



OPERATOR'S MANUAL

Safety, Operation & Service Information

235 Series Two-Man Hole Digger

Model: M235

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- It is responsibility of owner(s) and/or operator(s) to determine no modifications and/or alterations have been made to Hole Digger. Modifications and/or alterations can lead to possibility of serious damage, injury or even death. It is responsibility of owner(s) and/or operator(s) to make this Operator Manual available for consultation during all phases of operation.
- Refer to OSHA 2207 and/or applicable updated revisions which contains all OSHA job safety and health rules and regulations (1926 and 1910) covering construction.

CAUTION

The concept of portable, one and two man operated, hole digging equipment has been successfully utilized for over forty years as a practical solution to many types of hole digging job requirements. The basic concept is proven and well accepted within the associated marketplaces as an alternative method to manual labor and/or larger, mounted earth drilling machinery.

Use of a Hole Digger requires strenuous work activity. This type of work activity can be considered to be greater in magnitude than that experienced with the use of many other types of both light construction and lawn and garden related equipment. This type of work activity should only be attempted by operators of adequate physical size and stature, mental awareness, and physical strength and condition.

Each operator is required to supply a resultant force that counteracts/balances and/or resists the natural torque and kickback forces generated during the hole digging process. The body parts most noticeably affected during the hole digging process are the arms, hands, wrists, shoulders, lower back and legs. The hole digging process can also produce excessive stress/strain directly to the back muscles, spinal vertebrae and many other body parts. Back related pain can be a side effect of the hole digging process. An operator with a chronic back related problem or a history of back and/or other medically related problems should not attempt to utilize the Hole Digger. Use of the Hole Digger may only aggravate this and any other medically related problem.

The torque and kickback forces generated and/or encountered correspond to natural laws of physics and are inherent to the hole digging process. They cannot be changed or totally eliminated with portable one and two man operated, hole digging equipment of this design. Proper operating positions and techniques, as outlined in this manual, can be successfully utilized to minimize the effects of the torque and kickback forces upon the human body.

Because of the diverse type of prevailing digging conditions, operator experience levels and operator physical characteristics, no warranty, guarantee, representation and/or liability is made by the manufacturer as to the absolute correctness or sufficiency of any operational procedure, operational position and/or technique. There is no absolute guarantee that an operator of any given experience level, physical size and/or physical condition will be immune to the possibility of and/or probable physical side effects of the normal hole digging process.

Each potential operator of the Hole Digger must be made aware of and assume the operational and physical liability described and/or associated with the hole digging process when utilizing the Hole Digger. **Each potential operator not willing to assume the operational and physical liability described and/or associated with the hole digging process should not operate the Hole Digger.** Proper levels of operator experience, skill and common sense are essential for maximizing the safe and efficient operation of the Hole Digger.

Record Hole Digger and engine/electric motor serial numbers in spaces provided below.

Model Number: _____

Serial Number: _____

Engine/Electric Motor Serial Number: _____

Date of Purchase: _____

Specifications and design are subject to change without notice or obligation. All specifications are general in nature and are not intended for specific application purposes. General Equipment Company reserves the right to make changes in design, engineering or specifications and to add improvements or discontinue manufacture at any time without notice or obligation. General Equipment Company and its agents accept no responsibility for variations which may be evident in actual products, specifications, pictures and descriptions contained in this publication.

NOTICE TO OPERATORS

IF YOU CAN NOT READ OR DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THIS MANUAL, PLEASE CONTACT THE FACTORY FOR PROPER ASSISTANCE BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO OPERATE THIS PRODUCT.

SI TU NO PUEDES LE'ER O NO COMPRENDES EL CONTENIDO DE ESTE MANUAL FAVOR DE PONERSE EN CONTACTO CON LA FABRICA PARA ASISTENCIA-APROPIA ANTES DE INTENTAR PARA OPERAR ESTE PRODUCTO.

SOLLTEN SIE DIESE GEBRAUCHSANWEISUNG NICHT LESEN KOENNEN ODER ES NICHT VOLLKOMMEN VERSTEHEN, WENDEN SIE SICH BITTE AN DEN HERSTELLER FUER RICHTIGE HILFE EHE SIE VERSUCHEN DIESES PRODUKT ZU OPERIEREN.

SI VOUS NE LISEZ OU NE COMPRENDRE ENTIEREMENT LES MATIERES DE CE MANUEL, S'IL VOUS PLAÎT, CONTACTEZ L'USINE POUR L'ASSISTANCE APPROPRIÉE AVANT D'UTILISER LE PRODUIT.

IMPORTANT:

- Do not allow anyone to operate Hole Digger without first reading this Operator Manual and becoming familiar Hole Digger operation.
- Manufacturer of this Hole Digger has gone to great extremes to provide owner(s) and/or operator(s) with the finest equipment available for its intended job function of digging vertical holes in unconsolidated and specific semi-consolidated earth formations. Yet, the possibility exists Hole Digger can be utilized in and/or subjected to job applications not perceived and/or anticipated by manufacturer. Such misuse and/or misapplication of Hole Digger can lead to possibility of serious damage, injury or even death.
- It is responsibility of owner(s) and/or operator(s) to determine Hole Digger is utilized and/or operated within scope of its intended job function.
- It is responsibility of owner(s) and/or operator(s) to establish, monitor and constantly upgrade all safety programs and/or practices utilized in and for operation of Hole Digger. Purpose of such programs is to provide for owner(s) and/or operator(s) safety. Operators must be instructed to recognize and avoid unsafe conditions associated with their work (29 CFR 1926.21 (b)(2)) and/or applicable updated revisions.

OPERATOR INSTRUCTIONAL DATA SHEET

The following undersigned operators of Hole Digger described and/or pertaining to this Operator Manual have received formal safety and operational information/instruction from undersigned owner(s)/instructor(s) in accordance to OSHA 29 CFR 1926.21 (b)(2) and/or applicable updated revisions pertaining to, but not necessarily limited to the:

1. READING, COMPREHENSION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MATERIAL COMPRISING ENTIRE CONTENTS OF APPLICABLE OPERATOR MANUAL, APPLICABLE SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL INFORMATION VIDEO TAPE FOR HOLE DIGGER.
2. FORMALIZED OPERATOR SAFETY PROGRAM TO BE DEvised BY OWNER OF HOLE DIGGER IN CONJUNCTION WITH CONTENTS OF APPLICABLE OPERATOR MANUAL, APPLICABLE SAFETY AND APPLICABLE OPERATIONAL INFORMATION VIDEO TAPE FOR HOLE DIGGER.
3. OSHA RULES AND REGULATIONS RESEARCHED FOR AND/OR BY OWNER OF HOLE DIGGER AND DEEMED APPLICABLE TO SAFE AND PROPER USE AND/OR OPERATION OF HOLE DIGGER FOR ANY SPECIFIC JOB APPLICATION.
4. LOCAL LAWS, REGULATIONS AND CUSTOMS RESEARCHED FOR AND/OR BY OWNER OF HOLE DIGGER AND DEEMED APPLICABLE TO SAFE AND PROPER USE AND/OR OPERATION OF HOLE DIGGER FOR ANY SPECIFIC JOB APPLICATION.
5. FORMALIZED MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR HOLE DIGGER TO BE DEvised BY OWNER OF HOLE DIGGER IN ACCORDANCE WITH, BUT NOT NECESSARILY LIMITED TO, SPECIFICATIONS, GUIDELINES AND OPERATIONAL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN APPLICABLE OPERATOR MANUAL.
6. COMPREHENSIVE OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR CORRECT AND PROPER USE OF HOLE DIGGER AS PER CONTENTS OF APPLICABLE OPERATOR MANUAL AND APPLICABLE SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL INFORMATION VIDEO TAPE.

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NOTE: INSERT COPIES OF THIS PAGE WITHIN OPERATOR'S MANUAL IF SPACE FOR ADDITIONAL OPERATORS IS REQUIRED.

1 INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your decision to purchase a General Equipment light construction product. From our humble beginnings in 1955, it has been a continuing objective of General Equipment Company to manufacture equipment that delivers uncompromising value, service life and investment return. Because of this continuous commitment for excellence, many products bearing the General name actually set the standard by which competitive products are judged.

When you purchased this product, you also gained access to a team of dedicated, knowledgeable, support personnel that stand willing and ready to provide field support assistance. Our team of sales representatives and in-house factory personnel are available to ensure each General product delivers the intended performance and product safety you expect. Our personnel can readily answer your questions or concerns regarding proper applications, service requirements and warranty related problems.

If you have any questions or concerns about this product, please feel free to contact our European Representative or Customer Service Department during normal business hours using the contact information located on the front cover of this manual. There is no charge for this service.

Sincerely,
The General Equipment Team

2 INTENDED USE

The 235 Series Hole Digger is intended for use in digging holes outdoors in a variety of soil conditions from soft loams to hard-packed caliche. The machine is operated by two adults of proper operator experience/skill/ common sense, height, weight, strength and physical condition. Minors should never be allowed to operate the Hole Digger.

Hole Digger is classified as a low cost, hand held, low horsepower, portable type machine. The number of practical and/or suitable job applications for this type equipment is limited. Particular job application variables and operator experience/skill/common sense may require a different type machine, method and/or process to properly complete job efficiently and safely. Contact Customer Service Department for specific information regarding suitable job applications, job sites, soil conditions and operator experience/skill/common sense recommendations for Hole Digger BEFORE utilization.

Never exceed the recommended capacities of Hole Digger. Refer to BEFORE OPERATING and SPECIFICATIONS sections in this manual for more detailed information. Always utilize correct auger and auger extension series designed for use with Hole Digger. DO NOT use ice augers to dig earth. Use of an incorrect auger or auger series can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

OPERATIONAL DISCLAIMER

The manufacturer of this Hole Digger makes no warranty or guarantee it is merchantable and/or suitable for a specific job application and that it will have the power required to dig a specific diameter hole down to a specific depth in a specific soil classification.

3 TRAINING

Develop a comprehensive program for safe Hole Digger operation by owner(s) and/or operator(s). Program will include, but is not limited to: instructional operation requirements, applicable OSHA requirements, local laws and regulations, job site safety plus Hole Digger maintenance. Constantly examine and upgrade program to guarantee owner(s) and/or operator(s) safety. Each operator must be fully instructed regarding specifics of this safety program.

