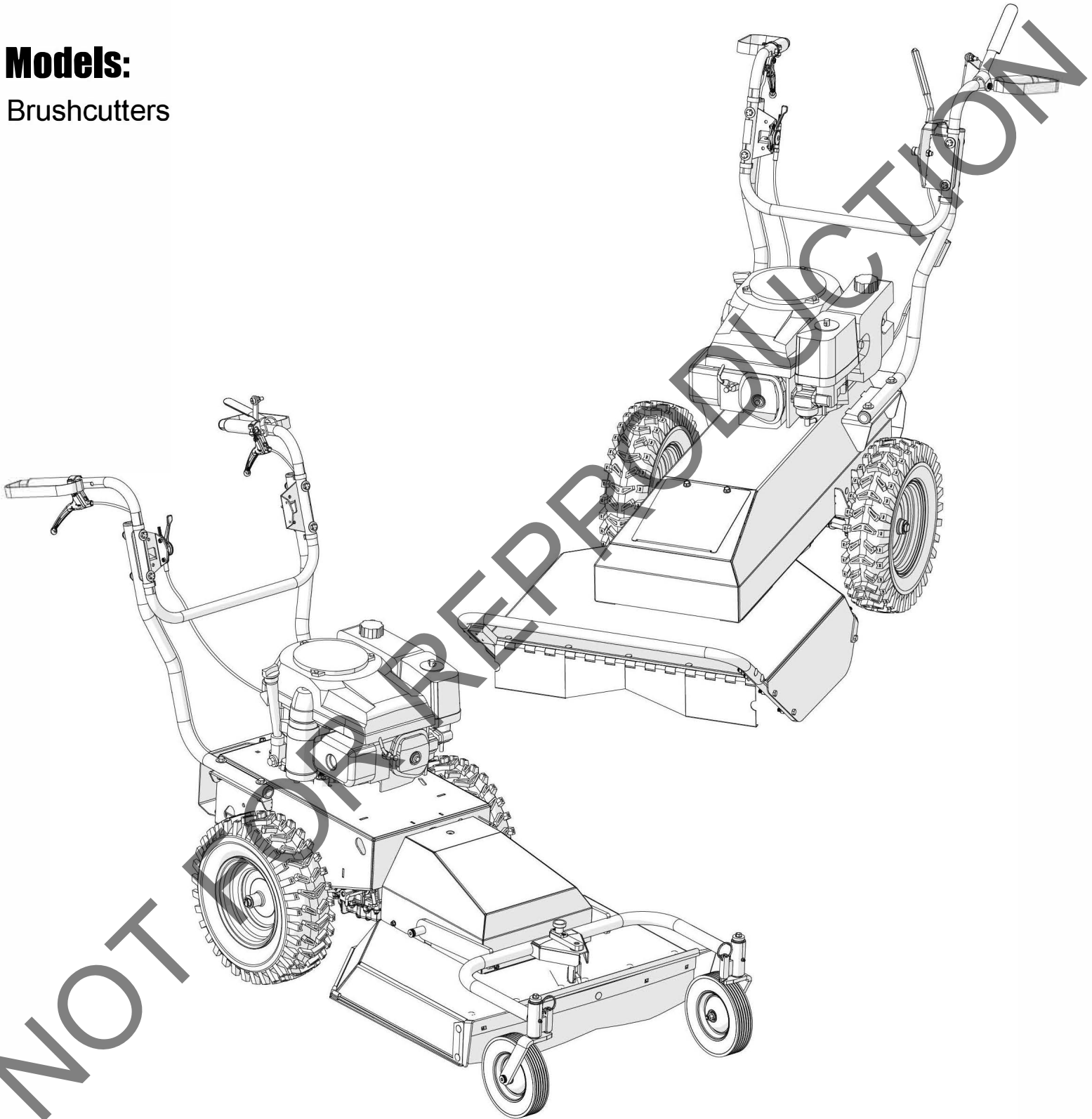


General Safety Manual: Brushcutter Line

Models:
Brushcutters



IMPORTANT:
READ CAREFULLY BEFORE USE AND KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

About this Manual


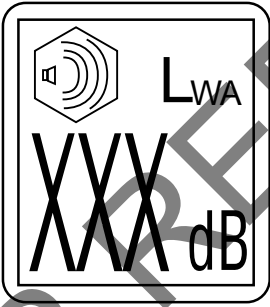

Thank you for purchasing this high quality outdoor power equipment. Your new unit has been carefully designed and manufactured to provide years of reliable and productive service. This manual will provide you with safety instructions and general maintenance tips to help keep your machine in top running order. Please read this manual, the Operator's Manual, and the Illustrated Parts Book included in the literature pack before assembling, operating, or servicing your equipment.

Intended Use

Each machine has a particular intended use. Please read the intended use of your unit. Do not use the unit for any other purpose than stated.

Brushcutter: This machine is designed for cutting very tall grass and small saplings. This unit is not intended to be used as a standard mower.

