

**LHD - 2400**

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# **Hedge Clippers**

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## **Operator's Manual**

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## FOREWORD

This Operator's Manual contains safety precautions and operating procedures for the LESCO line of hedge clippers. You must read and understand this Operator's Manual and especially the Safety Precautions for proper and safe operation.

LESCO's philosophy is to continually improve all of its products. As a result, engineering changes and improvements are made from time to time. If the operating characteristics or the appearance of your clipper differ from those described in this Operator's Manual, please contact your LESCO representative for information and assistance. Contact your LESCO representative if you do not understand any of the instructions in this manual.

Although hazard control and accident prevention are partially dependent upon the design and configuration of the clipper, these factors are also dependent upon the awareness, concern, prudence and proper training of the personnel involved in the operation, transport, maintenance and storage of the clipper.



This symbol accompanied by the words **DANGER, WARNING** or **CAUTION** calls attention to an act or a condition which can lead to serious personal injury or even death.

### **IMPORTANT:**

This enclosed message provides information necessary for the protection of the unit.

### **NOTE:**

This enclosed message provides tips for use, care and maintenance of the unit.



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

# SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

## GENERAL:

1. It is important that you read, fully understand and observe the following safety precautions and warnings. Read the Operator's Manual and the safety instructions periodically.
2. Do not lend or rent out your clipper without the Operator's Manual. Be sure that anyone using your clipper understands the information contained in this Operator's Manual.
3. Careless or improper use of this clipper may cause serious or even fatal injury.
4. The use of the clipper can be hazardous. If the cutting blade comes in contact with your body, it will cut you. When it comes in contact with solid foreign objects such as rocks or bits of metal, it may fling them directly or by ricochet in the direction of bystanders or the operator.
5. LESCO does not recommend the use of hedge clippers when cutting in areas where the blade could contact such objects.

**PHYSICAL CONDITION:** You must be in good physical condition and mental health and not under the influence of any substance (drugs, alcohol, etc.) which might impair vision, dexterity or judgment. Do not operate the blower when you are fatigued.

1. Be alert - if you get tired while operating your clipper, take a break. Fatigue may result in loss of control. Working with the clipper can be strenuous. If you have any condition that might be aggravated by strenuous work, check with your doctor before operating the clipper.
2. Prolonged use of the clipper (or other machines) exposing the operator to vibrations may produce whitefinger disease (Raynaud's phenomenon) or carpal tunnel syndrome. These conditions reduce the hand's ability to feel and regulate temperature, produce numbness and burning sensations and may cause nerve and circulation damage and tissue necrosis. Antivibration systems do not guarantee that you will not sustain whitefinger disease or carpal tunnel syndrome. Therefore, continual and regular users should monitor closely the condition of their hands and fingers. If any of the above symptoms appear, seek medical advice immediately.

**PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:** Clipper operation can cause serious injury to eyes, ears and body. The deflector provided with your clipper may not protect the operator from all foreign objects (gravel, debris, wire, etc.) thrown by the blade. Thrown objects may also ricochet and strike the operator.

1. Clothing must be sturdy and snug-fitting, but allow complete freedom of movement. Avoid loose-fitting jackets, scarfs, neckties, jewelry, flared or cuffed pants, unconfined long hair or anything that could become caught on branches, brush or moving parts of the unit. Wear long pants made of heavy material to protect your legs. **DO NOT WEAR SHORTS.**
2. To reduce the risk of injury to your eyes, never operate the clipper unless wearing goggles or properly fitted safety glasses with adequate top and side protection complying with ANSI Z 87.1.
3. To reduce the risk of injury to your face LESCO recommends that you also wear a face shield or face screen over your goggles or safety glasses.
4. Clipper noise may damage your hearing. Wear sound barriers (ear plugs or ear muffers) protect your hearing. Continual and regular user should have their hearing checked regularly.
5. Protect your hands with gloves when handling the clipper. Heavy-duty, nonslip gloves improve your grip and protect your hands.
6. Good footing is most important in clipper work. Wear sturdy boots with nonslip soles. Steel-toed safety boots are recommended.
7. Wear an approved safety hard hat to reduce the risk of injury to your head.

## PROTECTING OTHERS:

1. Minors should never be allowed to use the clipper.
2. Bystanders, especially children and animals should not be allowed in the area where a hedge clipper is in use.
3. The operator is responsible for avoiding injury of third parties and damage to their property.
4. Never let the hedge clipper run unattended.

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## PREPARATION FOR THE USE OF THE CLIPPER:

1. Never modify the clipper in any way. Only attachments supplied by LESCO or expressly approved by LESCO for use with the specific LESCO clipper models are authorized. Although certain unauthorized attachments are usable with the LESCO clipper, their use may, in fact, be extremely dangerous.
2. When transporting your clipper in a vehicle, properly secure it to prevent turnover, fuel spillage and damage to the clipper.
3. To reduce the risk of injury from blade contact, always switch off the engine and fit the guard over the cutter blades before transporting the hedge clipper.
4. Always check your clipper for proper condition and operation before starting, particularly the throttle trigger, throttle trigger interlock, stop switch, and cutting blade.
5. The throttle trigger must move freely and always spring back to the idle position. The cutting blade must be properly tightened and in safe operating condition. Inspect for loose parts (nuts, screws, etc.) and for cracked, bent, warped or damaged blades. Regularly check the condition and tightness of the cutter blades - with the engine stopped! Service damaged cutter blades before using the hedge clipper. Always keep the blades sharp.
6. To reduce the risk of injury never remove any safety devices - such as the throttle trigger interlock.
7. Always spray the cutter blades with resin solvent before starting work - with the engine stopped! You can obtain this protective spray from your dealer. Apply generously.

**HANDLING FUEL:** The LESCO clipper uses an oil-gasoline mixture for fuel.

1. Gasoline is an extremely flammable fuel. If spilled and ignited by a spark or other ignition source, it can cause fire, serious burn injury and property damage. Use extreme caution when handling gasoline or an oil-gasoline fuel mixture.
2. Do not smoke or bring any fire or flame near the fuel.
3. Fuel your clipper outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

4. Select bare ground for fueling and move at least 10 feet (3 m) from the fueling spot before starting the engine.
5. Gasoline vapor pressure may build up inside the gas tank of a two cycle engine depending on the fuel used, the weather conditions, and the venting system of the tank. In order to reduce the risk of personal injury from escaping gas vapor and fumes, remove the fuel filler cap on your clipper carefully so as to allow any pressure buildup in the tank to release slowly.
6. Never remove the fuel filler cap while the engine is running.
7. Unit vibrations can cause an improperly tightened fuel cap to loosen or come off permitting fuel to spill. In order to reduce the risk of fuel spillage and fire, tighten the fuel cap by hand with as much force as possible.
8. Wipe off any spilled fuel before starting your clipper.
9. Check for fuel leakage while refueling and during operation. If fuel or oil leakage is found, do not start or run the engine until the leak is fixed and spilled fuel has been wiped away.
10. If fuel spills on your clothing, change your clothing immediately.

## CARBON MONOXIDE HAZARDS:

1. If you operate the clipper in an area that is confined, or even partially enclosed, the air you breathe could contain a dangerous amount of exhaust gas. To keep exhaust gas from building up, provide adequate ventilation.
2. The exhaust gas contains carbon monoxide, a poisonous, colorless and odorless gas. Breathing the exhaust gas can cause loss of consciousness and may lead to death.

**STARTING:** Your clipper is a one-person machine.

1. Start and operate your clipper without assistance. When starting, place the clipper on firm ground or a solid surface in an open area. Maintain good balance and secure footing.

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2. To reduce the risk of injury from loss of control, be absolutely sure that the cutting blade is clear of you and all other obstructions and objects, including the ground when starting, because when the engine starts, the engine speed will be fast enough for the clutch to engage and move the cutting blade.
3. When you pull the starter grip, do not wrap the starter rope around your hand. Do not allow the grip to snap back, but guide the starter rope to rewind properly. Failure to follow this procedure may result in injury to your hand or fingers and may damage the starter mechanism.

