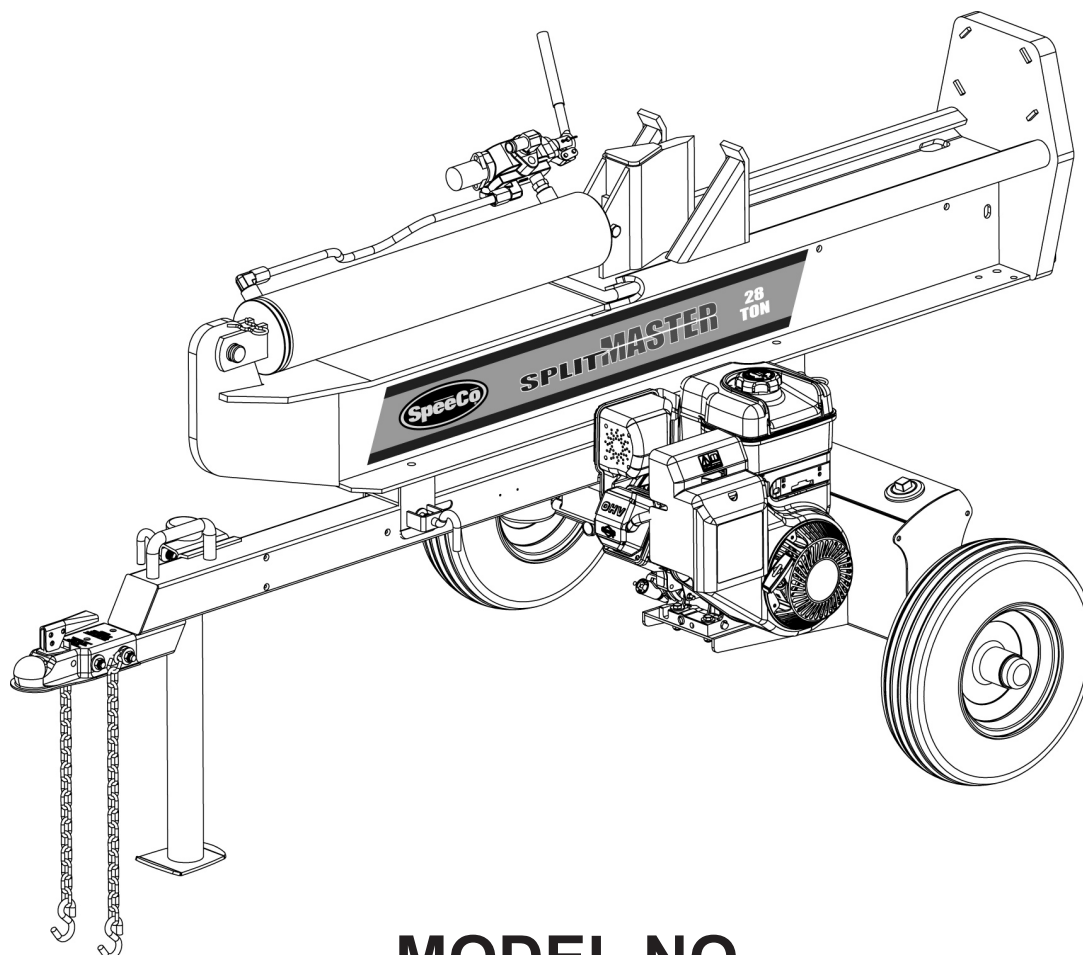




# 28 TON VERTICAL/HORIZONTAL LOG SPLITTER

**SPLITMASTER**



## MODEL NO. S401628BB Owner's Manual

### ASSEMBLY & OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



**WARNING:** *All operators must read this manual before operating this log splitter. Follow the safety instructions in the manual and in decals attached to the product. Failure to do so could result in serious injury or death.*

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# IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION



**WARNING:** Read and thoroughly understand all instructions in this manual and on safety decals before assembling or operating this log splitter. Failure to do so may cause serious injury or death. Do not allow anyone to operate this log splitter who has not read this manual. As with all power equipment, a log splitter can be dangerous if assembled or used improperly. Do not operate this log splitter if you have any questions concerning safe operation. To get answers to any questions, call our customer service department at 1-800-525-8322.

*Si no entiende ingles, se prefiere que busque alguien que interprete las instrucciones para usted.*



This is the SAFETY ALERT SYMBOL. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.



**DANGER** DANGER indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in serious injury or death.



**WARNING** WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death.



**CAUTION** CAUTION indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

## NOTICE

NOTICE is used to address practices not related to personal injury.

## INTENDED USE

**NEVER** use this log splitter for any other purposes than splitting wood. It is designed for this use **only**. Any other use can cause serious injury or death.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT



**BEFORE** operating this log splitter, make sure that you wear safety gear such as goggles or safety glasses, steel toed shoes and tight fitting gloves (without loose cuffs or draw strings). Always wear a protective hearing device when operating this log splitter.

## SAFETY DECALS

Make sure that all safety warning decals are in good condition and readable. Always replace missing or defaced decals. Contact SpeeCo at 1-800-525-8322 for replacement decals.

 <b>WARNING</b>	 <b>ADVERTENCIA</b>	 <b>AVERTISSEMENT</b>
<p>To minimize risk of serious injury or death to you or others, when towing log splitter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Read manual for how to properly attach coupler to hitch ball and how to safely tow.</li><li>- Use correct ball size.</li><li>- Do not exceed weight capacity of ball or load limits of coupler.</li><li>- Always use safety chains.</li><li>- Never exceed 45 mph.</li><li>- Avoid sharp turns and steep angles.</li><li>- Confirm coupler tightness each time before towing and after towing 50 miles.</li><li>- Replace ball or coupler if damaged.</li></ul>	<p>Para minimizar el riesgo de lesiones severas o la muerte a usted o a terceros mientras remolca una cortadora de troncos:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lea el manual para saber cómo adherir el acople a la esfera del enganche y cómo remolcar en forma segura.</li><li>- Use el tamaño de esfera correcto.</li><li>- No exceda la capacidad de peso de la esfera ni los límites de carga del acople.</li><li>- Siempre use cadenas de seguridad.</li><li>- Nunca exceda los 45 mph.</li><li>- Evite los giros bruscos y los ángulos marcados.</li><li>- Revise la firmeza del acople todas las veces antes de remolcar y después de remolcar una distancia de 50 millas.</li><li>- Reemplace la esfera o el acople si están dañados.</li></ul>	<p>Pour minimiser les risques de blessures graves ou mortelles pour vous et pour les autres pendant le remorquage de la fendeuse hydraulique:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lire le manuel pour savoir comment accrocher correctement le coupleur à la boule d'attelage et remorquer de manière sécuritaire.</li><li>- Utiliser une boule de la bonne grosseur.</li><li>- Ne pas dépasser la capacité pondérale de la boule ni les limites de charge du coupleur.</li><li>- Toujours utiliser des chaînes de sécurité.</li><li>- Ne jamais dépasser une vitesse de 45 m/h.</li><li>- Éviter les virages serrés et les angles d'approche accentués.</li><li>- S'assurer du serrage du coupleur à chaque fois, avant et après un remorquage sur 50 miles.</li><li>- Remplacer le coupleur ou la boule d'attelage s'ils sont endommagés.</li></ul>

