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OPERATOR'S MANUAL



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SAFETY

- Before servicing or leaving machine:
 - Stop engine.
 - Set park brake.
 - Lower or block up machine.
 - Remove key.
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Safety

Read Safety in Machine Operator's Manual

Read the general safety operating precautions in your machine operator's manual for additional safety information.

Operating Safely

- Read the machine and attachment operator's manual carefully. Be thoroughly familiar with the controls and the proper use of the equipment. Know how to stop the machine and disengage the controls quickly.
- Do not let children or an untrained person operate machine.
- Never operate the machine without proper guards or other safety devices in place.
- Disengage all clutches and shift into neutral before starting the engine.
- Inspect machine before you operate and at frequent intervals while operating. Be sure hardware is tight. Repair or replace damaged badly worn, or missing parts.
- Make any necessary adjustments before you operate. Never attempt to make any adjustments while the engine is running, unless if recommended in adjustment procedure.
- Take all possible precautions when leaving the machine unattended. Shut off the engine before unplugging the attachment, or when making any repairs, adjustments, or inspections. Disengage the PTO, lower the attachment, lock the parking brake, stop the engine, and remove the key.
- Only operate during daylight or with good artificial light.
- Look behind machine before you back up. Back up carefully.
- Do not let anyone, especially children, ride on machine or attachment. Riders are subject to injury such as being struck by foreign objects and being thrown off. Riders may also obstruct the operator's view, resulting in the machine being operated in an unsafe manner.
- Do not operate machine when you are tired or ill or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Never operate the machine at high transport speeds on slippery surfaces.
- Use only attachments and accessories approved by the manufacturer of this product.
- After striking a foreign object, park machine safely, thoroughly inspect the machine for any damage, and repair the damage before starting and operating the machine.
- Use extreme caution when operating on or near gravel drives, walks, or roads. Stay alert for hidden hazards or traffic.
- If the machine vibrates abnormally, stop the engine and check immediately for the cause. Vibration is generally a warning of trouble.
- Disengage any power to the attachment when the machine is transported or not in use.
- Do not wear radio or music headphones while operating the machine. Safe operation requires your full attention.

- Always refer to the Storage section of the operator's manual for important details if storing this product for a long period of time.

Parking Safely

1. Stop machine on a level surface, not on a slope.
2. Disengage PTO and stop attachments.
3. Lower attachments to the ground.
4. Lock park brake.
5. Stop engine.
6. Remove key.
7. Wait for engine and all moving parts to stop before you leave the operator's station.
8. Close fuel shut-off valve, if your machine is equipped.
9. Disconnect the negative (-) battery cable before servicing the machine.

Checking Area to be Tilled

- Clear the area to be tilled of objects that you do not want tilled into the ground or that might damage the tiller.
- Keep people and pets out of the work area. Keep children indoors when operating the machine and attachment. Turn the machine off if anyone enters the area.
- Set up a safe tilling pattern. Do not till under conditions in which traction or stability is doubtful.

Practice Safe Maintenance

- Only qualified, trained adults should service this machine.
- Understand service procedure before doing work. Keep area clean and dry.
- Do not operate the engine in a confined space where dangerous carbon monoxide fumes can collect.
- Never lubricate, service or adjust the machine or attachment while it is moving. Keep safety devices in place and in working condition. Keep hardware tight.
- Keep hands, feet, clothing, jewelry, and long hair away from any moving parts, to prevent them from getting caught.
- Lower any attachment completely to the ground or to an existing attachment mechanical stop before servicing the attachment. Disengage all power and stop the engine. Lock park brake and remove the key. Let machine cool.
- Disconnect battery or remove spark plug wire (for gasoline engines) before making any repairs.
- Before servicing machine or attachment, carefully release pressure from any components with stored energy, such as hydraulic components and springs.
- Release hydraulic pressure by lowering attachment or cutting units to the ground or to a mechanical stop and move hydraulic control levers.
- Securely support any machine or attachment elements that must be raised for service work. Use jack stands or lock service latches to support components when needed.
- Never run engine unless park brake is locked.
- Keep all parts in good condition and properly installed. Fix damage immediately. Replace worn or broken parts. Replace all worn or damaged safety and instruction decals.
- Check all hardware at frequent intervals to be sure the equipment is in

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safe working condition.

- Do not modify machine or safety devices. Unauthorized modifications to the machine or attachment may impair its function and safety.

Avoid Injury from Moving Parts

Before cleaning, repairing, or inspecting, make certain all moving parts have stopped. Disconnect the tractor spark plug wire or battery to prevent accidental starting.