## OPERATION:

1. Work carefully.
2. Operate the clipper under good visibility and daylight conditions only.
3. To reduce the risk of injury from loss of control, always hold your hedge clipper firmly with both hands while you are working. Your hedge clipper is equipped with a specially designed rear handle for gripping with your left hand. Your right hand should grip the front handle. This also applies to left-handers. Wrap your fingers tightly around the front and rear handles.
4. Make sure your clipper handles and grip are in good condition and free of moisture, pitch, oil or grease.
5. Never attempt to operate the clipper with one hand. You might lose control of the clipper resulting in serious or fatal injury.
6. Before you start work, examine the hedge for stones, fence wire, metal or other solid objects which could damage the cutter blades.
7. Do not use the starting throttle lock when you are trimming as you do not have control of the engine speed. For the proper use of the throttle lock, see "Starting" in the Operation Section.
8. If the cutting blades becomes clogged or stuck, always turn off the engine and make sure the cutter blade has stopped, before cleaning. Resin, debris, etc. should be cleaned off the cutting blade at regular intervals.

9. During cutting, check the tightness and the condition of the cutting blade at regular intervals. If the behavior of the tool changes, stop the engine immediately, and check the bolt securing the blade for tightness and the cutting blade for cracks and damage.
10. Replace cracked, bent, warped, damaged or dull cutting blades immediately. Such blade may shatter at high speed and cause serious or fatal injury.
11. When working close to the ground, make sure that no sand, grit or stones get between the cutter blades.
12. If the cutter blades become jammed by thick branches or any other obstruction, switch off the engine immediately before attempting to free the blades.
13. To reduce the risk of personal injury from loss of control, do not use an incorrect idle adjustment. At correct idle speed, the blades should not move. For instructions on adjusting the idle speed, see "Carburetor Adjustment" in the Maintenance Section.
14. Never touch a moving cutting blade with your hand or any part of your body. It continues to move for a short period after the throttle trigger is released.
15. Always turn off the engine and make sure the cutting blade has stopped before putting the clipper down.
16. To reduce the risk of injury from loss of control, never work on a ladder, in a tree or any other insecure support. Never use the hedge clipper above shoulder height or with one hand.
17. Never repair damaged cutting blades by welding, straightening or modifying the shape. This may cause parts of the cutting tool to come off and result in serious or fatal injuries. Check condition of cutting blade at regular short intervals. If behavior of tool changes, check it immediately for tightness or any signs of cracks in particular. Replace damaged or dull cutting blades immediately, even if they have only superficial cracks.

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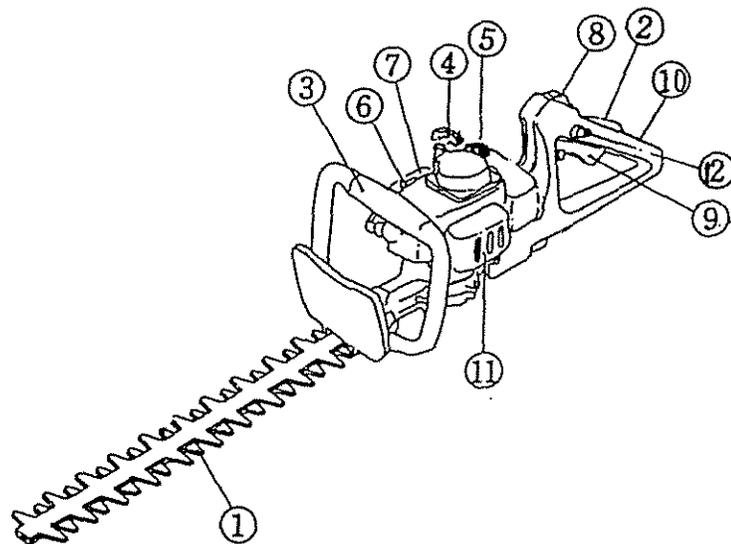
18. To reduce the risk of fire, check fuel filler cap for leaks at regular intervals. Use the specified spark plug and make sure it and the ignition lead are always in good condition. Always clean dust and dirt off the machine after finishing work. Do not use a grease solvent for cleaning! An aerosol can of resin solvent (protective spray) is available for spraying the cutter blades. This resin solvent protects the cutter blades and has anticorrosive properties. Spray the cutter blades before and after work. Then start and run the hedge clipper briefly so that the resin solvent is evenly distributed over the blades. If the hedge itself is very dusty and dirty, spray the cutter blades more frequently. This greatly reduces blade friction and the damaging effects of sap and dust particles.

# SPECIFICATIONS

Model			LHD - 2400 Double edged 24"	LHS - 3025 Single edged 30"	LHS - 4025 Single edged 40"
<b>Length</b>	mm	(in.)	1014 (39.9)	1063 (41.9)	1413 (55.6)
<b>Width</b>	mm	(in.)	245 (9.65)	259 (10.2)	259 (10.2)
<b>Height</b>	mm	(in.)	222 (8.74)	222 (8.74)	222 (8.74)
<b>Weight</b>	kg	(lb.)	5.1 (11.2)	5.2 (11.4)	5.7 (12.5)
<b>Type of Engine</b>			Air-cooled, two-stroke, single cylinder gasoline engine.		
<b>Bore</b>	mm	(in.)	33 (1.3)		
<b>Stroke</b>	mm	(in.)	30 (1.18)		
<b>Displacement</b>	cc	(cu. in.)	25.6 (1.56)		
<b>Engine Power</b> kw/rpm			0.90/7500		
<b>Carburetor</b>			All position diaphragm carburetor with priming pump.		
<b>Exhaust System</b>			Spark arrester muffler.		
<b>Ignition System</b>			Flywheel magneto. (Electronic)		
<b>Spark Plug</b>			ND W22MPR-U (LESCO No. 058125)		
<b>Fuel</b>			Mixed (gasoline and oil).		
<b>Fuel/Oil Ratio</b>			50:1 Using LESCO 2-Stroke Engine Oil. (LESCO No. 050633) 25-30:1 Using Other Brands of TC Oil.		
<b>Fuel Tank Capacity</b> lit. (U.S.fl.oz.)			0.45 (13.3)		
<b>Reduction Gear Case</b>			1 : 4.14		
<b>Cutter Type</b>			Dual reciprocating		
<b>Length</b>	mm	(in.)	588 (23.1)	730 (28.7)	1080 (42.5)
<b>Pitch</b>	mm	(in.)	35 (1.38)		
<b>Height</b>	mm	(in.)	21 (0.83)		
<b>Stroke</b>	mm	(in.)	35 (1.38)		
<b>Handle</b>	<b>Front</b>		Loop type	Bar type	Bar type
	<b>Rear</b>		Grip with throttle control		

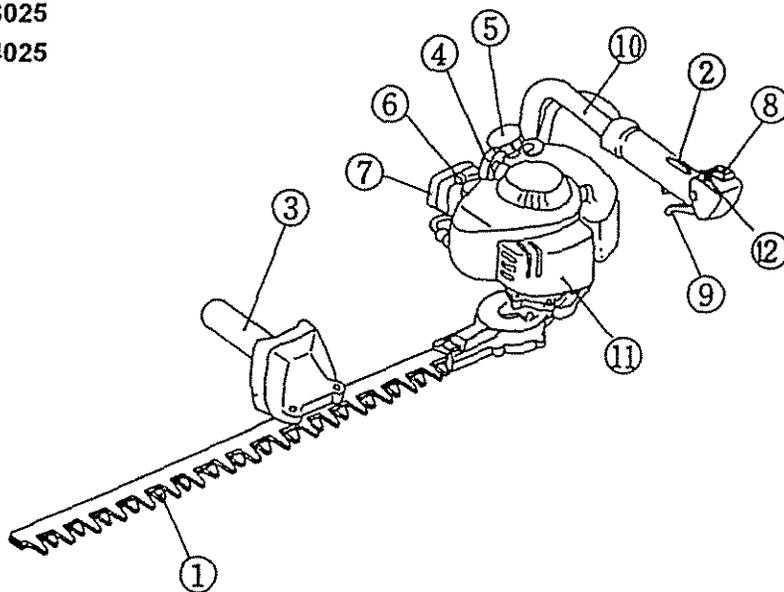
# PARTS DESCRIPTION

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DESCRIPTION

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|---|----------------------------|
| 1 | Cutting Blade              |
| 2 | Throttle Trigger Interlock |
| 3 | Front Handle               |
| 4 | Starter Grip               |
| 5 | Fuel Filler Cap            |
| 6 | Choke Lever                |

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|----|-----------------------|
| 7  | Air Cleaner           |
| 8  | Stop Switch           |
| 9  | Throttle Trigger      |
| 10 | Rear Handle           |
| 11 | Muffler               |
| 12 | Throttle Trigger Lock |

# FUELING INSTRUCTIONS

 **WARNING**  
Reread the Safety Precautions relating to "Handling Fuel" on Page 3.

The LESCO clipper uses an oil-gasoline mixture as fuel. The engine is certified to operate on unleaded gasoline.

