



PTO GRASS COLLECTION SYSTEM

**DESIGNED FOR:
KUBOTA DECK DRIVE**

MODEL# 28621207 ZD300 SERIES



OPERATOR'S MANUAL

ASSEMBLY ● OPERATION ● MAINTENANCE

PECO GRASS COLLECTION SYSTEM

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Safety

1. Read the operator's manual carefully and familiarize yourself with the proper use of your attachment. Do not allow anyone who is not acquainted with the Safety Instructions to use your attachment.
2. Know the controls and how to stop quickly. READ THE OPERATOR'S MANUAL!
3. Do not allow children to operate the vehicle. Do not allow adults to operate it without proper instruction.
4. Be especially watchful of children and pets darting into the area while operating.
5. Keep your eyes and mind on your unit while mowing or operating your attachment. Don't let others distract you.
6. Do not attempt to operate your unit or mower when not in the driver's seat.
7. Always stop unit when emptying the container.
8. Stop unit, shut off deck attachment, set parking brake, shut off mower engine and remove spark plug wire before removing clogs, removing or replacing hose, boot, blower cone, or performing any maintenance.
9. Mow across the face of slopes (not steeper than 10 degrees); never up and down the face of the slope.
10. It is recommended that the container be kept only half full when negotiating any slopes. Start mowing on slopes when the container is empty.
11. Inspect your lawn and remove any foreign objects before mowing. Never deliberately run the mower across any foreign object.
12. Wear ear protection if the noise level is offensive.
13. Wear eye protection to prevent debris from damaging your eyes.

SAFETY

WARNING! **NEVER** operate the mower unless the discharge guard and either the deflector assembly or the vacuum collector adapter are fastened securely in place.

WARNING! Do not work around the mower deck boot or the blower area until you are certain that the mower blades and the blower impeller have stopped rotating.

WARNING! To avoid serious injury, perform maintenance on the vacuum collector; **ONLY AFTER STOPPING THE MOWER'S ENGINE AND WAITING FOR ALL MOVING PARTS TO COME TO A COMPLETE STOP.** Set the parking brake. Always remove the ignition key before beginning maintenance.

WARNING! For your own personal safety, **ALWAYS** mow **ACROSS** the face of slopes and **NEVER UP and DOWN** the face. **NEVER** attempt to mow excessively steep slopes, and use caution when turning on any slope.

Safety Alert Symbol



This Safety Alert Symbol means: **“ATTENTION! BECOME ALERT! YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED!”**

This symbol is used to call attention to safety precautions that Should be followed by the operator to avoid accidents. When you see this symbol, carefully read the message that follows and heed its advice. Failure to comply with safety precautions could result in death or serious bodily injury.

Safety Signs

The signal words **DANGER**, **WARNING**, and **CAUTION** are used on the equipment safety signs. These words are intended to alert the viewer to the existence and the degree of hazard seriousness.



White letters on **RED**

This signal word indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



Black letters on **ORANGE**

This signal word indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.



Black letters on **YELLOW**

This signal word indicates a potentially hazardous situation exist which, if not avoided, will result in minor or moderate injury.

It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

PECO LIMITED WARRANTY FOR NEW PRODUCTS

A. WHAT IS WARRANTED?

PECO extends the following warranties to the original purchaser of each new PECO consumer product subject to the following limitations:

- 1. PRODUCT WARRANTY:** Any part of any consumer product, which is defective in material or workmanship as delivered to the purchaser will be repaired or replaced, as PECO elects, without charge for parts or labor, if the defect appears within 12 months from the date of delivery of the product to the original purchaser. **ALL DEFECTIVE PARTS MUST BE RETURNED TO PECO FOR INSPECTION TO DETERMINE VALIDITY OF WARRANTY CLAIMS.** Freight and mailing will be borne by the customer.

- 2. PARTS REPLACED DURING WARRANTY:** Any new PECO part which is furnished in performance of this warranty and is defective in material or workmanship as delivered to the purchaser will be repaired or replaced, as PECO elects, without charge if the defect appears within 90 days from the date of installation of such part or before the expiration of the original warranty period, whichever is later.

B. SECURING WARRANTY ADJUSTMENTS.

Call PECO for Return Authorization. Damaged or broken parts, other than engines or batteries, must be returned to PECO Inc., 100 Airport Road, Arden, NC 28704 before any warranty adjustment can be authorized. At the time of requesting warranty adjustment, the purchaser must present evidence for date of delivery of the product. The purchaser shall pay any charge for the product to and from Arden, NC.

C. ITEMS NOT COVERED BY PECO WARRANTY.

Engines and batteries attached to PECO products are covered under a separate warranty by the respective manufacturer.

D. UNAPPROVED ALTERATION OR MODIFICATION.

All obligations of PECO Inc., under this warranty, shall be terminated if products are altered or modified in ways not approved by PECO Inc..

E. ACCIDENTS AND NORMAL MAINTENANCE.

The warranty covers only defective material and workmanship. It does not cover depreciation or damage caused by normal wear, accident, improper use or abuse of products. The cost of normal maintenance and normal replacement of service items such as belts, cutting blades, hoses, etc., which are not defective shall be paid for by the purchaser.

F. NO REPRESENTATIONS ADDITIONAL WARRANTIES, DISCLAIMER.

Neither PECO Inc. nor any company affiliated with it makes any warranties, representations or promises as to the quality of performance of its products other than those set forth herein. Except as described above, PECO Inc. makes no other warranties **AND SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF FITNESS AND MERCHANTABILITY.**

G. ANY MACHINE USED FOR RENTAL PURPOSES ARE GUARANTEED FOR 45 DAYS FROM DATE OF ORIGINAL SALE ONLY.

H. REMEDIED EXCLUSIVE.

The only remedies the purchaser has in connection with the breach or performance of any warranty on PECO Inc. consumer products are set forth above. In no event will PECO be liable for special incidental or consequential damages.

1. NO SERVICE CENTER WARRANTY.

The selling Service Center makes no warranty on his own on any item warranted by PECO Inc. unless he delivers to purchaser a separate written warranty certificate specifically warranting the item. The dealer has no authority to make any representation or promise on behalf of PECO or to modify the terms of this warranty in any way.