4 SAFETY SYMBOLS

SAFETY ALERT SYMBOL & SIGNAL WORDS

The safety alert "general warning" symbol indicates a potential personal injury hazard. A signal word (DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION) is used with the alert symbol to designate the degree or level of hazard seriousness. Other safety symbols may be used to represent the type of hazard in combination with "general warning" symbol, in highlighted boxes, or individually.

DANGER:

Indicates a hazard with a high level of risk which, if not voided, *will* result in death or serious injury.

WARNING:

Indicates a hazard with a medium level of risk which, if not avoided, *could* result in death or serious injury.

CAUTION:

Indicates a hazard with a low level of risk which, if not avoided, *could* result in minor or moderate injury.

The following safety alert symbols identify important safety messages in this manual. When you see these symbols, be alert to the possibility of personal injury and carefully read the message that follows.

SAFETY SYMBOLS & MEANINGS

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
	Action Required		General Warning
	Read Manual		Warning, Flammable Material
	Wear Ear Protection		Warning, Explosive Material
	Wear Eye Protection		Warning, Toxic Material
	Wear Protective Gloves		Warning, Electricity
	Wear Safety Shoes		Warning, Body Entrapment
	No Open Flame		Warning, Rotating Parts
	No Smoking		Warning, Hot Surface
	No Active Mobile Phone		Warning, Floor Level Obstacle
	No Food Or Drink		Warning, Drop Off
	No Trash Containers		Warning, Slippery Surface

5 SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



WARNING

- These safety instructions provide guidelines to promote safety and efficiency with the Hole Digger.
- No warranty, guarantee or representation is made by manufacturer as to absolute correctness or sufficiency of any information or statement.
- Safety instructions are intended to deal with common practices and conditions encountered in use of Hole Digger and are not intended to be all inclusive.
- Not following instructions in this manual can result in property damage, personal injury and/or death.



DANGER



- The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. This statement is made in compliance to California Proposition 65.



DANGER



- The dusts/by-products from the operational process of this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm. This statement is made in compliance to California Proposition 65.

SPARK ARRESTER DISCLAIMER



WARNING

- **DO NOT operate Hole Digger on any forest covered, brush covered, or grass covered, unimproved land unless an approved spark arrester is installed on the muffler. The spark arrester must be maintained in proper working order by the owner and/or operator. In the State of California, the above is required by law. Other states may have similar laws. Laws will apply on US Federal lands. Laws will vary with use in specific countries.**

NOTE: For SDS (Safety Data Sheets) pertaining to materials such as oils, lubricants and/or solvents used in conjunction with Hole Digger, visit the LIBRARY section of our website at www.generalequip.com.

BEFORE OPERATING



1. BEFORE operating the 235 Series Hole Digger, read this manual and view applicable Safety/Operational Video plus applicable safety/operational information supplied by engine manufacturer to familiarize each operator with correct operating procedures.
2. Visually inspect Hole Digger per MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS STEPS 5 through 16 of this manual.
3. Determine Hole Digger is in original, factory configuration and has not been modified in any manner. If questions arise about possible modifications, contact the European Representative or Customer Service Department BEFORE utilization. There is no charge for this service.
4. Always start and stop Hole Digger according to instructions to minimize possibility of unexpected or uncontrolled auger rotation. Know how to stop unit in an emergency.

Physical Exertion/Body Strain

Operating the Hole Digger requires proper physical stamina, mental alertness and is strenuous. Operators must be in proper physical condition, mental health and not under the influence of any substance (drugs, alcohol, etc.) which might impair vision, dexterity or judgement. Take work breaks to maintain stamina and alertness. If you have condition(s) that might be aggravated by strenuous work, check with doctor BEFORE operating.

Operator Crew Members

Operators must be of adequate height for any given operating configuration and operator handle(s) must remain below their shoulder sockets. DO NOT operate Hole Digger if this condition is not satisfied. Hole Diggers require both operators be of similar height, weight and strength to maximize digging efficiency and minimize possibility of personal injury.

Vibration

Prolonged use of Hole Digger (or other, similar machines) exposes operator to vibrations which may produce Whitefinger Disease (Raynaud's Phenomenon) reducing hand's ability to feel and regulate temperature, produce numbness and burning sensations plus may cause circulation damage and tissue necrosis. Continuous and regular users should closely monitor condition of hands and fingers. After each period of use, exercise to restore normal blood circulation. If any symptoms appear, seek medical advice immediately.

Noise

Hole Digger and actual digging process creates exposure to high noise emission levels that can result in hearing loss or damage. Hearing protection is required while operating or when near operating equipment. Continuous and regular operators should have hearing checked regularly.

Poisonous Gas

Hole Digger is powered by a gasoline engine which produces Carbon Monoxide fumes during combustion process. Carbon Monoxide fumes are poisonous. If Hole Digger is operated in closed area (indoors or outdoors), determine if supplemental ventilation is required to minimize potential effects of Carbon Monoxide to operators. Follow all current OSHA regulations for ventilation.

Clothing

Clothing must be sturdy, snug fitting, but allow complete freedom of movement. Never wear loose fitting jackets, scarves, neckties, jewelry, flared or cuffed pants or anything that could become caught on controls or moving parts.

Properly secure eyeglasses, hearing aid devices and other medical related devices. Wear long pants to protect legs. Protect hands and improve grip with heavy duty, nonslip gloves. Wear and properly lace sturdy boots with nonslip soles. Steel-toed safety shoes are mandatory. Wear approved safety hard hat where there is danger of head injuries.

Flying Debris

Hole digging process can result in flying debris. Eye protection and appropriate safety apparel is required when near or operating Hole Digger. DO NOT operate unit with onlookers or animals close by.

Burns

An engine muffler can become hot. Remain clear of and DO NOT touch a hot muffler or heat shield.

Auger Entrapment

Auger is not shielded. Keep body and all foreign objects clear of rotating auger.

BACK CARE & PROPER LIFTING PROCEDURES

Operators will be required to lift Hole Digger auger/auger extension repetitively as demanded by specific job applications. When lifting, two people are required. Utilize proper lifting techniques to minimize fatigue and back-related injuries.

Back Anatomy

The human body is supported by the spinal column consisting of thirty bones called vertebrae, all linked and supported by a series of muscles. Pads called discs separate each vertebrae, acting as cushions to pressure from external forces. Spinal column is wrapped by nerve system with three sections that require being kept in natural alignment to prevent discomfort:

Cervical:	From base of neck to brain.
Thoracic:	From middle to lower back.
Lumbar:	From lower back to buttocks area.

Back Care Preventative Measures

Most occupational physicians agree on several "universal" preventative measures an operator should follow to help lower risk of back-related injuries:

1. Maintain proper body weight.
2. Eliminate/reduce use of tobacco. Smoking reduces oxygen supply and nutrients to discs cushioning vertebrae.
3. Develop a consistent exercise routine.
4. Maintain good posture while walking or sitting.
5. Watch how you twist/bend your body while digging to prevent. Twisting/bending incorrectly can exert too much pressure on discs and vertebrae.
6. Use firm footing, keep intended path clear before carrying Hole Digger.
7. Always use proper lifting techniques as described below.

PROPER LIFTING PROCEDURES

The following are guidelines for properly lifting Hole digger and auger/auger extension from hole and are not intended to be all inclusive. Plan your path and make sure there are no obstructions or tripping hazards. Consider how you will set the load. The spinal column is a very sensitive mechanism. At any given time, improper lifting procedures can cause damage that can lead to injury.

1. Position feet a comfortable distance (shoulder width) apart to help provide necessary balance.
2. Tighten stomach muscles by pulling in your stomach. Keep back as straight as possible to keep spine, back muscles/ligaments in alignment.
3. Bend at hips and knees as much as possible.
4. Start lifting Hole Digger by thrusting feet while lifting as much as possible with leg muscles. Use smooth movements.
5. Once Hole Digger is lifted, keep it close as possible to the body. Avoid turning at waist. To turn, pivot entire body.
6. Keep shoulders, hips and feet pointed in same direction.
7. Use firm footing, keep intended path clear before carrying Hole Digger.

TRANSPORTATION



- Hole Digger is designed for two operators to transport it by the operator handles to, while on, and from job site.
- When transporting Hole Digger in/on motor vehicle, gasoline tank breather vent (if so equipped) must be completely closed to eliminate fuel seepage.
- To minimize damage to Hole Digger, transport in vehicle to job site with auger disconnected and operator handles level with transport surface. This prevents transmission oil entrapment causing clutch drum slippage and/or draining from breather vent plus crankcase oil entering combustion chamber causing hydraulic lock up.
- DO NOT allow operator handles to contact augers, shovels, or other sharp/abrasive objects during transit or drop Hole Digger to prevent damage to unit.
- All equipment must be secured in/on vehicles with suitable strapping or tie downs.
- Personnel should not be transported in same compartment as equipment and fuel supplies. Consult applicable OSHA regulations for specific information.

CAUTION

- Improperly secured Hole Digger and related accessories can fall from moving vehicle and result in property damage and/or personal injury.

DETERMINATION OF POTENTIAL SUBSURFACE HAZARDS IN PROPOSED DIGGING LOCATION(S)



Hole Digger operator handles, grips and throttle control are constructed of non-metallic, composite material and do not guarantee operators will be properly insulated from contact with charged electrical cables. Hole Digger and related accessories are not classified as insulated.

Hole Digger is not sealed or insulated. DO NOT operate Hole Digger in an explosive atmosphere or near combustible materials. Refer to current OSHA rules and regulations.

WARNING

BEFORE attempting to dig any holes, identify/mark all potential subsurface hazards in proposed digging location(s). Potential subsurface hazards may include, but may not be limited to the following:

- Rocks and roots of any size.
- Differences and/or variances in specific soil classifications.
- Buried garbage/other debris.
- Buried pressurized pipelines (e.g. natural gas, propane, etc.)
- Buried electrical cables.

DANGER

- Always assume digging location contains buried underground obstructions.
- BEFORE attempting to dig any holes in proposed location(s), call 811 and/or visit www.Call811.com.
- Contact appropriate agencies to determine exact location(s) of all buried pipelines, powerlines and material debris.
- Many utilities and other agencies will perform these tasks at minimal charge or at no cost. Have all subsurface hazards marked for easy recognition.
- Direct contact with these and other subsurface hazards can result in property damage and/or personal injury through such things as electrocution and/or explosion.