Use regular name-brand unleaded gasoline with a minimum octane number of 89. If the octane number of the regular grade gasoline in your area is lower use premium unleaded fuel. Fuel with a lower octane number may result in preignition (causing "pinging") which is accompanied by an increase in engine temperature. This, in turn, increases the risk of piston seizure and damage to the engine.

The chemical composition of the fuel is also important. Some fuel additives not only detrimentally affect elastomers (carburetor diaphragms, oil seals, fuel lines etc.), but magnesium castings as well. This could cause running problems or even damage the engine. For this reason it is essential that you use only name-brand fuels!

**IMPORTANT:**  
Do not use any gasoline containing alcohol. Serious engine or fuel system damage will occur.

Use only quality two-stroke, air-cooled engine oil with the classification TC. The mix ratio is 25-30:1.

We recommend LESCO brand 2-Stroke Engine Oil (LESCO No. 050633) since it is specially tested for use in all LESCO two-stroke engines. The mix ratio is 50:1

**IMPORTANT:**  
Do not use BIA or TCW (two-stroke water cooled) mix oils!

## Directions for Mixing: (See Chart for Amounts)

1. Put one-half of the gasoline in a safety approved container.
2. Add the proper amount of two-stroke oil and mix thoroughly.
3. Add the remainder of the gasoline and mix thoroughly.

Take care when handling gasoline. Avoid direct contact with the skin and avoid inhaling fuel vapor.

The gasoline container should be kept tightly closed in order to prevent any moisture getting into the mixture.

Only mix sufficient fuel for a few days work, not to exceed 30 days of storage. Store in a safety approved fuel container only.

## Fuel Mixes:

Gasoline	Oil (50:1) (LESCO 2-Stroke Engine Oil)	Oil (25-30:1) (Other Name- Brand TC Oils)
Liters (U.S. gal.)	Liters (U.S. fl. oz.)	Liters (U.S. fl. oz.)
1 (1)	0.02 (2.6)	0.04-0.033 (5.12-4.27)
10 (2.5)	0.2 (6.4)	0.4-0.33 (12.8-10.66)
20 (5)	0.4 (12.8)	0.8-0.67 (25.6-21.33)

Dispose of empty two-stroke oil containers at authorized disposal locations only.

# OPERATION

## A. STARTING:

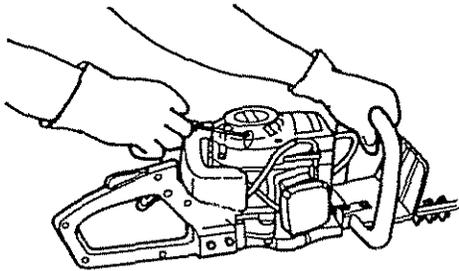
### **WARNING**

Reread the Safety Precautions relating to "Starting" on Page 3.

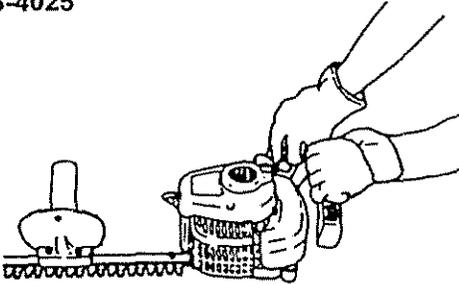
### **WARNING**

When the engine starts, the cutting blade may move even with the throttle trigger in the low-speed position possibly causing injury.

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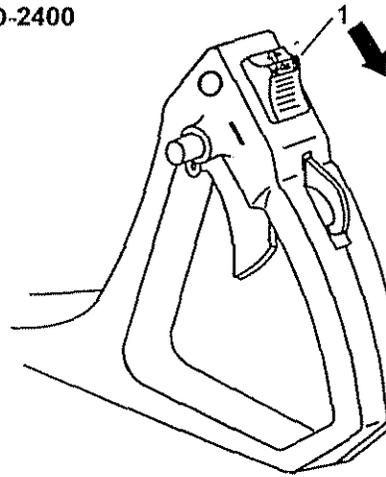


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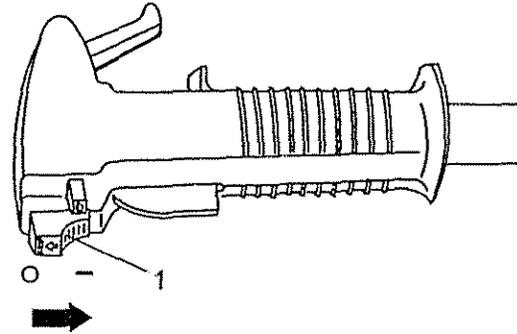


## 1. When the Engine is Cold.

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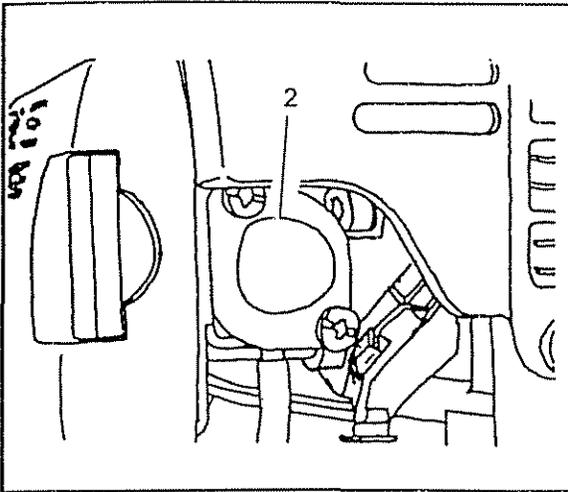


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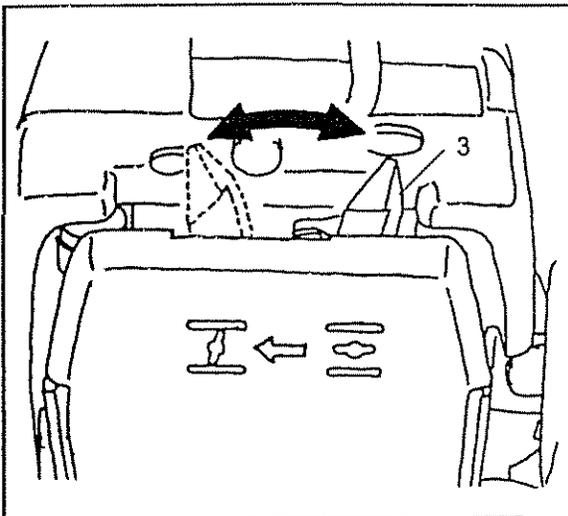


- a. Slide the ignition switch (Ref 1) to the "START" position. (Away from the arrow.)

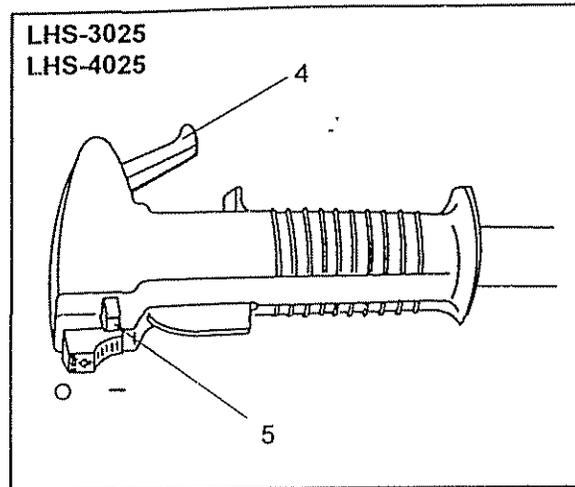
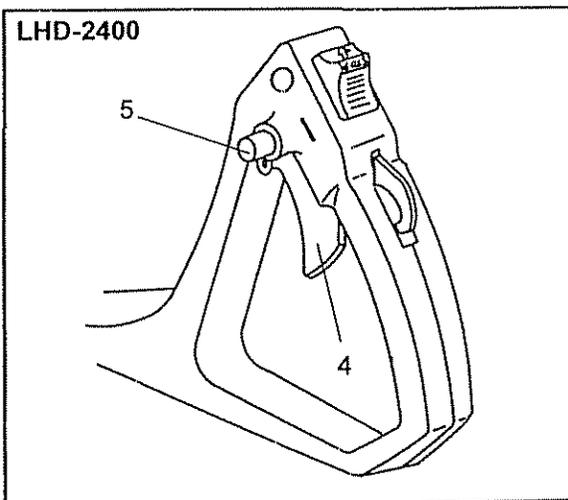
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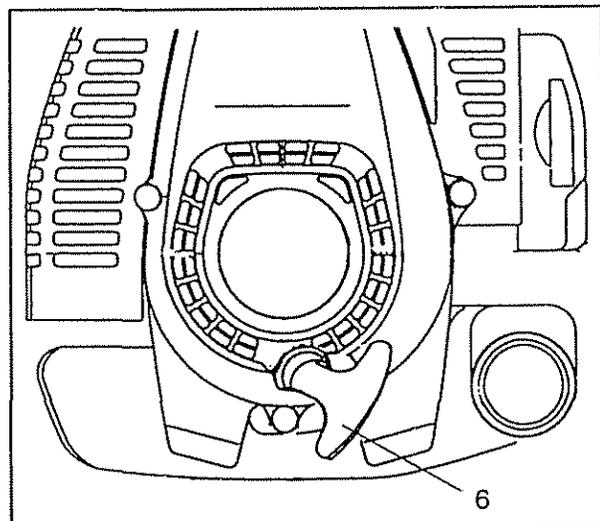
b. Push the priming pump (Ref. 2) several times.