PART NUMBER: S52062500  
LOCATION: TOP, FRONT END OF TONGUE



# IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

**WARNING**

To minimize the risk of serious injury or death:

- Read and thoroughly understand owner's manual and engine manual before assembly, operation, towing and maintenance.
- Only one operator permitted. Must operate in operator safe zone. Keep all bystanders and pets away.
- Do not step or reach over splitter during operation.
- Hold logs by the sides, never by ends.
- Keep hands, body and clothing away from moving parts when splitting.
- Do not operate indoors.
- Do not check for high pressure oil leaks with your hands. Use cardboard.
- Wear safety glasses, shoes and hearing devices.
- Do not operate if tired or under influence of alcohol or drugs.

**OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Place splitter on dry, level surface. Remove debris.
2. Start engine. Advance throttle to max.
3. Place log onto beam, against foot plate.
4. Split wood in direction of grain.
5. Move control handle to EXTEND or RETRACT as needed.

Control Valve

Retract

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Extend

For Responsive Service or if manual is missing  
Call 1-800-525-4322 or visit [www.speeco.com](http://www.speeco.com)

**ADVERTENCIA**

Para minimizar el riesgo de lesiones severas o la muerte:

- Lea y asegúrese de entender completamente el manual del usuario y el manual del motor antes de proceder a las operaciones de montaje, operación, remolque y mantenimiento.
- Se permite sólo un operador por vez, que debe operar en la zona segura para el operador. Todos los transmisores y mascosas deben mantenerse alejados.
- No se pare ni pase sobre la cortadora de troncos durante la operación.
- Sostenga los troncos por los costados, nunca por los extremos.
- Mantenga las manos, el cuerpo y la ropa alejadas de las partes en movimiento durante la operación.
- No opere en interiores.
- No inspecciones para determinar si hay filtraciones de aceite de alta presión con las manos, utilice cartón.
- Utilice antiparras y calzado de seguridad y dispositivos para la protección de los oídos.
- No opere el equipo si se siente cansado o está bajo la influencia del alcohol o las drogas.

**INSTRUCCIONES DE OPERACIÓN**

1. Coloque la cortadora sobre una superficie seca y nivelada. Quite toda la suciedad que haya sobre la superficie.
2. Arranque el motor. Lleve el acelerador a la posición máxima.
3. Coloque el tronco sobre el brazo, contra el pedal.
4. Corte la madera en la dirección de la veta.
5. Mueva la palanca de control para EXTENDER o RETRAER, según resulte necesario.

Válvula de control

Retraer

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Extender

Para solicitar servicio o si falta el manual, llame al  
1-800-525-4322 o visite [www.speeco.com](http://www.speeco.com)

**AVERTISSEMENT**

Pour minimiser les risques de blessures graves ou mortelles:

- Lire et bien comprendre le manuel du propriétaire et le manuel du moteur avant tout assemblage, fonctionnement, remorquage et entretien.
- Un seul opérateur est autorisé. Doit fonctionner dans une zone sécuritaire pour l'opérateur. Tenir tous les spectateurs et animaux à distance.
- Ne pas marcher ou passer par-dessus la refendeuse pendant le fonctionnement.
- Tenir les rondins par les côtés, jamais par les extrémités.
- Tenir les mains, le corps et les vêtements éloignés des pièces mobiles lors du fendage.
- Ne pas faire fonctionner à l'intérieur.
- Ne pas vérifier les fuites d'huile à haute pression avec vos mains. Utiliser un carton.
- Porter des lunettes et souliers de sécurité ainsi qu'un dispositif de protection auditive.
- Ne pas faire fonctionner si vos facultés sont affaiblies par l'alcool ou des drogues.

**DIRECTIVES DE FONCTIONNEMENT**

1. Placer la refendeuse sur une surface sèche et nivelée. Enlever les débris.
2. Démarrer le moteur. Avancer la manette de poussée au maximum.
3. Placer le rondin sur la poutre, contre la palette d'appui-pied.
4. Fendre le bois dans le sens du grain.
5. Déplacer la poignée de commande pour DÉPLOYER ou RETIRER, au besoin.

Válvula de control

Retraer

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Extender

Pour un service attentif ou si vous n'avez pas de manuel, composez le 1-800-525-4322 ou visitez le  
[www.speeco.com](http://www.speeco.com)



PART NUMBER: S52062300  
LOCATION: STRIPPER PLATE,  
OPERATOR SIDE



PART NUMBER: S52062600  
LOCATION: STRIPPER PLATE,  
NON OPERATOR SIDE

**DANGER**

**Crush Hazard**  
Keep hands clear when  
cutting wedge is moving.

**PELIGRO**

**Riesgo de aplastamiento**  
Mantenga las manos alejadas  
cuando la cuña de corte está  
en movimiento.

**DANGER**

**Danger d'écrasement**  
Tenir les mains éloignées  
lorsque le bord tranchant est  
en mouvement.

PART NUMBER: S52062200  
LOCATION: TOP OF CYLINDER

**NOTICE**

To prevent damage to the hydraulic system, do not fill tank beyond "OK" range on dipstick. Use universal hydraulic fluid or DEXTRON II Transmission Fluid. Use AW 32 or 46 type hydraulic fluid.

**AVISO**

Para prevenir daños en el sistema hidráulico no llene el tanque más allá de la marca "OK" en la varilla. Use fluido hidráulico universal o fluido de transmisión DEXTRON II. Use fluido hidráulico tipo AW 32 o 46.

