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OWNER'S MANUAL

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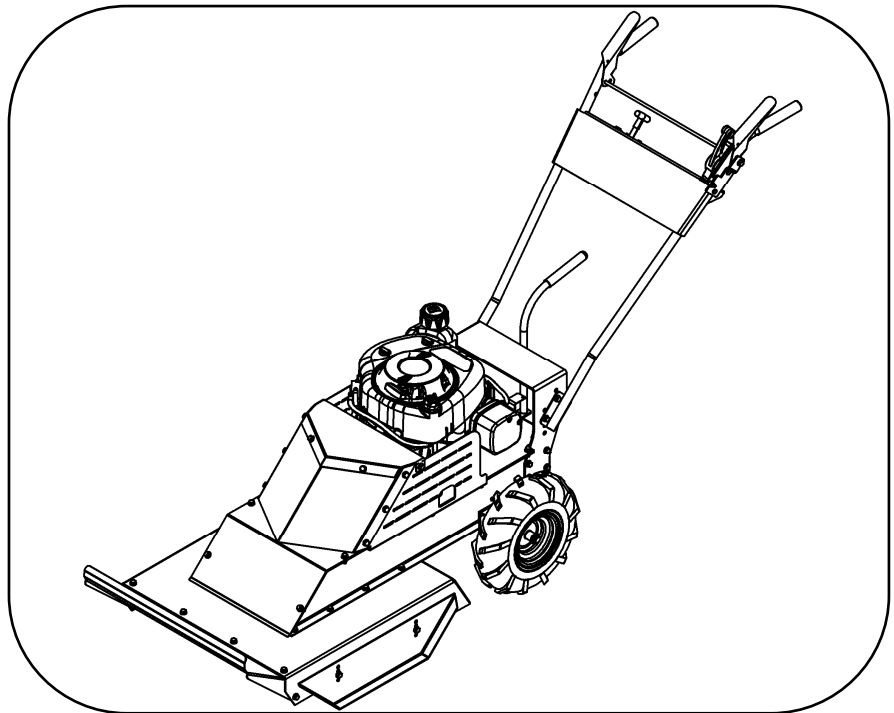
MODEL NO.

WBERC11524



IMPORTANT

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Safety Precautions
and Instructions
before operating this
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PREDATOR COMMERCIAL PRO 24" WALK BEHIND 12V ROUGH CUT

**Operation
Service and Adjustment
Repair Parts**

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LIMITED WARRANTY

The manufacturer's warranty to the original consumer purchaser is: This product is free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of (1) year from the date of purchase by the original consumer purchaser. We will repair or replace, at our discretion, parts found to be defective due to materials or workmanship. This warranty is subject to the following limitations and exclusions:

- 1) Engine Warranty All engines utilized on our products have a separate warranty extended to them by the individual engine manufacturer. Any engine service difficulty is the responsibility of the engine manufacturer and in no way is Swisher or its agents responsible for the engine warranty. The Briggs & Stratton Engine Service Hot-Line is 1-800-233-3723.
- 2) Limitation This warranty applies only to products which have been properly assembled, adjusted, and operated in accordance with the instructions contained within this manual. This warranty does not apply to any product of Swisher that has been subject to alteration, misuse, abuse, improper assembly or installation, shipping damage, or to normal wear of product.
- 3) Exclusions Excluded from this warranty are normal wear, normal adjustments, and normal maintenance.

In the event you have a claim under this warranty, you must return the product to an authorized service dealer. All transportation charges, damage, or loss incurred during transportation of parts submitted for replacement or repair under this warranty shall be borne by the purchaser. Should you have any questions concerning this warranty, please contact us toll-free at 1-800-222-8183. The model number, serial number, date of purchase, and the name of the authorized Swisher dealer from whom you purchased the mower will be needed before any warranty claim can be processed.

THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES AND ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES ARE LIMITED TO THE SAME TIME PERIODS STATED HEREIN FOR ALL EXPRESSED WARRANTIES. Some states do not allow the limitation of consequential damages or limitations on how long an implied warranty may last, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may have other rights, which vary from state-to-state. This is a limited warranty as defined by the Magnuson-Moss Act of 1975.

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Thank you for choosing Swisher's 24" Walk Behind Rough Cut. Before operating your Walk Behind, please read, understand and follow all of the safety precautions and other instructions explained in this manual. As with all power equipment, lawn mowers can be potentially dangerous if not properly used.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



This Safety Alert Symbol indicates important messages in this manual. When you see this symbol, carefully read the message that follows and be alert to the possibility of personal injury.

Read this manual completely. This machine can amputate hands and feet, and throw objects. Failure to observe the following safety instructions could result in serious injury or death.

- Read the manual. Learn to operate this machine safely.
- Always disconnect the spark plug wire and place the wire where it cannot contact the spark plug, to prevent accidental starting the engine when setting up, transporting, adjusting or making repairs.
- Keep all shields and guards in place.
- Understand the speed, steering and stability of this machine. Know the positions and operations of all controls before you operate this machine. Check all of the controls in a safe area before starting to work with this machine.
- Allow only responsible adults who are familiar with these instructions to operate this machine. **Never allow children to operate this machine.**
- Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc. that can be picked up and thrown by the blade.
- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point at anyone. **Stop the machine** if anyone enters the mowing area. Children are often attracted to the machine and the mowing activity. ***Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them.*** Keep children under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- **No riders!**
- Do not put hands or feet near or under rotating parts.
- Do not mow in reverse. **Always look down and behind before and during backing.**

- Turn off the blade when not mowing. Before leaving the machine, turn off the blade and stop the engine.
- Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Do not operate the mower if it has been dropped or damaged in any manner or if the mower vibrates excessively. Excessive vibration is an indication of damage. Repair mower as necessary.
- Dress properly. Do not operate the mower when barefoot or wearing open sandals. Wear only solid shoes with good traction when mowing.
- Never allow operation by untrained persons.
- Do not operate the machine while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Do not operate on slopes greater than 15 degrees.
- Never tamper with safety devices. Check their proper operation regularly.
- Stop and inspect the equipment if you strike an object. Repair, if necessary, before restarting. Never make adjustments or repairs with the engine running.
- Mower blades are sharp and can cut. Wrap the blades or wear gloves, and use extra caution when servicing them.
- Do not operate at too fast a rate.