SECTION I

INTRODUCTION AND DESCRIPTION

1-1 Introduction

We are pleased to have you as a PECO customer. Your collection system has been designed to give you a low maintenance, simple and effective way to collect the grass clippings from your mower. This manual is provided to give you the necessary instructions to properly mount and operate the collection system on your mower. Please read this manual thoroughly. Understand what each control is for and how to use it. Observe all safety decal precautions on the machine and noted throughout the manual.

Note: all references made to right, left, front, rear, top or bottom are as viewed from the normal operator's position on the mower.

1-2 Description

The collection system is designed for turf maintenance where there is a need to collect the grass clippings as the mower cuts the turf. It is also good for picking up leaves and twigs in pre-season and post-season clean-up.

This collection system is designed to work with the Kubota deck drive system.

Section II

INSTALLATION FOR USE

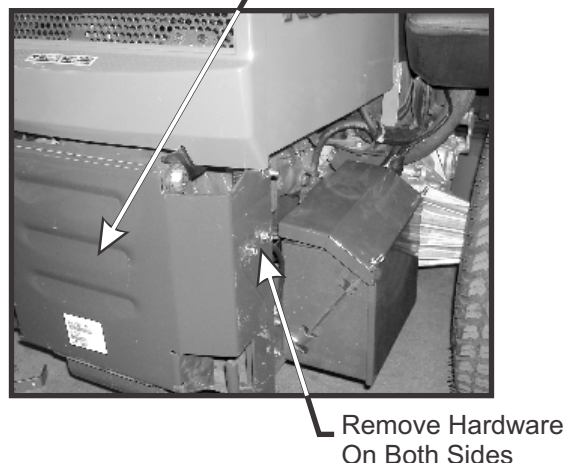
2-1 Preparation Of Mower

Carefully dismantle wooden shipping crate from around the components. Cut retaining straps and separate the parts. The collection system will have various parts located inside. Remove and sort all parts for easy identification.

NOTE: Before each step of assembly it will help to study the exploded drawings on pages 8 and 9.

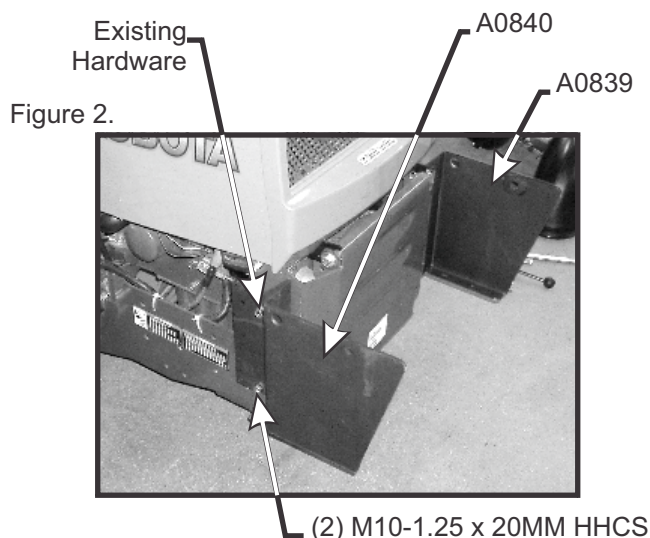
Remove the existing hardware and rear bumper of the mower as shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1. Rear Bumper



2-2 Lower Mount Bracket Assembly Installation

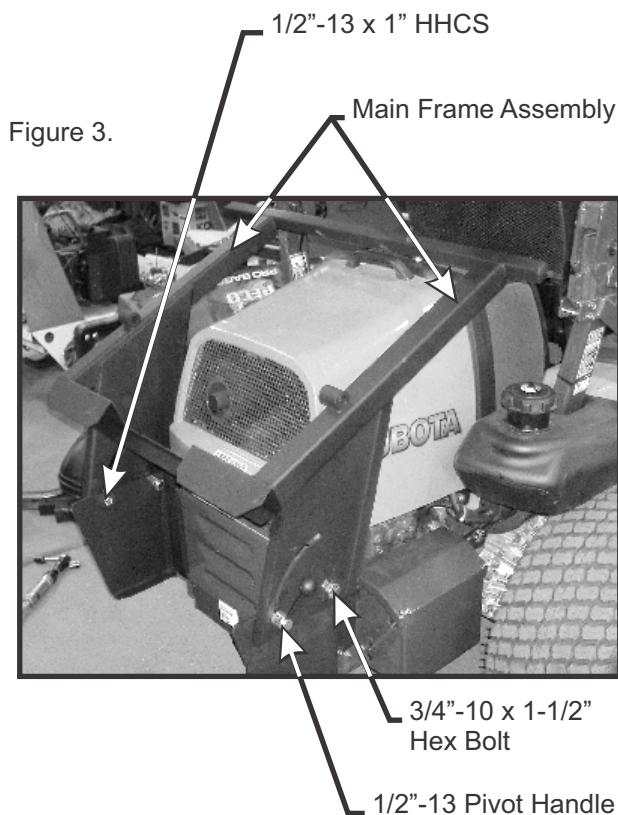
Fasten the left and right lower mount bracket assemblies P#(A0839 & A0840) to the rear frame of the mower, using the existing hardware and (2) M10-1.25 x 20MM HHCS P#(K1269). See Figure 2.



2-3 Top Main Frame Assembly Installation

NOTE: It is recommended that you have someone assist you in mounting the top main frame assembly.

Lift the main frame assembly P#(A0228) and align the mounting holes located on the mount bracket assembly P#(A0257) with the holes on the main frame assembly. Fasten the main frame assembly to the mount brackets using (2) 3/4"-10 x 1-1/2" hex bolts P#(K0364), (2) 3/4"-10 nyloc nuts P#(K1433) and (2) 1/2"-13 handles P#(A1001) and 1/2"-13 x 1" HHCS P#(K1231). See Figure 3.



2-4 Aluminum Grass Container Installation

NOTE: It is recommended that (3) people assist in mounting the container.

With three people available, two can lower the container onto the frame while the third person inserts the pivot pins P#(K0172) through the holes. Insert the pins from the outside to the inside. Secure with (1) 5/8" washer P#(K0058) and (1) 5/32" x 2-5/8" hair pin clip P#(K0088) per pivot pin (Figure 4).

Reattach the bottom ends of the door opening linkages to the main frame by using (1) Rue-Ring cotter pin P#(K1437) per side.