**AVIS**

Pour prévenir les dommages au système hydraulique, ne pas remplir le réservoir au-delà de la marque "OK" apparaissant sur la jauge graduée. Utilisez un fluide hydraulique universel ou le liquide pour Transmission DEXTRON II. Utilisez un fluide hydraulique de type AW 32 ou 46.

PART NUMBER: S52062400  
LOCATION: HYDRAULIC TANK  
LOWER TANK, RIGHT CORNER

PART NUMBER: S52062100  
LOCATION: TOP OF HYDRAULIC  
CYLINDER



# IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

## GENERAL SAFETY

**ALWAYS** keep the operator's manual nearby for reference. Reread the manual periodically.

**ALWAYS** keep all bystanders and pets a minimum of 10 feet away from your work area when operating this log splitter. Only the operator is to be near the log splitter during use.

**NEVER** allow adults lacking proper instructions and understanding to operate this log splitter.

**NEVER** actuate the control until all people are clear of the work area.

**NEVER** wear loose clothing or jewelry that can be caught by moving parts of the log splitter. Keep clothing and hair away from all moving parts when operating this log splitter.

**NEVER** operate the log splitter when under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication or when otherwise not alert enough to operate dangerous machinery.

## WORK AREA

**NEVER** operate the log splitter on slippery, wet, muddy or icy ground.

**NEVER** operate the log splitter in an enclosed area. Exhaust fumes contain carbon monoxide which can be deadly when inhaled.

**ONLY** operate the log splitter on level ground. Operating on a slope could cause the log splitter to roll over or logs to fall off.

**ONLY** operate the log splitter in daylight or under good artificial light.

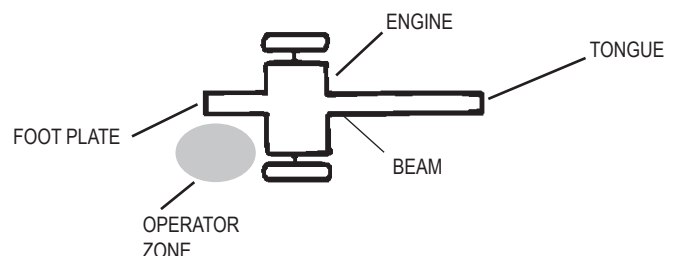
**ALWAYS** keep the work area clean. Remove split wood around the log splitter immediately so that you don't stumble over it.

## PREPARATION OF THE LOG

Both ends of the log should be cut as square as possible to help prevent the log from riding out of the splitter during operation. Do not split logs greater than 26 inches in length.

## OPERATION OF THE LOG SPLITTER

**ONLY** operate the log splitter from the operator zone as shown in the diagram. The operator has the safest and most efficient access to the control valve and the beam in this location. Operating the log splitter in another location can result in serious injury or death.





# IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

**ALWAYS** block the wheels to prevent movement of the log splitter while in operation.

**KNOW** how to stop the log splitter and disengage the controls before operating it.

**NEVER** place hands or feet between the log and splitting wedge during forward or reverse stroke as this could result in serious injury or death.

**NEVER** straddle or step over the log splitter during operation.

**NEVER** reach or bend over the log splitter to pick up a log.

**NEVER** try to split two logs on top of each other.

**NEVER** try to cross split a log.

**NEVER** attempt to load the log splitter when the ram or wedge is in motion.

**NEVER** use your foot, a rope or any extension device to operate the control lever on the valve. Only use hand.

**NEVER** move the log splitter while the engine is running. Shut off the engine if you are leaving the log splitter, even for a short period of time.

**NEVER** touch the muffler and other hot areas of the engine during operation. Wait until the engine cools down.

## GENERAL REPAIR

**NEVER** operate your log splitter when it is in poor mechanical condition or in need of repair.

**NEVER** alter your log splitter in any manner. Such alterations may cause your log splitter to be unsafe and will void the warranty.

**NEVER** tamper with the engine to run it at excessive speeds. The maximum engine speed is preset by the manufacturer and is within safety limits. Refer to the engine owner's manual for your particular log splitter.

**NEVER** perform any service or repair on your log splitter without first removing the spark plug wire.

**ALWAYS** perform all recommended maintenance procedures before using your log splitter.

**ALWAYS** check the level of hydraulic oil and engine oil before operation.

**ALWAYS** periodically check that all nuts, bolts, screws, hydraulic fittings and hose clamps are tight.

**ALWAYS** replace all damaged or worn parts immediately.

**ALWAYS** be sure that all replacement parts meet manufacturer's specifications.



# IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

## MAINTENANCE & SAFETY

The hydraulic system of your log splitter requires careful inspection along with the mechanical parts. Be sure to replace frayed, kinked, cracked or otherwise damaged hydraulic hoses or hydraulic components.

**NEVER** check for leaks of hydraulic fluid with your hand. Fluid escaping from a small hole can be almost invisible. Escaping fluid under pressure can have sufficient force to penetrate skin causing **SERIOUS INJURY** or even **DEATH**. Leaks can be safely detected by passing a piece of cardboard over the suspected leak and looking for discoloration.

**NEVER** remove the cap from the hydraulic tank or reservoir while the log splitter is running. The tank could contain hot oil under pressure which could result in serious injury.

**NEVER** adjust the hydraulic valve. The pressure relief valve on your log splitter is preset at the factory. Only a qualified service technician should perform this adjustment.

**ALWAYS** seek professional medical attention immediately if injured by escaping hydraulic fluid. Serious infection or reaction can develop if proper medical treatment is not administered immediately.

**ALWAYS** be sure to relieve all pressure by shutting off the engine and moving the valve control handle back and forth should it become necessary to loosen or remove any hydraulic fitting.

## FIRE PREVENTION

**NEVER** operate your log splitter near a flame or spark or smoke during operation. Hydraulic oil and gasoline are flammable and can explode.

**NEVER** fill the gas tank while the engine is hot or running. Allow the engine to cool before refueling.

**ONLY** refuel your log splitter in a clear area with no gas fumes or spilled gas.

**ALWAYS** replace the gas cap securely.

If gasoline has spilled, move the log splitter away from the area of the spill and avoid creating any source of ignition until the spilled gas has evaporated.

**ALWAYS** drain the fuel tank prior to storage to avoid the potential fire hazard.

**ALWAYS** store gasoline in an approved, tightly sealed container and away from heating appliances. Store the container in a cool, dry place.



# IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

## **IMPORTANT NOTE** – (spark arrester):

As a precautionary measure against possible flying sparks, always take a Class B fire extinguisher with you when operating this log splitter in dry areas. This log splitter is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest-covered, brush-covered or grass-covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or state laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, it should be maintained in effective working order by the operator. In the state of California, a spark arrester is required by law. Other states have similar laws. Federal laws apply on federal lands. A spark arrester muffler is optional and available as an accessory at your nearest engine dealer. Always check the legal requirements in your area.

## **TOWING SAFETY**

**NEVER** attempt to move your log splitter over hilly or uneven terrain without a tow vehicle or adequate help.

**NEVER** carry any cargo or wood on your log splitter.

**NEVER** allow anyone to sit or ride on your log splitter.

**NEVER** exceed 45 mph when towing your log splitter. Towing the log splitter at speeds higher than 45 mph could result in loss of control, damage to the equipment, or serious injury or death. Adjust towing speed for terrain and conditions. Be extra cautious when towing over rough terrain, especially railroad crossings, and avoid sharp turns and steep angles when towing your log splitter.

**NEVER** exceed weight capacity of ball or load limits of coupler.

**ALWAYS** confirm coupler tightness each time before towing and after towing 50 miles.

**ALWAYS** disconnect your log splitter from the towing vehicle before operating it.

**ALWAYS** be careful when backing up with your log splitter in tow. It could jackknife.

**ALWAYS** allow for added length of your log splitter when turning, parking, crossing intersections and in all driving situations.

**ALWAYS** use safety chains when towing your log splitter.

**ALWAYS** check all local and state regulations regarding towing, licensing, and lights before towing your log splitter.

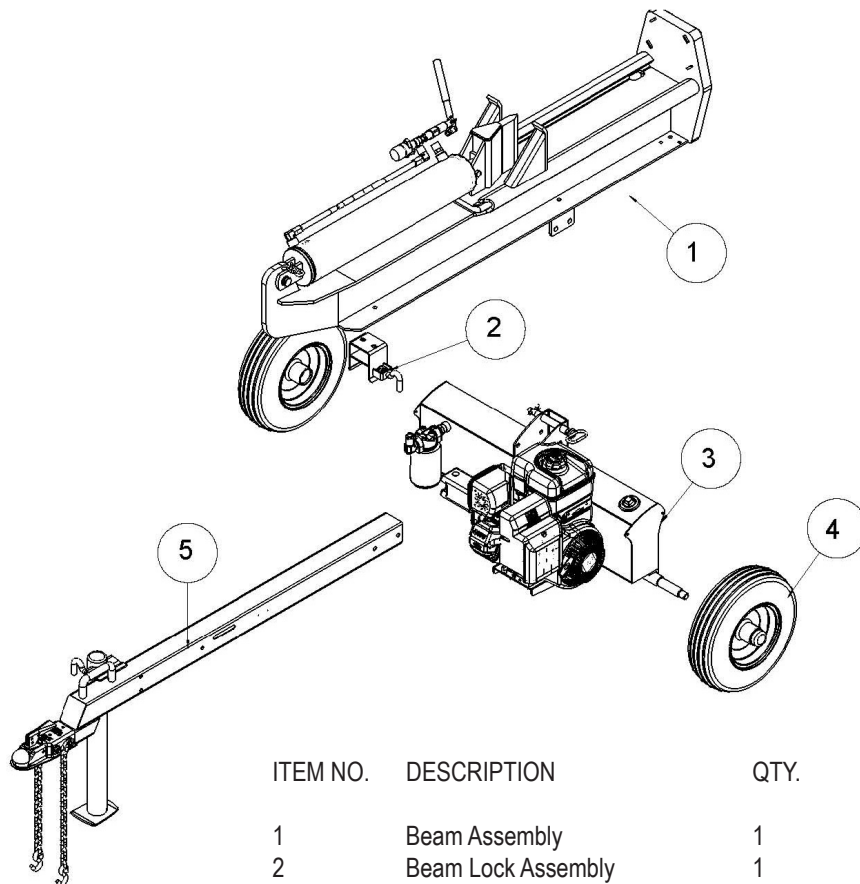
**ALWAYS** check before towing to make sure that the log splitter is correctly and securely attached to the towing vehicle and that the safety chains are secured to the hitch or bumper of the vehicle with enough slack to allow turning. Always use a Class I, 2" ball with this log splitter.

**ALWAYS** replace ball or coupler if damaged.

**ALWAYS** turn the fuel shut off valve on the engine to the "OFF" position before towing the log splitter. Failure to do so may result in flooding the engine.

## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

**NOTE:** This log splitter was partially assembled at the factory. Refer to the drawings and parts list should it become necessary to disassemble the unit for repair or replacement of parts.

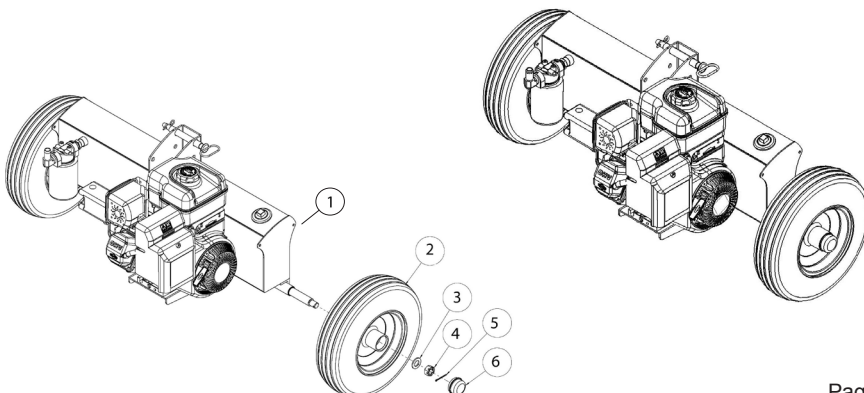


ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	Beam Assembly	1
2	Beam Lock Assembly	1
3	Tank Assembly	1
	Tank Assembly (CA)	1
4	Tire and Wheel	2
5	Tongue Assembly	1

