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Mower
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SAFETY SIGNS

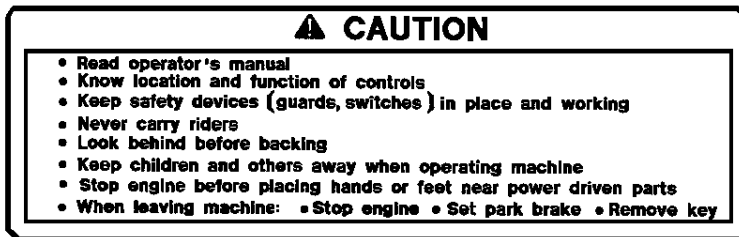
Safety-Alert Symbol

Read and recognize safety information. Be alert to the potential for personal injury when you see this safety-alert symbol.

The words DANGER, WARNING, and CAUTION are used with this safety-alert symbol. DANGER identifies the most serious hazards.



Machine Safety Labels



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(2) One on each side

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SAFETY SIGNS



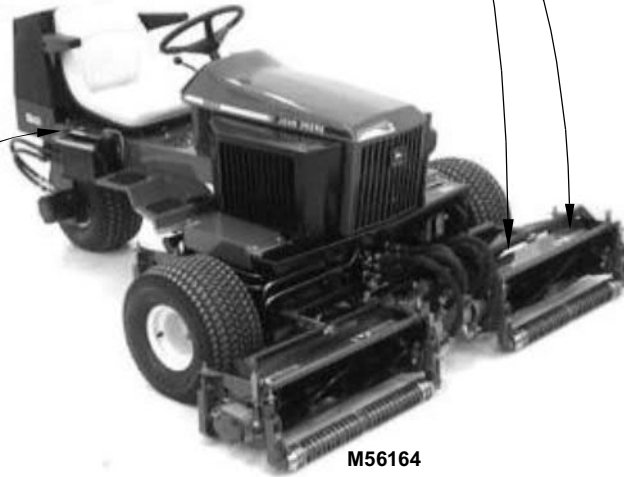
⚠ WARNING

AVOID INJURY FROM ROTATING BLADES


- Keep hands and feet away while machine is running.
- Shut off power to service, lubricate or unlatch cutting units.

Two on each reel

M56213




M56164



⚠ DANGER

EXPLOSIVE GASES

Cigarettes, flames or sparks could cause battery to explode. Always shield eyes and face from battery. Do not charge or use booster cables or adjust post connections without proper instruction and training. Keep vent caps tight and level.



POISON

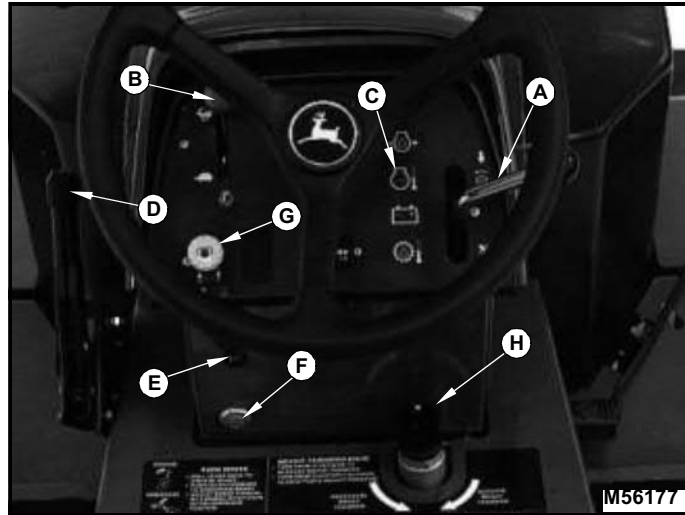
CAUSES SEVERE BURNS

Contains sulfuric acid. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. In event of accident, flush with water and call a physician immediately. Keep out of reach of children.