To test the functionality of the dump mechanism, pull the lift handle away from the unit, and lift upward (Page 9). The door of the container should open and the box should pivot clockwise towards the ground.

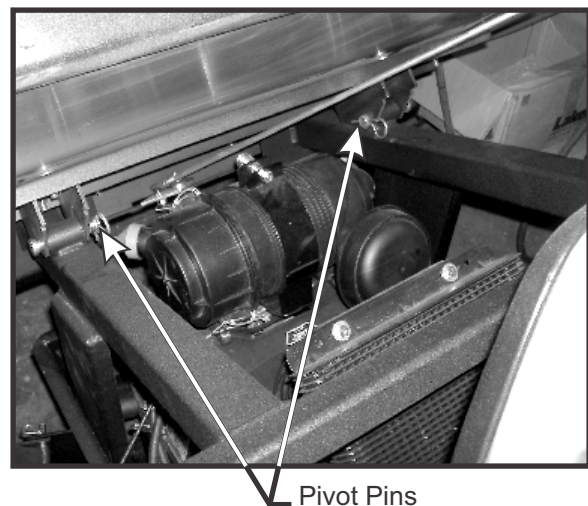
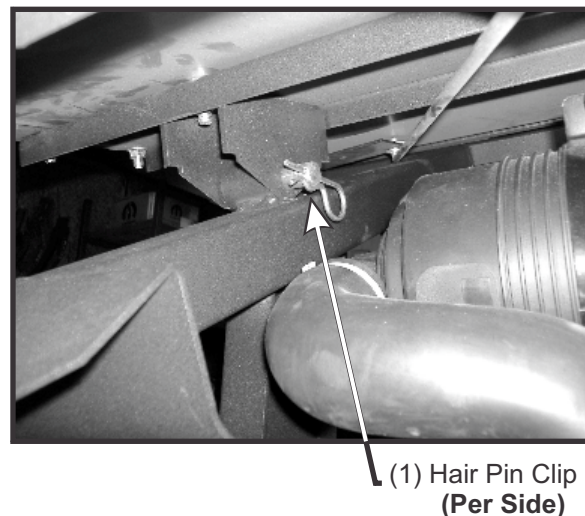


Figure 4.



2-5 Lift Handle Installation

The various parts of the handle assembly P#(A0897) must be attached to the container frame. Figure 5 shows the orientation and location of the components. Slide the lift handle into the slot in the handle mount bracket P#(B1730) on the grass container. It may be necessary to remove the handle grip P#(J0522) to allow the handle to fit through the slot.

Before attaching the handle, hook one end of the spring P#(J0176) into the hole on the underside of the handle. Hook the other end of the spring into the open hole in the handle mount bracket. Fasten the handle to the grass container frame by using (1) 3/8"-16 x 2" HHCS P#(K1208) and (2) 3/8"-16 flange nuts P#(K1215). At this point the handle can pivot back and forth in the slot of the handle mount bracket. With the handle in place, fasten the ball joint P#(K1442) to the end of the latch rod P#(A0260) (Figure 6). Tighten to approximately half way down the threads of the latch rod. Slide the ball joint into the hole on the latch hook P#(B1529). Use (1) 5/16"-24 hex nut P#(K1444) and (1) 5/16" lock washer P#(K0043) to fasten the ball joint to the latch hook. Attach the opposite end of the latch rod into the handle. Fasten the rod to the handle by using (1) 3/32" x 3/4" cotter pin P#(K0094). Adjust the rod to allow the hook to close the box door completely.

Refer to pages 8 and 9 for exploded parts drawings and photographs of the complete assembly. Figure 5 shows the lift handle installed on the unit.

Figure 5



2-6 Dump Mechanism Adjustment

The linkage may be adjusted in two places, at the adjusting screw P#(K1435) and the latch assembly items. See page 10 for visual clarification. To change the door closure tightness, screw the adjusting screw (Figure 6.) in or out. To adjust the latch, change the length of the latch rod by screwing the latch adjusting ball joint in or out. The latch hook pivot should be in the middle of the slot in the latch hook pivot plate. Slide the pivot back or forth and then re-tighten.

Figure 6

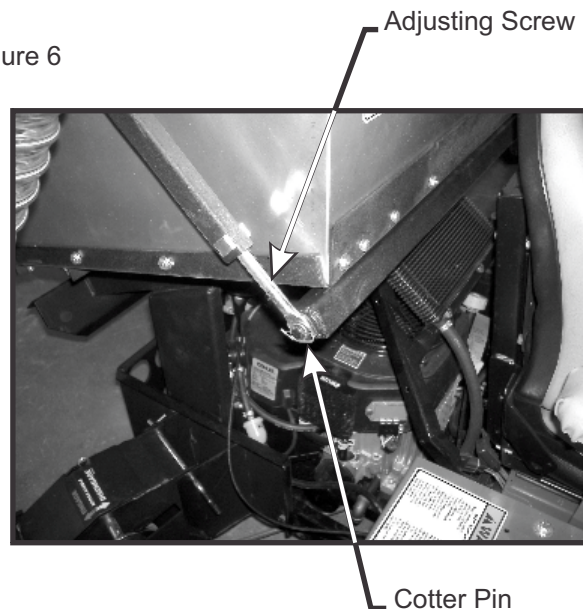


Figure 7
Lift Handle Assy.