c. Close the choke (Ref.3) completely



- d. Grasp the throttle trigger (Ref.4) fully, then release it slowly while pushing the lock button (Ref.5). This sets the throttle trigger at half-throttle.
- e. Place the clipper on firm ground or other solid surface in an open area. Maintain a good balance and secure footing
- f. Make sure you have a firm footing: Hold the unit with your left hand firmly.



- g. Pull the starter grip:  
When pulling the starting rope (Ref. 6), use short pulls, 1/2 to 2/3 of the rope length. Do not let the starter grip snap back - guide it slowly into the housing so that the starter rope can rewind properly .
- h. Grasp the trigger immediately after the engine is started. This releases the lock button and automatically sets the engine to idle.

# OPERATION

## 2. When the Engine is Warm.

Restarting the engine after it has been stopped.

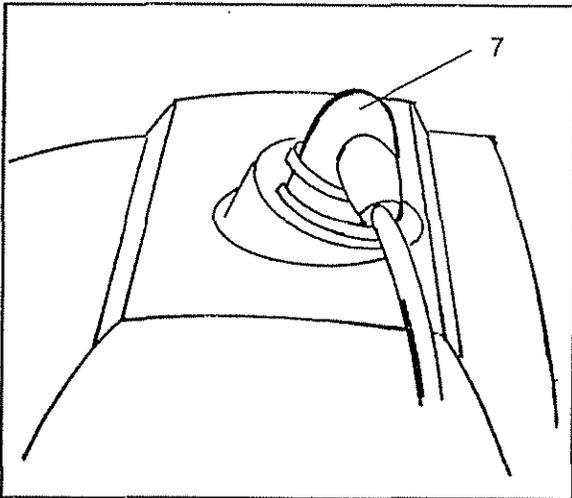
- Slide the ignition switch to the "START" position.
- Push the priming pump several times.
- Set the choke lever to the "FULL OPEN" position.
- Pull the starter grip.

### NOTE:

If the engine does not start after four pulls, use the cold start procedure.

## 3. If the Engine Doesn't Start.

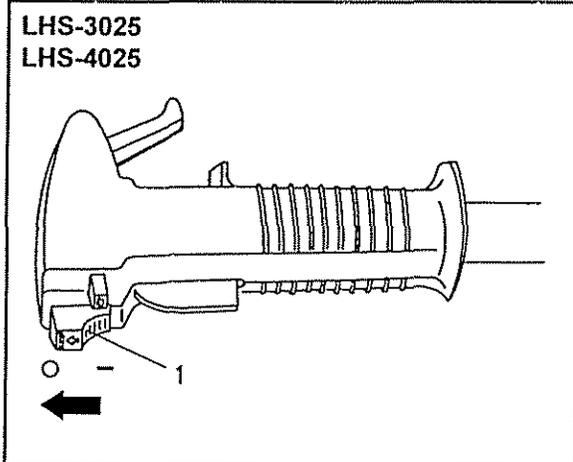
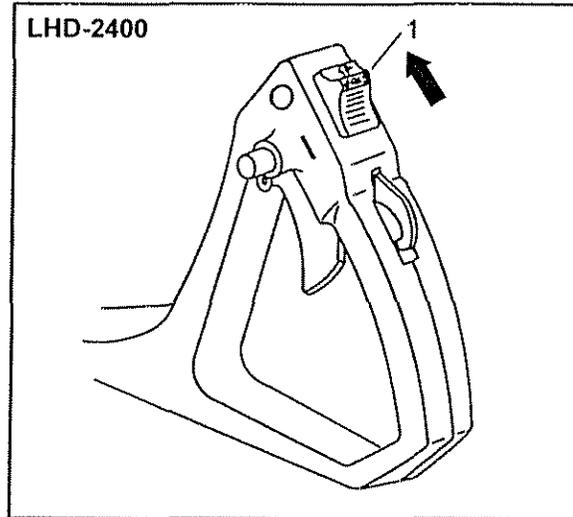
- If you did not move the choke lever to the "FULL OPEN" position quickly enough after the engine began to fire, the combustion chamber has flooded.



- Remove the spark plug wire (Ref. 7).
- Unscrew and dry off the spark plug.
- Set the ignition switch to "STOP".
- Open the throttle fully.
- Pull the starter rope several times to clear the combustion chamber.
- Refit the spark plug and connect the spark plug wire.

- Set the ignition switch to "START".
- Set the choke lever to "FULL OPEN".
- Now start the engine.

## B. STOPPING:



- Return the throttle to the "IDLE" position and let the engine run for 2 or 3 minutes until it has cooled down.
- Slide the ignition switch (Ref. 1) to the "STOP" position.



### WARNING

Reread the Safety Precautions relating to "Operation" on Page 4.

# MAINTENANCE

**NOTE:**  
**MAINTENANCE, REPLACEMENT, OR REPAIR OF THE EMISSION CONTROL DEVICES AND SYSTEMS**  
**MAY BE PERFORMED BY ANY NONROAD ENGINE REPAIR ESTABLISHMENT OR INDIVIDUAL.**

MAINTENANCE CHART							
PART	MAINTENANCE	BEFORE USE	MONTHLY	YEARLY	IF FAULTY	IF DAMAGED	SEE PAGE
Complete Machine	Visual Inspection (Condition, Leaks)	X					20
	Clean	X					
Control Handle	Check Operation	X					10-12
Fuel Filter	Check		X				18
	Replace			X			
Carburetor	Adjust				X		14-15
Cooling System	Clean	X					17
Muffler	Check		X				17
	Clean				X		
Fuel Leakage	Check	X					3
	Repair					X	
Fuel Lines	Check		X				18
	Replace					X	
Clutch and Clutch Drum	Check/Clean			X			18
	Replace					X	
All Accessible Screws and Nuts (Not Adjusting Screws)	Retighten	X					3
Cutting Blade	Visual Inspection	X					4-5
	Replace					X	
	Sharpen Metal Cutting Blade				X		18
	Check Tightness of Cutting Blade	X					4-5,19
Gearbox Lubrication	Check		X				18
	Fill Full			X			

EMISSION PARTS MAINTENANCE CHART							
PART	MAINTENANCE	BEFORE USE	MONTHLY or 50 HOURS USE	THREE MONTHS or 150 HOURS USE	SIX MONTHS or 300 HOURS USE	YEARLY or 600 HOURS USE	SEE PAGE
Air Filter Element	Clean	X					16
	Replace			X			
Spark Plug	Check / Clean / Adjust		X				16
	Replace				X		
Carburetor	Clean (*1)			X			14-15
	Overhaul (*2) / Replace (*3)					X	

(\*1) • At an authorized LESCO servicing facility to be charged.

(\*2) • For consumer use / At an authorized LESCO servicing facility to be charged.

(\*3) • For commercial use / At an authorized LESCO servicing facility to be charged.

# MAINTENANCE

## NOTE:

Time intervals shown are a maximum. Actual use and your experience will determine the frequency of required maintenance.

You should be charged for the cost of any required replacement except warranty replacement under LIMITED WARRANTY and/or EMISSION CONTROL WARRANTY.