PRE-OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

- Disengage spark plug wire and place where it cannot make a connection.
- Check engine oil. All engines are filled with oil at the factory. Verify oil level and add if necessary before starting engine (See Engine Owner's Manual).
- Verify fuel level and add if necessary before starting engine.
- Reconnect spark plug wire.
- Refer to pages 5-7 in this manual for proper operating procedures.



OPERATING YOUR NEW WALK BEHIND



The operation of any mower can produce foreign objects to be thrown into the eyes, resulting in severe eye damage. Always wear certified safety glasses or wide-vision safety goggles over spectacles before starting any cutting machine and while operating such a machine.



The operation of any mower produces sound waves that are damaging to the human ear. Ear protection is recommended.



CAUTION!

Tragic accidents can occur if the operator is not alert to the presence of children. Children are often attracted to the machine and the mowing activity. ***Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them.***

INTENDED USE

This is not a lawn mower. The Predator is designed for cutting overgrown brush, weeds, and other types of organic growth. This unit is capable of clearing small saplings of 1.5" in diameter or less.

PROPULSION

The Predator is self-propelled and is controlled by a "GROUND CONTROL" lever. To engage the drive, put the transaxle in a gear and activate the left lever. Releasing the lever will disengage the self-propel.

Under most conditions cutting should be done in a low gear (1st or 2nd). Upper gears should be used for conditions where weeds and brush are thinned out or not as tall. In confined areas the machine can be pushed forwards or backwards by releasing the "GROUND CONTROL" lever, placing the transaxle in neutral, and pushing the machine.

TRAVEL SPEED

Speed can be varied by choosing a higher or lower gear using the gearshift lever at the rear of the machine or by changing the engine speed with the engine throttle. Do not adjust speed with the blade engaged. To shift the cutter into reverse, release "GROUND CONTROL" lever, disengage blade, and rotate the shift lever to the left. When the lever stops, lift up the reverse lockout latch and continue to move the shift lever to the left until it stops again.

ENGAGING BLADE

An "OPERATOR PRESENCE" lever and a "BLADE ENGAGE DRIVE" control work together to engage the Predator's blade. Both devices must be activated before the blade will work. Releasing the "OPERATOR PRESENCE" lever will disengage both the blade and the "BLADE ENGAGE DRIVE" control.

STARTING THE ENGINE

See engine manufacturer's recommendations for the type and amount of oil and fuel used. Engine must be level to accurately check and fill oil. Do not overfill.

- Make sure unit is level, blade is disengaged, and transaxle in "NEUTRAL"
- Check spark plug wire, oil level, and fuel level.
- Check all electrical connections for build-up of debris.
- Move throttle control to "FAST", or "CHOKE" if choke is needed.
- For recoil starting, turn ignition key to the "ON" position and pull rope with a single fluid motion. For electric starting, turn the key to the "START" position.
- Set engine throttle control to "FAST". The throttle must be set in the fast position for maximum performance.

IMPORTANT: This engine is not equipped with a spark arrester muffler. It is a violation of California Public Resource Code Section 4442 to use or operate the engine on any forest-covered, brush-covered, or grass-covered land. Other states or federal areas may have similar laws.

STOPPING

- Bring the Walk Behind to a complete stop by releasing the "GROUND CONTROL" lever (left).
- Disengage mower blade by releasing the "BLADE ENGAGE DRIVE" control (right).
- Reduce engine idle speed, and allow engine to run momentarily for cooling.
- Place transaxle in the "NEUTRAL" position.
- Turn the ignition key to "OFF" position.

HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT

- Place two 6" wooden blocks under the deck on the side being adjusted.
- Remove nuts and bolts from the side runner.
- Slide skid up or down to preferred position.
- Replace the nuts and bolts making certain they are tightened securely.
- Repeat for the other side. Runners should be at the same height.

BREAKING IN YOUR WALK BEHIND

- Start engine properly.
- Slowly engage blade control.
- Under supervision, allow blade to rotate and engine to idle for 5 minutes.
- Disengage blade.
- Shift through each gear. While in each gear engage the "GROUND CONTROL" lever and travel 20 yards to ensure transaxle works properly.

BEGIN CUTTING

- Make sure area is clear of all bystanders.
- Make sure that all guards, belt guides, and the spark plug wire are properly attached.
- Start engine, set engine throttle control at maximum engine idle speed for best results.
- Allow engine to run a few moments and slowly engage blade.
- Move transaxle into low gear and activate "GROUND CONTROL" lever.
- Turning is done by rotating the handles left or right. This machine has significant weight and may take more effort to turn than one may expect. Turning could take practice.

BACKING UP

- Disengage blade.
- Check behind you for safety.
- Move transaxle into "REVERSE" position.
- Activate "GROUND CONTROL" lever.

TRANSPORTING

- Shut off engine.
- Secure in place while unit is being transported.
- Unit should be left in low gear to avoid any slight rolling.

SUGGESTED PRACTICES

- Always operate engine at full throttle when cutting to assure the best cutting performance and proper discharge of material.
- If grass is wet, allow it to dry. Wet grass clumps will collect on the bottom of the deck.
- Go slow when cutting dense areas. Some dense areas may need to be gone over twice. Better results occur if the second cut is 90 degrees to the first cut.

BEFORE EACH SEASON

A new spark plug and clean air filter assure proper air-fuel mixture and help your engine run better and last longer.

- Replace the spark plug.
- Clean or replace the air filter.
- Check blades and belts for wear.

BEFORE EACH USE

- Check engine oil level. Do this twice to ensure an accurate reading.
- Check condition of air filter and clean or replace if necessary.
- Check blade operation.
- Check for loose fasteners.

