SECTION 1: HYDROSTATIC SYSTEM

TO CHANGE HYDRO OIL ON COMMERCIAL MODELS, REMOVE OIL RETURN LINES FROM TOP OF HYDRO TANK AND PLACE THEM IN A DISPOSABLE OIL CONTAINER. START AND RUN MOWER UNTIL OIL LEVEL IS REDUCED DOWN TO ABOUT 2” OF OIL REMAINING IN THE TANK. DO NOT ALLOW AIR TO ENTER THE OIL LINES IN THE BOTTOM OF THE TANK. KEEP IN MIND THAT ONLY ABOUT 75% OF THE HYDRO OIL CAN BE CHANGED AT A TIME. USE ONLY 20W50 MOTOR OIL IN THE HYDRO SYSTEM.
CHANGE HYDRO OIL FILTERS BY UNSCREWING THEM FROM THE FILTER HEAD. FILL NEW FILTERS WITH 20W50 MOTOR OIL BEFORE INSTALLING. USE ONLY BAD BOY REPLACEMENT FILTERS. USING ANY OTHER FILTER WILL RESULT IN DAMAGE TO THE HYDRO SYSTEM AND VOID THE WARRANTY.
ONCE THE SYSTEM IS REFILLED WITH OIL, LIFT REAR OF MOWER UNTIL TIRES ARE OFF THE GROUND. START ENGINE, RELEASE PARKING BRAKE, PUSH CONTROL ARMS FORWARD, STAY CLEAR OF MOVING REAR TIRES, OPEN AND CLOSE THE BYPASS VALVE ON EACH PUMP ABOUT 6-10 TIMES BY LOOSENING AND TIGHTENING THE BOLT SHOWN IN THE ABOVE PHOTO. THIS WILL PURGE THE AIR FROM THE SYSTEM. (THE BYPASS BOLT HAS A HOLE DRILLED THROUGH THE SIDE OF THE BOLT HEAD). THIS VALVE ALSO SERVES AS A NEUTRAL FOR MOVING THE MOWER WITHOUT THE ENGINE RUNNING.
WHEN SERVICING A LIGHT DUTY COMMERCIAL MOWER WITH A SEALED TRANAXLE UNIT, START BY REMOVING THE FILTER SKID PLATE ON THE BOTTOM OF EACH UNIT. THE SKID IS HELD ON BY THREE 10MM BOLTS. NEXT, REMOVE THE FILTER. THE FILTER ALSO SERVES AS THE OIL DRAIN. EACH TRANAXLE HOLDS ABOUT 2 QUARTS OF HYDRO OIL. REINSTALL NEW FILTERS AND SKID PLATES. USE ONLY HYDRO-GEAR OR BAD BOY HYDRO FILTERS. USE OF ANY OTHER TYPE OF FILTER WILL RESULT IN DAMAGE TO THE HYDRO SYSTEM AND VOID THE WARRANTY.
THE FILL PLUG IS LOCATED AT THE TOP CENTER OF THE INSIDE CASE OF EACH TRANSAXLE. USE ONLY 20W50 MOTOR OIL IN THE HYDRO SYSTEM.
ONCE THE SYSTEM IS FILLED WITH OIL, LIFT REAR OF MOWER UNTIL REAR TIRES ARE OFF THE GROUND. START ENGINE, RELEASE PARKING BRAKE, PUSH DRIVE HANDLES FORWARD, STAY CLEAR OF MOVING REAR TIRES. NEXT, PULL THE NEUTRAL BYPASS LEVERS (LOCATED AT THE REAR OF THE FRAME, ON EITHER SIDE OF THE MUFFLER) IN AND OUT 6-10 TIMES TO PURGE THE SYSTEM OF ANY AIR. IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO ADD MORE OIL TO THE OVERFLOW TANK AFTER 10-15 MINUTES OF RUNNING. THESE BYPASS LEVERS ALSO SERVE AS A NEUTRAL FOR MOVING THE MOWER WITHOUT THE ENGINE RUNNING.
THE HYDRO OVERFLOW TANK ON A ZT MODEL IS LOCATED BEHIND THE SEAT. NOTICE THE “FULL COLD” LINE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE TANK. USE ONLY 20W50 MOTOR OIL IN THIS TANK.
SECTION 2: DRIVE BELT

SHOWN ABOVE IS THE AOS/DIESEL PUMP BELT TENSIONER. TIGHTENING THE TWO ¾” JAM NUTS ON THE LEFT SIDE WILL INCREASE THE BELT TENSION ON ALL MODELS. FACTORY SETTING IS ABOUT .030” (ABOUT THE THICKNESS OF A CREDIT CARD) BETWEEN COILS AS SHOWN BELOW.
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SECTION 3: ENGINE