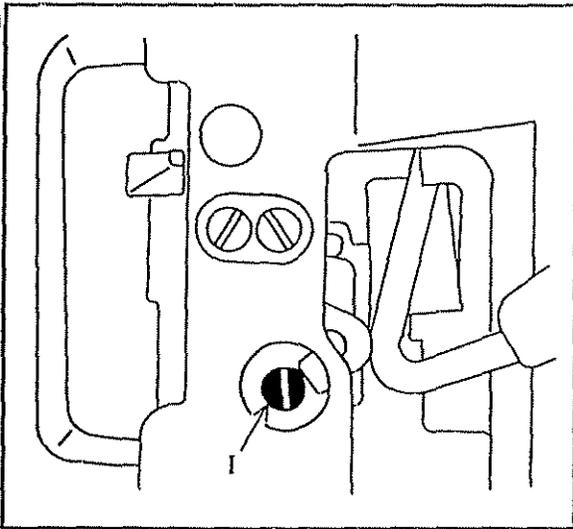
## A. CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENT.

The carburetor is preset at the factory. This is the optimum setting under the barometric pressure and climatic conditions at the factory and is suitable for most operating sites.

It ensures that your machine will run smoothly, be fuel efficient, operate reliably and produce low emissions.

If the engine runs unsatisfactorily at high altitudes or at sea level, slight readjustment of the carburetor may be necessary:

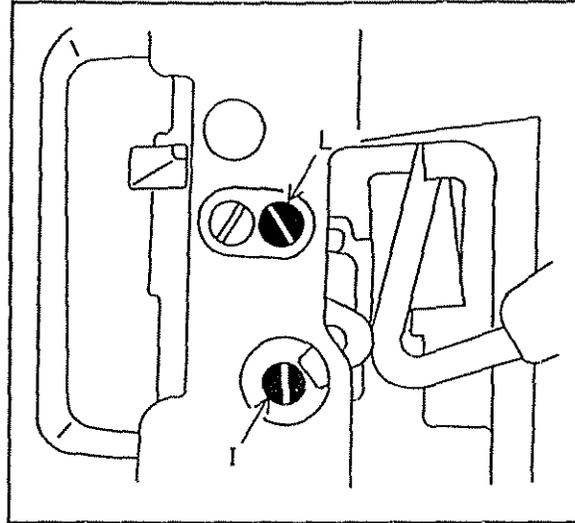
1. Check the air filter and clean it if necessary.
2. Check the spark arresting screen (if fitted) and clean it if necessary.
3. Clean the cutting Blade.



4. Start the engine and adjust the idling speed correctly with the idle speed adjusting screw (Ref. I) The cutting blade must not move.
5. Warm up the engine.
5. **Adjusting the idle speed:**  
It is usually necessary to change the setting of the idle speed adjusting screw (Ref. I) after every correction to the low speed adjusting screw (Ref. L).

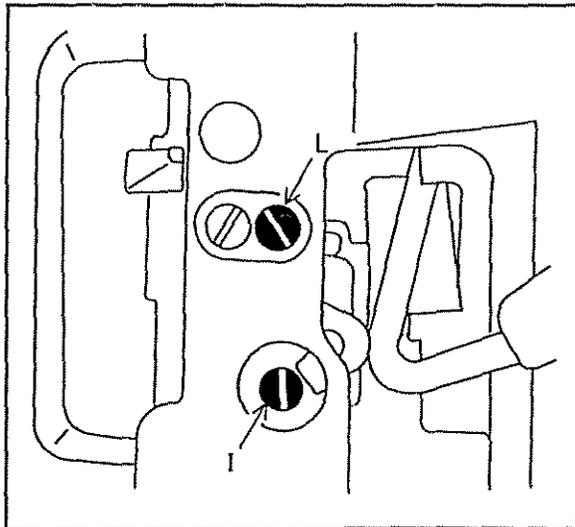
## 6. Proper idling speed:

2,800-3,000 rpm



## 8. The engine stops while idling:

Turn the idle speed adjusting screw (Ref. I) clockwise until the engine runs smoothly, but the cutting blade must not move.



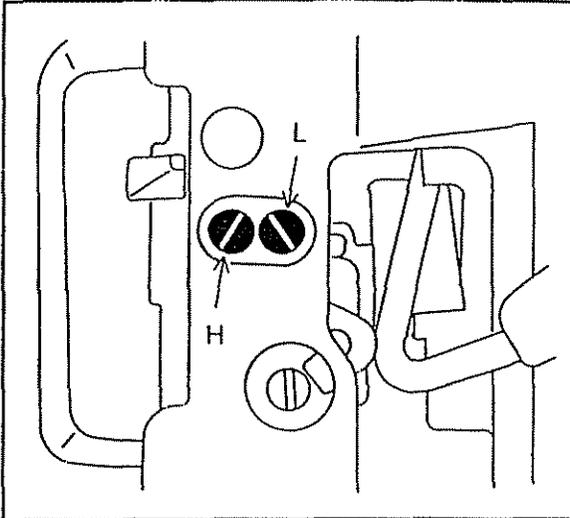
## 9. The cutting blade moves when the engine is idling:

Turn the idle speed adjusting screw (Ref. I) counterclockwise until the cutting blades stops moving then return the screw about another half turn from that position.

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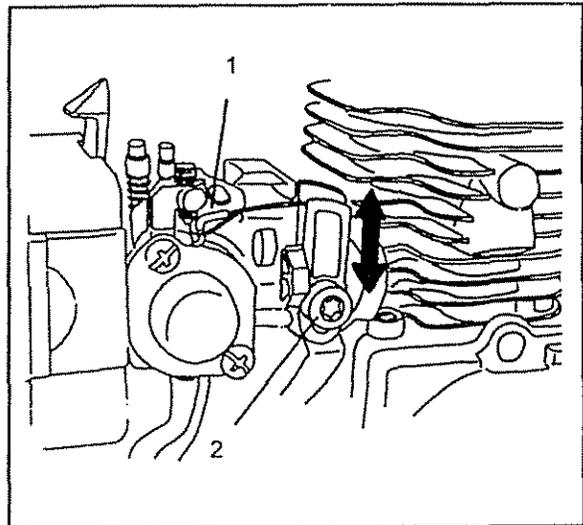
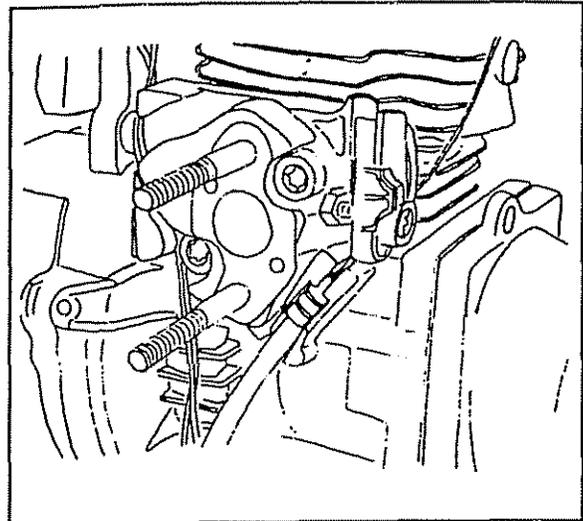
10. **Erratic idling behavior, poor acceleration:**  
The idle setting is too lean. Turn the low speed adjusting screw (Ref. L) counterclockwise until the engine runs and accelerates smoothly.

11. **Adjusting high speed:**



Adjust the low adjustment screw (Ref. L) for the smooth engine idling. Then increase the engine speed and adjust the high speed adjustment screw (Ref. H) for stable engine rotation. The engine acceleration should be smooth with proper adjustment  
(High Engine Speed..... 9,000-10,000 rpm)

## B. THE THROTTLE WIRE ADJUSTMENT



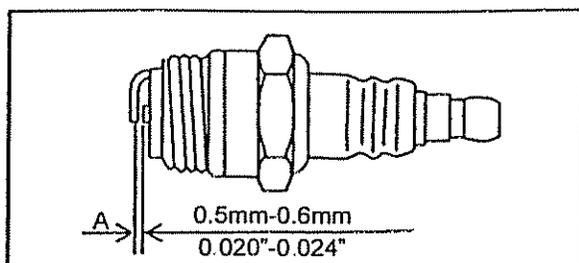
1. Maintain a wire end-play of about 1/16 inch (1- 2mm) with the adjuster and fix it with the tightening bolt (Ref.2)

### **WARNING**

To reduce the risk of injury from loss of control, maintain the wire end-play at about 1/16 inch (1-2mm). If the wire end-play is not maintained, engine speed may be enough for the clutch to engage and move the cutting blade.