DAILY MAINTENANCE

Make sure all nuts and bolts are tight and cotter pins and retainer springs are secure.

Keep blades sharp. Observe all safety precautions.

BLADE CARE AND SERVICE

For best results blades must be kept sharp. The blades can be sharpened with a few strokes of a file or grinding wheel. Do Not attempt to sharpen blades while they are on the machine.

Important: Replace blades that have been damaged or deeply nicked.

Important: Check blade and spindle hardware on a regular basis to make sure nuts are tight.



SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL DECALS

Replace decal immediately if damaged. Order by part number from Swisher.



OD55--DANGER DECAL



OD45--WARNING DECAL



OD83--RN1234 SHIFT DECAL



10749--REVERSE LOCK DECAL



20076--SWISHER FLAG DECAL

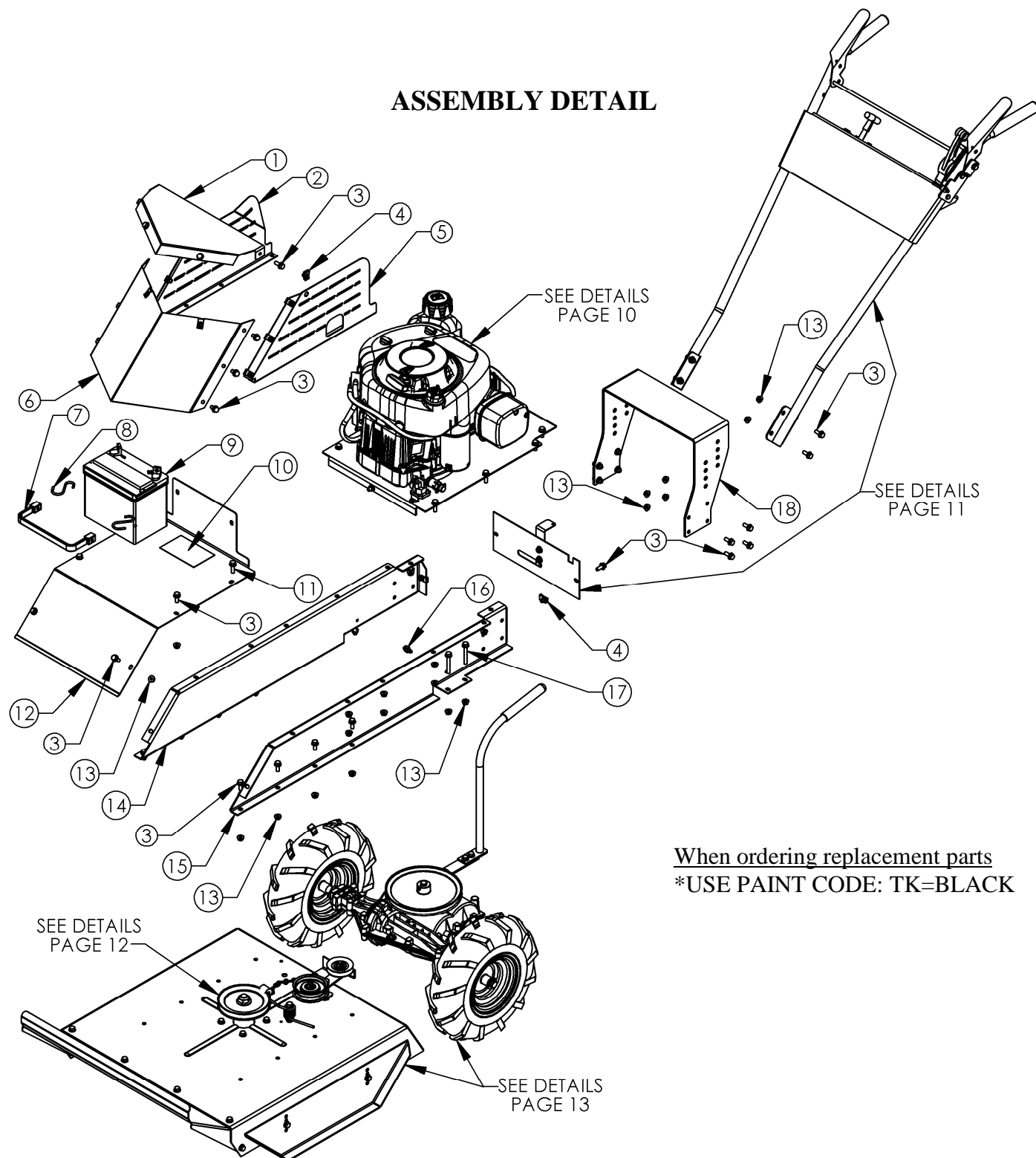


OD99112—LARGE LOGO WHITE DECAL
OD99156—SMALL LOGO WHITE DECAL

DECALS NOT SHOWN

- OD85--Predator LH Decal
- OD86--Predator RH Decal
- 20000--Commercial Pro Decal

ASSEMBLY DETAIL



When ordering replacement parts
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Item #	Description	Part #
1	Guard - Engine, Cover	19888*
2	Guard - Engine, Right	19886*
3	Bolt - Serr Flange 5/16-18 X 3/4	NB596
4	Clip - Tinnerman 5/16-18	3706
5	Guard - Engine, Left	19885*
6	Guard - Engine, Front	19884*
7	Strap - Tarp, 9"	AS013
8	Hook - Tarp Strap	AS049
9	Battery (Not Included)	N/A

Item #	Description	Part #
10	Pad - Battery	BATPAD
11	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 1	10548
12	Cover - Belt	19889*
13	Nut - Serr Flange 5/16-18	NB170
14	Channel - Side, Right	19211*
15	Channel - Side, Left	19212*
16	Clip - Nylon 1/2"	NB683
17	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 2 1/4	NB622
18	Mount - Handle Height Adjust	19214*