DETERMINATION OF POTENTIAL ABOVE SURFACE HAZARDS IN PROPOSED DIGGING LOCATION(S)



Normal Hole Digger use is on level ground. Avoid other terrains which can be dangerous. Special care must be exercised on overgrown, slippery, and/or difficult/uneven terrain. Watch for surface irregularities. Remove any trip/fall hazard BEFORE operating Hole Digger. Operate only when/where visibility and light are adequate for job at hand. Keep proper footing and balance with good communication between Crew Chief and Crew Member at all times. Engine/engine muffler can become extremely hot with potential to burn operators and/or ignite dried materials such as leaves, grass, etc. Remove such materials where digging with or placing Hole Digger.

OPERATIONAL HAZARDS UNDERSTANDING KICKBACK



Torque and kickback generated by digging process is common with portable, two-man hole diggers. Hole Digger engine torque is transmitted and multiplied by transmission to auger. When auger contacts a buried obstruction, left side operator handles are "thrust" towards operators in a sharp, sudden, counter-clockwise rotation. "Thrusting" force is called kickback and varies depending on speed of handle movement. Kickback force can have magnitude to "throw" operators from Hole Digger and/or inflict damage to hands, arms, and other upper body parts.

Preventive Measures:

- Operators must maintain physical and mental alertness. Be prepared for unexpected auger contact with buried tree roots, rocks, etc., and be capable to sense level of machine control they have.
- Maintaining proper operating stances and applying reactive "body english" is one of the most IMPORTANT and EFFECTIVE procedures to control kickback. Refer to OPERATOR STANCES in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual for more information.
- "Spinning" about axis is caused by improper engine throttle control adjustment. Refer to INSTALLING OPERATOR HANDLES in MACHINE SET-UP section of this manual to correct situation BEFORE placing machine back into service.

CAUTION

- Always assume every digging site can include some form of buried obstruction. Always be prepared for unexpected auger contact with buried tree roots, rocks, etc.
- Under certain operating conditions, striking a buried obstruction can produce a severe and/or sudden kickback force to hip and/or leg areas.
- Force can have magnitude to "throw" operators from Hole Digger.
- Failure to properly accommodate this phenomenon can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

WARNING

If, during hole digging process, operators lose full control of Hole Digger for any reason, the following procedure is suggested:

- As a general rule, as soon as operators realize they are in process of losing control of Hole Digger, they should "push" themselves free and clear from operator handles.
- Procedure requires operators fully comprehend they are losing control of Hole Digger and to react accordingly with appropriate body movement.
- Improper reactions to this phenomenon can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

WARNING

- A Hole Digger with improperly maintained engine throttle control will “spin” about its axis when operators lose full control.
- In event of this occurrence, do not attempt to stop engine by grasping rotating operator handles.
- Do not introduce any foreign object in an attempt to stop and/or block rotating handles. Instead, allow engine to exhaust its fuel supply.
- Determine that all components of engine throttle control assembly allow for proper function before attempting to further utilize Hole Digger.

MINIMIZING KICKBACK FROM A DESIGN STANDPOINT

1. Hole Digger features the longest operator handles of any machine of its type and/or class. Handles are biomechanically positioned to enhance control, allowing operators to exert “body english” against torque and kickback forces generated by digging process.
2. Hole Digger antivibration handle grips on operator handles help enhance control plus dampen torque and kickback experienced by operators during digging process.
3. Hole Digger features operator handles constructed of non-metallic, composite material. Material physical characteristics dampen torque and kickback experienced by operators during digging process.
4. Hole Digger utilizes a twist grip throttle control. Throttle control was selected over other configurations (for operator handle configuration utilized and specific digging power) to allow operator to wrap his/her thumb around forefinger for effective maximum strength in his/her right hand. Design provides greater operator machine control when counteracting torque and kickback forces during digging process.
5. Hole Digger is designed to utilize General Equipment Company PN 2121 auger pin for earth auger retention to transmission driveshaft. Pin is not intended to shear and absorb kickback related forces when earth auger comes in sudden contact with buried object.
6. Auger pin is utilized for the following reasons:
 - a. Pin shear would result in extensive physical damage to driveshaft and auger drive hub.
 - b. Potentially unknown/large pin quantity could be required to complete digging of any specific hole even if physical damage to Hole Digger could be eliminated and/or minimized.
 - c. Even if replacement auger pin costs are not a factor, resulting productivity produced by actual process would not be acceptable by industry and/or social standards for Hole Digger.
 - d. Given infinite number of potential operators and methods utilized during digging process, it is impossible to design and supply specific auger pins to shear at a specific torque value and produce acceptable operational results for Hole Digger.
 - e. Given infinite number of potential soil conditions, auger diameter, auger boring head condition, digging depth, mechanical operating conditions, operators and operator methods encountered during digging process, it is impossible to design and supply specific auger pins to shear at a specific torque value and produce acceptable operational results for Hole Digger.
7. For comparison purposes, portable electric screwdrivers and drills can utilize a torque limiting or clutch device to allow drill chuck to slip at a limited number of specific torque values. For a Hole Digger, such a device would make the Hole Digger useless due to infinite number of potential operating configurations required and inability to design specific components to meet requirements of each operating configuration.
8. Portable screwdrivers and drills are separate tools designed for different and specific job applications. The drilling process has different requirements than the fastening process for screwdrivers. Portable electric screwdriver and drill operational characteristics cannot be confused and/or substituted for Hole Digger operational characteristics.

6 MACHINE SPECIFICATIONS

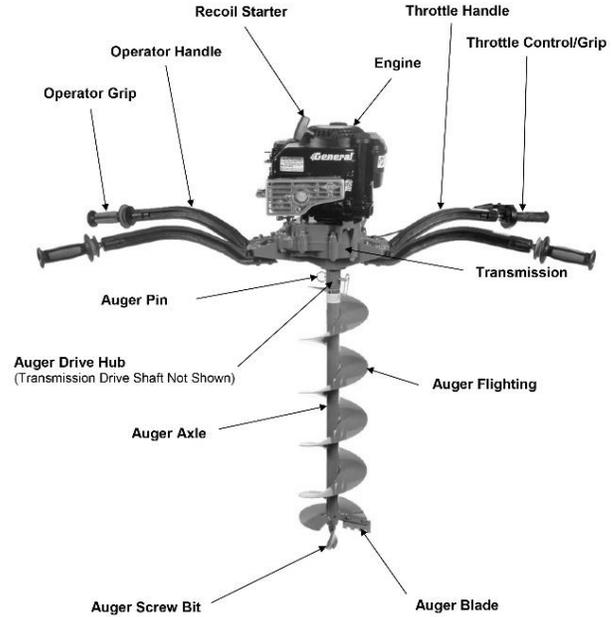


FIGURE 1

ENGINE TYPE	Briggs & Stratton 675E
HIGH SPEED	3800 RPM (No Load)
IDLE SPEED	1500-1600 RPM
SPARK PLUG GAP	.030 inch (.762 mm)
FUEL	Unleaded, “regular” grade gasoline (RON 87). Consult engine manufacturer supplied materials for specific information.
FUEL TANK CAPACITY	1.0 US gallon (3.79 L)
TRANSMISSION TYPE	Enclosed, spur geared, double reduction
REDUCTION RATIO	20.25 to 1
OIL CAPACITY	12 ounces (0.35 L)
OIL	High quality motor oil, service classification SJ, or higher. Refer to TRANSMISSION OIL RECOMMENDATIONS in MACHINE SET-UP section for specific information.
CLUTCH	4 inch (102 mm) diameter, automatic type centrifugal.
MACHINE WEIGHT	50 lbs (22.8 Kg) (less auger)
AUGER CAPACITY	2 inch (50.8 mm) diameter up to and including 12 inch 305.8 mm (305.8 mm) diameter. Refer to DIGGING OPERATION section in this manual for specific information.
OPERATING ENVIRONMENTS	Non-hazardous type locations.
REQUIRED NUMBER OF OPERATORS	2

NOISE & VIBRATION EMISSIONS

Description	North America	Europe
Model	M235	
Noise Level	85 db	
Vibration Level	51 m/s ²	

7 STANDARD PRODUCT & ACCESSORIES

Refer to FIGURE 1 for overview description of standard components included in machine. Included in shipment for 235 Series Hole Diggers should be the following:

- 1 each, engine/transmission assembly
- 3 each, curved operator handles with handle grips
- 1 each, curved operator handle with throttle control assembly
- 1 each, bag of assorted hardware
- 1 each, operator manual
- 1 each, safety and operational DVD
- 1 each, applicable engine manual
- 1 each, final inspection form

ACCESSORIES

NOTE: All augers, extensions, blades and screw bits are for use in general purpose projects for a variety of soil conditions unless otherwise specified. All auger and auger extension drive connections are 1 inch (25 mm) diameter. Digging depth for all augers is 30 inch (762 mm) and auger extension is 15 inch (381 mm).

	Part #	Description	Cutting Diameter	Weight (in lbs)
	2135-2E	2.25 inch (57 mm) Auger OD	2.50 inch (64 mm)	8.0
	2135-3E	3.25 inch (83 mm) Auger OD	3.50 inch (89 mm)	9.0
	2135-4E	4 inch (102 mm) Auger OD	5.2 inch (133 mm)	12.0
	2135-6E	6 inch (152 mm) Auger OD	7.5 inch (191 mm)	14.0
	2135-8E	8 inch (203mm) Auger OD	9.5 inch (241 mm)	18.0
	2350-10E	10 inch (254 mm) Auger OD	10 inch (295 mm)	32.0
	2350-12E	12 inch (305 mm) Auger OD	12 inch (343 mm)	44.0
	2135-X	No Flighting Auger Extension	NA	4.0
	E244	4 inch (102 mm) Auger Blade	NA	0.15
	E246	6 inch (152 mm) Auger Blade	NA	0.25
	E248	8 inch (203 mm) Auger Blade	NA	0.35
	E310	10 inch (254 mm) Auger Blade	NA	0.40
	E512	12 inch (304,8 mm) Auger Blade	NA	0.50
	P302	Auger Screw Bit 2135-3E ONLY.	NA	0.95
	P801	Auger Screw Bit, All augers except 2135-3E.	NA	1.0
	2121	Auger Pin	NA	0.10

8 MACHINE SET-UP



Open shipping carton immediately upon receipt. Remove Hole Digger from carton. Visually inspect contents of carton for freight damage and/or missing parts. If shipping damage is evident, contact delivering carrier immediately to arrange for an inspection of damage by their claims representative. **DO NOT DESTROY OR DISCARD SHIPPING CARTON UNTIL INSTRUCTED BY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF CARRIER OR FACTORY.** If missing parts are detected, notify your dealer who will assist you in obtaining them.