Do not put hands or feet near or under rotating parts. Keep clear of any discharge area at all times.

Protect your hands when you inspect or unplug the attachment. Wear gloves and use proper tools.

Before you dismount to unplug or adjust attachment:

- Disengage PTO.
- Stop the engine.
- Lock the park brake.
- Remove the key.
- Wait for all moving parts to stop.
- Keep hands, feet and clothing away from attachment when engine is running.



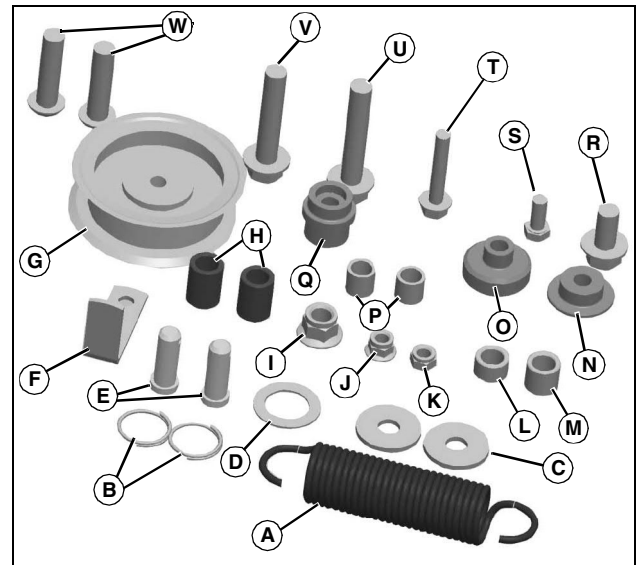
Avoid High Pressure Fluids

- Hydraulic hoses and lines can fail due to physical damage, kinks, age, and exposure. Check hoses and lines regularly. Replace damaged hoses and lines.

- Hydraulic fluid connections can loosen due to physical damage and vibration. Check connections regularly. Tighten loose connections.
- Escaping fluid under pressure can penetrate the skin causing serious injury. Avoid the hazard by relieving pressure before disconnecting hydraulic or other lines. Tighten all connections before applying pressure.
- Search for leaks with a piece of cardboard. Protect hands and body from high pressure fluids.
- If an accident occurs, see a doctor immediately. Any fluid injected into the skin must be surgically removed within a few hours or gangrene may result. Doctors unfamiliar with this type of injury should reference a knowledgeable medical source. Such information is available from Deere & Company Medical Department in Moline, Illinois, U.S.A. Information may be obtained in the United States and Canada only by calling 1-800-822-8262.

Assembly

Identify Parts - Bag of Parts



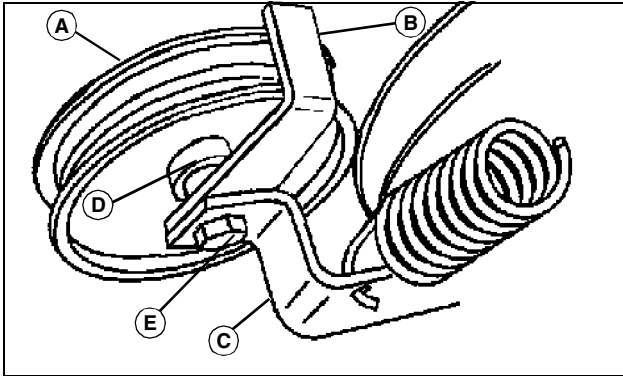
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Qty.	Description
1	Spring (A)
2	Locking Ring (Pins to yoke) (B)
2	Washer, 13x37x3 (C)
1	Washer, 38x26x1.2 (D)
2	Pin, Drilled (Yokes to lift linkage) (E)
1	Guide, Belt (F)
1	Sheave, Idler (G)
2	Spacer, Center Mounting (19 OD x 27) (H)
5	Locknut, M12 (I)
1	Locknut, M8 (Primary belt sheave) (J)
1	Locknut, M8 (Stop on lift arm) (K)
1	Spacer, Shorter Pivot (19 OD x 12) (Left rear mount) (L)
1	Spacer, Longer Pivot (19 OD x 17) (M)
1	Bushing, Outer (Lift arm to tractor, manual only) (N)
1	Bushing, Inner (Lift arm to tractor, manual only) (O)
2	Spacer, 16 OD x 15 (long spacer on front mount) (P)
1	Bushing, (Lift Arm to Tractor) Hydraulic only (Q)
1	Bolt, M12x25 (R)
1	Bolt, M8x20 (Stop on lift arm) (S)
1	Bolt, M8x50 (Primary Belt Idler) (T)

