

Safe Operating Procedure

JOHN DEERE FAIRWAY MOWER

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Approved By:

Signature:

DO NOT use this equipment unless you have been instructed in its safe use and operation; and given prior permission.

This SOP does not necessarily cover all possible hazards associated with this equipment or procedure and should be used in conjunction with other references. It is designed as a guide to be used to compliment training and as a reminder to users prior to use.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT



HEARING AND EYE
PROTECTION
MUST BE WORN
WHEN OPERATING THIS
EQUIPMENT



PROTECTIVE
FOOTWEAR
MUST BE WORN



PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
MUST BE WORN



SEAT BELT
MUST BE WORN



HAND PROTECTION
MUST BE WORN



SUNSCREEN
MUST BE
WORN

HAZARDS AND WARNINGS



PINCH POINT
CAN CAUSE SEVERE
PERSONAL INJURY



NO Drugs or
Alcohol



No Unauthorised
Personnel



NO
SMOKING



PRE- OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

- ✓ Read Operators Manual
- ✓ Undertake a visual check of the machine.
 - Tyre pressure
 - Fuel Level
 - Engine oil level
 - Check coolant level (DO NOT remove hot radiator cap).
 - Wear appropriate PPE.
 - Check for hydraulic leaks.
- ✓ Defective vehicle is not to be used and have a DO NOT USE or similar tag attached until repairs are undertaken.

OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

- ✓ Use care boarding/alighting the machine to avoid slips/trips that could result in injury – ensure 3 points of contact and use any steps on the machine.
- ✓ The display, no matter who is operating the mower, programs the mowers to mow and turn at exact speeds, to transport at pre-set speeds and to lock in fuel savings.
- ✓ Adjust seat and steering column to personal preference.
- ✓ Fasten seat belt.
- ✓ Start and operate vehicle in accordance with Operators Manual.
- ✓ Ensure all safety cut-out switches are operations prior to leaving the maintenance facility.
- ✓ Beware of pedestrian and vehicle traffic in the Maintenance facility.
- ✓ Observe speed limit in the Maintenance facility.
- ✓ Ensure area to be cut is free of obstacles (hoses, hoops etc.), debris and bystanders/Players prior to engaging cutting gear and undertaking cutting task.
- ✓ Undertake cutting in the required direction, L/R, R/L etc., and use teardrop or 3 point turns when undertaking direction changes.

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- ✓ ALWAYS be aware of golfers and potential ball strike injury.
- ✓ Travel in transport gear, with cutting units raised at a speed appropriate to the conditions and terrain between areas to be cut.
- ✓ Exercise caution when operating machine in wet conditions – potential for tyre damage to turf when undertaking turns.
- ✓ Vehicle is to be parked with hand brake engaged in neutral gear when alighting mower.
- ✓ In the event of a hydraulic fluid leak park the vehicle in that rough as soon as possible, switch off the engine and follow the Hydraulic Fluid Spills Procedure.

ENDING OPERATIONS AND CLEANING UP

- ✓ Wash machine in accordance with Machinery Wash Down Procedure.
- ✓ DO NOT use hands to turn reels when washing cutting units.
- ✓ Vehicle is to be parked in its correct location with handbrake engaged and ignition turned OFF.

MAINTENANCE

- ⚠ Maintenance must only be performed by qualified personnel in accordance with the Maintenance Section of the Operations Manual.
- ⚠ This Safe Operating Procedure DOES NOT apply to any equipment that has been modified outside manufacturers specifications.

POTENTIAL HAZARDS AND INJURIES

- i Trips/slips with possible muscular skeletal injury when boarding or alighting the machine – sue 3 points of contact and steps on the machine.
- i Golf ball strike – be aware of golfer whereabouts.
- i Muscular skeletal injury if ground speed excessive over uneven terrain.
- i Serious injury form rollover on steep terrain or bunker edges.
- i Serious digit injury if turning or clearing obstacles from moving reels by hand.
- i Serious injury from high pressure hydraulic fluid and burns in the event of hydraulic fluid leak. Potential for fire and burns when refuelling or cleaning up fuel spills.

DO NOT

- ✗ DO NOT operate a defective vehicle.
- ✗ DO NOT operate this machine without adequate PPE.
- ✗ DO NOT exceed speed limit with the maintenance facility confines.
- ✗ DO NOT carry passengers on this machine.
- ✗ DO NOT permit bystanders to be adjacent to work area when cutting.
- ✗ DO NOT operate with fastening seat belt.
- ✗ DO NOT leave clippings in heaps in the rough when emptying grass catchers – spread them thinly and evenly.
- ✗ DO NOT attempt to spin cutting reels or clear obstacles from the cutting reels by hand.
- ✗ DO NOT expose unprotected skin to hot hydraulic fluid leaks – park mower away from fine cut turf and have repairs effected when fluid cools.
- ✗ DO NOT smoke or use mobile phones when refuelling.
- ✗ DO NOT remove hot radiator cap.



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I confirm I am competent to perform **Mowing** tasks following my training and reading of the attached Safe Operating Procedure.

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