INSTALLING OPERATOR HANDLES

Tools Required:

- 2 each, 1/2 inch (13 mm) wrench
- 1 each, 3/8 inch (10 mm) wrench
- 1 each, torque wrench, 240 inch pounds (27 Nm) capacity with 1/2 inch (13 mm) socket
- 1 each, small flat bladed screw driver
- 1 each, small Phillips screwdriver
- 1 each, small vice grip pliers
- 1 each, cut off pliers

Assemble operator handles to transmission on level working platform of appropriate size and height. As an alternative, transmission driveshaft can be securely mounted in suitable bench vice.

1. Open assorted hardware bag into suitable container to prevent component loss.
2. Facing spark plug end of engine, install two curved non-throttle control operator handles into transmission case sockets, arc of curve pointing upward. Use supplied nuts, lock washers and flat washers with threaded end of bolts facing upwards. **FINGER TIGHTEN ONLY. DO NOT FINAL TORQUE FASTENERS AT THIS TIME. FIGURE 2**



FIGURE 2

3. Facing fuel tank end of engine, install remaining curved non-throttle operator handle into transmission case socket located under engine oil crankcase dipstick/filler plug area per Step 2.

⚠ DANGER

- **Improper assembly and operation of Magura® throttle control will reduce controllability of Hole Digger, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.**

4. Install throttle control handle with throttle control grip in remaining transmission case socket. Hole Digger is designed for throttle control grip to be operated by the right hand. **DO NOT** deviate from assembly and operation of throttle control outlined in this manual. Reduced control of Hole Digger will result.
5. Using torque wrench, torque all handle screws evenly to 240 inch pounds (27 Nm).

⚠ CAUTION

- Properly attached operator handles provide proper structural integrity.
- Use of Hole Digger without operator handles properly attached can result in handle failure and/or personal injury.

6. Check factory installed throttle control cable is properly nested under cable retention clip mid-point on throttle control handle and runs along inside, side area of handle. **FIGURE 3**



FIGURE 3

- Route free end of throttle control cable into upper location of throttle cable attach bracket located just below and right of fuel tank cap. Attach bracket should be in full contact with aluminum end of throttle cable. Temporarily secure using flat-blade screw driver. FIGURE 4



FIGURE 4

- Using Phillips screwdriver, loosen screw on throttle arm swivel. Route inner wire into hole of swivel assembly. FIGURE 5



FIGURE 5

- Fully tighten throttle cable attach bracket screw. Do not allow bracket to crush throttle aluminum cable end.
- EXTREMELY IMPORTANT:** Using vice grip type pliers, remove any excess inner wire slack from throttle control system and tighten swivel assembly screw using Phillips screwdriver and 3/8 inch (10 mm) wrench. Wire pulling movement must not rotate throttle control grip. When throttle control grip is released, throttle arm return spring must immediately cut engine power off. If not occurring, check throttle control grip assembly for binding/movement restrictions. Adjust swivel assembly as necessary for complete freedom of movement. FIGURE 6



FIGURE 6



WARNING

- For operational safety and productivity considerations, it is extremely important that inner wire slack be completely removed from throttle control system.
- Inner wire slack can reduce overall operator control, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.

- Rotate throttle control counterclockwise (maximum speed position). Check inner wire pulls throttle lever arm of carburetor forward against stop. Improper adjustment prevents engine to operate at maximum, no load, governed speed and affects overall digging performance of Hole Digger. Adjust swivel assembly and throttle cable attach bracket as necessary for complete freedom of movement.
- Check throttle cable inner wire for binding/movement restrictions caused by attach bracket. Adjust bracket as necessary for complete freedom of movement.
- Using cut off pliers, cut remaining inner wire behind swivel arm assembly, leaving approximately 1 inch (25.4 mm) of excess wire.
- Check all fasteners for security, tighten as required.

NOTES TO THROTTLE CABLE INSTALLATION

- The Briggs & Stratton 675E engine incorporates a multi-purposed carburetor/throttle arm design allowing use with Bowden (push) and braided wire (pull) type configurations. For simplicity, the Hole Digger incorporates a braided wire (pull) type configuration.
- The 675E engine utilizes a two spring throttle control arm design pre-set at the factory. No adjustments are required.



CAUTION

- DO NOT alter engine throttle control arm or spring positions regulating maximum engine speed.
- Improper setting can result in excessive engine speed leading to substandard digging performance and loss of operator control that can result in property damage and/or personal injury.



WARNING

- Determine all components of engine throttle control assembly allow for proper function.
- Throttle lever of carburetor must return engine to idle speed, as stated in MACHINE SET-UP section of this manual, when twist grip throttle is released by operator.
- If proper function does not occur, contact your dealer or customer service department for specific information to correct the situation.
- DO NOT operate Hole Digger until improper function has been corrected.
- An improperly functioning throttle control can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

>>>> BEFORE STARTING ENGINE <<<<



FILLING ENGINE CRANKCASE WITH OIL

Tools Required:

1 each, small, clean funnel with a flexible extension spout

Fill engine crankcase with oil on level working platform of appropriate size and height. As an alternative, transmission driveshaft can be securely mounted in suitable bench vise.

- Wipe any dust/dirt from crankcase dipstick/filler plug area. Remove dipstick/filler plug.
- Using funnel, add oil to engine crankcase. For proper classifications and/or amount, consult material supplied by engine manufacturer for specific information.

- Replace dipstick/filler plug and tighten. Wipe off any excess spilled oil. Properly dispose of spilled oil/rags per international and local regulations.

WARNING

- DO NOT operate Hole Digger unless proper oil level is maintained.**
- Improper oil level can result in property damage and/or personal injury.**
- Consult material supplied by specific engine manufacturer for information relative to proper maintenance procedures.**

TRANSMISSION OIL RECOMMENDATIONS

Operating Temperature	Oil Type & Weight
Above 0°C (32°F)	SAE 30, 10W30, 10W40, 15W40
Below 0°C (32°F)	SAE 5W30

FILLING ENGINE FUEL TANK



Tools Required:
1 each, small, clean funnel.

CAUTION

- Never mix oil with gasoline for use in a 4 cycle engine. Damage to engine can result. Four cycle engines do not utilize oil mixed with gasoline for lubrication purposes.
- 235 Hole Digger utilizes a Four-Stroke, gasoline engine that does not require gasoline to be mixed with oil for lubrication purposes.

FILLING HOLE DIGGER TRANSMISSION WITH OIL

Tools Required:

- 1 each, 7/8 inch (23 mm) open or closed end wrench or use a socket/ratchet combination
- 1 each, small, clean funnel with a flexible extension spout.

- Position Hole Digger vertically, engine spark plug facing up and bottom of transmission housing facing you. Support to prevent accidental movement.
- Wipe any dust or dirt from transmission oil plug area located on transmission bottom. Remove plug with adjustable wrench.
- Using funnel, pour 12 ounces (0.35 L) of General Equipment Company Transmission and Engine Oil, PN 999-11, or a high grade, SAE 10W30, service classification SJ or higher motor oil through plug opening. **FIGURE 7**
- Maintain oil level in transmission at bottom of oil plug hole. Allow any excess oil to drain out of transmission. This procedure determines correct oil level for transmission. **DO NOT** operate Hole Digger with improper oil level.

NOTE: Correct oil level is important to ensure proper centrifugal clutch operation. Maintaining oil level too high will cause excessive clutch slippage and result in high oil temperatures. Excessive slippage and high oil temperatures will significantly reduce service life of clutch assembly and affect overall performance of Hole Digger.

NOTE: Use only an oil marked with an engine service classification SJ or higher. As a general rule, transmission usually uses same oil type and weight as the 4-Stroke engine crankcase.

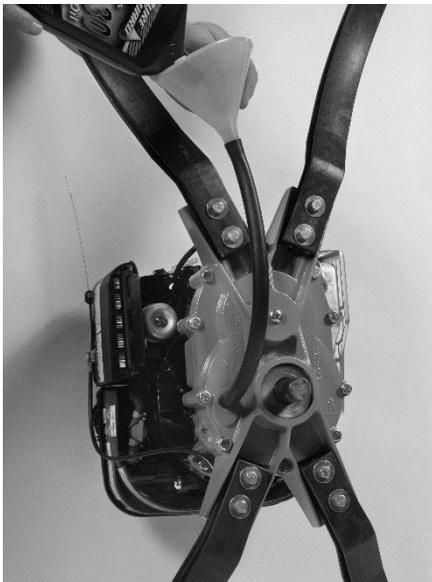


FIGURE 7

BEFORE operating Hole Digger refer to MACHINE SPECIFICATIONS section in this manual and engine manufacturer supplied materials for information regarding engine fuel, fueling and lubrication requirements.

- Use extreme caution handling gasoline. Always use UL, CSA or UN marked, European ADR regulation approved container for storage and transportation of fuel. Shut engine off and allow to cool before fueling. Never remove fuel tank filler cap or fill fuel tank while engine is running. Never operate engine without fuel tank filler cap. Select bare ground for fueling and move at least 10 feet (3.05 M) from fueling spot before starting engine.
- Carefully clean filler cap and surrounding area to prevent dirt/debris falling into fuel tank.
- Fill fuel tank with fresh, clean, unleaded automotive gasoline. Leaded "regular" grade gasoline is acceptable substitute. **DO NOT USE GASOLINE CONTAINING METHANOL (WOOD ALCOLHOL).** Gasoline containing maximum 10 percent ethanol/grain alcohol (sometimes referred to as Gasohol) may be used but requires special care when storing engine for extended periods.
- DO NOT** use gasoline left over from previous season for easier engine start-up and prevent poor engine performance.
- DO NOT** completely fill tank. Fill tank to within 1/4 inch (7 mm) to 1/2 inch (13 mm) of tank top to allow for fuel expansion. Replace filler cap. Wipe any fuel spillage and oil if leak is detected from engine and Hole Digger BEFORE operating engine. **DO NOT** operate engine until oil leak is fixed and fuel is wiped away. Properly dispose of any fuel or oil wiped from machine/rags per international and local regulations. **DO NOT** allow fuel or oil to get on clothing. Change clothes immediately if this happens.