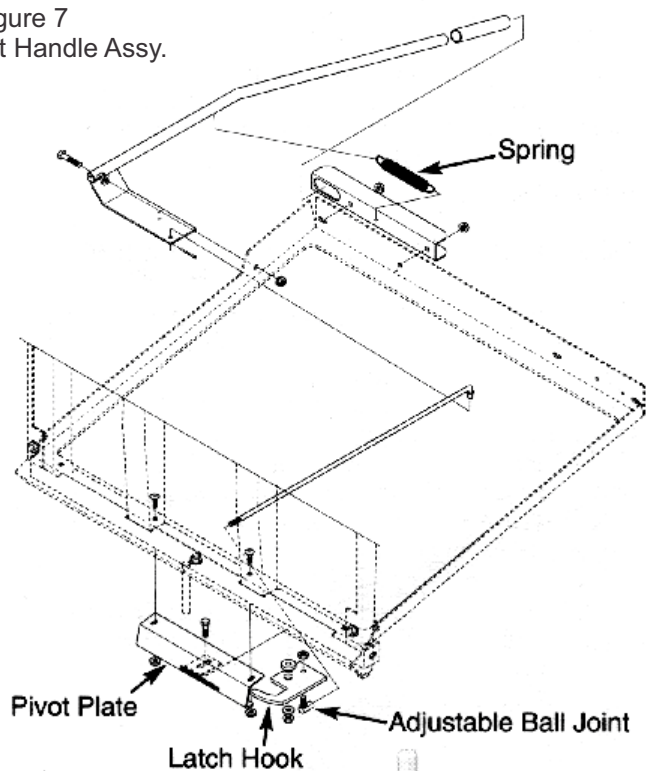


Figure 8 Aluminum Grass Container
With Handle Attached

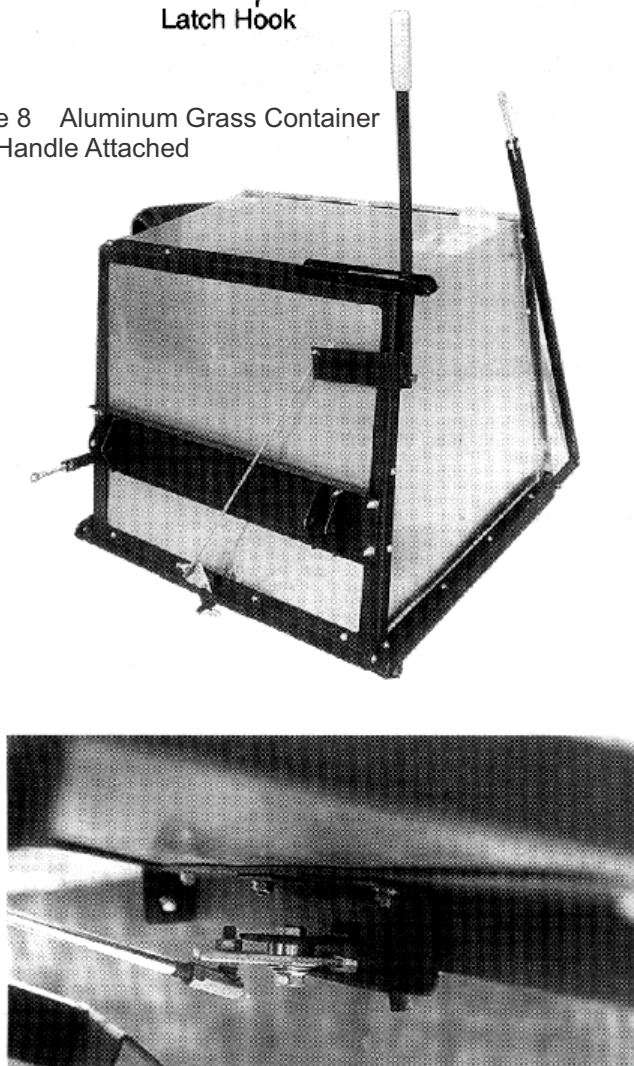
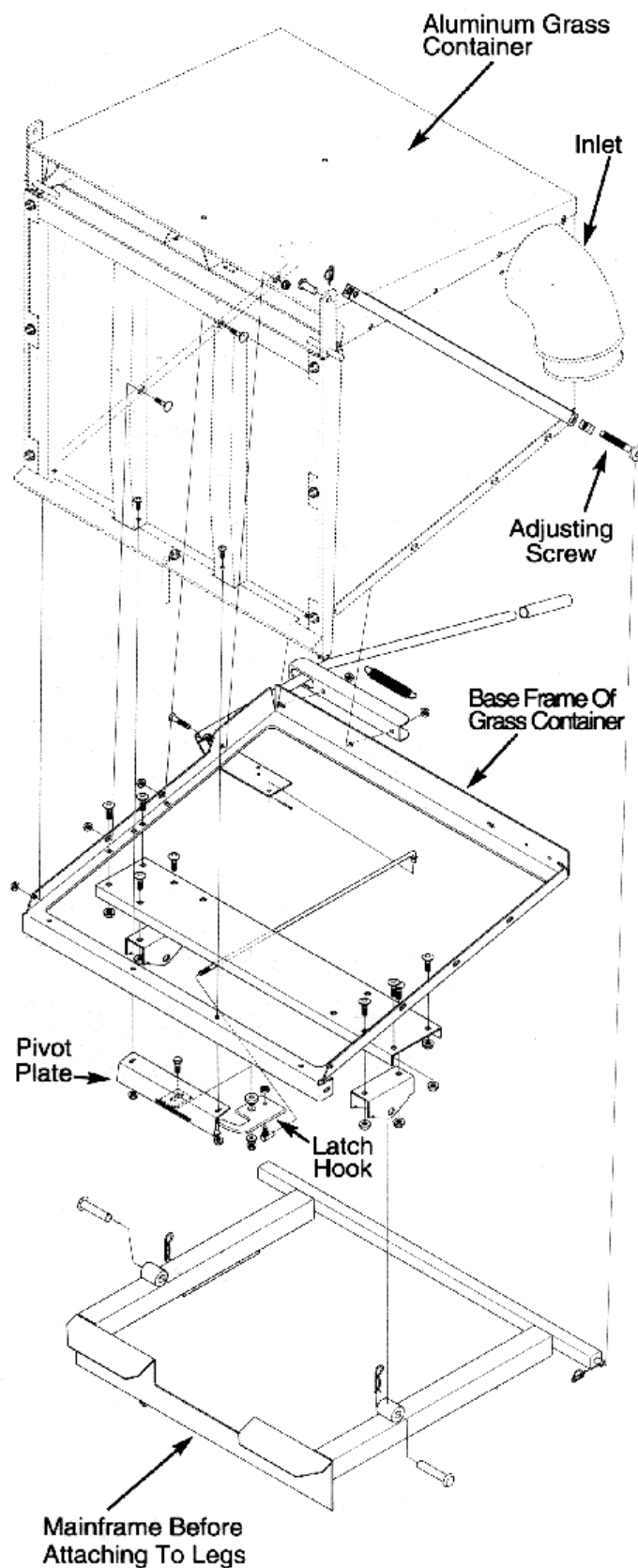
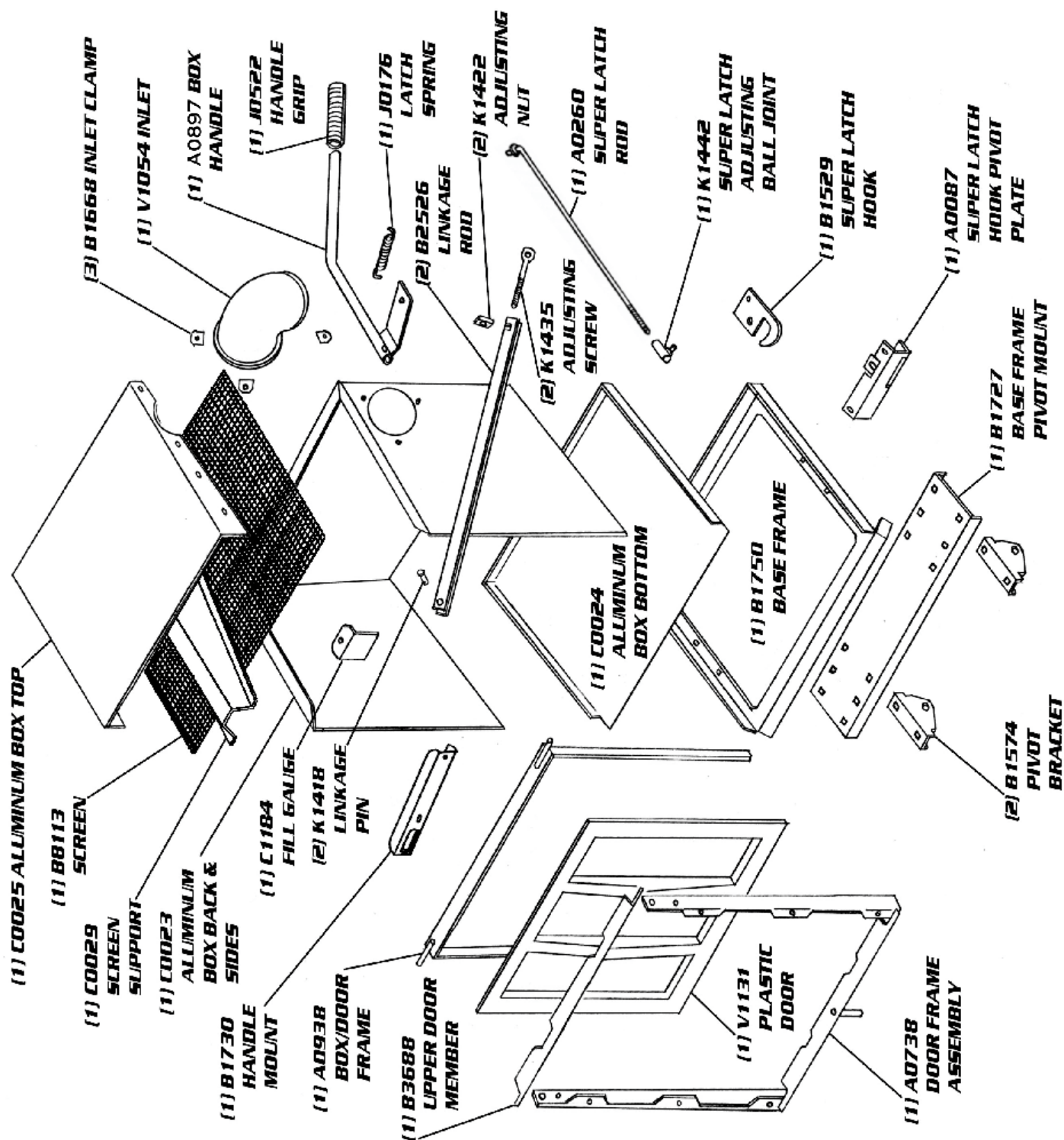