ENGINE & PULLEY ASSEMBLY

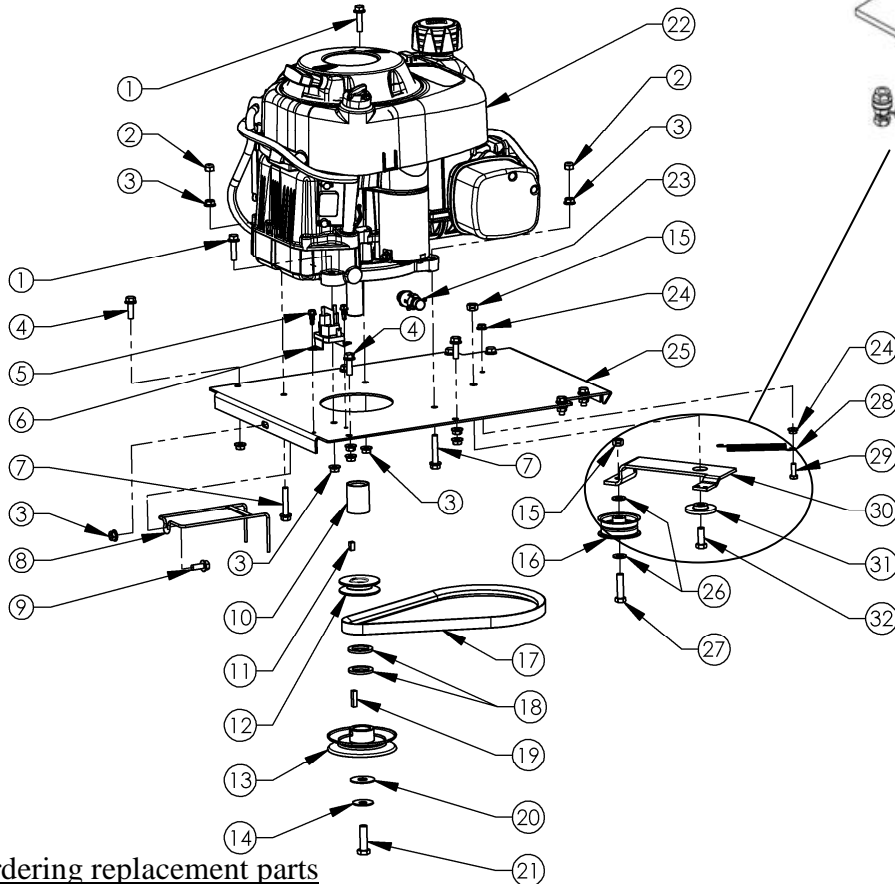
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1	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X1 1/4	NB253
2	Nut - Nyloc 5/16-18	NB181
3	Nut - Serr Flange 5/16-18	NB170
4	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 1	10548
5	Screw - HX Tek 1/4 X 3/4	NB161
6	Solenoid - 3 Pole	1002004
7	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 1 3/4	NB515
8	Weldment - Belt Retention	10767
9	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 3/4	NB596
10	Spacer - Engine Pulley	BB105S
11	Key Stock - 1/4 X 1/2	4258
12	Pulley - Engine, 2.5"	2411
13	Engine Pulley- 4.25"OD, 1 1/4 ID	BB105
14	Washer - Belleville 7/16 X 1 1/4	699
15	Nut - 2 Way Lock 3/8-16	NB280
16	Pulley - Idler, OD-2.16", ID-3/8"	B27
17	Belt - Transmission, 35"	690
18	Washer - 1 X 1 1/2	NB614HT
19	Key Stock - 1/4 X 1	9031
20	Washer - .5311DX1 1/2OD	TR150W
21	Bolt - HCF, 7/16-20 X 1 1/2	NB637
22	Engine B&S Recoil/12V St W/Gas Tank	N/A
23	Valve - Oil Drain	16000
24	Nut - Serr Flange, 1/4-20	NB524
25	Plate - Motor Base	19213*
26	Washer - SAE Flat 3/8	NB272
27	Bolt - 3/8-16 X 1 1/2	NB107
28	Spring	T2SM
29	Bolt - 1/4-20 X 3/4	NB250
30	Arm - Transmission Idler	10671*
31	Bushing - Idler	6037
32	Bolt - 3/8-16 X 1	NB604

NOT SHOWN

Description	Part #
Harness - Wiring	19893
Wire - Alternator	19894

Install Transmission Cable
(Not Shown) in Idler Arm
before installing Idler Arm
to Motor Plate.

Important: Spring
must be hooked in
Idler Arm as shown.

