

SAFETY FIRST

If you are collecting the equipment for someone else, please make sure this sheet is given to the equipment user to read. This sheet should be given to the site supervisor if the equipment is being hired for commercial use so that the information is available to all users. Before starting any job, be sure to spend a few minutes planning and understanding the hazards and risks of the activity and determining how you will control them to prevent injury or damage.

Recommended PPE Equipment:



Pre-Start Checks and Safety

- Check fuel tank is full and cap is secure
NOTE: Petrol is used
- Check for loose nuts, bolts and screws
- Check the connector locking pin is working correctly and is secure
- Make sure the flexi shaft pump head, motor and discharge hose are connected securely
- Make sure the job site is safe to operate
- Do not allow inexperienced people to operate the pump
- Keep people away from worksite

Starting Procedure

- Connect the Flexible Pump
- Make sure the connector is located and locked correctly
- Turn the engine switch to ON
- Turn the fuel tap to ON
- Open the choke lever (cold start)
- Open the throttle lever to 1/2
- Pull the start rope cord
- Return the choke lever to OFF
- Open the throttle lever to FULL

When Operating

- Keep an eye on the water level and do not allow the pump to run dry.
- Never leave the machine unattended while running
- Ensure the discharge hose is confined to the workspace
- Minimise sharp bends or curves in driveshaft

Stopping and After Use

- Return the throttle lever to OFF
- Turn the engine switch to OFF
- Turn the fuel tap to OFF
- Disconnect the Flexi Pump
- Let the unit cool down
- Make sure the unit is clean

Fuel Safety

- Do not smoke or bring any fire or flame near the fuel whilst re-fueling or operating the saw.
- Always shut off the engine and allow it to cool before re-fueling. Relieve fuel tank pressure by loosening the fuel cap slowly.
- Select bare ground for fueling and move at least three metres from fueling spot before starting engine.
- Wipe up any spilled fuel and check for leakage.
- If fuel gets spilled on clothes it is very important to change clothes immediately. Flammable quantities of fuel may stay on clothes after a spill longer than expected. Operation of machines when clothes are wet or damp from petrol is extremely dangerous as the operator's clothes may catch fire and cause serious or personal injury.
- Always ensure the fuel cap is secured tightly.
- Check for fuel leakage while re-fueling and during operation. If a fuel leak is suspected, do not start or run the engine until the leak is fixed and spilled fuel has been wiped away.

NZMH Website Health & Safety page link for other equipment safety sheets:

