

STARTING AND STOPPING

Before starting

WARNING! Note the following before starting: Please read the operator's manual carefully and make sure you understand the instructions before using the machine.

Wear personal protective equipment. See under heading "Personal protective equipment".

Do not start the machine without the belt and belt guard fitted. Otherwise the clutch could come loose and cause personal injuries.

Check that the fuel cap is properly secured, and that there is no fuel leakage.

Make sure no unauthorised persons are in the working area, otherwise there is a risk of serious personal injury.

Perform daily maintenance. See instructions in the section "Maintenance".

WARNING! The cutting blade rotates when the engine is started. Make sure it can rotate freely.

Starting

With a cold engine:

Make sure that the stop switch (STOP) is in the left position.



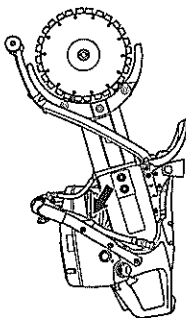
Press the front handle with your left hand. Put your right foot on the lower section of the rear handle pressing the machine against the ground. Pull the starter handle with your right hand until the engine starts. **Never wrap the starter cord around your hand**



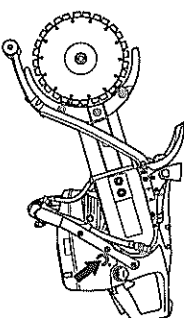
Push the throttle trigger to disengage the start throttle and the machine will idle.



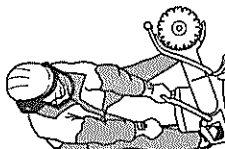
Decompression valve: Press in the valve to reduce the pressure in the cylinder, this is to assist starting the power cutter. The decompression valve should always be used when starting. The valve automatically returns to its initial position when the machine starts.



Press the air purge diaphragm repeatedly until fuel begins to fill the diaphragm (about 6 times). The diaphragm need not be completely filled.



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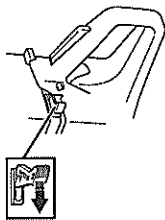
- Push in the choke control as soon as the engine starts, with the choke pulled out the engine will stop after a few seconds. (If the engine stops anyway, pull the starter handle again.)
- Press the throttle trigger to disengage the start throttle and the machine will idle.

NOTICE! Pull with your right hand out the starter cord slowly until you feel a resistance (as the starter pawls engage) and then pull firmly and rapidly. Do not pull the starter cord all the way out and do not let go of the starter handle when the cord is fully extended. This can damage the machine.

With a warm engine:



- Make sure that the stop switch (STOP) is in the left position.



- Set the choke control in the choke position. The choke position is also the automatic start throttle position.



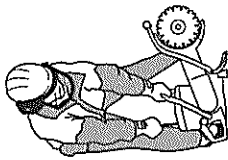
- Decompression valve:** Press in the valve to reduce the pressure in the cylinder, this is to assist starting the power cutter. The decompression valve should always be used when starting. The valve automatically returns to its initial position when the machine starts.



- Push the choke control to disable the choke (the start throttle position remains).



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- Press the throttle trigger to disengage the start throttle and the machine will idle.

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WARNING! When the engine is running the exhaust contains chemicals such as unburned hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide. The content of the exhaust fumes is known to cause respiratory problems, cancer birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Carbon monoxide is colorless and tasteless and is always present in exhaust fumes. The onset of carbon monoxide poisoning is distinguished by a slight dizziness which may or may not be recognized by the victim. A person may collapse and lapse into unconsciousness with no warning if the concentration of carbon monoxide is sufficiently high. Since carbon monoxide is colorless and odorless, its presence can not be detected. Any time exhaust odors are noticed, carbon monoxide is present. Never use a gasoline powered power cutter indoors or in trenches more than 3 feet (1 meter) deep or in other areas with poor ventilation. Ensure proper ventilation when working in trenches or other confined areas.