Figure 9 Aluminum Grass Container Assy.



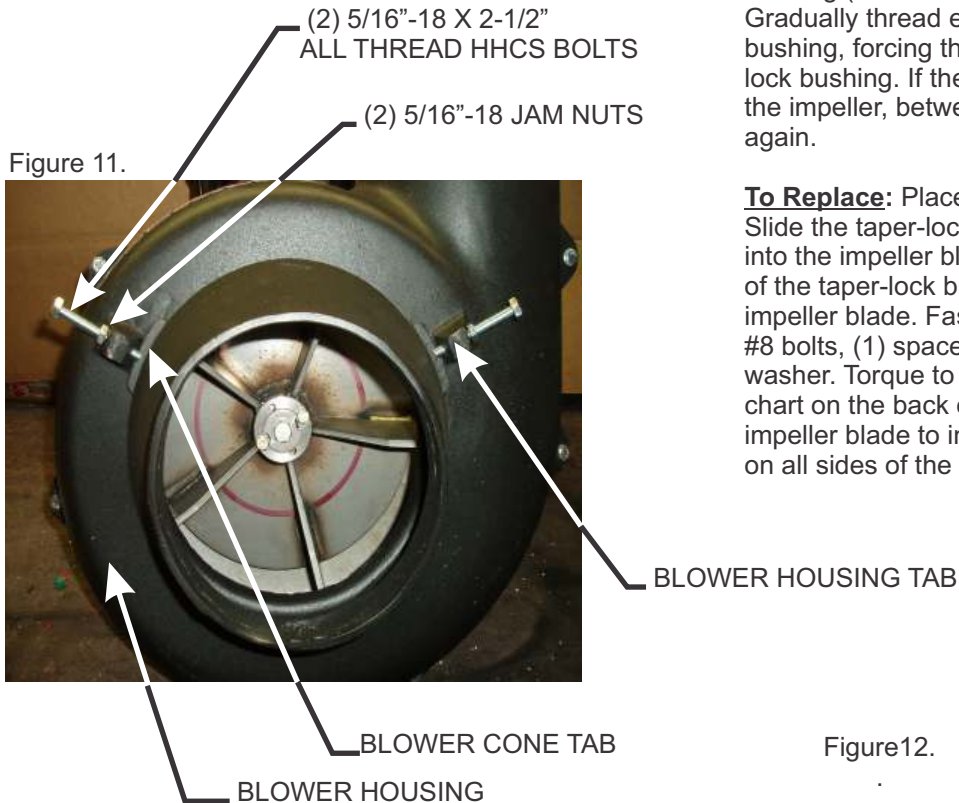
ALUMINUM GRASS CONTAINER
EXPLODED VIEW

Figure 10



2-7 Blower Cone Installation

Thread (1) 5/16"-18 jam nut P#(K0120) onto each end of (2) 5/16"-18 x 2-1/2" HHCS P#(K0125). Now partially thread the bolts into each of the two tabs located on the blower housing. Place blower cone so the two tabs line up with the bolts then tighten completely. See Figure 11.