SHOWN ABOVE IS A KAWASAKI ENGINE WITH THE “QUICK DRAIN” OIL DRAIN LOCATED ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ENGINE. USE A FLAT SCREW DRIVER AS SHOWN TO LOOSEN THE DRAIN.
MOST MODELS HAVE A DRAIN HOSE INSTALLED ON THE ENGINE FOR EASIER OIL CHANGES. ALL GAS ENGINES USED BY BAD BOY HAVE AN OIL CAPACITY OF 2 QUARTS. BAD BOY RECOMMENDS THAT THE OIL AND FILTER BE CHANGED EVERY 50-60 HOURS OF USAGE.
THE FUEL FILTER IS LOCATED IN THE FUEL LINE ABOUT 12” FROM THE CARBURATOR ON THE SIDE OF THE ENGINE. NOTE THE DIRECTION OF FLOW ON THE SIDE OF THE FILTER. REPLACE ONCE A YEAR.
Most all models have a vacuum operated fuel pump bolted to the side or top of the engine. The pump has a “fuel in”, a “fuel out”, and a vacuum line coming from the engine block. Fuel flow can be checked here if the pump is suspected to be defective.
WHEN SERVICING THE FUEL SYSTEM ON THE CAT DIESEL, IT IS NECESSARY TO PURGE THE AIR FROM THE SYSTEM BY LOOSENING THE 9/16” BOLT ON TOP OF THE FUEL FILTER AND PUMPING THE FUEL BULB UNTIL AIR BUBBLES ARE NO LONGER VISIBLE.
REMOVE AND INSPECT AIR CLEANER WEEKLY. (MORE OFTEN IN DUSTY CONDITIONS). **DO NOT** BLOW FILTER OUT WITH AIR PRESSURE, THIS WILL CAUSE THE FILTER TO BE FILLED WITH TINY HOLES THAT WILL ALLOW DIRT TO ENTER. INSTEAD, TAP FILTER ON SIDE TO REMOVE ANY DEBRIS. REPLACE AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR, MORE OFTEN IN DUSTY CONDITIONS.
TORQUE THE CLUTCH BOLT TO 50 FT. LBS. ON ALL MODELS. RETORQUE AT EVERY OIL CHANGE.
KEEP RADIATOR SCREEN CLEAN AND FREE OF DEBRIS ON LIQUID COOLED MODELS. CHECK SCREEN HourLY DURING DRY CONDITIONS. SLIDE RADIATOR SCREEN UP TO REMOVE.
SECTION 4: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

ON MOST LARGER COMMERCIAL ENGINES (27 HP AND UP). THE 25 AMP MAIN FUSE IS LOCATED ABOUT 3” FROM THE STARTER ON THE ENGINE.
ON SMALLER COMMERCIAL AND LIGHT DUTY COMMERCIAL MOWERS, THE 25 AMP MAIN FUSE IS LOCATED JUST BEHIND THE BATTERY CONNECTED TO THE STARTER SOLINOID.
ALWAYS CHECK THE CONDITION OF THE WIRING HARNESS GROUND CABLE. THE GROUND IS LOCATED JUST INSIDE OF THE RIGHT SIDE FUEL TANK ON MOST MODELS. ENSURE THAT THE GROUND IS CONNECTED, CLEAN, AND TIGHT. ON SOME MODELS, THIS WIRE MAY BE CONNECTED TO THE NEGATIVE SIDE OF THE BATTERY.
CHECK THE CONDITION AND CONNECTION OF THE RELAYS LOCATED UNDER THE SEAT. ENSURE THAT THEY ARE CLEAN AND CONNECTED. MAKE SURE THAT WIRE TERMINAL ENDS HAVE NOT BEEN PUSHED OUT OF THE RELAY BLOCK.
ON MOST MODELS, THE RED WIRE COMING OUT OF THE ENGINE IS THE CHARGING WIRE FROM THE ALTERNATOR. CHECK FOR 13.6 - 14.2 VOLTS DC AT THIS WIRE WITH ENGINE AT FULL THROTTLE.
SECTION 5: FRAME

TORQUE FRONT FORK CASTLE NUT TO 40 FT.LBS. BE SURE TO SPIN THE FORK WHILE TORQUING THE NUT TO ENSURE THAT NO BEARING DAMAGE IS DONE.
BE SURE TO REINSTALL THE COTTER PIN INTO THE CASTLE NUT. ALWAYS TRY TO GO TIGHTER ON THE NUT TO FIND A CASTLATION FOR THE PIN TO FIT IN. NEVER BACK THE BEARING TENSION OFF AFTER TORQUING THE NUT, THIS WILL “SPRING” THE BEARING CAGE.
TORQUE REAR WHEEL LUGS TO 65-75 FT.LBS. RETORQUE AT EVERY OIL CHANGE.
THERE IS ONE GREASE FITTING IN EACH FRONT WHEEL AND ONE IN EACH FRONT CASTER BEARING HOUSING. GREASE AT EVERY ENGINE OIL CHANGE.
THERE IS ONE GREASE FITTING ON EACH OF THE ACTUATOR BAR PILLOW BLOCKS LOCATED UNDER THE FUEL TANKS.