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## C. CHECKING THE SPARK PLUG.

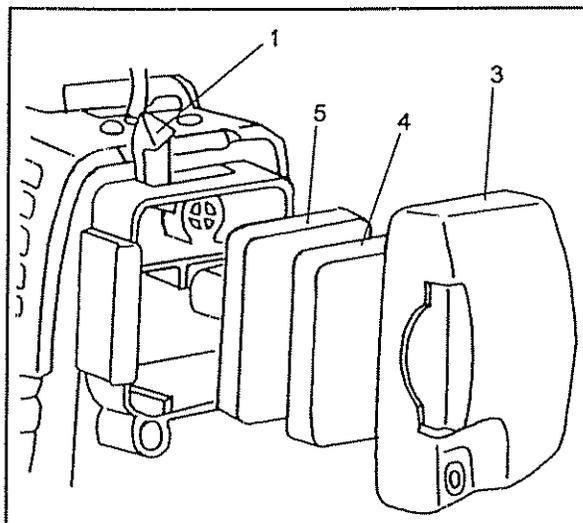


The wrong fuel mix (too much engine oil in the gasoline), a dirty air filter or unfavorable running conditions (mostly at low throttle) affect the condition of the spark plug. These factors cause deposits to form on the insulator nose which may result in faulty operation.

1. If the engine doesn't seem to have any power, is difficult to start or runs poorly at idling speed, first check the spark plug.
2. Remove the spark plug and see "3. If the Engine Doesn't Start" on page 12.
3. Clean the dirty spark plug.
4. Check the electrode gap  
It should be 0.20in.(0.5mm) - 0.024in (0.6mm)  
Re-gap if necessary.
5. Use only a suppressed spark plug of the approved type:  
ND W22MPR-U (LESCO No. 058125)  
Correct the problems which caused the fouling of the spark plug:  
Incorrect carburetor setting, too much oil in the fuel mix, dirty air filter, unfavorable running conditions, e.g. operating at partial load

## D. CLEANING THE AIR FILTER.

Dirty air filters reduce engine power, increase fuel consumption and make starting more difficult. If there is a noticeable loss of engine power:



1. Turn the choke lever (Ref. 1) to "CLOSE", and remove the air filter cover (Ref. 3).
2. Remove the foam element (Ref 4) and felt element (Ref.5).
3. Wash the air filter in warm, soapy water and then dry.
4. Always replace a damaged foam element.
5. Fit the foam element in the filter housing.
6. Fit the filter cover and engage it in position.

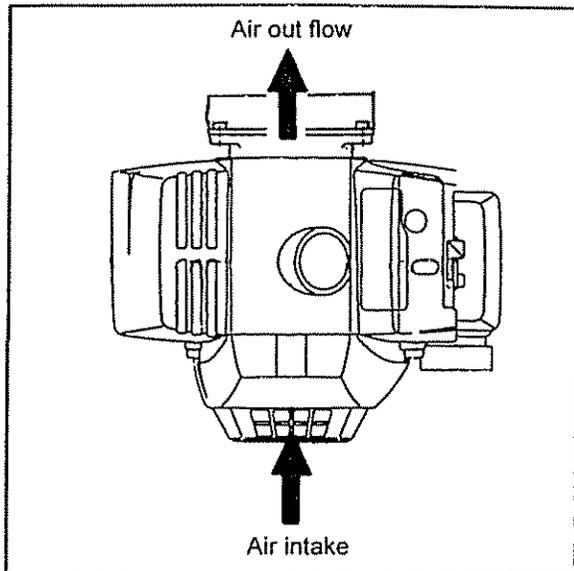
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## E. COOLING SYSTEM MAINTENANCE.

The cooling system relies on cooling air entering the engine through the front engine grille. The cooling fan pushes this air through the cylinder fin area and out the rear grille openings in the engine cover.

### IMPORTANT

To maintain proper engine operating temperatures, cooling air must pass freely through the cylinder fin area. This flow of air carries combustion heat away from the engine.



Overheating and engine seizure can occur when:

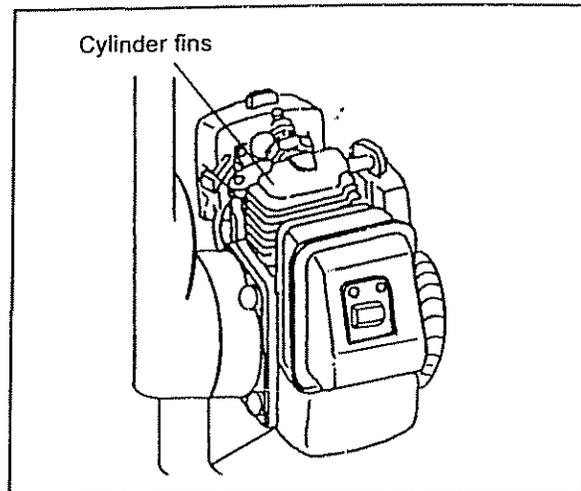
1. Air intakes are blocked, preventing cooling air from reaching the cylinder.
2. Dust and grass build up on the outside of the cylinder. This buildup insulates the engine and prevents the heat from leaving.

Removal of cooling passage blockages or cleaning of cylinder fins is considered "Normal Maintenance". Any resultant failure attributed to lack of maintenance is not warranted.

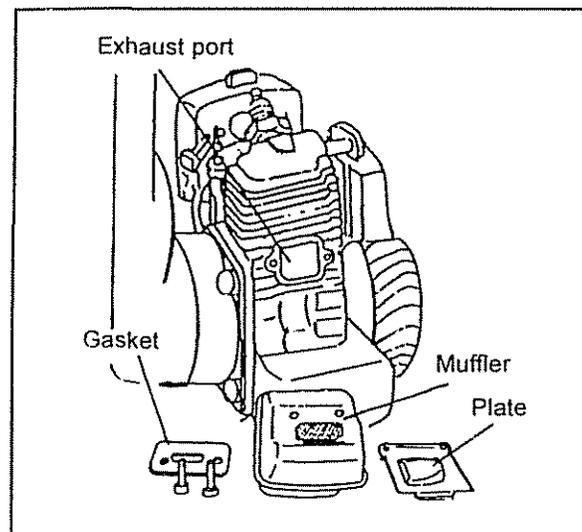
## F. CLEANING THE CYLINDER FINNS.

(Check Periodically)

1. Remove any dust and dirt from between the fins.
2. If greater access is needed to thoroughly clean the fins, remove the engine cover as illustrated.



## G. CLEANING THE EXHAUST PORT.



1. Remove the muffler and gasket.
2. Place the piston at top dead center. Clean any deposits from the muffler and the cylinder exhaust port with a nonmetallic scraper.

This procedure requires specialized engine service techniques and the proper tools. Contact the authorized LESCO representative where you bought your clipper or your nearest LESCO Service Center.

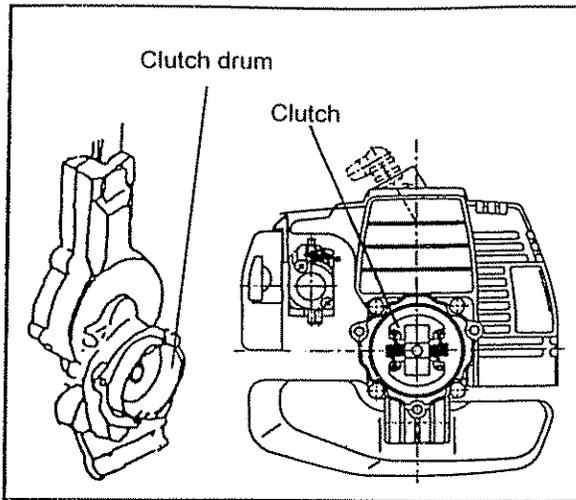
### IMPORTANT

Do not use a metal tool to scrape carbon from the exhaust port. Be careful not to scratch the cylinder or piston when cleaning the cylinder exhaust port.

