# ATTACHMENT OPERATOR'S MANUAL



1697358A-00 Twin Bag Grass Catcher



### **Manual Contents:**

Operator Safety	
Hardware and Parts Identification	4
Assembly	5
Operation	6
Removal	7
Storage	7
Warranty	8

# Thrown object hazard. Roll over hazard.

### **General Information**

The illustrations in this document are representative. Your unit may vary from the images displayed. *LEFT* and *RIGHT* are referenced from the operator's position.





All packaging, used oil, and batteries should be recycled according to applicable government regulations.

All language translations of this document are derived from the original English source file.

# **Operator Safety**

### Safety Alert Symbol and Signal Words

The safety alert symbol is used to identify safety information about hazards that can result in personal injury. A signal word (DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION) is used with the alert symbol to indicate the likelihood and potential severity of injury. In addition, a hazard symbol may be used to represent the type of hazard.

DANGER indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

WARNING indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

CAUTION indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

**NOTICE** indicates an action that could result in damage to the product.

### **Hazard Symbols and Meanings**

Symbol	Meaning	
A	Safety information about the hazards that can result in personal injury.	
	Read the directions for use of the product before operating.	



Failure to read and follow the safety warnings and instructions in this document and in the tractor operator's manual could result in death, serious injury, and/or property damage.

The warnings and instructions must be read, understood, and followed when setting-up, operating, servicing, transporting, or storing the unit.



- DO NOT operate the unit without either the entire grass catcher or the deflector in place.
- Turn off the PTO to disengage the blades when not mowing.
- DO NOT mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary.
   Always look down and behind before and while traveling in reverse.

# **⚠** WARNING

### **Amputation or Laceration Hazard**

- If the mower stalls or the collection system plugs, disengage the electric clutch (PTO), stop the engine and remove the key. Set the parking brake. Wait for moving parts to stop. Remove the foreign object or clear the chute with a piece of wood before restarting the engine. Never place hands into the blower housing to clear a jammed object.
- Disengage the electric clutch (PTO). Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before attaching, adjusting, or disconnecting any part of the collection system.
- DO NOT make adjustments or repairs while the engine is running or blades are moving.
- DO NOT not place hands or feet near rotating parts.



### **Thrown Objects Hazard**

Do not open the cover while the blades are turning.

- Check the collection system to make sure it is bolted tightly to the unit.
- Collector bags are subject to deterioration and wear during normal use. Inspect the bag periodically for tears, holes, or weak spots and replace with a new bag that meets manufacturer's durability standards.





# Loss of Control, Roll-over and Tipping Hazard

- Use a reduced speed on uneven ground and when turning corners.
- Reduce loads on hillsides. It is recommended that the collection system be kept only half full when mowing any slope. Start mowing on slopes when the collection system is empty.
- Mow up and down the face of slopes; never across the face of any slope.
- Never operate on slopes greater than 17.6% (10°).
- Select a slow ground speed before driving onto a slope. Avoid using brakes to control speed.
- Use caution when changing directions and DO NOT start or stop the tractor while on a slope.

### **Safety Decals**

Before operating the grass catcher, read and understand the installed safety decals. The decals are provided to help you avoid personal injury or damage to the product.

If any safety decals become damaged or illegible, order replacements from your local authorized dealer.

Decal - WARNING

Thrown Objects Hazard

Part Number - 1732819





Part Number - 7104709



### **Decal Icon Definitions**



**WARNING:** Thrown objects hazard. Objects thrown by the mower can seriously injure or kill you.

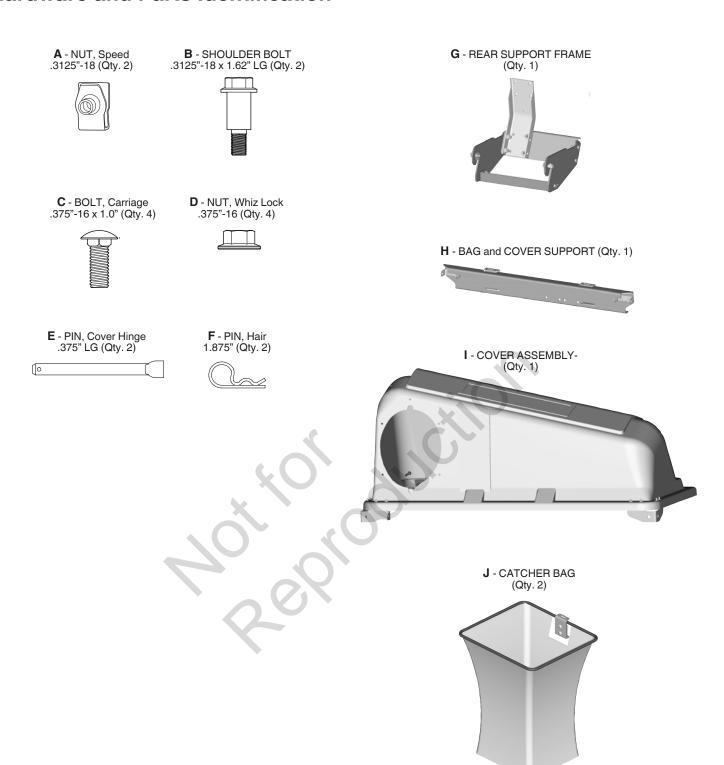


Do not open the hopper while the mower blades are turning. Do not operate the mower without the complete catcher in place.