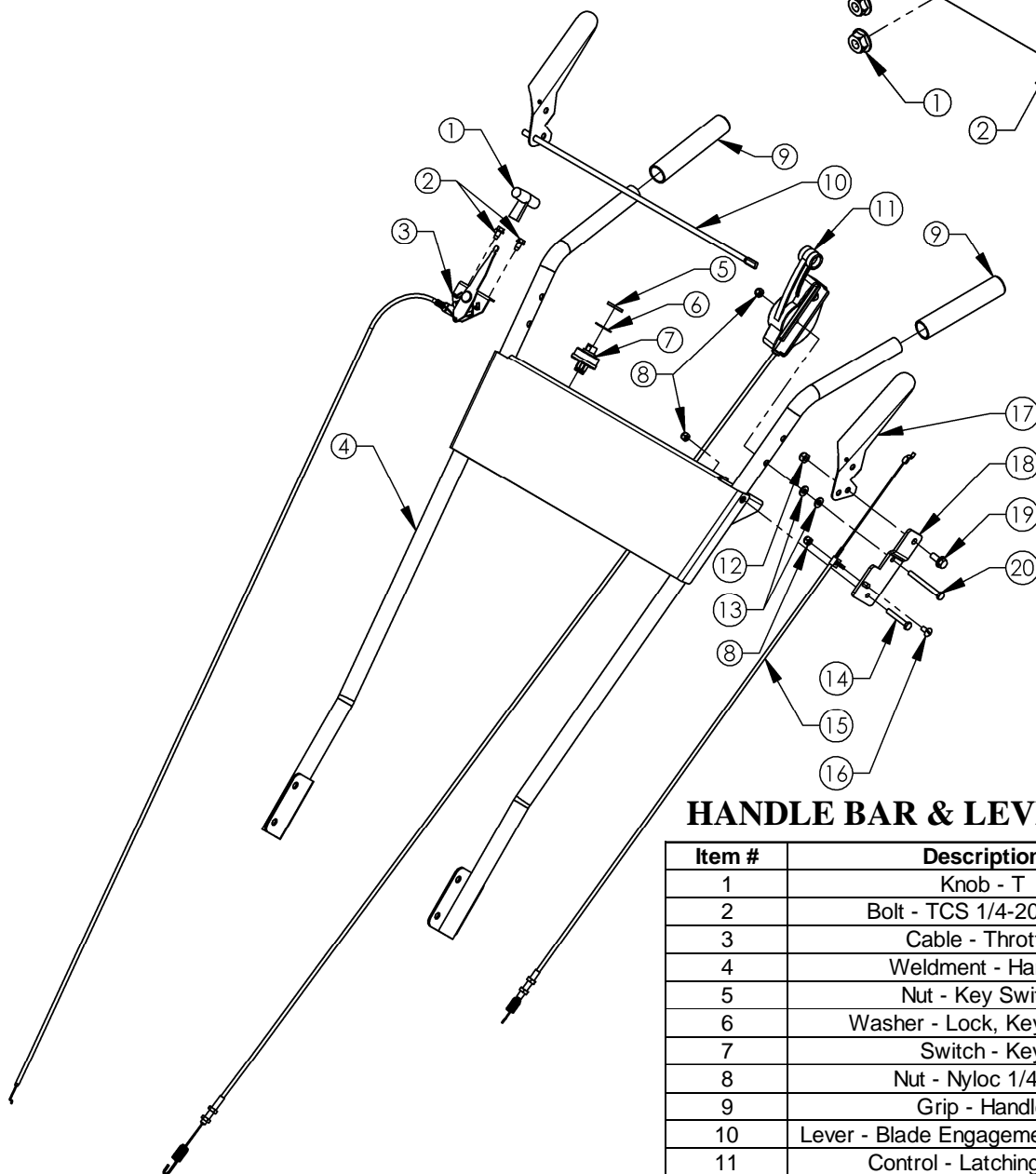
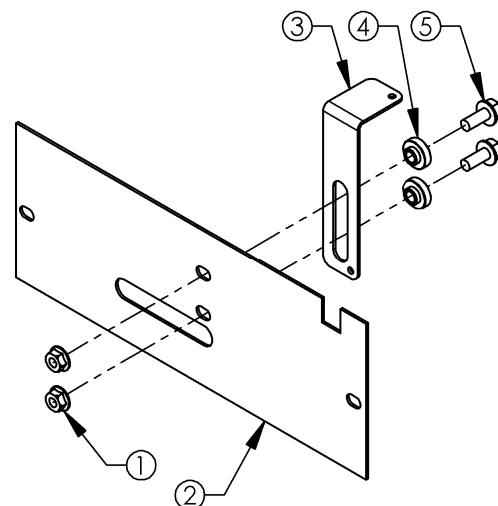


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REAR COVER ASSEMBLY

Item #	Description	Part #
1	Nut - Serr Flange 5/16-18	NB170
2	Plate - Cover, Back	10679*
3	Arm - Anti Reverse	10680*
4	Spacer	B99S
5	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 3/4	NB596



HANDLE BAR & LEVER ASSEMBLY

Item #	Description	Part #
1	Knob - T	4226K
2	Bolt - TCS 1/4-20 X 1/2	NB114
3	Cable - Throttle	4226
4	Weldment - Handle	19891*
5	Nut - Key Switch	9087
6	Washer - Lock, Key Switch	9088
7	Switch - Key	3623
8	Nut - Nyloc 1/4-20	NB180
9	Grip - Handle	7826
10	Lever - Blade Engagement Weldment	19444*
11	Control - Latching Drive	19208
12	Nut - Nyloc 5/16-18	NB181
13	Washer - SAE Flat 1/4	NB274
14	Bolt - 1/4-20 X 1 3/4	NB278
15	Cable - Transmission	19209
16	Bolt - MSC 1/4-20 X 1/2	NB113
17	Lever - Engagement	10685*
18	Plate - Blade Lever Cable	10713*
19	Bolt - Serr Flange 5/16-18 X 3/4	NB596
20	Bolt - 1/4-20 X 2 3/4	19455

