

Lawn Mower Maintenance Checklist

A. Cleaning the Mower Deck:

- Start by disconnecting the spark plug to ensure safety.
- Remove grass clippings, dirt, and debris from the mower deck using a brush or scraper.
- Rinse the deck with a garden hose, and dry it thoroughly to prevent corrosion.

B. Changing the Oil:

- Follow your mower's manual for oil type and replacement intervals.
- Position an oil pan beneath the drain plug, and remove the plug to drain the old oil.
- Replace the oil filter if applicable.
- Refill with fresh, clean oil to the recommended level.

C. Replacing Spark Plugs and Air Filters:

- Inspect the spark plug and air filter for signs of wear, damage, or excessive dirt.
- If needed, remove and replace the spark plug and air filter with new, compatible ones.
- Consult your mower's manual for specifications.

D. Sharpening or Replacing Blades:

- Ensure the mower's spark plug is disconnected.
- Remove the mower blade(s) and carefully inspect for damage or wear.
- Sharpen the blade(s) with a file or replace them if necessary.
- Reattach the blade(s) securely.

E. Checking Fuel System and Lines:

- Inspect the fuel tank for debris or contaminants and clean it if necessary.
- Examine fuel lines and connections for leaks or damage.
- Ensure the fuel cap is secure and functioning correctly.

F. Inspecting Belts and Pulleys:

- Check belts for signs of wear, cracks, or fraying.
- Inspect pulleys for damage or misalignment.
- Tighten or replace belts and adjust pulleys as needed.

G. Testing Safety Features:

- Ensure safety features, such as the shut-off switch and brake, are functioning correctly.
- Test the mower's self-propel and blade engagement mechanisms for smooth operation.
- Verify that the throttle and governor settings are adjusted to the manufacturer's specifications.