Keep a safe distance. Keep children away.

## **Hardware and Parts Identification**



## **Assembly**

The uppercase letters refer to the hardware and the parts in the kit. The lowercase letters refer to the existing hardware and parts.



### **WARNING**

Disengage the electric clutch (PTO). Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before attaching, adjusting, or disconnecting any part of the collection system.

### **Install the Hitch Assembly**

- 1. Put the speed nut (A, Figure 1) into the square hole on the rear frame support (a). Make sure the thread side is on the inner side of the support.
- 2. Install the shoulder bolt (B).
- 3. Do these steps on the other side.

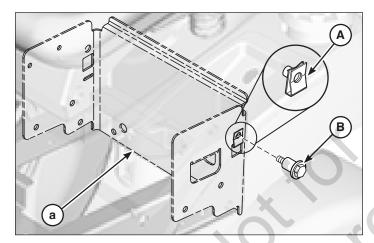


Figure 1

4. Put the rear support frame (**G**, Figure 2) onto the shoulder bolts of the rear frame support.

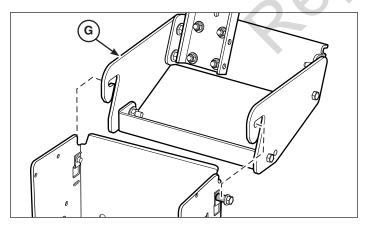


Figure 2

### **Install the Bag and Cover Support**

1. Position the holes in the bag and cover support (**H**, Figure 3) with the holes of the rear support frame. Install the bolts (**C**) and the locknuts (**D**).

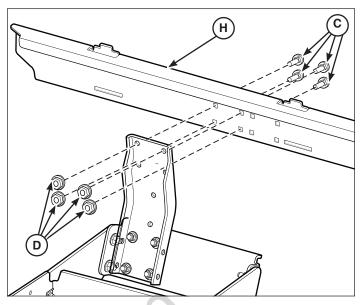


Figure 3

### **Install the Cover Assembly**

1. Attach the cover assembly (I, Figure 4) onto the hinge pivots (b) on the bag and cover support. Install the cover with the hinge pins (E) and the hair pins (F).

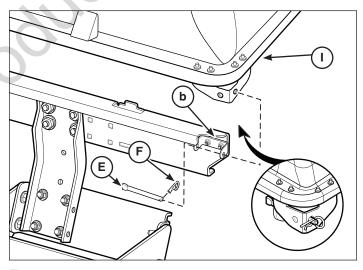


Figure 4

### Install the Catcher Bags

- 1. Lift the cover.
- 2. Put the bag hangers (c, Figure 5) on the catcher bags (**J**) onto the hanger posts (**d**).

Note: Fold the seat forward to let the cover stay in the up position.

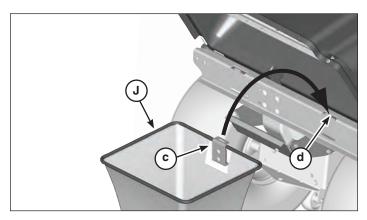


Figure 5

### Install the Catcher Boot Kit / Turbo Kit



### WARNING

 DO NOT operate the unit without either the entire grass catcher or the deflector in place.

Install the catcher boot kit or turbo kit (supplied separately) designed for the mower deck on your rider. Refer to the catcher boot kit or turbo kit manual.

### Operation



### WARNING

Disengage the electric clutch (PTO). Shut off the engine, remove the key, and wait for all moving parts to stop before attaching, adjusting, or disconnecting any part of the collection system.

### **Before Operation**

Remove all sticks, stones, or other debris, which can get caught or thrown by the mower blades.

For best results, mow when the grass is dry. Wet grass can clump and block the mower and grass catcher.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN MOWING, make sure the bottom of the mower and the bottom of the catcher cover are clear of grass and debris.

For satisfactory grass collection, air circulation from the mower deck, through the chute, and into the grass catcher is very important.

Make sure there are tight connections between the mower deck, catcher boot / turbo housing, tubes, and grass catcher cover.

### Mowing with the Catcher

Always operate the riding mower with the throttle at full speed.

If grass is long, slow the ground speed and cut half the width of the mower to prevent blockage. Another method is to cut once with the deck in a high setting and then cut again with the deck in a low setting.

### Do not open the cover with the mower engaged.

If a large amount of cut grass ejects from the bottom of the deck, the tube may be blocked or the bags may be full. Stop the rider, disengage the PTO, stop the engine and then empty the catcher or remove the blockage from the tube.

### **Recommended Accessories**

Use front counterweights if operating on slopes when a rear attachment is installed. Two rear wheel weights can also be added. Never operate on slopes greater than 17.6% (10°).

### Removal

### **A** WARNING

When operating without the catcher, the mower deflector MUST be installed in the down position.