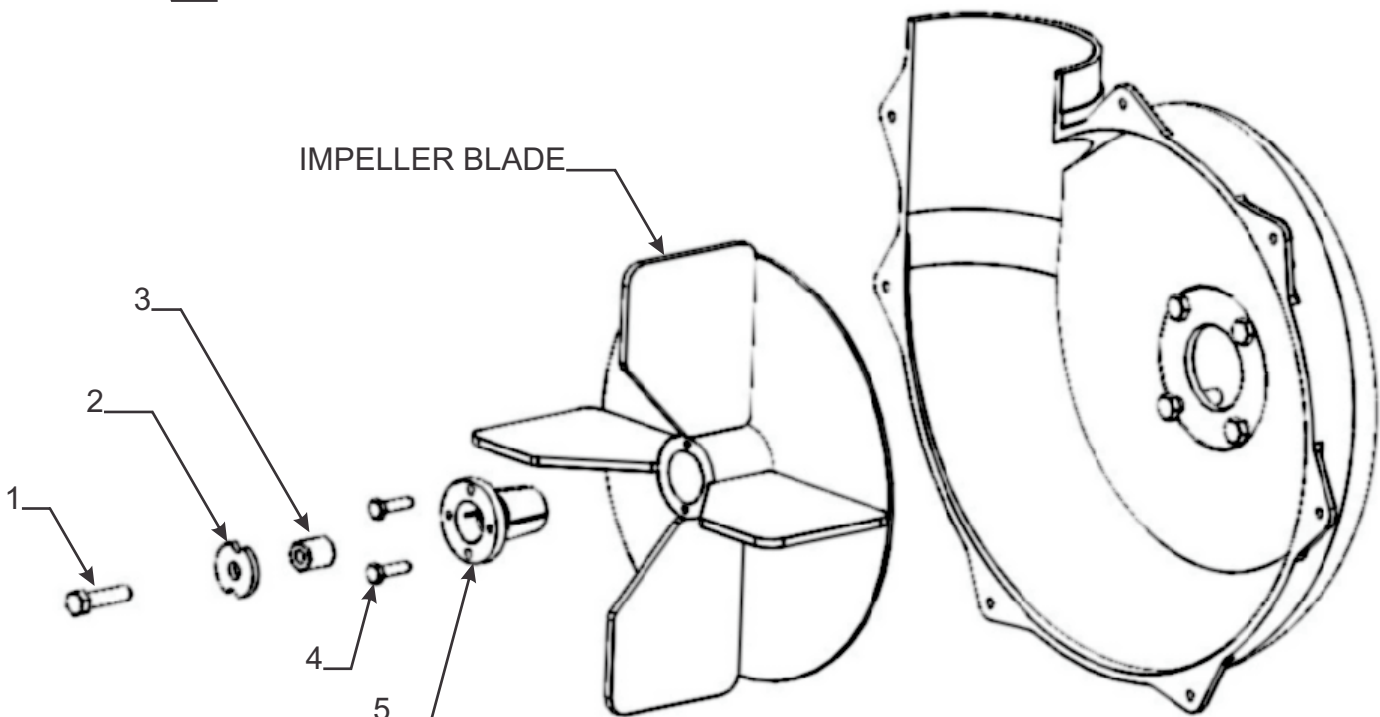


2-8 Impeller Blade Removal/Replacement

To Remove: First remove the center bolt (#1), washer (#2) and spacer (#3) from the taper-lock bushing (#5). See Figure 12. Next remove the (2) 1/4"-20 bolts (#4) and place them into the threaded holes of the taper-lock bushing (next to the holes they were removed from). Gradually thread each bolt evenly into the taper-lock bushing, forcing the blade to break-away from the taper-lock bushing. If the impeller will not move, hit the base of the impeller, between each vein, with a hammer, then try again.

To Replace: Place impeller blade over the engine shaft. Slide the taper-lock bushing on to the engine shaft and into the impeller blade, aligning the **non-threaded** holes of the taper-lock bushing to the threaded holes of the impeller blade. Fasten by using (2) 1/4"-20 HHCS grade #8 bolts, (1) spacer washer and (1) HHCS bolt w/ washer. Torque to the proper specifications in the torque chart on the back of this manual. Next, rotate the impeller blade to insure that the blade is clear of contact on all sides of the blower housing.

Figure 12.



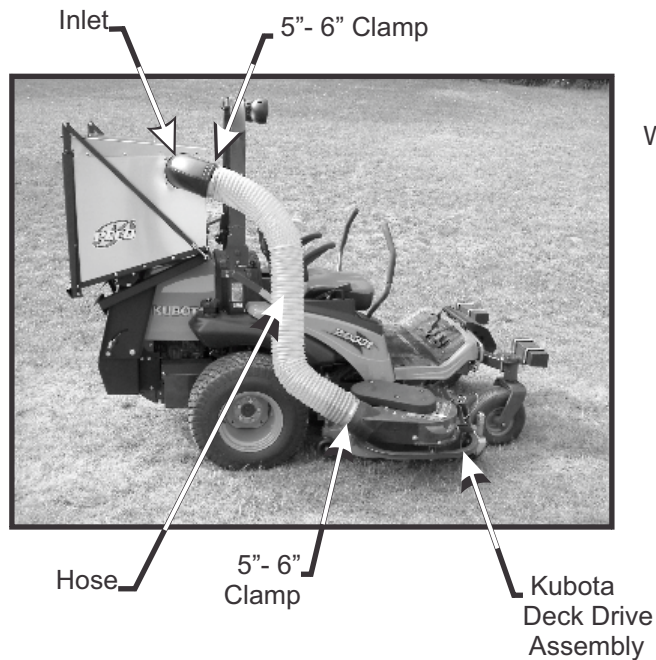
2-9 Deck Drive Installation/Removal

NOTE: Refer to the Kubota factory manual included with your mower for instructions on installation and removal of the deck drive system.