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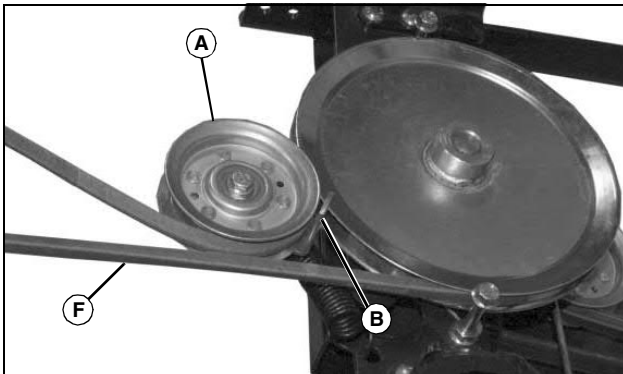
Qty.	Description
1	Bolt, M12x70 (Right rear mount) (U)
1	Bolt, M12x65 (Left rear mount) (V)
2	Bolt, Socket Head (W)

Install Idler Sheave



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1. Position idler sheave (A) and belt guide (B) onto tensioning arm (C). Make sure shoulder (D) of sheave bushing is seated against the belt guide.
2. Install M8x50 flange bolt (E) from bottom side of idler sheave. Install M8 locknut at top side of sheave. Do not tighten completely.



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3. Route belt (F) between belt guide (B) and idler sheave (A).
4. Adjust the position of belt guide (B) as shown. Make sure belt guide does not contact idler sheave.

NOTE: Make sure belt guide does not move out of position when tightening locknut.

5. Hold bolt head (E) with wrench and tighten M8 locknut completely at top side of idler sheave.
6. After tightening, make sure the idler sheave rotates freely on the tensioning arm.
7. Pull the belt tight and make sure belt guide does not contact idler sheave or belt.

Preparing Vehicle

Machine Setup

NOTE: Parts installed during preparing vehicle do not need to be removed and can remain on tractor.

Remove Mower Deck

The mower deck must be removed from your tractor before installing the tiller. See your tractor operator's manual or mower deck manual for removal instructions.

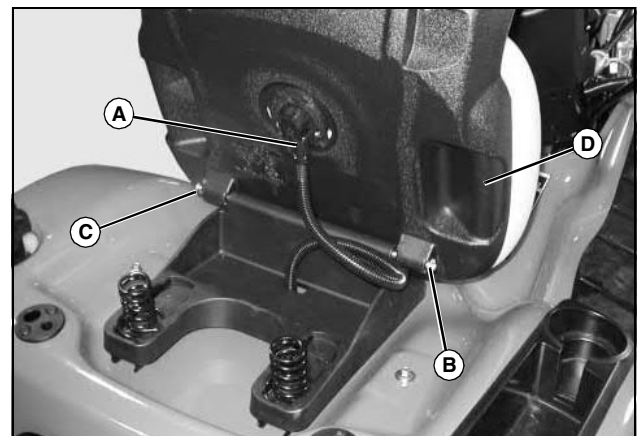
Remove any attachments

Attachments if installed on tractor must be removed from your tractor before installing the tiller. See your tractor operator's manual or attachment manual for removal instructions.

Remove Fender Deck

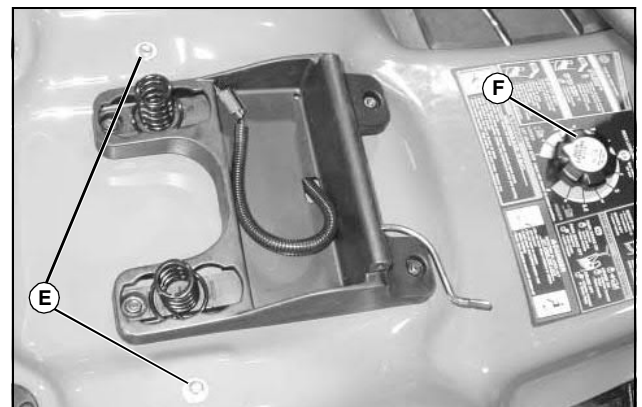
NOTE: Fender deck removal only needs to be done for the first time the tiller is installed.

1. Park machine safely with park brake locked. See "Parking Safely" in the Safety section.
2. Raise hood. Disconnect negative battery terminal.



