

# **325 and 345 Lawn and Garden Tractors**

**(Serial No. 070001 – )**

## **OPERATOR'S MANUAL**

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## SAFETY SIGNS

### **DANGER - ROTATING BLADE**

Do not put hands or feet under or into mower when engine is running

### **THROWN OBJECTS**

Before mowing. Clear area of people and objects that may be thrown by blade

Do not operate mower without discharge chute or entire grass catcher in place.



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### **DANGER - SHIELD EYES**

EXPLOSIVE GASSES can cause blindness or injury.

NO sparks, flames, or smoking.

SULFURIC ACID can cause blindness or severe burns.

### **CAUTION - FLUSH EYES**

IMMEDIATELY WITH WATER. GET MEDICAL HELP FAST. Keep out of reach of children. Do not tip. Keep caps tight and level.



# SAFETY SIGNS

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## Certification Label

This OPEI label on your mower indicates that this model has been certified by an independent laboratory for compliance with American National Standard B-71.1-1990, "Safety Specifications" for Power Lawn Mowers, Lawn and Garden Tractors, and Lawn Tractors.



# CONTROLS

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## Dash Controls



- A - Light Switch..... Turns headlights on and/or off.**
- B - Indicator Lights ..... Monitors machine functions.**
- C - PTO Switch ..... Engage and/or disengage attachments.**
- D - Hydraulic Control Lever ..... Raise and/or lower attachments.**
- E - Key..... Starts engine.**
- F - Choke Lever ..... Chokes engine for starting.**
- G - Throttle..... Controls engine speed.**

# CONTROLS

## Foot/Platform Controls

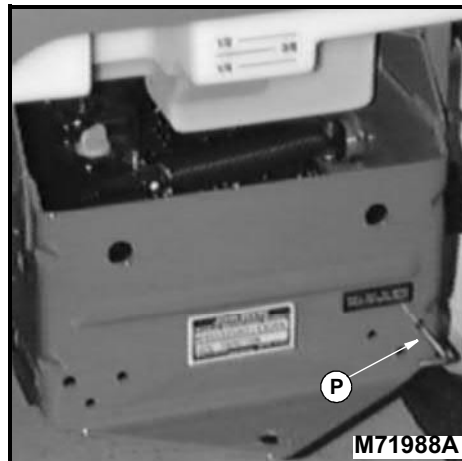


- H - Cruise Control Lever .....Engages cruise control.**
- I - Forward Travel Pedal..... Starts machine travel.**
- J - Brake Pedal .....Stops machine.**
- K - Reverse Travel Pedal ..... Backs machine.**
- L - Park Brake Lever ..... Engages park brake.**
- M - Tilt Steering Lever ..... Adjusts steering wheel position.**



# CONTROLS

## Miscellaneous Controls



- N - Mower Height Indicator ..... Indicates mower setting height.**
- O - Mower Height Knob ..... Sets cutting height.**
- P - Free-Wheeling Lever ..... Allows machine to be moved without the engine running.**

## OPERATING THE MACHINE

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### 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. Be sure guards and shields are in good condition and fastened in place. 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.
- Do not wear radio or music headphones while operating the machine. Safe operation requires your full attention.



### Park Safely

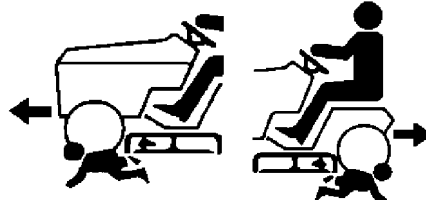
- Stop machine on a level surface, not on a slope.
- Disengage PTO.
- Lower attachments to the ground.
- Engage park brake.
- STOP engine.
- Remove key.
- Before you leave the operator's seat, wait for engine and all moving parts to STOP.

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### **Rotating Blades are Dangerous - Protect Children and Prevent Accidents**



#### **PROTECT CHILDREN:**

- Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them. Children are attracted to mowing activity, stay alert to the presence of children.
- Keep children in the house when you are operating the machine.
- Turn machine off if a child 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 children or an untrained person operate the machine.
- DO NOT carry or let children ride on machine or any attachment. DO NOT tow children in a cart or trailer.

#### **HELP PREVENT SERIOUS OR FATAL ACCIDENTS:**

- Be alert at all times, drive forward carefully. People especially children can move quickly into the mowing area before you know it.
- Back carefully. Shut off PTO and look behind the machine carefully, especially for children, before you back up.
- DO NOT mow in reverse unless it is absolutely necessary.
- Shut off PTO when you are not mowing.
- DO NOT operate machine if you are under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

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