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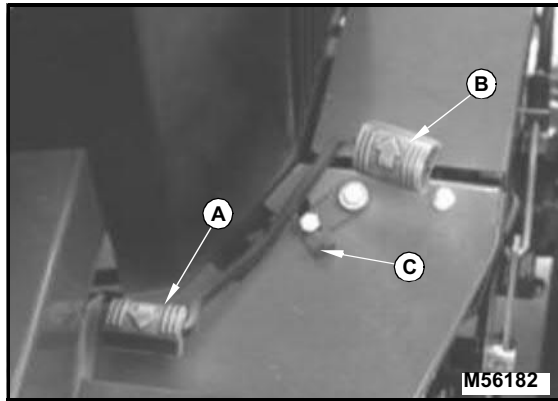
Dash/Platform Controls



- A - Mow/Lift Levers.....Raises/lowers mowers
- B - Throttle Lever..... Controls engine speed
- C - Indicator Lights..... Monitors machine functions
- D - Park Brake Lever Engages park brake
- E - Choke LeverChokes engine for starting
- F - PTO Switch..... Engages attachments
- G - Key Starts engine
- H - Weight Transfer Valve..... Distributes machine weight

CONTROLS

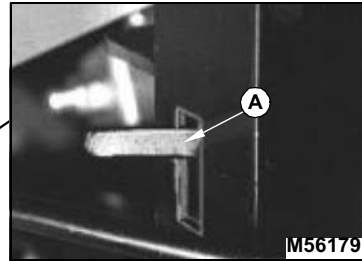
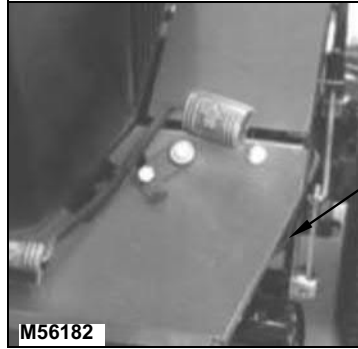
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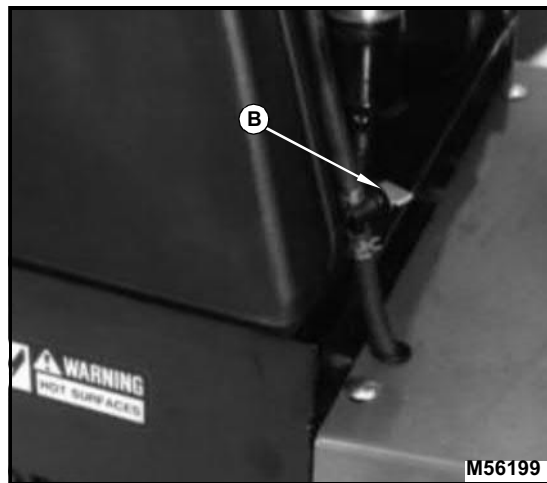
- A - Reverse Travel Pedal.....Backs machine**
- B - Forward Travel Pedal Starts machine forward travel**
- C - Speed Limiter (2WD Only)Limits forward speed**

CONTROLS

Miscellaneous Controls



- A - Free-Wheeling Lever Allows machine to be moved without the engine running
- B - Fuel Shut-Off Valve.....Turns fuel flow on and off



OPERATING THE MACHINE

SAFETY

Operate Safely



- Check brake action before you operate. Adjust or service brakes as necessary.
- Inspect machine before you operate. Be sure hardware is tight. Repair or replace damaged, badly worn, or missing parts. Make any necessary adjustments before you operate.
- Clear work area of objects that might be thrown. Keep people and pets out of the work area. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- If you hit an object, stop the machine and inspect it. Make repairs before you operate. Keep machine and attachments properly maintained and in good working order. Keep all shields and guards in place.
- DO NOT leave machine unattended when it is running.
- Only operate during daylight or with good artificial light.
- Be careful of traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Drive slowly over rough ground.
- Do not wear radio or music headphones while operating the machine. Safe operation requires your full attention.

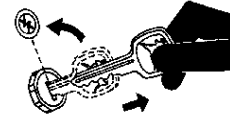
Mount and Dismount Safely



- Do not step on pedals when mounting or dismounting.
- Keep step area and platform clean.
- Lock parking brake, stop engine, and remove key before dismounting.

OPERATING THE MACHINE

Park Safely



- Stop machine on a level surface, not on a slope.
- Disengage cutting units.
- Lower cutting units to the ground.
- Engage park brake.
- STOP engine.
- Remove key.
- Before you leave the operator's seat, wait for engine and all moving parts to STOP.

Avoid Tipping



- DO NOT drive where machine could slip or tip.
- Stay alert for holes and other hidden hazards in the terrain.
- Keep away from drop-offs.
- Slow down before you make a sharp turn or operate on a slope.
- Be careful when you change direction on a slope.
- DO NOT try to stabilize the machine by putting your foot on the ground.