DANGER

- DO NOT smoke near fuel tank.**
- DO NOT fill fuel tank with engine running or if it is hot.**
- Allow ample time between each refueling for engine to cool.**
- An ignition source in close proximity to fuel tank can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.**
- Consult material supplied by engine manufacturer for information relative to proper fueling procedures.**

- Reinstall oil plug. Tighten securely with wrench. Wipe off any excess oil spilled on transmission. Properly dispose of spilled oil/rags per international and local regulations.

9 APPLICATION THEORY & TECHNIQUES



The 235 Series Hole Digger operates on principle of accessory augers attached to the transmission drive shaft to rotate and dig holes in a variety of soil types. The combination of auger diameter, blade, screw bit, soil type and down pressure supplied by operators will affect the hole digging rate.

Hole digging process is directly controlled by:

1. Soil type.
2. Auger boring head design and diameter selected.
3. When required, sufficient application and/or reduction of machine weight and/or down force provided by operators to assist auger soil penetration.
4. No two soil types are exactly alike, no two holes can be dug by exact same method, overall operator feed rates vary. The hole digging process, along with operator experience, skill and common sense, suggests hole digging is a matter of trial and error and directly determines overall success of the job application.

HOLE DIGGING TECHNIQUES

1. Normal Hole Digger operation runs engine at full, governed speed allowing centrifugal clutch to become firmly engaged. Technique transmits more usable power to auger, increasing productivity and reducing component wear. For any soil condition, allow auger to dig at rate most comfortable to operators, but not cause centrifugal clutch to overload and slip.

NOTE: Hole Digger is equipped with a centrifugal clutch assembly within the transmission. The clutch assembly is designed to ALWAYS slip (NOT DISENGAGE) when overloaded or if auger contacts buried obstruction. When slipping, clutch still transmits a specific amount of torque to auger. Response time for clutch to react to overload condition is directly proportional to rotational speed. With higher rotational speeds (RPM) of clutch at time of overload, it takes more time for clutch to react and actually slip.



CAUTION

- Improper operating procedure can allow auger to "bind" and/or "bury" itself in the hole.
- This is usually the result of allowing auger to feed at an excessive rate. Phenomenon is also characteristic of digging with smaller diameter (2 to 4 inch) augers.
- In this condition, Hole Digger is not capable of transmitting ample power to "free" auger.
- DO NOT continue to overload and slip centrifugal clutch assembly.

2. In general, pressing down on operator handles is not required to initiate and/or sustain the digging process. In most moderate density soils, auger dig rates will not cause centrifugal clutch to overload and slip. In most soft, low density soils (sandy, etc.), it may be necessary to hold up on operator handles to reduce auger dig rate due to tendency of any auger design to cause centrifugal clutch to overload and slip. In most hard, high density soils (hard clay, etc.), it may be necessary to press down on operator handles to establish and maintain acceptable dig rates.
3. Some soil conditions may require more power to dig than machine is capable of delivering for a given auger diameter. To minimize problem, apply suitable down force by operators and use augers with new screw bits and blades. DO NOT use more than two operators to apply down force. If it is felt more than two operators are required to apply down force, STOP and contact Customer Service Department for operational recommendations.
4. When digging in areas filled with known, buried obstructions such as tree roots, rocks and other debris, operate Hole Digger at less than full (an intermediate) speed for more rapid release of centrifugal clutch when obstruction is encountered. This is an industry wide operating procedure.
5. When digging in areas filled with small tree roots, small rocks or other buried obstructions, allow auger blade to "chip away" at obstruction until auger can pass by (by working object loose) or go through it (as in penetrating tree roots). Technique usually involves holding up on operator handles using minimal auger feed rate. Many times size and

nature of buried object will prevent auger from passing by or going through it. Instead, remove buried object with shovel or other suitable tool and proceed to dig to desired depth using Hole Digger.



CAUTION

- Some job applications may encounter buried obstructions too massive in size or soil classifications too compacted to allow use of machine the size and/or with operating limitations of Hole Digger.
- Utilization of Hole Digger on these work sites can cause property damage and/or personal injury.
- Exercise proper common sense by selecting proper size and/or type equipment for the job application.

6. In most soil conditions, the auger will retract with less effort if allowed to rotate at slow speed. This procedure, however, will leave more loose soil at bottom of hole. To minimize amount of loose soil remaining at bottom of hole, stop rotation before retracting auger.
7. When restarting a Hole Digger with auger in a partially or completely dug hole extra caution is required. The throttle control can be advanced beyond idle speed before operators can exercise proper control of Hole Digger. The accepted procedure (when not using non-flighted auger extension) is to first remove unit from hole and restart engine per STARTING ENGINE WITH AUGER ATTACHED in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual. Return unit to hole with engine at idle speed and complete hole to desired depth.



CAUTION



- Restarting engine with auger in partially or completely dug hole requires higher degree of operator experience, skill and common sense over introductory or novice level expertise.
- Manufacturer is aware many operators restart Hole Digger's engine with auger in partially or completely dug hole on regular basis while in the field.
- Manufacturer also realizes procedure must be utilized when auger extension is used to extend digging depth. Manufacturer has no control over experience, skill and common sense levels of each operator of the Hole Digger.
- Manufacturer has no control over each job site or specific job application for the Hole Digger.

8. Grass and other overgrowth conditions will hamper digging capability of any auger by becoming "clogged" around auger teeth and screw bit. Removal of such obstructions from hole location BEFORE digging will increase digging efficiency and overall productivity.



CAUTION

- DO NOT dig initial hole with smaller auger then use larger diameter auger to "ream" hole to desired size.
- This method will prevent auger screw bit of larger auger from providing sufficient directional stability during "reaming" process.



WARNING



- DO NOT use shovel and/or foreign object to remove loose soil from around hole area while operating Hole Digger.
- This can result in shovel and/or foreign object to become entrapped by rotating auger.

10 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



IMPORTANT: DO NOT operate Hole Digger until each operator completely comprehends contents of this manual, plus applicable safety and operational information supplied by engine manufacturer.

INSTALLING AUGER

1. Refer to STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual. To install auger, place Hole Digger with spark plug facing up.

⚠ DANGER

- DO NOT connect auger to Hole Digger with engine running.
- A sudden change in engine speed will result in property damage and/or personal injury.

2. Connect auger to Hole Digger with correct factory supplied auger pin.

⚠ CAUTION

- When installing auger and auger pin, always place Hole Digger with engine spark plug in upward position to minimize potential for oil and/or gasoline to enter combustion chamber and create a hydraulic lock up.
- Such occurrence can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

⚠ CAUTION

- DO NOT use any other connecting device except auger pin supplied with Hole Digger which is designed to withstand high stresses encountered while digging.
- Use of any other connecting device, including cap screws, bolts, pins, etc., can result in damage to Hole Digger driveshaft and/or auger drive hub.
- Improper connecting devices can cause property damage and/or personal injury.

STARTING ENGINE WITH AUGER ATTACHED

DO NOT attempt to dig with Hole Digger until Crew Chief and Crew Member have acknowledged to each other they are ready and are in full control of machine/accessories. Crew Chief operates engine throttle control with right hand and is responsible for verbal commands. Crew member operates choke control and starts engine.

⚠ DANGER

- Hole digger is designed for two operators. Use by only one operator or by more than two operators will lead to confusion and loss of control, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.
- Start engine according to instructions outlined below to minimize possibility of unexpected auger rotation.
- Unexpected auger rotation can result in loss of machine control and possibility of property damage and/or personal injury.

DANGER

- To reduce potential for personal injury, stop hole digger between each hole.
- DO NOT choose to save time (time required to restart engine), money (if hole digger is being rented) or gain added convenience by electing to keep engine running between each hole.
- Actions can lead to loss of control, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.

⚠ CAUTION

- If Hole Digger and/or an individual component/accessory does not appear to function properly, STOP and DO NOT operate Hole Digger until corrective action has been completed.
- If you have any questions regarding proper operation of Hole Digger, contact Customer Service Department for assistance BEFORE using. There is no charge for this service.

3. Place Hole Digger in vertical orientation on desired hole location.

4. Crew Member opens fuel tank breather vent (if so equipped) to its maximum set position. Failure to open breather vent prevents engine from receiving continuous supply of fuel.
5. Crew Member opens fuel tank ON/OFF valve located under fuel tank to ON position. FIGURE 8

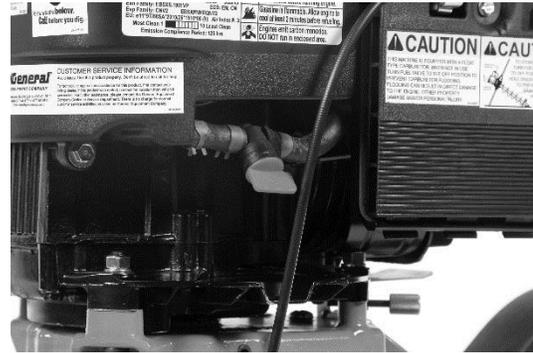


FIGURE 8

6. Crew Chief rotates throttle control counterclockwise (to open) half way against its stop while providing machine stability with left hand/left handle grip.
7. Crew Member closes engine choke pushing control lever to far left position. FIGURE 9



FIGURE 9

⚠ CAUTION

- DO NOT apply excessive force when pulling or pushing choke lever control.
- Excessive force can damage carburetor.

8. Crew Member pulls recoil starter handle until engine compression is felt, then gives a fast, short, steady pull. Allow starter rope to retract slowly. If engine does not start in three pulls, consult material supplied by engine manufacturer for specific information. As engine warms up, Crew Member pushes choke control lever to far right "run" position. FIGURE 9

NOTE: Normally, engines not running for some time require three to five pulls to start. Recently run engines usually start on first or second pull. In cold weather, initial starting will require additional pulls due to extremely rich fuel/air mixture.

9. Allow engine to properly "warm up" and operate without requirement for engine choke. Check for proper centrifugal clutch operation, excessive transmission noise and/or vibration.
10. Crew Chief rotates throttle control counterclockwise to increase engine speed/regulate digging process. Auger begins rotation when centrifugal clutch reaches initial engagement speed.

PROPER OPERATOR STANCE (FIGURE 10 & 11)

11. Grasp operator handles firmly. Wrap fingers around handle grips, keeping grips cradled between thumbs and forefingers.