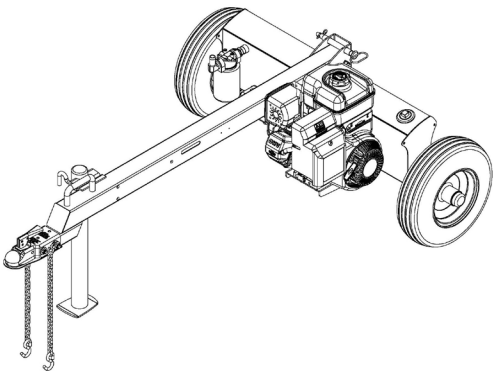
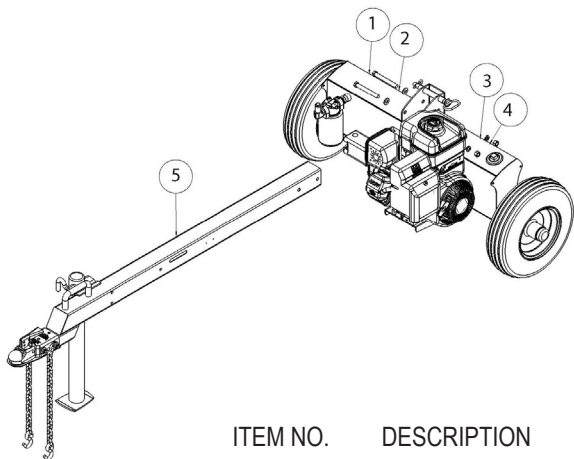
**STEP 1:** Remove all the components from the crate. Inspect each piece for shipping damage. If any part is damaged, contact your dealer or delivering carrier.

**STEP 2:** Attach the two wheels (2) to the tank assembly (1) wheel spindles using the 3/4" light flat washers (3), 3/4" NF slotted nuts (4), 1/8" x 1-1/2" cotter pins (5) and the hub caps (6). These items are in the hardware package. Tighten the slotted nuts and make sure the wheels rotate freely.

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	Tank Assembly	1
2	Wheel Assembly	2
3	3/4" Light Flatwasher	2
4	3/4" Slotted Nut	2
5	1/8" x 1-1/2" Cotter Pin	2
6	Hub Cap	2

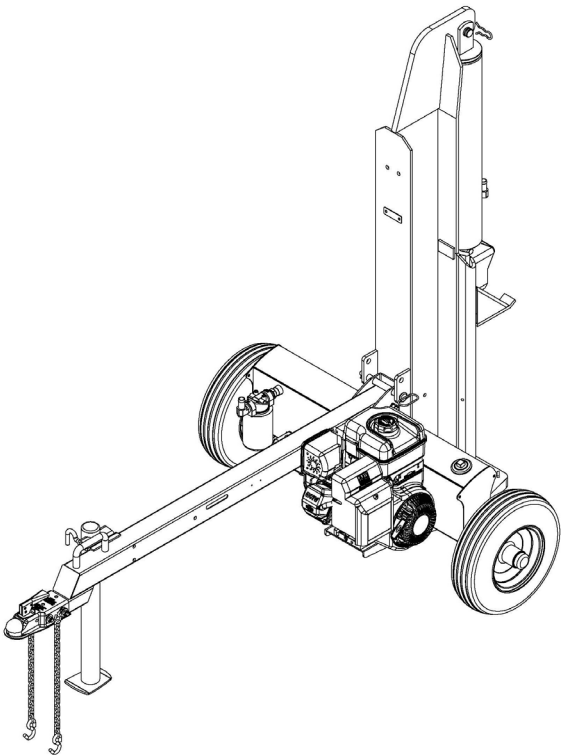
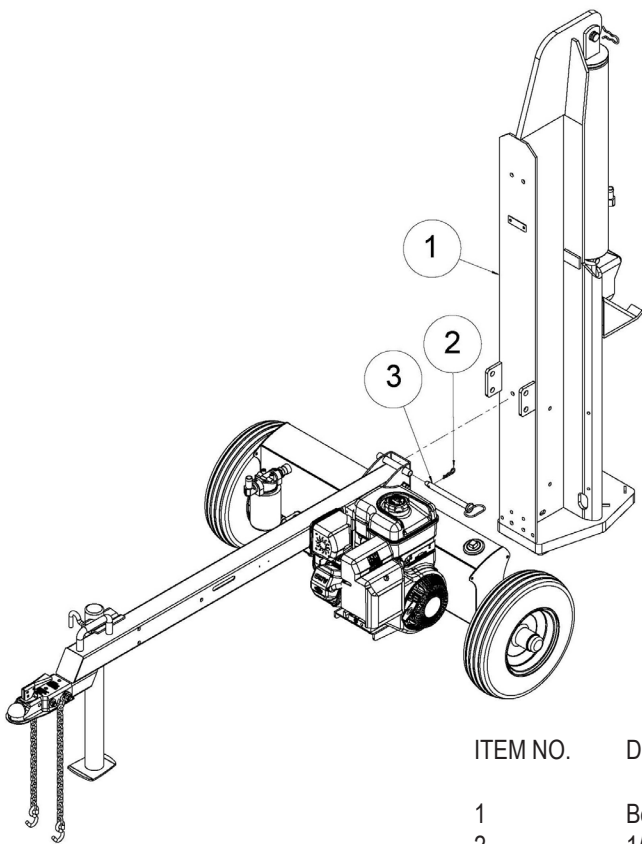


**STEP 3:** Attach the tongue assembly (5) to the tank assembly (1) using two 1/2" NC x 4-1/2" hex cap bolts (2), two 1/2" lock washers (3) and two 1/2" hex nuts (4). Tighten.



ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	Tank Assembly	1
	Tank Assembly (CA)	1
2	1/2" NC x 4-1/2 Hex Bolt	2
3	1/2" Lock Washer	2
4	1/2" NC Hex Nut	2
5	Tongue Assembly	1

**STEP 4:** Stand the beam (1) up on end. Two people may be needed for this step to ensure safety. Make sure that the beam is stable and on a level surface. Remove the pivot pin (3) and clip pin (2) from the tank assembly. Roll the tongue/tank assembly into position between the two tabs on the beam (1). Slide the pivot pin (3) through the aligned holes and lock in place with the clip pin (2).



ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	Beam Assembly	1
2	1/2"-3/4" R Clip Pin	1
3	Pivot Pin	1

- STEP 5:** Connect the end of the 1/2" ID x 38" hydraulic pressure hose (1) coming from the fitting on the pump to the fitting on the valve. See illustrations below.
- STEP 6:** Slide one hose clamp on the end of the 3/4" x 56" hydraulic return hose (2) that comes from the fitting on the filter. Then connect the hose to the fitting on the valve. Tighten hose clamp. See illustrations below.

