



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE:

## Log Splitter (towable)

### SAFETY FIRST:

If you are collecting the equipment for someone else please make sure this sheet is given to the equipment user to read. In accordance with the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 requirements, this sheet should be given to the site supervisor if the equipment is being hired for use at a commercial worksite so that the information is available to all users.

**YOU** are responsible for the **SAFE** use of this piece of equipment. **YOU** must ensure that you and everyone else who is going to work around the equipment understands all procedures and related **SAFETY** information contained on this sheet. Remember, **YOU**, are the key to safety and good safety practises not only protect you but also the people around you. Make sure these practices are part of your safety programme:

! It is the operator's responsibility to read and understand **ALL** safety instructions and safety decals and to follow them when operating this piece of equipment.

! Use this equipment for its intended purpose only.

! Always work only in the Work Safe Area

! Do not allow any unauthorised person in the work area.

**This machine can cause serious injury if misused.** Please read the following safety instructions carefully before operating the machine. This machine is designed to be operated by **one person only**, the person placing the wood under the splitter has to be the same person operating the control lever. This ensures that all hands are clear of the danger zone before the control is in use.

Extreme pressure is exerted by the ram which may cause the wood to twist, trapping fingers or hands causing serious injury.

### **WHO CONTROLS THE KNIFE CONTROLS THE WOOD!**

! Always wear the required safety equipment

! Keep hydrated, and take regular breaks from using the knife.

! Ensure all hands are kept clear of the knife when in use both in split mode and return mode.

! Keep children away from the machine at all times

! Have another person nearby who can shut down the equipment if necessary

! Always use in a well ventilated area

! Ensure no body part or combustible material can come into contact with the engine exhaust

! Always stop the engine before refuelling

! Keep body, hair and clothing away from moving parts.

### Transport:

Maximum towing speed for trailers is **90km/hr**.

### PRE-START CHECKS:

! Set splitter on a level site and chock wheels if taken off vehicle

! Ensure all logs are pre-cut to 400mm or less

! Check fuel tank is full and engine and hydraulic oil levels



### REQUIRED SAFETY

#### EQUIPMENT



### STARTING PROCEDURE:

1. Place ring-lifter to the ground. It may be used as a ring-lifter, an extra table or left on the ground.
2. Turn on the fuel supply and engine switch
3. Engage choke (cold start)
4. Pull starter cord out until a slight resistance is felt, let starter recoil and give sharp pulls till engine fires or starts. If necessary, repeat.
5. Release choke
6. Allow engine to warm up

### WHEN OPERATING:

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- Increase engine speed to full throttle

- Familiarise yourself with the ram control, it has an automatic stop on the return function.

- Place log on the bench beneath the knife but forward a bit from the mast to avoid the log jamming at the back.

- Always position the log to be split with the grain (never attempt to split across the grain as the log may burst or fly off the splitting bench).

- Engage the knife always conscious of where hands are.

- Retract the knife from the split log, place wood in clearing area and place the next log.

- When the log splitter is turned off for meal breaks etc... ensure the fuel tap is switched off.

- Fuel is 91 only. Always re-fuel with fresh fuel.

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