2-10 Hose Installation

Insert the 5"- 6" hose clamps P#(J6011) on both ends of the hose. Insert the inlet into one end of the hose allowing approx. 2" overlapping the clamp. Tighten the clamp on the upper end of the hose. Insert the lower end of the hose over the deck drive outlet allowing approx. 2" overlapping the clamp. Tighten the lower hose clamp. Refer to Figure 13 . for reference.

Figure 13.

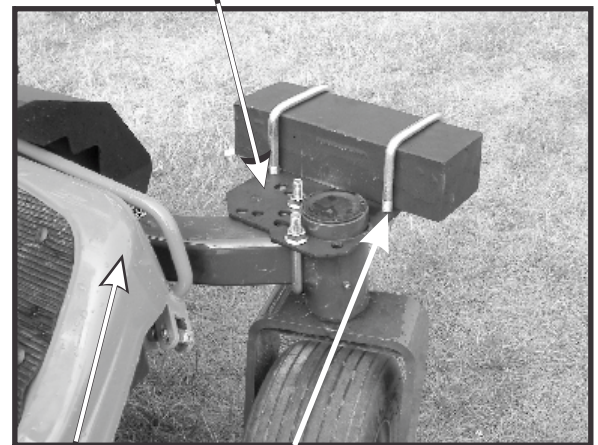


2-11 Weight Bracket Installation

Fasten the weight bracket to the wheel frame using (1) 1/2"-13 x 4" x 2-1/2" u-bolt P#(K1101) and (2) 1/2"-13 flange nuts P#(K1246) PER SIDE. Fasten the weight to the weight bracket using (2) 1/2"-13 x 4-1/4" x 4-5/16" u-bolts P#(K0331) and (4) 1/2"-13 flange nuts P#(K1246) PER SIDE. See Figure 14. and Figure 15. for reference.

Weight Bracket

Figure 14.



Wheel Frame

(1) 1/2"-13x14"x2-1/2"
U-Bolt
(2) 1/2"-13 Flange Nuts
PER SIDE

(2) 1/2"-13 x 4-1/4" x 4-5/16" U-Bolts
(4) 1/2"-13 Flange Nuts **PER SIDE**

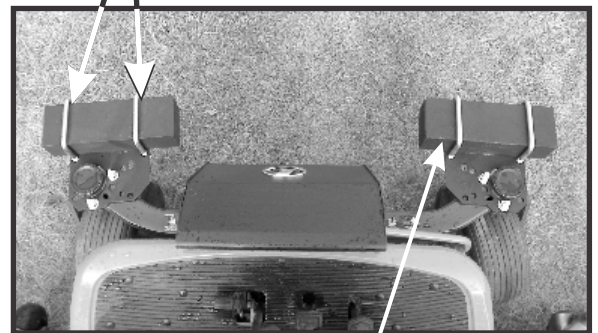


Figure 15.

Weight

SECTION III

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

3-1 General Safety

Only qualified people familiar with this operator's manual and the mower's operator's manual should operate this machine.

3-2 Operation And Tips On Mowing

- A. Perform BEFORE EACH USE the maintenance list in paragraph 4-1.
- B. Start mower.
- C. With the mower at high idle speed, engage the mower deck.

To obtain the maximum effectiveness from your collection system the tips listed below should be followed:

- * Watch your speed- Normal conditions will allow a speed of up to approximately 5 mph, but thick, heavy damp conditions will require reduced ground speed.
- * Mow with sharp blades- A sharp blade cuts cleaner.
- * Wet grass and leaves will decrease effectiveness and will increase horsepower requirements.
- * Mow at higher cutting heights- Remove and mulch no more than 2" of grass length with each mowing. (Experts recommend not cutting off more than 1/3 of the grass blade length at any given time.)
- * Mow twice, at different height settings, (high, then low), if grass is extra tall.
- * Remember that horsepower requirements will vary with the mowing conditions such as type and height of turf grass, moisture content, amount of leaves, whether the terrain is flat or hilly, etc.

3-3 Unloading The Collection System

NOTE: Press the tab, located behind the operator's left side, downward to feel if the collection system is full. If the container is full there will be resistance when depressing the tab.

- A. Stop the forward movement of the mower.
- B. Disengage the mower deck.
- C. Disengage the blower.
- D. Verify that the dump area is clear.
- E. Push the dump handle, on the left of the operator, away from the unit. While holding the handle pushed away, move the handle upward. The container door will swing upward and the container will rotate downward. The container will release its contents.
- F. Once the contents of the container have fallen out, the container is ready to move back into its normal operating position. With the handle in the 'away' position, pull the handle downward until it stops. Move the handle towards the center of the mower. This motion will allow the latch to lock back into collection position.

NOTE: If you do not hold the handle away from the mower as you pull the handle downward, the latch will not lock and the container can unexpectedly release the contents collected.

SECTION IV MAINTENANCE

4-1 Maintenance Checklist

Before each use:

1. Check blades and spindles to be sure that no foreign objects, such as wire or steel strapping bands, are wrapped around them.
2. Inspect blades for wear. Replace if necessary. If it is necessary to sharpen the blades, remove the blades from the spindles before sharpening. DO NOT sharpen blades while still attached to the mower.

3. Make sure all shields are in place and in good condition. Repair or replace any missing or damaged shields.
4. Listen for abnormal sounds, which might indicate loose parts, damaged bearings, or other damage. Correct any deficiency before continuing operation.
5. Check for wear or deterioration of the hose. If there are any portions of the hose that have been torn or worn through, replace with genuine PECO parts.

After Each Use:

1. Clean all debris from machine especially from the container, underneath the belt shields, and safety decals. Replace any missing or illegible decals.
2. Inspect the unit for worn or damaged components. Repair or replace before the next use. Any replacement component installed during repair shall include the component's current safety decal specified by the manufacturers to be affixed to the component.
3. Check belt for proper tension.

SECTION V PARTS AND SERVICE

5-1 Parts And Service Information

PECO collection system owners should record the name and telephone number of their Service Center. Your Service Center will be happy to supply replacement parts, accessories, and do any service or repairs to your collection system. If for any reason your Service Center is unable to service your collection system or supply replacement parts, contact PECO and include the following information on the chart below.