3. Inspect the gasket, and replace it if necessary.
4. Install the gasket, muffler and cover.

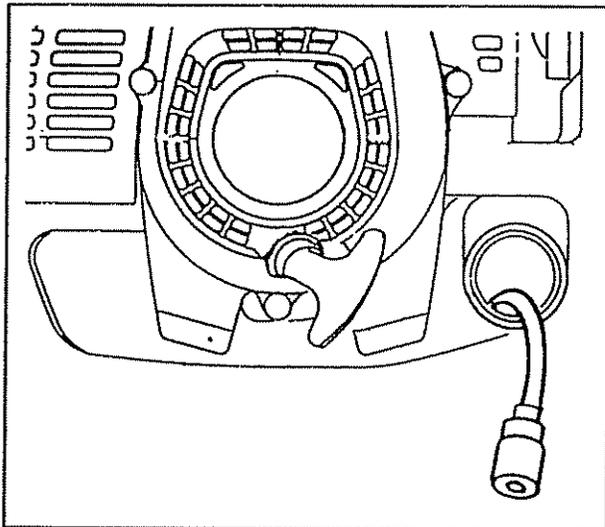
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## H. CLEANING THE CLUTCH AND CLUTCH DRUM.



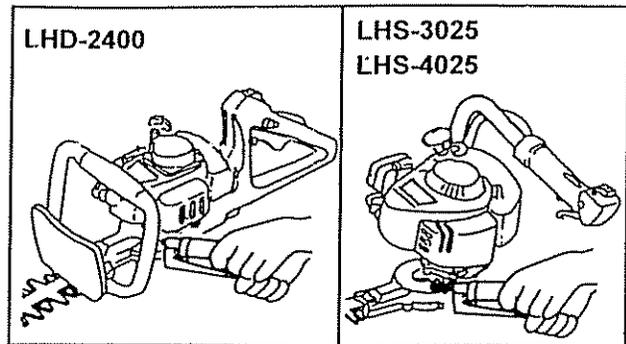
1. Loosen the three screws and remove the gear housing.
2. Clean the dirty clutch and clutch drum.
3. Always replace a damaged clutch and clutch drum.

## I. FUEL SYSTEM.



1. Change the fuel pick up body every year.
2. Before storing your machine for a long period, drain and clean the fuel tank and run the engine until the carburetor is dry.
3. The fuel tank and the container in which the fuel mix is stored should be cleaned from time to time.

## J. LUBRICATING THE GEAR CASE

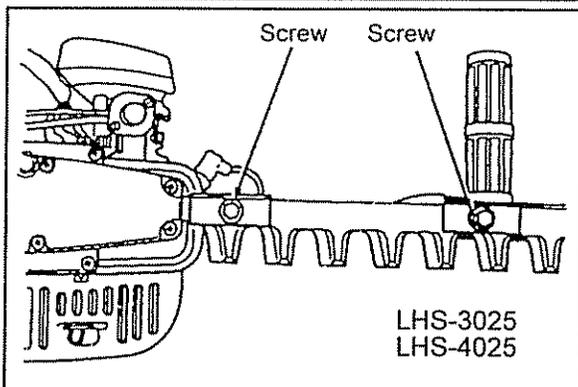
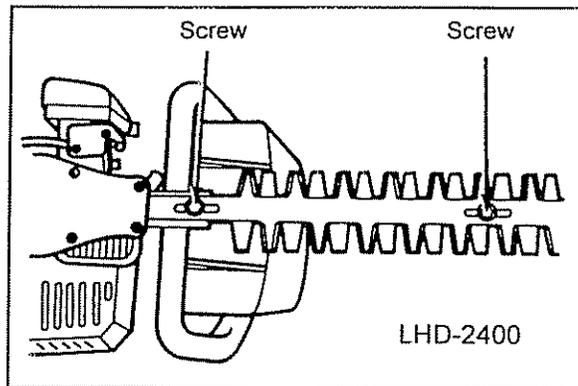


1. In every 10-20 hours, inject a proper amount of grease through a grease nipple installed in the gear case of the clipper.

### NOTE:

Use a good quality lithium multipurpose grease  
DO NOT overfill the housing.

## K. LUBRICATING BLADES



1. Apply a few drops of oil to the screws of the frame bar.

## L. SHARPENING BLADES (As Needed)

For information on sharpening blades refer to the Service Manual or bring the clipper to your LESCO Service Center.

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## M. ADJUSTMENT OF BLADES

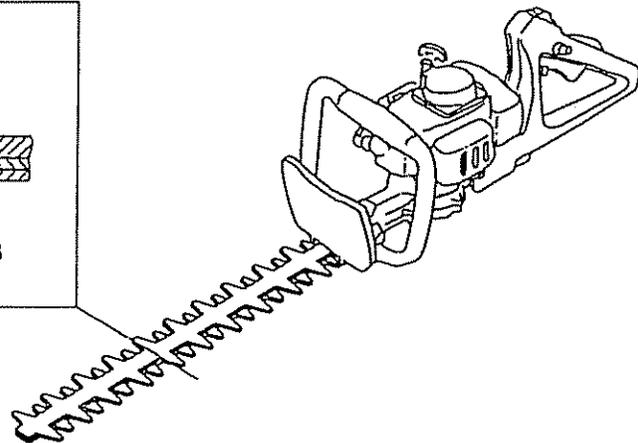
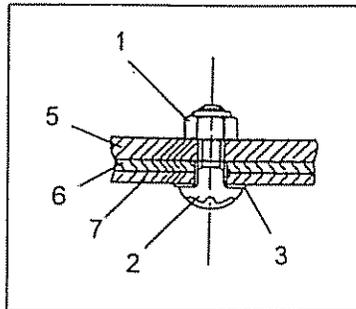
The blades wear away with long use. When you find that your blades do not cut as well as when the blades were new, adjust them in the following ways.

1. Turn nut 1 loose.
2. Screw 2 in with the driver lightly till it stops turning, and then screw it back one-fourth to a half turn.
3. Turn nut 1 tight.
4. Lubricate the blades after adjustments above.
5. Start the engine and operate the blades at the highest speed of motor revolution for a minute or so.
6. Stop the engine and touch the blades with your hand. If they are cool enough for you to keep your hand on them, you have made the proper adjustments, but if they are too hot for you to keep touching them, give screw 2 a little more turnback and repeat 5 to see if they are properly adjusted.

### NOTE:

Stop the engine before making the adjustments. The blades have a slot around screw 2. In case you find the dust on the ends of the slots, remove it.

- 1 Hexagonal U nut
- 2 Truss screw
- 3 Flat washer
- 5 Blade guide
- 6 Upper blade
- 7 Lower blade



### WARNING

Do not make cutting blade adjustment without stopping the engine first. Hold the machine firmly when operating. Do not operate barehanded.

# TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
No Fuel at Carburetor	Fuel Filter Dirty Fuel Line Clogged Carburetor	Replace Clean See your LESCO Representative
No Fuel at Cylinder	Carburetor	See your LESCO Representative
Muffler Wet with Fuel	Fuel Mixture is too Rich	Open Choke Clean/Replace Air Filter Adjust Carburetor See your LESCO Representative
No Spark at Plug End of Wire	Ignition Switch Off Electrical Problem	Turn Switch On See your LESCO Representative
No Spark at Spark Plug	Spark Gap Incorrect Covered with Carbon Fouled with Fuel Spark Plug Defective	Re-gap 0.22in.(0.55mm) Clean or Replace Clean or Replace Replace
Engine Does Not Crank or Turn Over	Internal Engine Problem	See your LESCO Representative
Engine Dies or Accelerates Poorly	Air Filter Dirty Fuel Filter Dirty Fuel Vent Plugged Spark Plug Carburetor Cooling System Plugged Exhaust Port Fouled Spark Arrestor Screen Plugged	Clean or Replace Replace Clean Fuel Vent Clean and Adjust or Replace Adjust Clean Clean Clean
No Moving of Cutting Blade	Incorrect Mounting Clogging of Debris or Resin Around Cutting Blade Wear of Clutch Shoe or Drum	Remount Clean Replace
Brush Not Being Cut	Dull Cutting Blade Tool Not Mounted Properly	Resharpener and Remount Remount Blade Properly
Excessive Vibration	Loosened Bolt Securing the Blade Incorrect Mounting Bent or Damaged Cutting Blade Cutting Blade Out of Balance Loosened Bolt And Nut	Tighten Remount Replace Blade Replace Blade Tighten

# FEDERAL AND CALIFORNIA EMISSION CONTROL WARRANTY STATEMENT

## YOUR WARRANTY RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the California Air Resources Board (CARB), LESCO and the engine manufacturer for this equipment, Ishikawajima Shibaura Machinery Co., Ltd. (ISM), are pleased to explain the federal and California emission control systems warranty on your engine.