DETAIL A  
SCALE 1:3

ITEM NO.	DESCRPTION	QTY.
1	1/2" X 38" Pressure Hose	1
2	3/4" x 56" Return Hose	1
3	Worm Gear Clamp	3

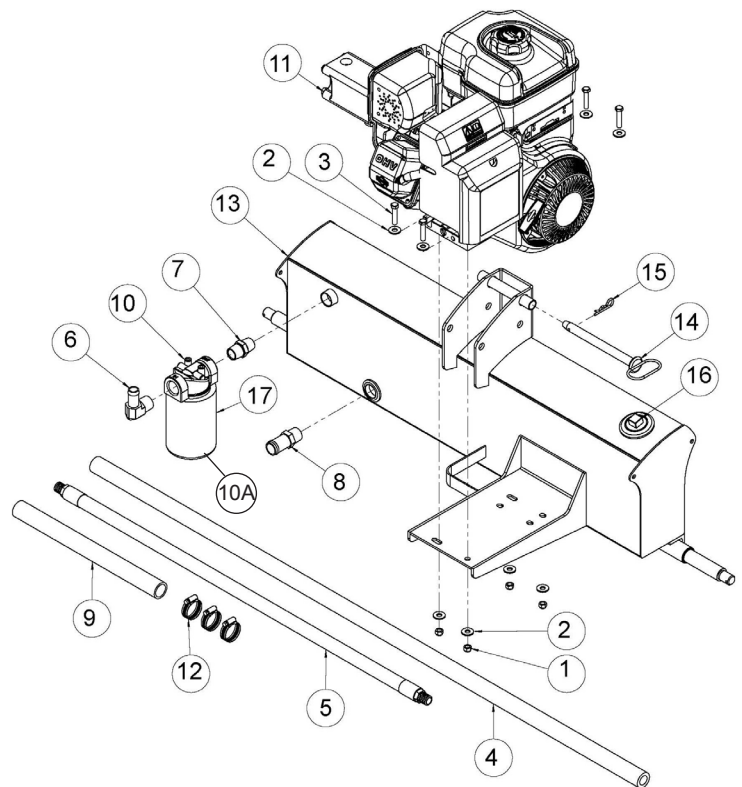
- STEP 7:** Attach the latch (3) to the bottom side of the beam as shown in the diagram using the two 1/2" x 1-1/4" Grade 5 hex cap bolts (4), the two 1/2" lock washers (1) and the two 1/2" hex nuts (2). Lower the beam onto the tongue. Position the latch assembly on the tongue and tighten hardware.

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	1/2" Lock Washer	2
2	1/2" Hex Nut	2
3	Beam Lock	1
4	1/2" x 1-1/4" Bolt	2

# REPLACEMENT PARTS

## TANK/ENGINE ASSEMBLY BREAKDOWN

ITEM NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	O/L	5/16"-18 UNC Nylock Nut	4
2	O/L	5/16" Flat Washer	8
3	O/L	5/16" x 1-1/2" GR5 Hex Bolt	4
4	S39027400	Return Line Hose, 3/4" x 56"	1
5	S39027500	1/2" x 38" Hydraulic Pressure Hose	1
6	S39032000	3/4" NPT x 3/4" Tube	1
7	S39034900	3/4" Hex Nipple	1
8	S39038100	Straight Fitting, 3/4"NPT to 1/2" Tube	1
9	S39038900	1" ID Suction Hose	1
10	S390604B0	Filter Base	1
10A	S390601A0	Filter Element	1
11	S39073200	Briggs & Stratton 1350/Pump Assy.	1
12	S39031600	Worm Gear Clamp	3
13	S40118800	Tank	1
14	S071022WC	Pivot Pin	1
15	O/L	1/2"-3/4" Hairpin Cotter	1
16	S39037500	Dip Stick/Breather Cap	1
17	S390601A0	Filter Element	1



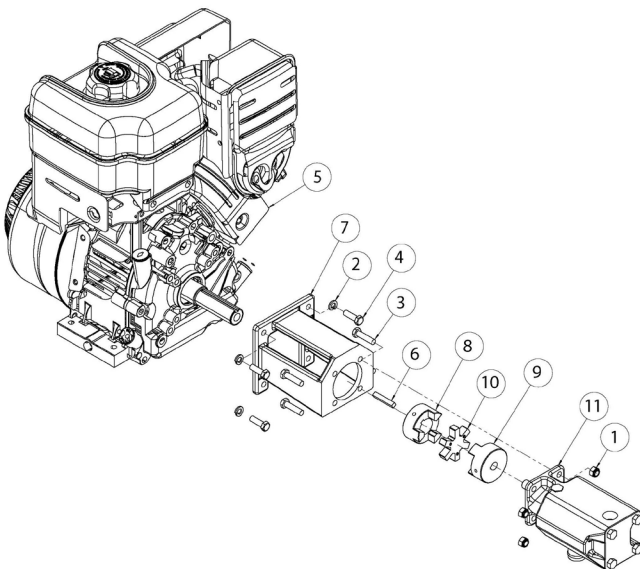
O/L- Obtain locally. Common fasteners available through hardware and farm stores.

## PUMP/ENGINE ASSEMBLY BREAKDOWN

ITEM NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	O/L	5/16"-18 UNC Nylock Nut	4
2	O/L	5/16" Regular Lock Washer	4
3	O/L	5/16" x 1-1/4" GR5 Hex Bolt	4
4	O/L	5/16" x 1 UNF GR5 Hex Bolt	4
5	S39054500	Briggs & Stratton 1450 Engine	1
	S390545CA	Briggs & Stratton 1450 Engine (CA)	1
6	S40034300	1/4" Square x 1-1/2" Square Key	1
7	S40081800	Pump Mount	1
8	N/A*	Jaw Coupler 1" Bore	1
9	N/A*	Jaw Coupler 1/2" Bore	1
10	N/A*	Rubber Coupler Spider	1
11	S39070900	16 GPM Pump	1