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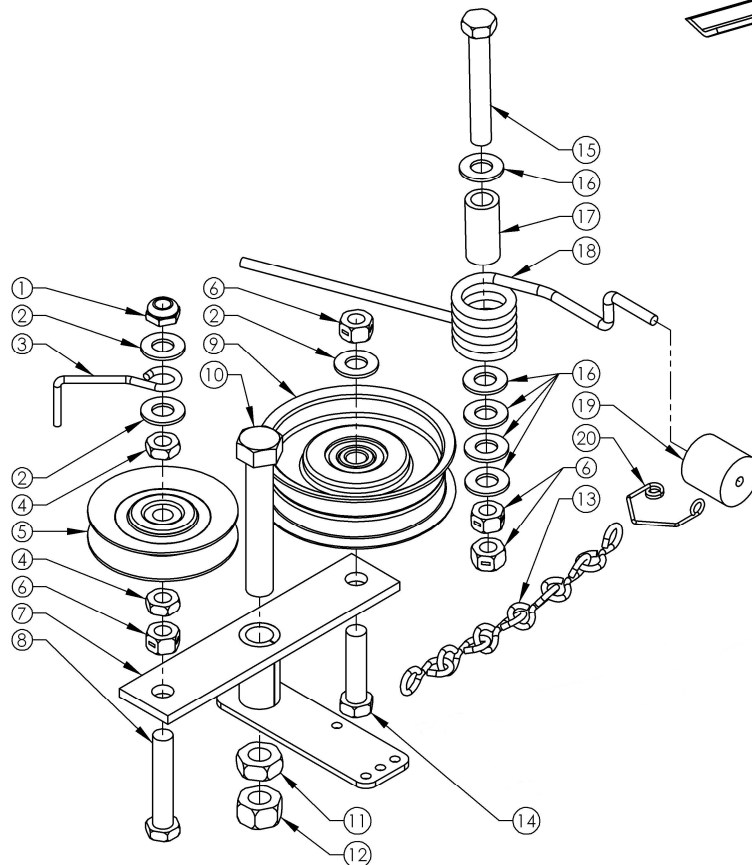
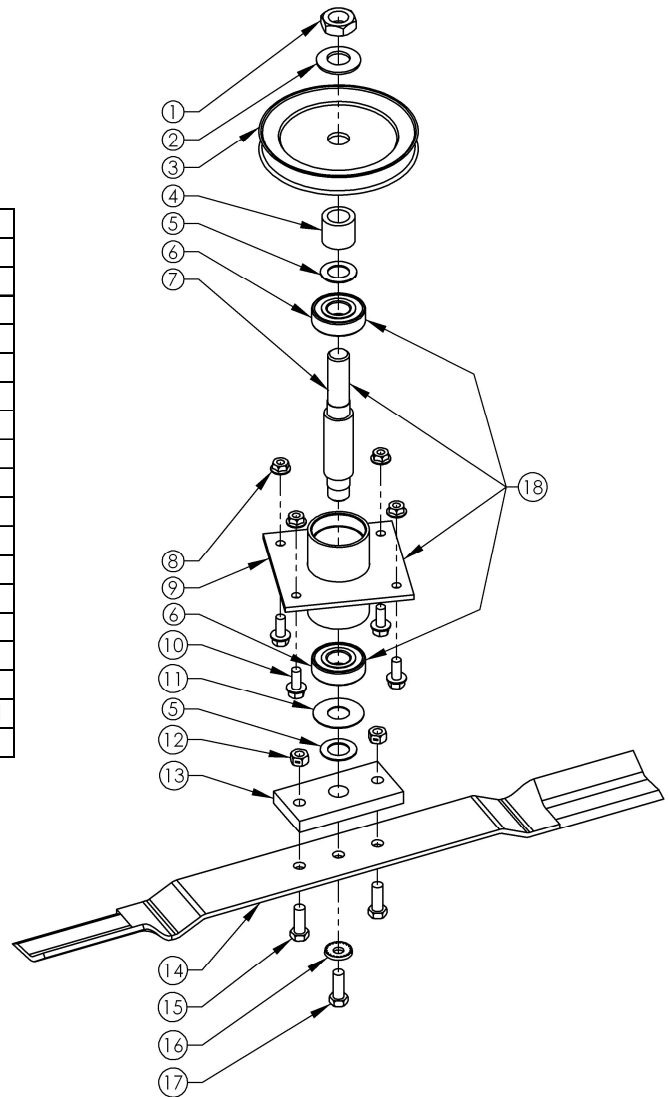
Description	Part #
Keys - Key Switch, Set of Two	KSK
Harness - Wiring, WB 12V	19893

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BLADE DRIVER ASSEMBLY

Item #	Description	Part #
1	Nut - Jam 3/4-16	NB175
2	Washer - Belleville .760 X 1.5 X .098	AS155
3	Pulley - Blade, 5.5"	6114
4	Spacer - 3/4 ID X 1	12823
5	Washer - 3/4 ID X 1 1/4 OD	NB179
6	Bearing - Blade	B98
7	Shaft - Blade 6", Long Shoulder	9078
8	Nut - Serr Flange 5/16-18	NB170
9	Housing - Blade Bearing	9091*
10	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 3/4	NB596
11	Washer - Flat 3/4 ID X 1 3/4 OD	B98W
12	Nut - Lock, Two Way 3/8-24	NB216
13	Plate - Blade Mount	9008
14	Blade - 24"	9016
15	Bolt - 3/8-24 X 1	NB238
16	Washer - SP Bellville .413 X.945 X.118	NB607
17	Bolt - HHC 3/8-24 X 1	NB238N
18	Blade Driver - Assembly	10712