Serial Plate Data

MODEL XXXXXXX	Briggs & Stratton, LLC. Lee's Summit, MO 64082 USA Briggsandstratton.com Basco.com/ patents
	
SERIAL NO. XXXXXXXXX	
XXXX min ⁻¹ XXX kW	
DOM XX/ XX/ XXXX Assembled in U.S.A.	
	

Record the model number, serial number, date of purchase, and location of purchase.



Model Number: _____









Serial Number: _____

Purchase date: _____

Purchase location: _____


General Safety Symbols


Symbol	Description
	Indicates important information that will prevent injury to yourself or others. Failure to adhere to these guidelines can result in injury and/or death to yourself or others.
	Indicates important information that will prevent damage to your equipment. Failure to adhere to these guidelines can result in damage or failure to your machine.


	Indicates that injury can occur from flying objects. Failure to recognize flying objects and wear protection from them can cause injury.
	Indicates foot protection is recommended when operating this equipment.
	Indicates ear protection is recommended when operating this equipment.
	Indicates eye protection is recommended when operating this equipment.
	Indicates breathing protection is recommended when operating this equipment.
	Indicates that gloves should be worn when assembling, operating, or servicing equipment.
	Indicates that this manual, the operator's manual, the illustrated parts list, and the engine manufacturer's manual should be read carefully before assembling, operating, or servicing equipment.
	Indicates that the engine oil level should be read carefully before assembling, operating, or servicing equipment.


Safety Guidelines

All Units


 **ALWAYS** use reasonable care when operating this machinery as you would any other mechanical tool.


 **ALWAYS** read the operator's manual before initial operation. The operator's manual contains important safety information you need to be aware of *before* you operate your unit as well as *during* operation.


 **ALWAYS** inspect machine before operating. Be sure that *all* operators of this equipment are trained in general machine safety and operation.


 **ALWAYS** wear appropriate clothing including safety shoes, safety glasses and ear protection. Safety glasses must be to ANSI Z87 standard. Long hair, loose clothing or jewelry may get tangled in moving parts.


Always tie back long hair and remove jewelry before operation. Long pants should be worn during operation.


 **ALWAYS** evaluate the terrain to determine what accessories and attachments are needed to properly and safely perform the job. Use only accessories and attachments approved by the manufacturer.


 **ALWAYS** identify and mark all fixed objects to be avoided during work such as sprinkler heads, water valves, buried cables, clothes line anchors, etc.


 **ALWAYS** operate only in daylight or with good artificial light.


 **ALWAYS** keep hands and feet away from moving or rotating parts.


 **ALWAYS** shut down the unit completely and allow the engine to cool before performing maintenance.

 **ALWAYS** disengage the self-propelled mechanism or drive clutch on equipped units before starting the engine.

 **NEVER** tamper with any Safety Interlock Systems equipped on the unit.


 **NEVER** operate a unit if the Safety Interlock Systems do not function properly. Contact an authorized service dealer for repair.


 **DO NOT** operate the unit under the influence of drugs or alcohol.


 **DO NOT** leave equipment unattended during operation.

 **DO NOT** operate equipment with bystanders in or around the work area.


 **DO NOT** allow children to operate this equipment.

 **DO NOT** allow children anywhere near the area of operation. Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them. If there is a risk that children may enter the area where you are working, have another responsible adult watch them.

 **DO NOT** place hands or feet underneath unit or near any moving parts.

 **DO NOT** operate equipment on slopes greater than specified in the Specifications section of the machine operator's manual.


 **DO NOT** park equipment on a steep grade or slope.


 **DO NOT** change the governor setting or overspeed the machine.


Brushcutters


Follow these guidelines to ensure your safety during operation, handling, and transport.


ALWAYS use two or more people to lift brushcutters. Use lifting tools such as hydraulic jacks when appropriate.


 **ALWAYS** wear gloves before attempting to lift the unit for transport or maintenance. The blade is sharp and can cause injury.


 **ALWAYS** use reasonable anchor points when mounting the unit for transport.


 **NEVER** lift the unit while the engine is running. Always disengage the blade, stop the engine, and wait for the engine to cool before transporting.


 **NEVER** attempt to lift the unit alone. The unit is heavy and can crush, lacerate, or otherwise injure you. Always have at least two individuals lift the unit together or use lifting equipment.


 **ALWAYS** use care when checking blade. Wrap the blade or wear gloves, and use caution when servicing them.

 **NEVER** attempt to operate the unit with cracks and/or damage to the frame. Always perform a thorough inspection before operation.

 **ALWAYS** inspect the area of operation before attempting to cut brush. Be aware of retaining walls, drop-offs, landscaping elements, and bodies of water. Give yourself a minimum of 52" (two deck widths) of clearance around these hazards. After brushcutting, attend to these areas with a smaller, more precise tool.

 **ALWAYS** cut brush up and down slopes, not across slopes. Always keep movements on slopes slow and gradual. Do not make sudden changes in speed or direction.

 **ALWAYS** stop the blades when crossing gravel drives, walks, or roads.

 **ALWAYS** shut off engine and wait until the blades come to a complete stop before removing any grass catching device.