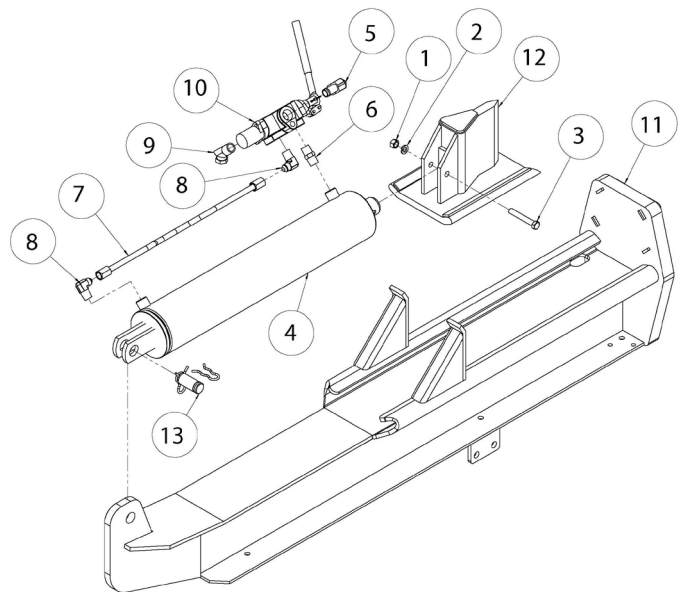
\* Available as complete coupler assembly only. Order part number S400824L0. Includes item numbers 8, 9 and 10.

O/L- Obtain locally. Common fasteners available through hardware and farm stores.



## BEAM ASSEMBLY BREAKDOWN

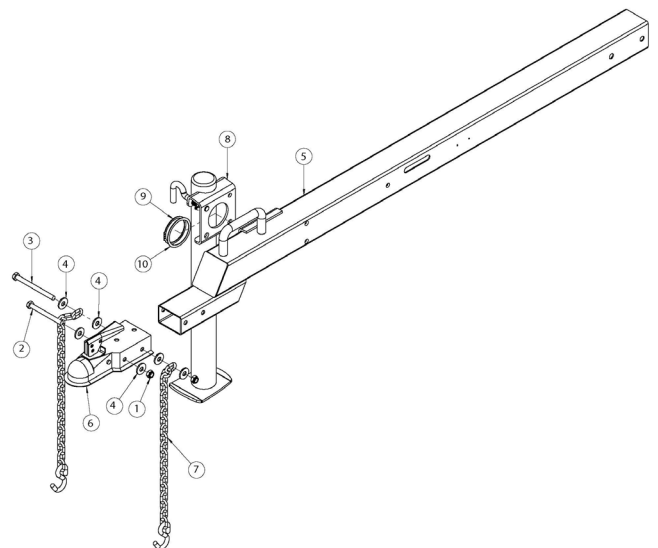
ITEM NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	O/L	1/2" Hex Nut	1
2	O/L	1/2" Regular Lock Washer	1
3	O/L	1/2" x 3-1/4" Hex Bolt	1
4	S390119B0	4.5" x 24" Hydraulic Cylinder	1
5	S39032000	3/4" NPT x 3/4" Tube	1
6	S39034300	1/2" NPT Nipple	1
7	S39034600	1/2" Steel Tubing	1
8	S39034700	1/2" Pipe to Steel Tube Fitting	2
9	S39039000	45° Fitting, 3/4" Male, 1/2" Fem.	1
10	S390406SC	Auto-Return Valve	1
11	S401413S0	Beam	1
12	S40141800	Wedge	1
13	S07073100	Cylinder Pin	1
	S40127500	Beam Lock (not shown)	1
	S39044400	Value Handle Repair Kit (not shown)	



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## TONGUE ASSEMBLY BREAKDOWN

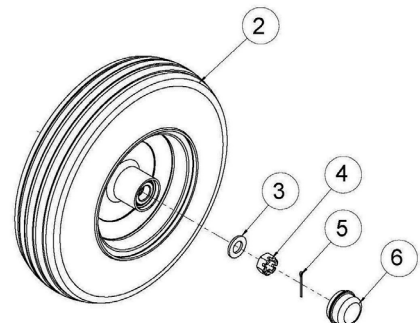
ITEM NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	O/L	M10 x 1.5 Nylock Nut	2
2	O/L	M10 x 1.5 x 100mm GR5 Hex Bolt	1
3	O/L	M10 x 1.5 x 120mm GR5 Hex Bolt	1
4	O/L	M10 Flat Washer	5
5	S401273A0	Tongue	1
6	S40034600	Hitch Ball Assembly	1
7	S400323A0	Chain	2
8	S40127400	Ground Stand Assembly	1
9	S9114-1	Retaining Ring	1
10	S9132-1	Spacer Washer	1



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## WHEEL REPLACEMENT PARTS

ITEM NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
2	S400312B0	Tire & Wheel Assembly	1
3	O/L	3/4" Light Flat Washer	1
4	S17012000	3/4" Slotted Nut	1
5	O/L	1/8" x 1-1/2" Cotter Pin	1
6	S40032200	Hub Cap	1
-	S40030900	Replacement Wheel Bearing Kit (not shown)	1



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NOTE: Order S40115400 for complete hardware kit.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



***WARNING:*** Read and thoroughly understand all instructions and safety information before operating this log splitter. Failure to do so may cause serious injury or death. Do not allow anyone to operate this log splitter who has not read this manual. As with all power equipment, a log splitter can be dangerous if assembled or used improperly. Do not operate this log splitter if you have doubts or questions concerning safe operation. Call our customer service department at 1-800-525-8322 to address these concerns.

*Si no entiende ingles, se prefiere que busque alguien que interprete las instrucciones para usted.*



***CAUTION:*** DO NOT START OR RUN THE ENGINE BEFORE ADDING OIL IN THE HYDRAULIC RESERVOIR AND OIL IN THE ENGINE.

**STEP 1:** The hydraulic reservoir must be filled with hydraulic oil before operation. AW46 hydraulic oil is recommended when oil is needed. Automatic transmission fluid can be substituted and should be used instead of hydraulic oil when temperatures are below 32 degrees F. Use only clean oil and take care to prevent dirt from entering the hydraulic reservoir. Fill the hydraulic tank with approximately 3.5 to 4 gallons of hydraulic oil.



***CAUTION:*** WHEN TIGHTENING THE BREATHER CAP ON THE TANK, POINT THE HOLE AWAY FROM THE ENGINE AND THE OPERATOR ZONE.

## ENGINE OIL RECOMMENDATIONS

For temperatures above 40 degrees F use an SAE 30W oil. Using multigrade oil may increase oil consumption. Using SAE 30W oil below 40 degrees F will result in hard starting and possible engine bore damage. For temperatures below 40 degrees F use an SAE 10W-30 or SAE 5W-30 oil. Oil capacity is about 1.16 quart (1.1 liter).