12. Keep wrists as perpendicular to operator handles as feasible while digging. Proper wrist position can minimize and/or reduce stress and strain related damage potential to this body area, plus, operator control is enhanced and fatigue reduced. FIGURE 11
13. Keep left side operator handles as close to waist/leg/arm areas as possible for maximum leverage/control and minimize effects of "kickback" if obstruction is encountered when digging.
14. Keep arms close to upper body, back as vertical as possible, and bend legs as needed to minimize physical stress.
15. Position left foot forward of right foot and a comfortable distance apart.



FIGURE 10



FIGURE 11

- NOTE:** Not using a proper operator stance (FIGURES 12, 13, 14):
- a) Reduces operator control and balance.
 - b) Increases operator fatigue.
 - c) Increases risk of property damage and/or personal injury.



FIGURE 12



FIGURE 13



FIGURE 14

REMOVING STUCK AUGER FROM HOLE

16. Usually due to excessive auger feed rate, an auger can "bind" and/or "bury" itself in the hole. This is also common when digging with smaller diameter 2 inch (50.8 mm) to 4 inch 101.6 mm (101.6 mm) augers. When this occurs, DO NOT continue to overload and slip clutch assembly. Hole Digger is not capable of transmitting ample power to "free" auger.

⚠ WARNING

- DO NOT use of chains and/or slings wrapped around Hole Digger and/or operator handles connected to external towing device such as a truck or loader to remove Hole Digger from ground.
- Action can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

NOTE: The 235 Series Hole Digger uses a manually deployed transmission lock to prevent gear rotation. Use the following procedure to remove a stuck auger from hole:

17. Before attempting to remove stuck auger from hole, STOP engine per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual BEFORE moving to step 18 below.
18. Locate transmission lock on top of transmission housing under spark plug/engine cooling fin area of engine. FIGURE 15

⚠ CAUTION **⚠**

- Area can become hot to the touch.
- Wear gloves for added protection.

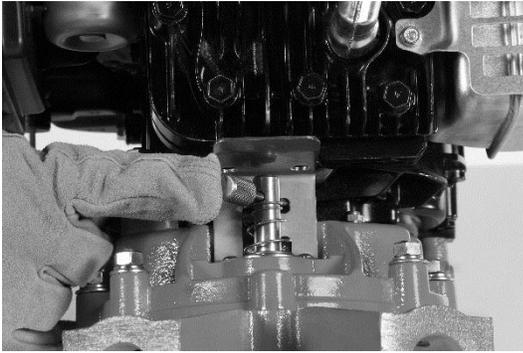


FIGURE 15

19. Push lock handle down slightly to disengage upper detent position. Turn lock handle counterclockwise (to right) until it stops against vertical slot of lock bracket. FIGURE 15
20. Push lock handle down until it stops against bottom slot of lock bracket and engages transmission gear. (Note, it may be necessary to rotate Hole Digger back and forth slightly to allow lock pin to fully engage gear.) Turn lock handle clockwise (to left) until it stops against right side of slot. Release allowing spring to push handle up in to lower detent position. In this position, lock device is fully deployed. FIGURE 16

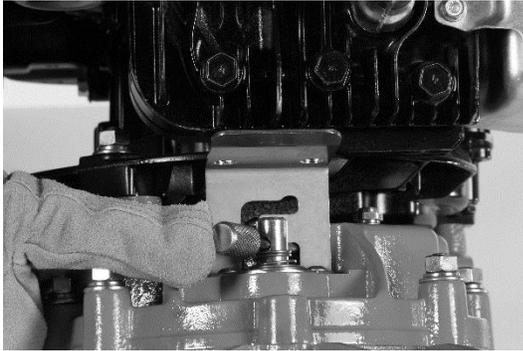


FIGURE 16

21. With Crew Chief and Crew Member on each side of hole digger, grasp operator handles and rotate Hole Digger/auger counterclockwise (to right). DO NOT FORCE. Apply steady pressure until auger loosens in ground, continuing rotation until auger is freed from obstruction and Hole Digger/auger can be lifted from hole.
22. Inspect Hole Digger/auger for damage. Remove any obstruction from auger and/or hole.
23. Reverse locking device process to disengage locking pin from gear. Check spring positions handle in upper detent position of locking bracket to prevent inadvertent lock deployment.



CAUTION

- Lock device spring should always be in direct contact with handle in any position.
- If this does not occur, lock device can become inadvertently deployed, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.
- Replace worn or damaged spring with factory approved replacement part only.

24. Reconnect spark plug wire. Start engine and resume digging process per STARTING ENGINE WITH AUGER ATTACHED in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.

ADDING/REMOVING NONFLIGHTED AUGER EXTENSION

For holes deeper than standard augers provide, a non-flighted auger extension increases digging depth 15 inches (381 mm). Additional operator experience, over introductory/novice skill levels, is required when using. Follow this accepted procedure to add non-flighted extension:

25. Dig to approximate full depth of auger following operating instructions. Remove as much loose soil from hole as possible per STEP 7 of HOLE DIGGING TECHNIQUES in APPLICATION THEORY & TECHNIQUES section of this manual.
26. STOP Hole Digger per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.
27. Remove Hole Digger/auger from hole. Disconnect auger from Hole Digger. Place auger in hole. Attach auger extension to auger and secure with auger pin. The Hole Digger can now be connected to auger extension using auger pin.



CAUTION

- Utilization of non-flighted auger extensions requires additional operator experience, skill and common sense over introductory or novice level of expertise.
- Manufacturer has no control over experience, skill and common sense levels of each operator of Hole Digger.
- Each operator must decide if his experience, skill and common sense level is sufficient to allow him to proceed with use of non-flighted auger extensions for any given and/or specific job application.



WARNING



- Never utilize more than one non-flighted auger extension to increase overall digging depth.
- Non-flighted auger extensions are not equipped with auger flighting to elevate loose borings from hole.
- Multiple use of non-flighted auger extensions will allow auger to "bury" itself in hole. Such use can lead to loss of operator control and/or personal injury.

28. Per STARTING ENGINE WITH AUGER ATTACHED in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual, dig to desired depth or to full depth of auger extension. To remove auger extension, follow this accepted procedure:
29. Remove as much loose soil from hole as possible per STEP 6 of HOLE DIGGING TECHNIQUES in APPLICATION THEORY & TECHNIQUES section of this manual.
30. STOP Hole Digger per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.
31. Lift auger extension/auger/Hole Digger up far enough out of hole so bottom end of auger extension is clear. FIGURE 17. Block remaining auger with auger fork to prevent falling back into hole. An additional Crew Member will usually be required. FIGURE 18



FIGURE 17



FIGURE 18

32. Disconnect Hole Digger from auger extension. Disconnect auger extension from auger.
33. Reconnect Hole Digger to remaining auger and remove power unit/auger from hole. Reconnect spark plug wire.
34. Per STARTING ENGINE WITH AUGER ATTACHED in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual dig next hole based on job application. If project is complete, store Hole Digger per STORAGE section of this manual.

STOPPING HOLE DIGGER

35. Stop Hole Digger by releasing throttle control grip. Power to engine should immediately be cut off. FIGURE 19



FIGURE 19

NOTE: If engine power does not cut off, check throttle control grip, throttle cable, and engine throttle control arm for binding and/or improper adjustment.

WARNING

- Stop Hole Digger between each hole.
- Never leave Hole Digger running and unattended.
- Not doing so can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

36. Disconnect spark plug wire to prevent accidental engine starting.
37. When engine is not in operation or is to be stored, close fuel tank breather vent (if so equipped). Turn fuel tank ON/OFF valve to OFF position to minimize fuel flooding carburetor and/or entering engine crankcase and/or impacting upon environment.

11 MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS



For routine maintenance, the following information should be followed once per week or 40 hours of use at minimum for maximum performance and return on

investment unless otherwise indicated. Information is for reference only and is not intended to be all inclusive.

1. Use factory approved replacement parts/accessories only for maintenance and repair.

WARNING

- Operating Hole Digger utilizing components not meeting minimum operational standards can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

2. All maintenance/repairs not described in this operator manual must be done by a dedicated service center following a specific service/repair manual.
3. STOP Hole Digger BEFORE performing maintenance and service per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.

WARNING

- Do not perform service and/or repair related functions with Hole Digger mounted to 999 Series Display Stands.
- Stands are not designed and/or intended for these functions.
- Such use can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

4. Inspect for loose or broken parts. Inspect all fasteners, individual parts, operator controls and safety devices for proper function. Tighten fasteners as necessary. Replace any worn or damaged part or assembly.
5. Remove all loose accumulations, dirt, grease to prevent safety hazards, poor performance and reduced service life using safety type solvent.

DANGER

- Use safety type solvent.
- DO NOT use thinner, benzene, or other volatile solvents that will attack rubber/plastic components when cleaning Hole Digger.
- Provide adequate ventilation.
- DO NOT smoke while using cleaning solvents..
- DO NOT use solvents with engine running or if it is hot.
- Allow ample time for engine to cool BEFORE using solvents.
- An ignition source in close proximity to hot engine can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.

6. Inspect engine throttle control arm and throttle cable assemblies are not damaged, bent, abraded or parts missing, are in correct operating position and allow for complete freedom of movement. DO NOT operate Hole Digger with damaged engine throttle control arm and/or throttle cable assembly.
7. Inspect operator grips, and throttle control grip are free of moisture, pitch, oil or grease and are not cracked, damaged or worn. DO NOT operate Hole Digger until such handles and/or grips are repaired and/or replaced to prevent aggravated effects of "kickback and/or loss of operator control when digging.
8. Inspect operator handle full length and attach areas for signs of cracking, fatigue, deformation, nicks or gouges. If cracking or deformation is detected or cuts or abrasions greater than 0.125 inch (3.2 mm) deep are present, replace. Keep handles clean and free of dirt, moisture, grease, oil and other, foreign material accumulations.

IMPORTANT: Keep external condition of operator handles, grips and throttle control free of accumulation of moisture, dirt, pitch and other foreign substance that can provide a conductive pathway for energy to be transmitted from throttle control be maintained in clean, dry condition and free of all foreign materials.

IMPORTANT: Regardless of actual use, operator handles have a maximum service life of 6 years. Replace any operator handles meeting this time limit. Handle material used reduces (but does not eliminate) long term effects of ultra violet radiation from sun.

9. Inspect centrifugal clutch assembly properly disengages at specified engine speed or slips during overload conditions.
10. Inspect engine muffler for wear or damage and replace as necessary to minimize fire hazard and hearing loss risk. If muffler is equipped with a spark arresting device, check for proper working condition. If not, replace with approved replacement from engine manufacturer.