BRAKE ASSEMBLY

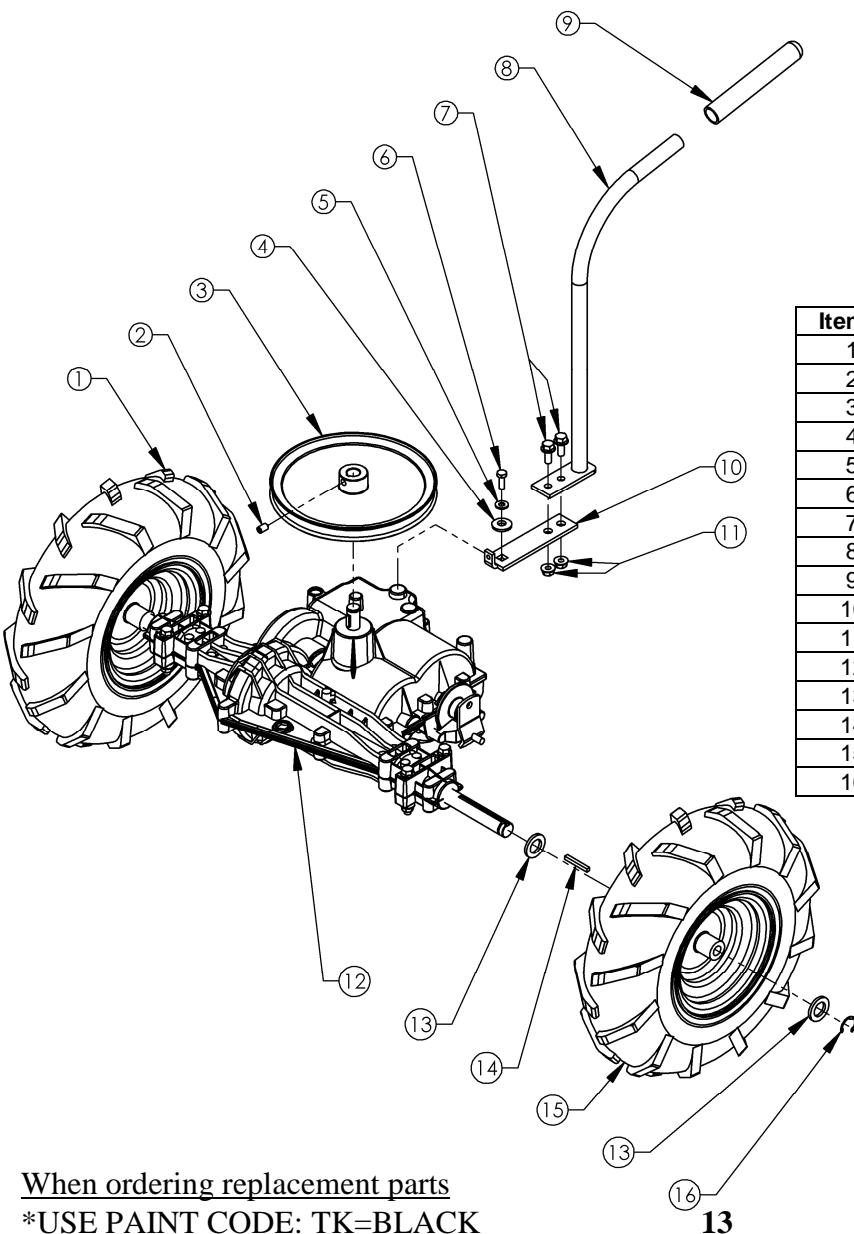
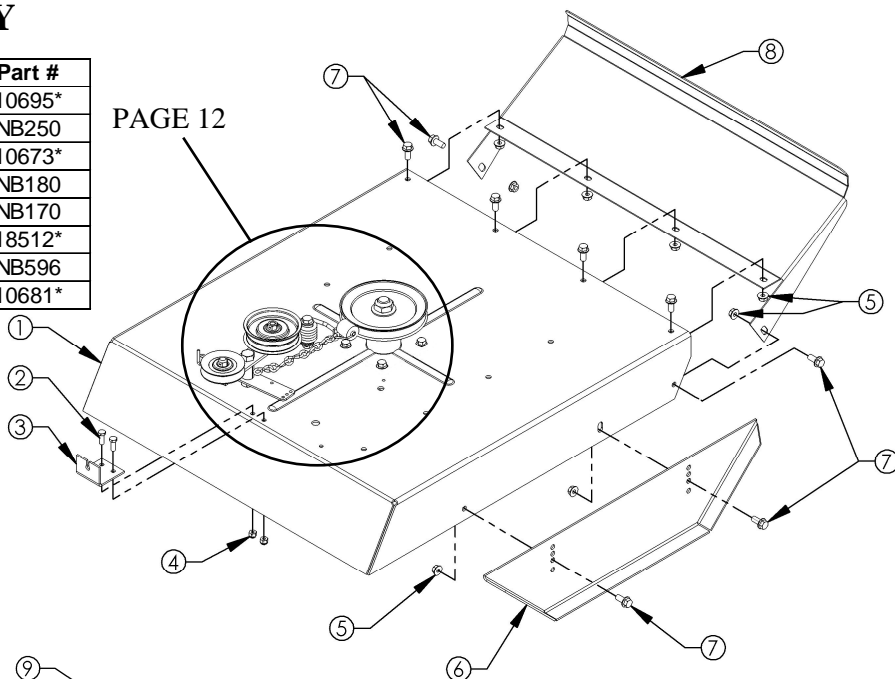
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1	Nut - Jam, Nyloc 3/8-16	NB207
2	Washer - SAE Flat 3/8	NB272
3	Finger for Belt Release	T30F
4	Nut - Jam 3/8-16	NB174
5	Pulley - Idler Clutch, 2 3/4 OD	T30V
6	Nut - 2 Way Lock 3/8-16	NB280
7	Idler - Blade Weldment	10668*
8	Bolt - HTC, 3/8-16 X 2	NB231
9	Pulley - Idler, OD3.25 X ID3/8	B527
10	Bolt - 1/2-13 X 3 HCC	NB131
11	Nut - Jam Lock, 1/2-13 2-Way	NB121
12	Nut - 1/2-13	NB213Z
13	Chain - Sgl Jk Chn, Zps, Sz12, 16#	AS080
14	Bolt - 3/8-16 X 1 1/2 HCC	NB107
15	Bolt - 3/8-16 X 2 1/2 HTC	NB619
16	Washer - Hardened 3/8	NB196
17	Spacer - .625 OD X 1.25	8072*
18	Spring - Torsion Brake	BT297
19	Pad - Brake, Cylindrical	9114
20	Spring - Brake Pad Retainer	BP370S

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MOWER DECK ASSEMBLY

Item #	Description	Part #
1	Deck - Weldment	10695*
2	Bolt - 1/4-20 X 3/4	NB250
3	Clip - Blade Engagement Cable	10673*
4	Nut - Nyloc 1/4-20	NB180
5	Nut - Serr Flange 5/16-18	NB170
6	Weldment - WB Skid	18512*
7	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 3/4	NB596
8	Guard - Predator Brush	10681*



