GRASS GRABBER

Operational Safety and Quad Bike ATV Compatibility

These are just some tips towards safer harvesting,

They may not represent all the hazards that may be encountered whilst using your GRASS GRABBER and suggest great care and common sense is applied at all times.

Safety

1/ The harvester's brush has very sharp bristles (especially when new), contact with the brush at any time, even when it is not rotating can cause injury. Contact with a rotating brush is likely to cause injury.

2/ Always wear hearing and eye protection when operating your GRASS GRABBER

3/ NEVER operate the engine with the harvester top cover or V-Belt guard removed and ALWAYS keep your hands clear of any rotating part including the brush, V-Belt and pulleys.

4/ When Quad/ATV mounted Each time you unload your GRASS GRABBER check that all mounting straps are secure.

5/ There may be a legal requirement to carry fire fighting equipment of a certain size, type or standard and in an effectively maintained condition during harvesting operations. This may depend on which state you are working in, the time of year and the current fire danger conditions for that area. We recommend that you check what the fire requirements are and we highly recommend appropriate fire fighting equipment be carried with you at all time regardless of any legal obligation anyway.

6/ Make sure your ATV or Quad bike is fitted with an effective spark arrester and fire extinguisher.

7/ Observe your local fire regulations and fire bans. Avoid using machinery during inappropriate weather conditions such as high temperatures, low humidity and windy conditions.

8/ Do not let combustible material build up on your machines at any time, especially near the exhaust.
9. Regularly check harvester axle bearings for heating up, they should be cool to warm, excessive heat build up is not normal. Excessive heat in bearings can be caused by grass stems wrapping around the axle shaft shafts or low grease levels. Keep axle shafts clean of material and grease the bearings regularly.

10. When selecting an area to stage harvesting operations in a paddock, pick a bare area or area of minimal vegetation and hazard-free to reduce fire risk and trip hazards and make your operations safer and easier.

11. Parts of the engine may become hot, avoid touching any part of the engine when it is hot.

12. Keep children and pets away from the GRASS GRABBER at all times.

13. Avoid anything that may get caught in the rotating brush such as wire or rope.

14. Check with your local authorities that native grass harvesting is allowed or if a permit is required where you intend to work or that you are not working in an area of protected or threatened species of plants or animals.

15. Take care refuelling the GRASS GRABBER that you do not spill any that may lead to a fire. Clean up any fuel spills and do not start the engine in that same location.

16. Never use the top cover handles for lifting the machine, they are only to be used for lifting the top cover.

17. Do not operate your GRASS GRABBER when fatigued or under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication.

**Quad Bike ATV Compatibility**

GRASS GRABBER comes with a universal mounting kit that should allow the unit to be fitted to most Quad Bikes or ATVs, it consists of a mounting bar on the unit in place of the handle that is used when it is manual configuration, this mounting bar is padded and fixes to your quad bike's ATV bull bar by a number of very strong straps made from seat belt webbing oversewn with heavy duty velcro.

The straps should be fitted as tight as possible so that the GRASS GRABBER is very firm against the bullbar. The top strap is adjustable and allows you to vary the brush height and should be fixed to a firm point on the front rack (not to the handlebars) check that your front rack is strong enough to take such a load.

**Safety and Disclaimer**

1/ Fitting of the GRASS GRABBER to the front of a quad bike or ATV may void your vehicle warranty and, may cause damage to your ATV or Quad bike. Check with your vehicles manufacturer.

2/ Fitting of the GRASS GRABBER to the front of a quad bike or ATV may reduce your visibility and cause you to strike an obstacle and have an accident, always ride slowly and carefully.

3/ Fitting of the GRASS GRABBER to the front of a quad bike or ATV may change the balance of your machine and cause you to have an accident, always ride slowly and carefully.
4/ Use extreme caution when operating on steep terrain on an ATV or Quad bike fitted with a GRASS GRABBER as extra weight on front axle may lessen your rear wheel braking efficiency.

5/ Use extreme caution when operating or traversing on steep terrain on an ATV or Quad bike fitted with a GRASS GRABBER as your vehicle may become unstable or uncontrollable much more easily. Always ride slowly and carefully.

6/ Do not operate the GRASS GRABBER with the engine at steep angles from the horizontal.

7/ Use extreme caution when operating your GRASS GRABBER on rough terrain that you do not cause it to strike the ground or an obstacle and become damaged.

Comes standard with both Manual and Quad bike ATV set ups in the one package.

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