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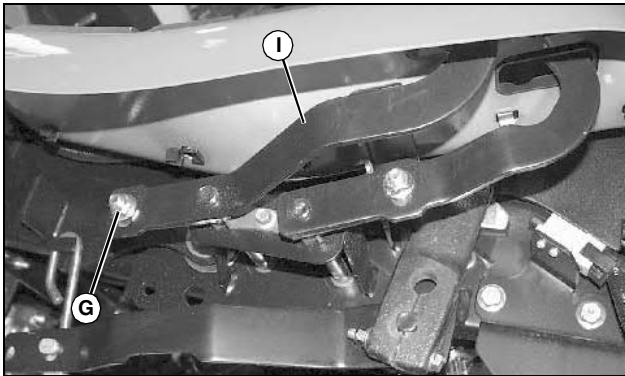
3. Disconnect seat switch wiring connector (A) from seat switch.
4. Remove the retaining ring (B) and pivot pin (C). Remove the seat (D).



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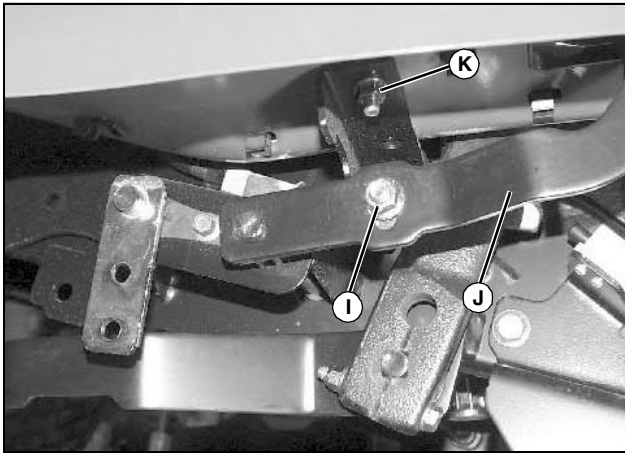
5. Remove the two bolts (E) from the top of the fender deck.
6. Remove the deck height adjustment knob (F).

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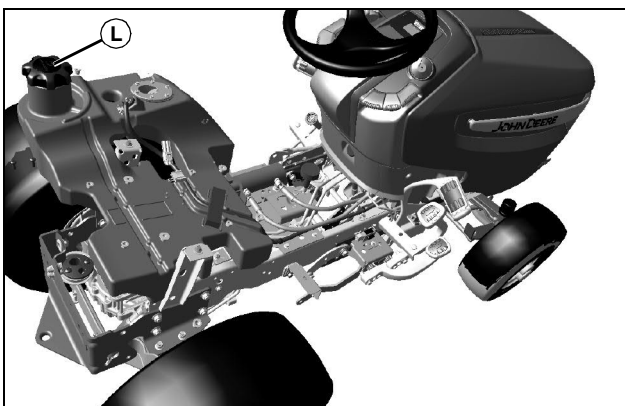
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7. Remove nut (G) from reverse pedal (H). Remove pedal.



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8. Remove nut (I) from forward pedal (J). Remove pedal.
9. Remove nuts (K) securing each side of the fender deck to the support brackets.
10. Remove the fuel tank filler cap.
11. Remove fender deck, being careful to guide seat switch wiring through hole in bottom of fender deck.



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12. Immediately install fuel tank filler cap (L), being sure to not allow dirt or other debris to enter fuel tank.

Install Bolt Stop

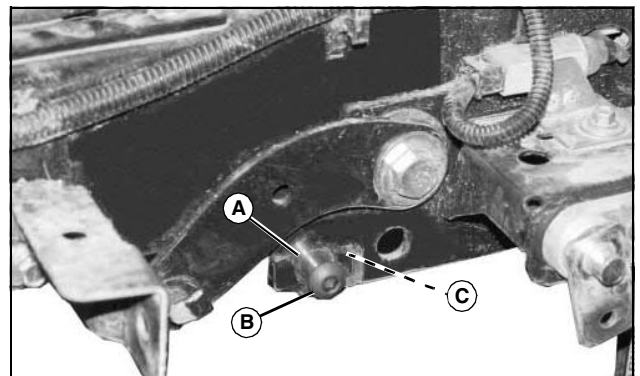
NOTE: For foot lift tractors, adjust tractor lift assist spring to 44 blade setting. (See operator's section in this manual for procedure.)



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1. Install M12x25 bolt to the right rear of tractor frame and secure with M12 nut (A).

Install Center Mounting Pin



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1. Install center mounting 16mm OD x15 spacer (A) onto socket head screw (B) and secure to the side of frame with an M12 nut (C). Repeat on the other side of frame. Tighten to 80 N•m (58 lb-ft)

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