

## Equipment Safe Work Instruction

# Mower – Manual Push

**DO NOT** use this machine unless you are authorised or have been instructed in its safe use and operation.

### POTENTIAL HAZARDS

Debris	Amputation	Noise
Entanglement	Flammable liquids	

### PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Eye Protection	Hearing Protection	Protective clothing
Steel capped boots	Long hair restrained	

### PRE-OPERATION

- Ensure good housekeeping in work area
- Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery
- Inspect equipment before use, for damaged parts, fluid levels and proper lubrication
- Ensure all guards and shields in place
- Ensure blades are properly sharpened and adjusted

### OPERATIONAL SAFETY

- Use both hands when mowing and start mower on level ground.
- Be watchful for loose debris and plan accordingly.
- Walk; never run pushing a mower, do not use a mower in wet grass.
- Always mow across the face of inclines or slopes, never mow up or down and use caution if turning on inclines or slopes.
- Keep face, hands and feet away from cutter blade when the engine is running. Stay behind the handle until the engine stops.
- Shut the engine off and wait until moving parts are stopped before attempting to unclog the chute or bottom of the machine.
- Ensure good ventilation due to carbon monoxide from engine
- Turn engine off and allow to cool before filling with petrol.

### POST-OPERATION

- Always turn off tool before servicing or when not in use
- Ensure you clean up work area
- Place any tools back where they belong

This Document does not replace training; it covers hazards associated with normal use and therefore may not cover all possible hazards associated with the machine. Refer to the user's manual for further information. It is designed to be used as a summary of a Safe Work Instruction and to act as a reminder to users prior to machine use.