**STEP 2:** After the hydraulic reservoir and the engine crankcase are filled with oil, start the engine. The hydraulic pump should prime itself. With the engine running, move the hydraulic valve lever toward the foot plate. This will cause the cylinder to extend and expel air. When the cylinder is fully extended, retract it. Repeat this procedure several times. An erratic movement of the cylinder indicates that there is still air in the system. Add about 1.0 to 1.5 gallons more. Five gallons will register just above the top fill line on the dip stick. The total capacity of the entire hydraulic system is 6.5 gallons. **NOTE:** If the tank is overfilled it will tend to expel oil from the breather cap when the cylinder is retracted. Cycle the cylinder again until it has a constant speed indicating that all air has been expelled.

## STARTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Move the throttle lever to "FAST". Always operate the engine with throttle lever in the "FAST" position.
- Move choke control lever to "CHOKE" position.
- Grasp rope handle and pull slowly until resistance is felt. Then pull rapidly to start engine and avoid engine kickback.
- Allow the engine to warm up. If operating in warm weather, move the choke control lever toward "RUN" a short distance at a time over several seconds. For cold weather operation do this procedure over several minutes. Operate with choke lever in the "RUN" position.
- To stop engine, move the throttle lever to the "STOP" position.



**CAUTION:** *TURN FUEL SHUT OFF VALVE TO THE "OFF" POSITION PRIOR TO TOWING. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN FLOODING THE ENGINE.*

**NOTE:** The engine maximum governed speed is preset at the factory at 3600 RPM no load speed. When splitting wood the throttle should be set at the maximum speed to develop the horsepower required for the pump.

## **OPERATION**



**WARNING:** See safety information related to operation of the log splitter on page 3 and 4 of this manual. Make sure that you have the recommended personal protective equipment described on page 1.

- 1) Set up the log splitter in a clear, level area and block the wheels. Make sure that the suction port on the tank is always on the lower side of the log splitter.
- 2) For horizontal operation place a log on the beam against the foot plate. Make sure the log is securely on the foot plate and up against the beam. To split wood in the vertical position, release the pin on the beam latch located near the front end of the beam. Carefully tilt the beam up until the foot plate is sitting squarely on the ground and the log splitter is stable. Place the log on the foot plate up against the beam. When the beam is returned to the horizontal position make sure the beam latch is securely locked down. See illustrations in Step 8 on page 10.
- 3) With the engine running, depress the valve handle so that the cylinder will drive the wedge into the log. Extend the cylinder until the log splits or to the end of its stroke. If the log has not completely split after the cylinder has reached the end of its extension, retract the cylinder.  
**IMPORTANT:** Leaving the valve in the "actuate" position at the end of the stroke may damage the pump. Always use extra care when splitting logs with unsquare ends.

**NOTE:** For operation in wooded areas, obtain a spark arrestor for the exhaust system. See the engine operating and maintenance manual and check with your authorized Honda service center. See also Fire Prevention on page 5 of this manual.

**IMPORTANT:** TO EXTEND THE LIFE OF THE HYDRAULIC CYLINDER, AVOID "BOTTOMING OUT" WEDGE PLATE TO THE FOOT PIECE. TO CONFORM WITH INDUSTRY SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS, THE WEDGE STOPS 1.5 INCHES FROM THE END OF THE STROKE.

## **TOWING**

This log splitter is equipped with pneumatic tires, a Class I coupler (2 in. diameter ball required) and safety chains. Before towing, the safety chains must be secured to the hitch or bumper of the vehicle. Local regulations should be checked regarding licensing, lights, towing, etc. Turn fuel shut off valve on the engine to the "Off" position prior to towing. Failure to do so may result in flooding the engine. Do not exceed 45 mph when towing this log splitter. See also Towing Safety on page 6 of this manual.

## **MAINTENANCE**

- 1) Consult the operating and maintenance instructions of the engine manufacturer for engine care and maintenance.
- 2) Always check the oil level of the hydraulic reservoir before operation. Operating the log splitter without an adequate oil supply will cause severe damage to the pump.
- 3) Change the oil filter after the first 25 hours of operation. There after change the oil filter every 100 hours or seasonally, whichever comes first.
- 4) To drain the hydraulic oil, loosen the clamp on the hose coming from the fitting on the bottom of the tank. It is located just to the right of the oil filter.
- 5) If the wedge becomes dull or nicked, it can be removed and sharpened. Remove the 1/2 in. diameter bolt that connects the wedge to the cylinder hose from the valve. The hose from the valve may need to be removed. Carefully lift the cylinder to allow the wedge to slide forward. The wedge can now be lifted off and sharpened.
- 6) Clean the breather cap after 25 hours of operation. Clean it more often when operated in dusty conditions. To clean, remove the breather cap from the tank and flush with kerosene or liquid detergent to remove the dirt.
- 7) See also Repair and Maintenance Safety on page 4 of this manual.
- 8) All replacement parts must meet manufacturer's specifications.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

We, the manufacturer, reserve the right to change the product and/or specifications in this manual without notification. The manual is for information usage only and the pictures and drawings depicted herein are for reference only.

## == NOTES ==

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### Warranty Repair and Service

*Do not return this product to the store for warranty issues or repair. Call 1-800-525-8322 for the location of the nearest service center.*

Record the information below for future reference.

Serial Number Label  
Location: Tank/tongue plate  
below beam



Model No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Purchase \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Purchase \_\_\_\_\_

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# SPECIFICATIONS

Engine	Briggs & Stratton 1450 Engine
Pump	Two-Stage, 16 gpm
Cylinder	4-1/2 in. Diameter x 24 in. Stroke
Valve	Auto-Return
Maximum Splitting Force	28 Tons
Maximum Log Length	26 in.
Cycle Time*	12 Seconds
Wheels	4.80 x 8 in.
Wedge	7 in. High with Spreader Wings
Beam Size	8 in. x 10 in. with Built-In Log Cradle
Hydraulic Capacity	6.5 Gallons Maximum
Filter	Spin-On Replaceable Filter
Height	72 in. in Vertical Position 42 in. in Horizontal Position
Length	78 in.
Width	49 in.
Shipping Weight	590 lbs.
* Tonnage and cycle times may vary dependent upon mechanical and environmental conditions.	



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