SAFE WORK PROCEDURE

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LOCATION OF WORK	WRITTEN BY:	APPROVED BY:	DATE	LAST REVISION
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HAZARDS PRESENT	EQUIPMENT (PPE)	RECCOMENDATIONS
 Awkward postures – slouched sitting 	Hearing protectionClosed toe footwear	In-house trainingOperator's manual
 Vibration Moving Machinery – Blades/belts 	No passengers permittedNever modify safety features	
Noise Deteting blocks, debrie through		
 Rotating blades, debris thrown from blades 		

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- 1. Ensure all shields and guards including discharge deflector are in place and working properly. Ensure the mower's safety reflector is in place on the tractor
- 2. Avoid unnecessary engine idling in enclosed spaces such as sheds or garages
- 3. Avoid mowing areas close to where people are present
- 4. Disengage the blades if you must drive over surfaces such as gravel
- Make best efforts to clear the area to be mowed of any debris which could be thrown from the blades. Watch for hidden hazards such as holes, roots, drainpipes, or insect nests. Use caution around low hanging branches and shrubs
- 6. Drive up and down slopes steep slopes rather than across them to reduce the risk for tipping
- 7. Only reach under the machine when the machine is turned off. Disconnect the spark plug wire before performing maintenance
- 8. Do not touch hot motor parts or spray cold water on a hot engine
- 9. Do not make wheel height adjustments, unclog chute, remove grass catcher, or refuel while the engine is running
- 10. Do not leave a running mower unattended
- 11. Refuel in a well-ventilated area
- 12. When leaving the machine:
 - a. Disengage power to the blade
 - b. Stop the engine
 - c. Set park brake

d. Remove key and return it to the designated area

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

ISO 21299:2009 "Powered ride-on turf care equipment - Roll-over protective structures (ROPS) - Test procedures and acceptance criteria." International Organization for Standardization (ISO), <u>http://www.iso.org/iso/home/store/catalogue_tc/catalogue_detail.htm?csnumber=40135</u>. Accessed March 12, 2013.

https://ag-safety.extension.org/riding-lawnmower-safety/

https://www.osha.gov/sites/default/files/2019-03/mowing-trimming_safety_manual.pdf