GREASE TWICE A SEASON.
THE PUMP BELT TENSIONER IS LOCATED UNDER THE ENGINE AND HAS A GREASE FITTING AT ITS PIVOT POINT. GREASE AT EVERY ENGINE OIL CHANGE.
THE DECK BELT TENSIONER IS LOCATED AT THE REAR OF THE DECK AND HAS A GREASE FITTING ON ITS PIVOT POINT. GREASE AT EVERY ENGINE OIL CHANGE.
THE CONTROL ARM BLOCKS HAVE GREASE FITTINGS LOCATED ON THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF EACH BLOCK. GReASE ONE TIME A YEAR.
ON COMMERCIAL MODELS, THE REACTION OF THE HYDRO PUMPS AND THE RESISTANCE FELT IN THE CONTROL ARMS CAN BE ADJUSTED BY MOVING THE PUSHRODS OR THE DAMPENERS UP OR DOWN IN THE MOUNTING HOLES.
MOVING DAMPENERS UP, LESS RESISTANCE.
DAMPENERS DOWN, MORE RESISTANCE.
MOVING PUSHRODS UP, SLOWER REACTION.
PUSHRODS DOWN, FASTER REACTION.
TO SERVICE THE PARKING BRAKE SYSTEM, THE REAR BRAKE ASSEMBLY REQUIRES A HUB PULLER TO REMOVE THE BRAKE DRUM AS SHOWN ABOVE. THE AXLE NUT MUST BE REPLACED AND TORQUED TO 200 FT.LBS. BE SURE TO REINSTALL THE COTTER PIN.

SECTION 6: CUTTING DECK
TO REMOVE THE DECK BELT, LIFT UP ON THE BELT WHILE ROTATING THE PULLEY TO ROLL THE BELT UP AND OFF OF THE PULLEY. (BE SURE NOT TO GET YOUR FINGERS BETWEEN BELT AND PULLEY).
TO CHECK THE LEVEL OF THE DECK, START ON A FLAT SURFACE AND SET THE AIR PRESSURE IN ALL FOUR TIRES. RAISE THE DECK UP, AND MEASURE ALL FOUR CORNERS OF THE DECK TO SEE IF IT IS LEVEL FROM LEFT TO RIGHT AND FRONT TO BACK. ALL DECKS SHOULD BE LEVEL FROM LEFT TO RIGHT AND HAVE A \( \frac{1}{4} \)" PITCH DOWN IN THE FRONT.
IF DECK ADJUSTMENTS ARE NECESSARY, START WITH THE CHAIN LENGTH ADJUSTERS. THESE ADJUSTERS AFFECT THE OVERALL HEIGHT OF THE DECK AND THE LEVEL FROM LEFT TO RIGHT.
THE LARGE TURN BUCKLES ON THE FRONT OF THE DECK ONLY AFFECT THE PITCH OF THE DECK OR THE LEVEL FROM FRONT TO BACK.
ON AN AOS/DIESEL MODEL, DECK BELT ADJUSTMENTS CAN BE MADE BY SLIDING THE REAR “V” IDLER PULLEYS UP OR DOWN IN THEIR SLOTS.
THE CONDITION OF THE BLADES CAN DRASTICLY AFFECT THE CUT QUALITY OF THE MOWER DECK. REPLACE AS NECESSARY.

THESE BLADES WERE USED CONSIDERABLY TOO LONG. RESHARPENING IS RECOMMENDED BY PROFESSIONALS ONLY TO DETERMINE WHEN THE BLADE NEEDS TO BE REPLACED AND BECAUSE OF THE NEED FOR REBALANCING.
TO CHANGE BLADES, IT MAY BE EASIER TO USE A PIECE OF WOOD TO KEEP THE BLADE FROM TURNING SO THAT THE BOLT CAN BE LOOSENED. RETORQUE THE BLADE BOLTS TO 90 - 110 FT.LBS.
The blade spindles contain a sealed ball bearing in the top and bottom of the spindle. The bearings are replaceable for a more cost effective repair.