IMPORTANT: It is owner(s) and/or operator(s) responsibility to provide and maintain a USDA approved, spark arresting muffler in an operating area specified by law. Check appropriate governing agencies for more specific information. Hole Digger must not be operated if muffler is faulty or has been removed.

11. Inspect all safety and operation decals. If any decal becomes damaged and/or unreadable, replace.
12. Hole Digger may utilize self-locking type hexagon nuts to minimize effects of vibration. If worn or damaged, replace.
13. Inspect auger for bent or damaged axle that will cause auger to "wobble" during use and can cause loss of machine control. Maximum allowable auger wobble is 0.25 inch (7 mm) total indicator runout (TIR). Augers with TIR in excess of this value must be removed from service and scrapped.
14. Inspect auger blade and screw bit for excessive wear, cracking, sharpness and missing parts. Replace as required to prevent undo wear to boring head and inverted cone configuration to auger flighting. The end result is substandard productivity and usually requires complete auger replacement. FIGURE 20. Auger service life can be greatly extended with constant auger wear part maintenance.

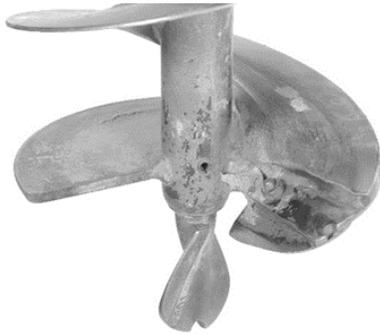


FIGURE 20

! **DANGER**

- **DO NOT use auger with auger blade and screw bit worn past their specific service limits.**
- **Excessive wear to auger blade and screw bit will allow auger flighting to wear in a tapered or inverted cone configuration.**
- **A worn boring head may only be capable of digging a hole 60 to 75 percent of auger nominal diameter.**
- **Configuration will allow auger to "bind" in hole and substantially reduce operator control and productivity.**

! **DANGER**

- **DO NOT operate auger which has bent or damaged axle with total indicator runout exceeding maximum allowable limit.**
- **Excessive auger wobble can reduce operator control, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.**

15. Consult material supplied by engine manufacturer for specific information relative to proper operation, lubrication and storage requirements.

CHANGING HOLE DIGGER TRANSMISSION OIL

Tools Required:

- 1 each, 23 mm (7/8 inch) open or closed end wrench or use a socket/ratchet combination
- 1 each, small, clean funnel with a flexible extension spout.

1. Change transmission oil every 25 hours of operation, or more often as necessary, if Hole Digger is operated in extremely dusty or dirty conditions.
2. STOP Hole Digger per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.
3. Drain fuel from fuel tank into a UL, CSA or UN marked, European ADR regulation approved fuel container. Wipe any excess spilled fuel and dispose of excess fuel and/or rags per international and local regulations.

! **DANGER**

- **DO NOT smoke near fuel tank.**
- **DO NOT fill fuel tank with engine running or if it is hot.**
- **Allow ample time between each refueling for engine to cool.**
- **An ignition source in close proximity to fuel tank can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.**
- **Consult material supplied by engine manufacturer for information relative to proper fueling procedures.**

4. Position Hole Digger vertically, engine spark plug facing up and bottom of transmission housing facing toward you. Support to prevent accidental movement.
5. Wipe any dust or dirt from oil plug area located on transmission bottom. Remove plug with adjustable wrench.
6. Tilt unit forward to allow oil to completely drain from transmission into a suitable container.
7. Re-position unit back to vertical position with spark plug facing up. Using funnel, pour 0.35 liters (12 ounces) of General Equipment Company Transmission and Engine Oil, PN 999-11, or a high grade, SAE 30 Detergent or 10W30 motor oil through plug opening.
8. Maintain oil level in transmission at bottom of oil plug hole. Allow any excess oil to drain out of transmission. This procedure determines correct oil level for transmission. DO NOT operate Hole Digger with improper oil level.

NOTE: Correct oil level is important to ensure proper centrifugal clutch operation. Maintaining oil level too high will cause excessive clutch slippage and result in high oil temperatures. Excessive slippage and high oil temperatures will significantly reduce service life of clutch assembly and affect overall performance of Hole Digger.

NOTE: Use only an oil marked with an engine service classification SJ or higher. As a general rule, transmission usually uses same oil type and weight as 4-Stroke engine crankcase.

9. Inspect oil plug gasket, replace if worn. Reinstall oil plug. Tighten securely with wrench. Wipe off any excess oil spilled on transmission. Dispose of used oil/rags per international and local regulations.

MAGURA® THROTTLE CONTROL MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

For every 8 hours of actual operation and whenever throttle cable is replaced, the following maintenance program is to be followed:

1. Remove plastic cover to properly inspect internal components. If damaged or worn, replace. FIGURE 21

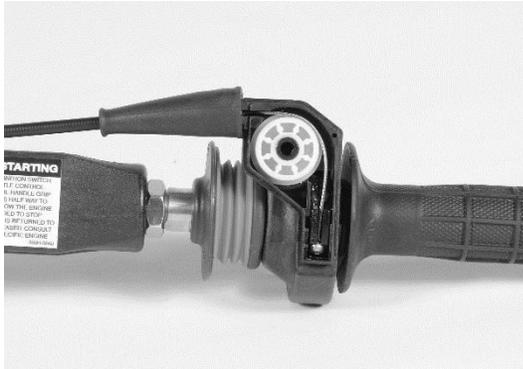


FIGURE 21

2. Inspect idler pulley. Normal use will produce a wear pattern into idler pulley by throttle cable. Maximum allowable groove wear depth created by cable is 0.045 inch (1.1 mm). Wear depth in excess of this limit requires idler pulley replacement.
3. Inspect throttle cable for excessive wear and fraying of area in direct contact with idler pulley. Abnormal wear or fraying requires replacement of throttle cable.
4. Inspect barrel end of throttle cable for proper retention. Properly retained barrel end will have no relative movement between it and inner cable. Any relative movement requires throttle cable replacement.

FIGURE 22



FIGURE 22

5. Inspect receptacle area of throttle control which retains barrel end of throttle cable. Properly fitted barrel fitting should have complete freedom of movement with no binding restrictions or excessive play due to wear. Barrel fitting which is binding within receptacle requires throttle cable replacement. Excessive receptacle wear requires specific component assembly replacement. FIGURE 23



FIGURE 23

6. Apply appropriate preservative to rubber boot assembly to protect internal components from foreign material accumulations.

7. If regular throttle control inspection determines carburetor return spring does not properly return to engine cut-off position, remove throttle control grip tube from throttle control handle. Inspect tube and operator handle surface area for accumulation of foreign material, including dirt, moisture, etc. Remove any accumulation, clean as necessary. DO NOT apply external lubrication to this area during reassembly process.
8. Inspect throttle control grip proper attachment to throttle control assembly. Replace grip which fits loose or has become worn/damaged.

REPLACING WORN AUGER SCREW BIT

Application: All augers.



DANGER

- Wear safety eyewear and other safety apparel appropriate for the job application and/or job site environment.
- Screw bit replacement process can create flying steel chips and/or other debris.
- Caution all onlookers regarding the possibility of and/or to remain clear of flying debris.
- Improper safety procedures can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

Tools Required:

- 1 each, safety glasses
- 1 each, hammer
- 2 each, 1/4 inch (7 mm) diameter, straight-type punch

Parts Required:

- 1 each, PN P302 Screw Bit 3 inch (76.2 mm) diameter auger.
- 1 each, PN P801 Screw Bit 2 inch (50.8 mm) and 4 inch (101.6 mm) to 12 inch (304.8 mm) diameter augers.
- 1 each, PN 20041000 Roll Pin 2 inch (50.8 mm) and 3 inch (76.2 mm) diameter augers if required.
- 1 each, PN 20051200 Roll Pin 4 inch (101.6 mm) to 12 inch (304.8 mm) diameter augers, if required.

NOTE: Screw bit for 2 and 3 inch diameter augers functions as boring head. No other blade is used.

1. Replacement of auger screw bit will require a level working platform of appropriate size and height.
2. Using hammer and straight-type punch, remove roll pin from auger axle.
3. Remove worn screw bit from auger axle. Align hole of replacement screw bit with hole in the auger axle.
4. Install roll pin with hammer and straight-type punch.
5. Return auger back to service.

REPLACING WORN AUGER BLADE

Application: All augers 4 inch diameter and larger.



DANGER

- Wear safety eyewear and other safety apparel appropriate for the job application and/or job site environment.
- Screw bit replacement process can create flying steel chips and/or other debris.
- Caution all onlookers regarding the possibility of and/or to remain clear of flying debris.
- Improper safety procedures can result in property damage and/or personal injury.

Tools Required:

- 1 each, safety glasses
- 2 each, 7/16 inch (12 mm) wrenches

Parts Required:

- 1 each, PN E244, 4 inch (101.6 mm) diameter auger blade
 - 1 each, PN E246, 6 inch (152.4 mm) diameter auger blade
 - 1 each, PN E248, 8 inch (203.2 mm) diameter auger blade
 - 1 each, PN E310, 10 inch (254 mm) diameter auger blade
 - 1 each, PN E512, 12 inch (304.8 mm) diameter auger blade
- Required Quantity: 2425 bolt, washer and nut

All blades use 1/4 inch (7 mm) diameter capscrews and locknuts to retain blade to auger plate. Each blade incorporates a minimum of two capscrews. Augers with only one capscrew visible and/or usable is worn beyond useful service life and must be discarded.

1. Replacement of auger blade will require level working platform of appropriate size and height.
2. Using 7/16 inch (12 mm) wrenches, loosen capscrews to remove worn blade from auger plate. Remove any accumulated dirt from auger plate area. Install replacement blade with capscrew threads facing up toward auger hub. Tighten firmly with wrenches.

NOTE: Replacement blade will extend past outside diameter of auger plate for added component wear protection.

3. Return auger back to service.

12 SERVICE/REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS



The following information is intended for non-scheduled service/repair situations when specific issues arise affecting Hole Digger performance. Information is for reference only and is not intended to be all inclusive.

1. Use factory approved replacement parts/accessories only for servicing/repair purposes.

WARNING

- **Operating Hole Digger utilizing components not meeting minimum operational standards can result in property damage and/or personal injury.**

2. All service/repairs not described in this operator manual must be done by a dedicated service center following a specific service/repair manual.
3. STOP Hole Digger BEFORE performing service and repair per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of Operator's Manual.

