

Caution - Read Manual

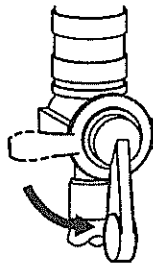
DO NOT attempt to operate the plate compactor until the Safety, General Information and Inspection sections of this manual have been **read and thoroughly understood**.



This section is intended to assist the operator with the **initial start-up** of the plate compactor. It is extremely important that this section be read carefully before attempting to use the compactor in the field.

Starting the Engine

1. Place the engine **fuel valve lever** (Figure 11) in the "ON" position.



ON

Figure 11. Engine Fuel Valve Lever (ON Position)

2. Place the engine **ON/OFF switch** (Figure 12) in the "ON" position.

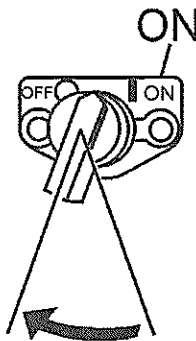


Figure 12. Engine ON/OFF Switch (ON Position)

3. Place the **choke lever** (Figure 13) in the "**CLOSED**" position if starting a **cold** engine, if starting a **warm engine** or the **temperature is warm**, place the **choke lever** in the "**OPEN**" position

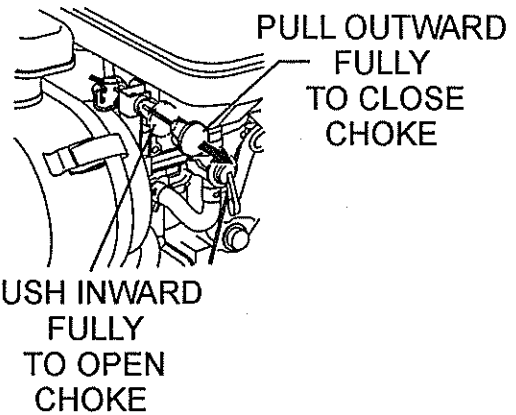


Figure 13. Engine Choke Lever (Closed)

4. Place the **throttle lever** (Figure 14) in the **slow** position (idle)

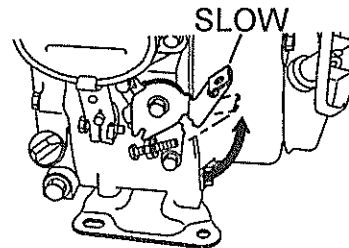


Figure 14. Throttle Lever (Slow)

5. Grasp the starter grip (Figure 15) and slowly pull it out. The resistance becomes the hardest at a certain position, corresponding to the compression point. Pull the starter grip briskly and smoothly for starting.

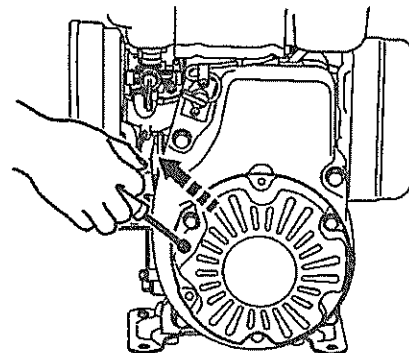


Figure 15. Starter Grip

6. Let the engine warm for a few minutes without a load and check for fuel leaks, and noises that would associate with a loose component.

7. If the engine is running properly, slowly return (push inward) the choke lever (Figure 13) to the "**OPEN**" position. If the engine has not started repeat steps 1 through 6.
8. To begin compacting, place the throttle lever (Figure 16) in the "**fast**" (run) position.

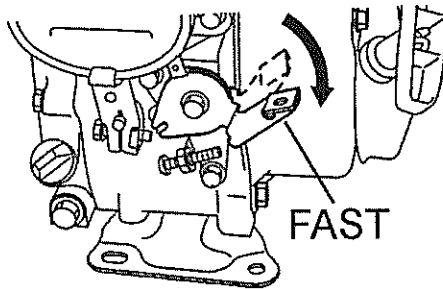


Figure 16. Throttle Lever (Fast)

! CAUTION - Compacting Speed
ALWAYS run engine at **full speed** while compacting.

Stopping The Engine

Normal Shutdown

1. Move the throttle lever to the **IDLE** position (Figure 17) and run the engine for three minutes at low speed.

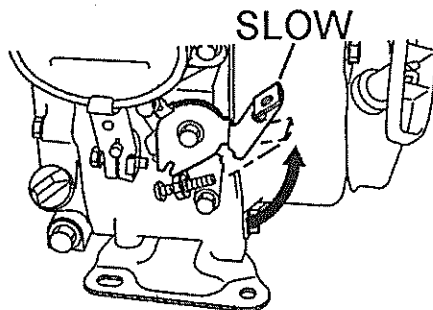


Figure 17. Throttle Lever (Idle)

2. After the engine **cools**, turn the engine ON/OFF switch to the "**OFF**" position (Figure 18).

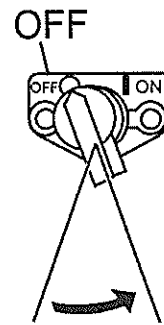


Figure 18. Engine ON/OFF Switch (OFF)

3. Place the **fuel shut-off lever** (Figure 19) in the **OFF** position.

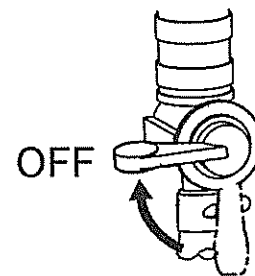


Figure 19. Fuel Valve Lever (OFF)

Emergency Shutdown

1. Move the throttle lever quickly to the **SLOW** position, and place the engine ON/OFF switch in the **OFF** position.