THE SERIAL NUMBER PLATE
IS LOCATED ON THE TOP
ASSEMBLY P#(A0794)

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| PECO | |
| OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT | |
| Model Number | <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/> |
| Serial Number | <input style="width: 60%;" type="text"/> |
| Arden, North Carolina 28704 | |

WRITE THE MODEL AND
SERIAL NUMBER IN THE
BOX ABOVE FOR FUTURE
REFERENCE.

Unit Model Number: _____

Unit Engine Size: _____

Unit Serial Number: _____

Date of purchase: ____/____/____

Dealer/Distributor Name: _____

Dealer's/Distributor's: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: PECO Inc.

100 AIRPORT ROAD

Arden, NC 28704

Phone #: (828) 684-1234 or Toll Free: (800) 438-5823

Email: peco@lawnvac.com

SAFETY DECALS

To promote safe operation, PECO supplies safety decals on all products manufactured. Damage can occur to safety decals either through shipment, use or reconditioning. Contact your local Service Center for replacement decals.



Part #: R4027



Part #: R1053



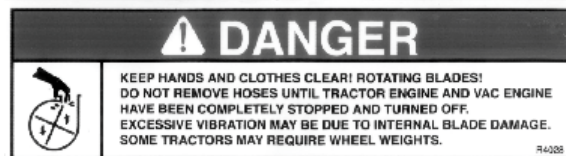
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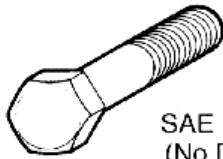


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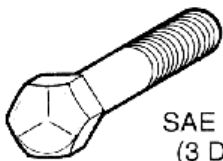
TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

Proper torque for American fasteners used on Peco equipment.
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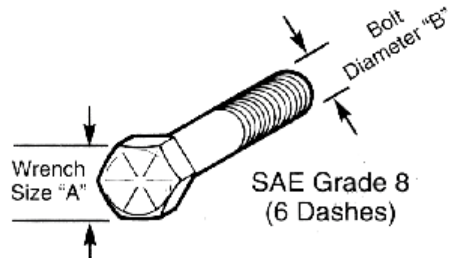
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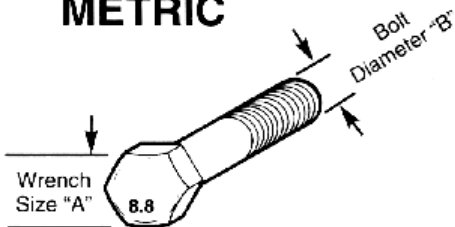


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| 1/2 | 5/16 - 18 UNC | 11 (15) | 17 (23) | 25 (33) |
| 1/2 | 5/16 - 24 UNF | 13 (17) | 19 (26) | 27 (37) |
| 9/16 | 3/8 - 16 UNC | 20 (27) | 31 (42) | 44 (60) |
| 9/16 | 3/8 - 24 UNF | 23 (31) | 35 (47) | 49 (66) |
| 5/8 | 7/16 - 14 UNC | 32 (43) | 49 (66) | 70 (95) |
| 5/8 | 7/16 - 20 UNF | 36 (49) | 55 (75) | 78 (106) |
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| 3/4 | 1/2 - 20 UNF | 55 (75) | 85 (115) | 120 (163) |
| 7/8 | 9/16 - 12 UNC | 70 (95) | 109 (148) | 153 (207) |
| 7/8 | 9/16 - 18 UNF | 79 (107) | 122 (165) | 172 (233) |
| 15/16 | 5/8 - 11 UNC | 97 (131) | 150 (203) | 212 (287) |
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| 1-1/2 | 1 - 12 UNF | 274 (371) | 705 (955) | 995 (1348) |
| 1-1/2 | 1 - 14 UNF | 280 (379) | 721 (977) | 1019 (1381) |
| 1-11/16 | 1-1/8 - 7 UNC | 354 (480) | 795 (1077) | 1288 (1745) |
| 1-11/16 | 1-1/8 - 12 UNF | 397 (538) | 890 (1206) | 1444 (1957) |
| 1-7/8 | 1-1/4 - 7 UNC | 500 (678) | 1120 (1518) | 1817 (2462) |
| 1-7/8 | 1-1/4 - 12 UNF | 553 (749) | 1241 (1682) | 2013 (2728) |
| 2-1/16 | 1-3/8 - 6 UNC | 655 (887) | 1470 (1992) | 2382 (3228) |
| 2-1/16 | 1-3/8 - 12 UNF | 746 (1011) | 1672 (2266) | 2712 (3675) |
| 2-1/4 | 1-1/2 - 6 UNC | 870 (1179) | 1950 (2642) | 3161 (4283) |
| 2-1/4 | 1-1/2 - 12 UNF | 979 (1327) | 2194 (2973) | 3557 (4820) |

Proper torque for metric fasteners used on Peco equipment.
Recommended torque in foot pounds (newton Meters).*

METRIC



Numbers appearing on bolt heads
indicate ASTM class.

| WRENCH SIZE (mm) "A" | BOLT DIA. (mm) "B" | ASTM 4.6 | ASTM 8.8 | ASTM 9.8 | ASTM 10.9 |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 8 | 5 | 1.8 (2.4) | | 5.1 (6.9) | 6.5 (8.8) |
| 10 | 6 | 3 (4) | | 8.7 (12) | 11.1 (15) |
| 13 | 8 | 7.3 (10) | | 21.1 (29) | 27 (37) |
| 16 | 10 | 14.5 (20) | | 42 (57) | 53 (72) |
| 18 | 12 | 25 (34) | 74 (100) | 73 (99) | 93 (126) |
| 21 | 14 | 40 (54) | 118 (160) | 116 (157) | 148 (201) |
| 24 | 16 | 62 (84) | 167 (226) | 181 (245) | 230 (312) |
| 30 | 20 | 122 (165) | 325 (440) | | 449 (608) |
| 33 | 22 | | 443 (600) | | 611 (828) |
| 36 | 24 | 211 (286) | 563 (763) | | 778 (1054) |
| 41 | 27 | | 821 (1112) | | 1138 (1542) |
| 46 | 30 | 418 (566) | 1119 (1516) | | 1547 (2096) |

*Use 75% of the specified torque value for plated
fasteners. Use 85% of the specified torque
values for lubricated fasteners.



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