Safety T.E.S.T.

Task/Equipment Specific Training

Push Mower

Company Name		Instructor				Date
Recommended Personal Protective Equipment						
Safety Glasses, Hearing Protection, Gloves, Above the Ankle Lace-up Work Boots, Safety Vest (while working near roadways and parking lots)						
Sequence of Basic Job Steps & Potential Hazards		Pictures	Recommended Action or Procedure			
	Examine the work area and equipment before working. Stones, pine cones, sticks, or trash could injure others, yourself, or cause property damage. Slip and Falls.		 Remove any object that can be thrown by the equipment and cause injury or property damage. Identify areas of potential slips and falls, pine straw beds, wet walkways, etc. Check the condition of the mower. Make repairs, replace necessary parts, and tighten loose bolts before using. 			
	Fuel equipment. Fires, Splashing gas in eyes, or adding wrong fuel mixture.		 DO NOT SMOKE or have an open flame while fueling. Let equipment cool down before fueling. Remove cap carefully. Wear safety glasses when fueling. Ensure that you are using the correct fuel. 			
	Starting equipment. Slip or Falls, Strains.		 Ensure equipment is on level ground and will not roll. Follow owner's manual on choke and throttle positions. Ensure blades are disengaged if applicable. Place foot on equipment for balance and to secure it down. Use one arm to pull back on cord and the other should hold the equipment steady. Avoid using your back to pull. 			
	Use equipment to cut grass. Strains/Sprains, Flying Debris, Slips, Trips, Falls, High noise levels, Vehicle Traffic, Lacerations.		 Hold equipment with both hands. Try to avoid twisting body, and always try to push not pull equipment. Wear safety glasses and always operate with guard attached and down. Wear work boots with good tread. Pay attention to surroundings. Wet grass can be very slippery. Wear appropriate hearing protection. Always face traffic and wear high vis safety vest. Wear abrasion-resistant gloves. Mow across hills or slopes, never up or down. When turning, avoid raising front wheels too high. Stop operations when pedestrians are nearby. Never leave the machine running and unattended. Watch the direction of the discharge carefully. Direct it away from cars, windows, people, etc. 			
	Replacing blades/Clearing jams Lacerations, Getting fingers/hand caught in turning attachments.		 Turn off motor and ensure blades have stopped turning before replacing or clearing jams. Unplug spark plug before replacing blades. 			
	Shut down equipment. Fires from hot exhaust, Rotatin attachments.	 Do not place exhaust from equipment near combustible material such as leaves. Keep clear of blades until they stop rotating. 				
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