OPERATING THE MACHINE

Rotating Blades Are Dangerous - Prevent Accidents



PROTECT OTHERS:

- Turn machine off if another person enters the mowing area.
- Use extra care when you come to blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other objects that may block your vision.
- DO NOT let untrained person operate the machine.
- DO NOT carry or let others ride on machine.

HELP PREVENT SERIOUS OR FATAL ACCIDENTS:

- Be alert at all times, drive forward carefully. People can move quickly into the mowing area before you know it.
- DO NOT operate machine if you are under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Back carefully. Shut off cutting units and look behind the machine carefully before you back up.
- DO NOT mow in reverse.
- Shut off cutting units when you are not mowing.
- Stop engine and wait for reels to stop turning before making any adjustments to the cutting units.
- Keep hands and feet away from cutting units while machine is running.

OPERATING THE MACHINE

Operator Training Required

- Study operation section of this manual before operating the machine.
- Operate machine in an open, unobstructed area under the direction of an experienced operator.
- Learn the use of all controls.
- Operator experience is required to learn the moving, stopping, turning and other operating characteristics of the machine.

Keep Riders Off



- Only allow the operator on the machine. Keep riders off.
- Riders on the machine may be struck by foreign objects or thrown off the machine causing serious injury.
- Riders obstruct the operator's view resulting in the machine being operated in an unsafe manner.

OPERATING THE MACHINE

Wear Appropriate Clothing

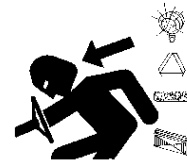


- Wear close fitting clothing and safety equipment appropriate for the job.
- Loud noise can cause impairment or loss of hearing, wear a suitable protective device such as earplugs.
- Do not wear radio or music headphones while operating the machine. Safe operation requires your full attention.

Check Wheel Bolts

- A serious accident could occur causing serious injury if wheel bolts are not tight.
- Check wheel bolt tightness often during the first 100 hours of operation.

Transport Safely



- Use safety lights and devices. Slow moving machines when driven on public roads are hard to see, especially at night. Avoid personal injury or death resulting from a collision with a vehicle.
- Flashing warning lights are recommended whenever driving on public roads to increase visibility. Extra flashing warning lights may need to be installed.

OPERATING THE MACHINE

Avoid High Pressure Fluids

- 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.



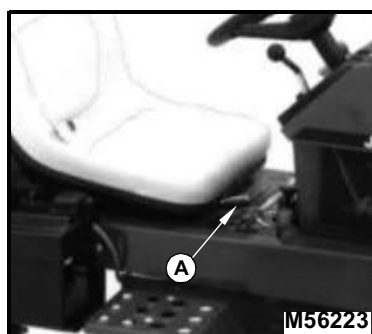
ADJUSTMENTS

Adjusting Seat

Push lever (A) to the left.

Slide seat forward or backward to desired position.

Release lever.





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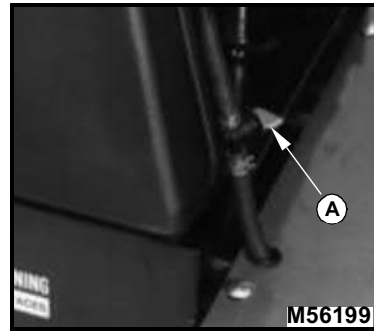
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OPERATING THE MACHINE

DRIVING

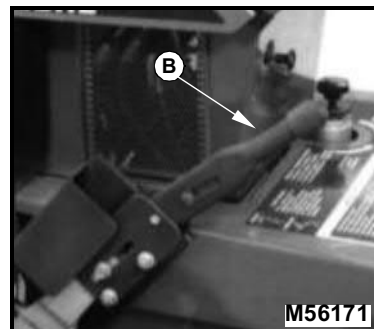
Fuel Shut-Off Valve

The fuel tank is equipped with a fuel shut-off valve (A). This valve should be closed if the machine is placed in extended storage. OFF is shown with the handle across the direction of the fuel line and ON is in the direction of the fuel line.



Park Brake

ENGAGE Park brake (B) by pulling lever towards operator.



DISENGAGE Park brake (B) by pushing lever away from operator



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