### **WARNING**

- DO NOT operate the unit without either the entire grass catcher or the deflector in place.
- 1. Lift the cover assembly (I, Figure 6).
- 2. Remove the bags (J). Empty and let the bags dry.

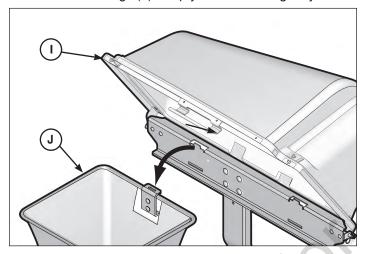


Figure 6

3. Remove the rear support frame (a, Figure 7) from the rear of the rider.

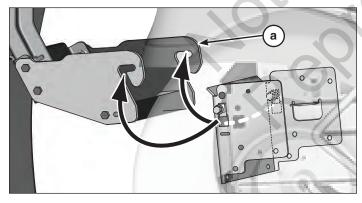


Figure 7

4. Remove the catcher boot kit or turbo kit. Refer to the catcher boot kit or turbo kit manual.

### **Storage**

Clean the grass catcher with a mild detergent. Remove debris from the screen on the bottom of the lid.

If paint is scratched on metal parts, paint the parts again, or apply a thin layer of oil to prevent corrosion.

Keep in a dry area. Dry fully before long term of storage. Always store away from moisture.

### Warranty

### **BRIGGS & STRATTON® PRODUCTS WARRANTY POLICY**

### LIMITED WARRANTY

Briggs & Stratton warrants that, during the warranty period specified below, it will repair or replace, free of charge, any part that is defective in material or workmanship or both. Transportation charges on product submitted for repair or replacement under this warranty must be borne by purchaser. This warranty is effective for and is subject to the time periods and conditions stated below. For warranty service, find the nearest Authorized Service Dealer in our dealer locator map at briggsandstratton. com. The purchaser must contact the Authorized Service Dealer, and then make the product available to the Authorized Service Dealer for inspection and testing.

There is no other express warranty. Implied warranties, including those of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are limited to the warranty period listed below, or to the extent permitted by law. Liability for incidental or consequential damages are excluded to the extent exclusion is permitted by law. Some states or countries do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, and some states or countries do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation and exclusion may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state or country.\*\*

### **WARRANTY PERIOD**

Item	Consumer Use	Commercial Use
Accessory/Attachment	12 months	None

\*\* In Australia - Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure. For warranty service, find the nearest Authorized Service Dealer in our dealer locator map at BRIGGSandSTRATTON.COM, or by calling 1300 274 447, or by emailing or writing to salesenquires@briggsandstratton.com.au, Briggs & Stratton Australia Pty Ltd, 1 Moorebank Avenue, NSW, Australia, 2170.

The warranty period begins on the date of purchase by the first retail or commercial consumer. "Consumer use" means personal residential household use by a retail consumer. "Commercial use" means all other uses, including use for commercial, income producing or rental purposes. Once a product has experienced commercial use, it shall thereafter be considered as a commercial use product for purposes of this warranty.

To ensure prompt and complete warranty coverage, register your product at the website shown above or at www.onlineproductregistration.com.

Save your proof of purchase receipt. If you do not provide proof of the initial purchase date at the time warranty service is requested, the manufacturing date of the product will be used to determine the warranty period. Product registration is not required to obtain warranty service on Briggs & Stratton products.

### **ABOUT YOUR WARRANTY**

Warranty service is available only through Authorized Service Dealers. Most warranty repairs are handled routinely, but sometimes requests for warranty service may not be appropriate. This warranty covers only defects in materials or workmanship. It does not cover damage caused by improper use or abuse, improper maintenance or repair, or normal wear and tear.

Improper Use and Abuse - The proper, intended use of this product is described in the Operator's Manual. Using the product in a way not described in the Operator's Manual or using the product after it has been damaged will not be covered under this warranty. Warranty coverage will also not be provided if the serial number on the product has been removed or the product has been altered or modified in any way, or if the product has evidence of abuse such as impact damage or water/chemical corrosion damage.

Improper Maintenance or Repair - This product must be maintained according to the procedures and schedules provided in the Operator's Manual, and serviced or repaired using genuine Briggs & Stratton parts or equivalent. Damage caused by lack of maintenance or use of non-original parts is not covered by warranty.

Normal Wear and Tear - Like most mechanical devices, your unit is subject to wear even when properly maintained. This warranty does not cover repairs when normal use has exhausted the life of a part or the equipment. Maintenance and wear items such as filters, belts, cutting blades, and brake pads (except engine brake pads) are not covered by warranty due to wear characteristics alone, unless the cause is due to defects in material or workmanship.

Other Exclusions - This warranty excludes damage due to accident, abuse, modifications, alterations, improper servicing, freezing or chemical deterioration.

Attachments or accessories that were not originally packaged with the product are also excluded. This warranty does not include used, reconditioned, second-hand, or demonstration equipment or engines. This warranty also excludes failures due to acts of God and other force majeure events beyond the manufacturer's control.