TRANSAXLE ASSEMBLY

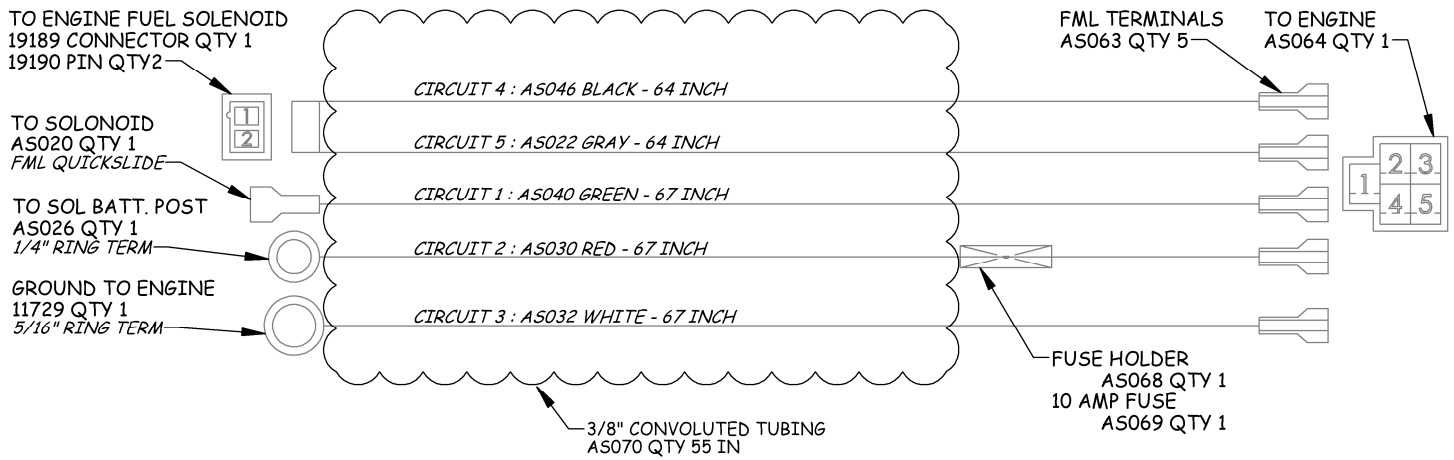
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1	Wheel - Asy Right; WB24 4.8x8	2401RK
2	Screw - Set 5/16-18 X 1/2	NB312
3	Pulley - Transmission, 8"	2410
4	Washer - SP Bellville .413 X.945 X.118	NB607
5	Washer - SAE Flat 1/4 ZY	NB274
6	Bolt - Loctite Cap 1/4-28 X 3/4	06X105
7	Bolt - Serr Flange, 5/16-18 X 3/4	NB596
8	Weldment - Shift Handle	13897*
9	Grip - Transmission Lever	2427
10	Lever - Transmission	10715*
11	Nut - Serr Flange 5/16-18	NB170
12	Transaxle - 4 Speed	19563
13	Washer - 3/4ID X 1 1/4OD	NB184
14	Key Stock - 3/16 X 1 1/2	2434
15	Wheel - Asy Left; WB24 4.8x8	2401LK
16	Ring - E-Style Retaining 3/4	NB621

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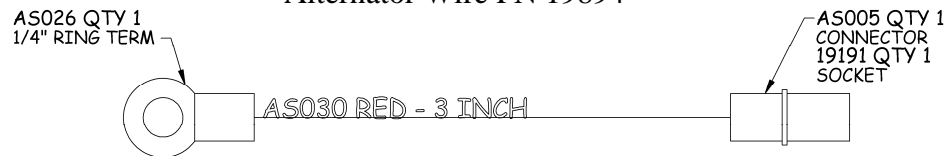
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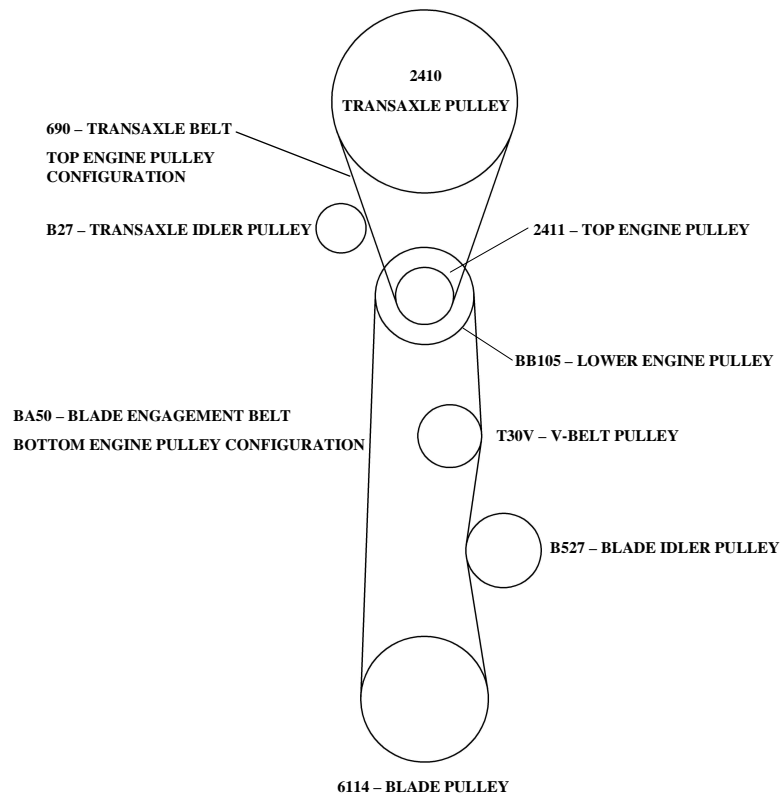
Wiring Harness PN 19893



Alternator Wire PN 19894



BELT CONFIGURATION



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Each cutter has its own model number. Each engine has its own model number. The model number for the cutter will be found on the right hand side of the drive belt housing. The model number for the engine will be found on the top of the valve cover.

All cutter parts listed herein may be ordered directly from Swisher or your nearest Swisher dealer.

All engine parts may be ordered from the nearest dealer of the engine supplied with your cutter.

**WHEN ORDERING PARTS, PLEASE HAVE THE
FOLLOWING INFORMATION AVAILABLE:**

- * PRODUCT – WALK BEHIND ROUGH CUT
- * SERIAL NUMBER - _____
- * MODEL NUMBER - _____
- * ENGINE MODEL NUMBER - _____
- TYPE - _____
- * PART NUMBER
- * PART DESCRIPTION

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