In California, new 1995 and later engines used in utility and lawn and garden equipment must be designed, built, and equipped to meet the state's stringent anti-smog standards. In other states, new 1997 and later model year engines must be designed, built, and equipped, at the time of sale, to meet the EPA regulations for small nonroad engines. The engine must be free from defects in materials and workmanship during the period of warranty coverage (see PERIOD OF WARRANTY COVERAGE below). ISM must warrant the emission control system on your engine for that period provided there has been no abuse, neglect or improper maintenance of your engine.

Your emission control system may include parts such as the carburetor and the ignition system (see EMISSION CONTROL WARRANTY PARTS LIST below)

Where a warrantable condition exists, LESCO will repair your engine at no cost to you, including diagnosis, parts, and labor, on behalf of ISM. While ISM is ultimately responsible for this warranty, LESCO has agreed to carry out ISM's warranty repair responsibilities, and LESCO should be your primary contact for emission-related warranty service.

## PERIOD OF WARRANTY COVERAGE

1995 and later utility and lawn and garden equipment engines are warranted for **two years**. If any emission-related part on your engine is defective, the part will be repaired or replaced by LESCO on behalf of ISM.

## OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) As the engine owner, you are responsible for the performance of the required maintenance listed in your Operator's Manual. LESCO and ISM recommend that you retain the original purchase documentation and all receipts covering maintenance on your engine, but LESCO and ISM cannot deny warranty solely for the lack of receipts or for your failure to ensure the performance of all scheduled maintenance.
- (b) As the engine owner, you should be aware, however, that LESCO and ISM may deny you warranty coverage if your engine or a part has failed due to abuse, neglect, improper maintenance or unapproved modifications.
- (c) You are responsible for presenting your engine to an authorized LESCO servicing facility as soon as a problem exists. The warranty repairs should be completed in a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed 30 days.

If you have any questions regarding your warranty rights and responsibilities, call LESCO, Inc. toll-free at 1-800-321-5325. You may also contact ISM's representative at 1-916-431-6677.

## WARRANTY STATEMENT

The warranty period referred to above begins on the date the equipment (or engine if sold separately) is first sold to a retail purchaser.

ISM warrants to the initial retail purchaser and each subsequent owner that this engine is designed, built, and equipped to conform at the time of initial sale to all applicable regulations of EPA and CARB, and that the engine is free of defects in materials and workmanship that would cause it to fail to conform with EPA or CARB regulations during its warranty period.

For the parts listed under EMISSION CONTROL WARRANTY PARTS LIST below, an authorized LESCO servicing facility will, at no cost to you, make the necessary diagnosis, repair, or replacement of any defective part to ensure that the engine complies with applicable EPA and CARB regulations.

Any warranted part which is not scheduled for replacement as required maintenance, or which is scheduled only for inspection, is warranted for the warranty period. Any part repaired or replacement part installed under this warranty shall be warranted for the remainder of the warranty period.

## WARRANTY STATEMENT (continued)

Any warranted part which is scheduled for replacement as required maintenance is warranted for the period of time up to the point of first scheduled replacement. A replacement part installed prior to the first scheduled replacement due to a defect in the original part shall be warranted until the date of the first scheduled replacement. The owner is responsible for the performance of all required maintenance listed in the Operator's Manual.

## EMISSION CONTROL WARRANTY PARTS LIST

The parts listed below are covered by this warranty.

- Carburetor
- Ignition system (ignition module)
- Spark plug
- Air filter element
- Insulator (intake manifold)
- Fasteners for emission-related parts

Any parts replaced under this warranty become the property of LESCO and ISM.

## WHAT IS NOT COVERED

This warranty shall not cover any of the following:

- (a) Conditions resulting from tampering, misuse, abuse, improper adjustment, engine alteration, use of add-on or modified parts, use of replacement parts that are not approved by ISM, accident, failure to use the recommended fuel or oil, use of additives to fuel or oil, use of stale fuel more than 30 days old, or not performing required maintenance.
- (b) Replacement parts used for required maintenance.
- (c) Consequential damages such as loss of time, inconvenience, or loss of use of this engine or equipment; however, LESCO and ISM are liable for damages to other engine components caused by the failure of a warranted part while it is still under warranty.
- (d) Damages or repair costs caused by the owner's unreasonable delay in making the engine available for inspection and repair.
- (e) Fees for diagnosis or inspection that does not result in eligible warranty service being performed.
- (f) Any replacement parts that are not approved by ISM, or malfunction of approved parts due to use of unapproved parts.

Subject to the limitation above, non-warranty maintenance of emission control parts that is required in Operator's Manual may be performed by the owner, or by any repair establishment or individual, without affecting coverage under this warranty; however, warranty repairs must be performed by an authorized LESCO servicing facility.

The use of parts that are not equivalent in performance and durability to ISM-approved parts may impair the effectiveness of the emission control system and prevent coverage under this warranty. If non ISM-approved parts are used for non-warranty maintenance or replacement on this engine, you should assure yourself that such parts are warranted by their manufacturer to be equivalent to ISM-approved parts in performance and durability.

## HOW TO OBTAIN WARRANTY SERVICE

To obtain service under this warranty, promptly take your engine to the nearest authorized LESCO servicing facility. If available, bring the original purchase receipt (showing the initial date of purchase) and all available maintenance records.

If you need assistance in locating the nearest authorized LESCO servicing facility or have any questions regarding your warranty rights and responsibilities, call LESCO, Inc. toll-free at 1-800-321-5325. You may also contact ISM's representative at 1-916-431-6677.



## LIMITED WARRANTY FOR HAND HELD POWER EQUIPMENT

LESCO, Inc.'s limited warranty promises to you, the original retail purchaser, that the unit of LESCO hand held power equipment you purchased (the "Product") will be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of retail purchase (the "Warranty period"). LESCO agrees to repair or replace, at LESCO's option, any defective Product free of charge during the Warranty Period. Upon completion of your purchase, the Serial Number of the Product will be registered with LESCO, Inc. This will initiate and validate your limited warranty. Please keep your purchase receipt and present it to an authorized LESCO servicing facility for warranty service. Parts replaced or repaired under this limited warranty are warranted only to the end of the Warranty Period. All defective parts replaced under this Limited Warranty become the property of LESCO, Inc. For warranty service, you must, at your own expense, deliver the Product to, and pick it up from, an authorized LESCO servicing facility. To locate your nearest authorized LESCO servicing facility, call LESCO, Inc. toll free at 1-800-321-5325.

This limited warranty is given by LESCO to the original retail purchaser only, and is not transferable to subsequent owners. This warranty does not cover damage to the Product resulting from any cause other than defects in material or workmanship. This warranty specifically does not cover damage caused by:

1. Lack of lubrication or engine failure due to the use of oils other than LESCO-approved oils.
2. The use of gasohol containing methyl (wood) alcohol or gasoline containing less than 89 octane. Only use gasoline which contains 89 octane or higher or gasohol which contains a maximum 10% ethyl (grain) alcohol or 15% MTBE (methyl tertiary-butyl ether). (The prescribed mixing ratio of gasoline to oil is listed on the LESCO oil label.)
3. Defects, malfunctions or failures resulting from abuse, misuse, modifications, alterations, improper servicing or maintenance, improper storage, use of unauthorized attachments, including, without limitation, failure to provide or perform required maintenance services as described in the Operator's Manual.
4. Tampering with engine speed governors or running engines above specified and recommended engine speeds.
5. Dirt, salt water corrosion, rust, varnish and moisture.
6. Operation of the Product with improperly serviced, damaged or removed air filter.
7. Failure to follow the set-up, pre-delivery service and adjustments outlined in the Operator's Manual.
8. Parts which are not warranted. (This limited warranty does not cover parts which are normal wear or maintenance items, including, without limitation, spark plugs, filters, lubricants, engine tune-up parts, spark arrestor screen, cutting line and starter cords.)
9. Engine damage caused by the use of ether or any starting fluids.
10. Damage caused by the pressure of steam cleaning the Product.
11. Repairs or alterations made to the Product by an unauthorized party.

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## HOW TO ORDER PARTS

Contact your LESCO Salesperson, OR phone us (use the numbers below), OR write us (use the address below). We will need the following information:

1. Your account number if available.
2. Your name and address and the address where you want the parts to be shipped.
3. The Model/Serial No. of the equipment.
4. The LESCO Part No. and the quantity desired. (Please do not use reference numbers.)

*NOTE: Inspect all shipments on receipt for damage or missing parts. File a claim with the carrier before accepting a damaged shipment.*

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