Correct Operating Procedure The Midcounties Co-operative

Use of Lawn Mower

Work safely & avoid injuries by following the points below for every task

Before Each Use:

- Check equipment before use.
- Ensure that the equipment is in working order with guards in place.
- Any defects, including damaged guards, are reported and equipment is taken out of use until repaired.
- Check area to be mowed for obstructions, stones, animal faeces and sharps
- Ensure that the ground surface is dry.
- Always re-fuel outside, in the shade, before starting engine.
- Ensure that only competent colleagues use the lawn mower
- Only start engine outdoors.
- Do not wear loose-fitting clothing, dangling drawstrings or items that could become caught.
- Tie up long hair and do not wear jewellery.
- Keep hands and feet away from rotating parts.
- Always ensure that all guards are in place and undamaged.
- Check that the engine has sufficient oil
- Push the primer 3 times
- Pull Starter handle
- After engine has started, allow it to warm up for several minutes, depending on outside temperature.
- Do not tip engine/equipment at an angle which will cause fuel to spill.
- Remember that running engines produce heat, engine parts can become very hot.
- Periodically remove grass build up under mower deck—ALWAYS ENSURE ENGINE HAS STOPPED AND IGNITION IS OFF
- Use all Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) provided.



- Store fuel as detailed within CoSHH assessment.
- Re-fuel out of bright sunshine, using a funnel.
- Do not leave the equipment operable and unsupervised.

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