WARNING

- **Do not perform service and/or repair related functions with Hole Digger mounted to 999 Series Display Stands.**
- **Stands are not designed and/or intended for these functions.**
- **Such use can result in property damage and/or personal injury.**

4. All engine service/repairs should be done according to contents of engine manufacturer material.

PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE SERVICING

Pressure relief valve, PN 5677, is located on transmission cover top surface to relieve excess pressure in transmission due to heat rise. If valve becomes plugged, the following problems can occur:

- a) Transmission output driveshaft oil seal can push out of case, causing loss of transmission oil.
- b) Gasket separating transmission cover and case can push out, causing loss of transmission oil.

1. To minimize issues, clean pressure relief valve when replacing transmission oil seal or centrifugal clutch rotor and shoe assembly.

TRANSMISSION OIL SEAL REMOVAL & INSTALLATION

The 235 Series Hole Digger utilizes a fully enclosed, double reduction transmission for multiplying/transmitting engine torque to auger. Oil provides lubrication and heat dissipation for bearings, gears and clutch assembly.

Oil leakage between transmission output driveshaft and oil seal results from the following problems:

- a) Oil seal is worn due to extended operation.
- b) Inner sealing lip of oil seal is cut or nicked due to admission of foreign material or some sharp, abrasive object.
- c) Replacement oil seal was incorrectly installed in transmission.

NOTE: In all above cases, a replacement oil seal must be correctly installed to prevent loss of transmission oil. The oil seal specified is an industry interchange standard and can usually be obtained from local supply sources.

Tools Required:

- 1 each, small, adjustable wrench
- 2 each, 1/2 inch (13 mm) wrenches
- 1 each, torque wrench 50 pound-foot (68 N.m.) capacity with 1/2 inch (13 mm) socket
- 1 each, 1/2 inch (13 mm) drive socket wrench with 1/2 inch (13 mm) socket
- 1 each, snap ring pliers
- 1 each, plastic hammer
- 1 each, three jaw gear puller
- 1 each, shop press

Parts Required:

- 1 each, PN 235-0100 transmission gasket
- 1 each, PN 471516 National® oil seal or industry equivalent
- 1 each, PN 5160-98 snap ring (if required)
- 1 each, PN 63050500 key (if required)
- 1 each, PN 235-0350 large spur gear (if required)
- 1 each, PN 235-0330 final driveshaft (if required)
- 1 each, container of Barium or Lithium based, lubricating grease
- 1 each, container of bearing/shaft locking grade, anaerobic adhesive/sealant
- 1 each, container of wheel bearing grease
- 1 each, PN 999-11, transmission and engine oil or equivalent.

NOTE: Oil seal removal and installation will require level working platform of sufficient size and appropriate height. As an alternative, transmission output driveshaft assembly can be securely mounted in suitable bench vise.

1. Drain fuel from fuel tank into a UL, CSA or UN marked, European ADR regulation approved fuel container and oil from transmission. If re-use is not possible, disposal must be carried out according to international and local environmental standards.

DANGER

- **DO NOT smoke near fuel tank.**
- **DO NOT fill fuel tank with engine running or if it is hot.**
- **Allow ample time between each refueling for engine to cool.**
- **An ignition source in close proximity to fuel tank can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.**
- **Consult material supplied by engine manufacturer for information relative to proper fueling procedures.**

2. Remove transmission assembly bolts. Use plastic hammer to split/separate transmission cover and case. DO NOT damage alignment dowel pins. Temporarily store engine/transmission cover assembly in upright position in suitable location.
3. Remove clutch drum, primary gear/pinion gear assembly from transmission case.
4. Clean transmission case with appropriate solvent.

⚠ DANGER

- Use safety type solvent.
- **DO NOT** use thinner, benzene, or other volatile solvents that will attack rubber/plastic components when cleaning Hole Digger.
- Provide adequate ventilation.
- **DO NOT** smoke while using cleaning solvents..
- **DO NOT** use solvents with engine running or if it is hot.
- Allow ample time for engine to cool **BEFORE** using solvents.
- An ignition source in close proximity to hot engine can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.

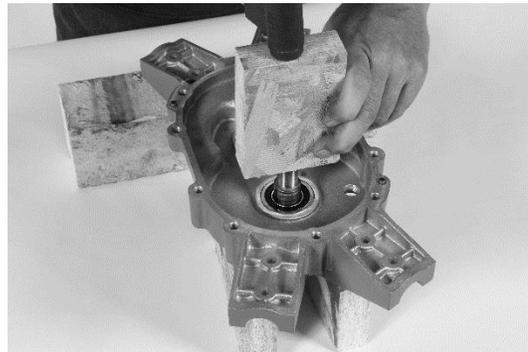


FIGURE 27

5. Remove snap ring retaining large, secondary spur gear with snap ring pliers. **DO NOT** damage snap ring. FIGURE 24

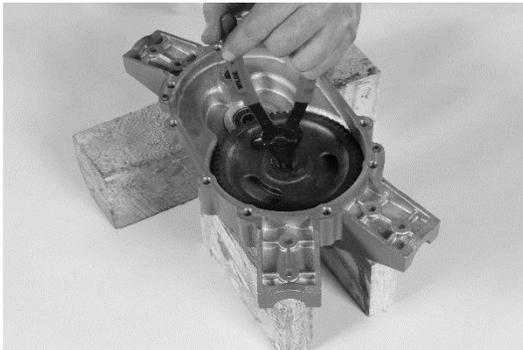


FIGURE 24

6. Using gear puller, remove large spur gear from driveshaft. FIGURE 25

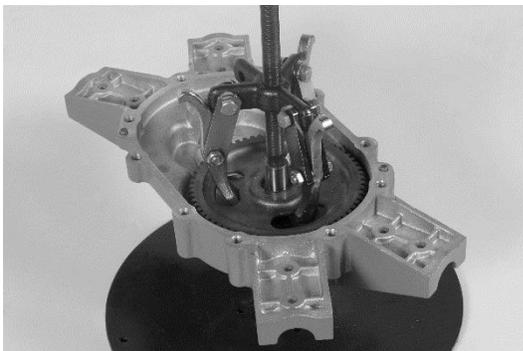


FIGURE 25

7. Remove square key from drive shaft side. FIGURE 26



FIGURE 26

8. Using shop press/suitable blocking, support transmission case driveshaft area to prevent damage. As alternative, wood blocks and plastic hammer can be used. FIGURE 27

9. Press output driveshaft out of transmission through bearing in transmission case. Oil seal should also press out at this time. FIGURE 27

⚠ DANGER

- **Wear safety eyewear and other safety apparel appropriate for the job application and/or job site environment.**
- **Bearing replacement process can create flying steel chips and/or other debris.**
- **Caution all onlookers regarding the possibility of and/or to remain clear of flying debris.**
- **Improper safety procedures can result in property damage and/or personal injury.**

10. Remove oil seal from driveshaft and discard. Inspect driveshaft for chipping and/or cracking around square key area. If any damage is evident, replace driveshaft.
11. Inspect driveshaft in location where inner portion of oil seal contacts shaft for concentricity, scratches, chips or other imperfections. If depth of any groove cut into driveshaft is greater than .010 inch (0.25 mm), replace driveshaft.

NOTE: Unless inner sealing member of replacement oil seal turns on a concentric, smooth surface, oil will continue to leak.

12. From outside transmission case, press driveshaft back through transmission case bearing until driveshaft snap ring rests on outside of bearing. Re-insert square key.
13. Press large spur gear into place, retain with snap ring. Lightly tap inside driveshaft end with plastic hammer.

NOTE: Tapping releases slight transmission case bearing binding from pressing driveshaft into place. Driveshaft should now turn freely.

14. Inspect replacement oil seal area where driveshaft rotates within seal for scratches, chips or other imperfections which can cause oil to leak past seal. **DO NOT** use seal if any imperfections/damage is evident.
15. Inspect remaining replacement oil seal portions for imperfections/damage that could cause oil leaks. **DO NOT** use seal if any imperfections/damage is evident.
16. Pack cavity between inner and outer sealing members with Barium or Lithium based lubricating grease to minimize possibility of dry oil seal rotating on dry driveshaft during first few minutes of operation.

FIGURE 28



FIGURE 28

NOTE: LUBRIPLATE 105 is an approved lubricant.

17. Inspect transmission case oil seal cavity for signs of galling or shape distortion. Coat oil seal outside diameter with bearing/shaft, locking grade, anaerobic adhesive/sealant to help retain in position.
18. Slide oil seal over driveshaft with circular, twisting motion. Cupped side of oil seal faces inward toward transmission case, flat side faces outward. DO NOT cut or nick oil sealing lips when installing seal.
19. If an arbor press is not available, tap oil seal into place with thin, wood block and plastic hammer. Position seal against machined shoulder of transmission case with bore at right angles to shaft. FIGURE 29

IMPORTANT: Keep blows to outside edge of oil seal to prevent damage. DO NOT hit oil seal with direct hammer blows under any circumstances.

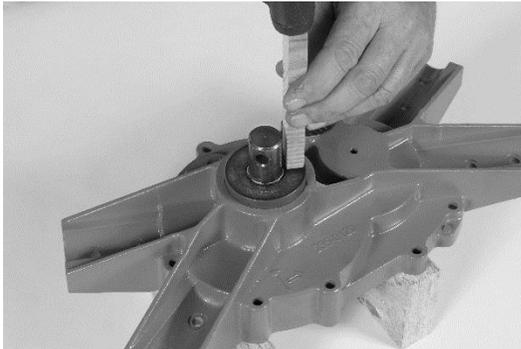


FIGURE 29

20. Apply small amount of high-temperature, anti-seize compound to pinion gear journal area of transmission case output driveshaft. Re-install clutch drum on transmission case output driveshaft.
21. Reinstall primary gear/pinion assembly. If existing transmission gasket is damaged, replace. Realign transmission dowel pins when reinstalling engine and cover assembly. Torque all fasteners to 20 pound feet (27 N.m.) in an "X" sequence.

IMPORTANT: Transmission gasket is required to provide adequate clearance. DO NOT substitute silicon material or gasket adhesive for factory approved gasket.

22. Rotate transmission output driveshaft and check for excessive noise and/or binding. If excessive noise and/or binding is evident, disassemble transmission and investigate for probable causes. Reassemble and retorquer bolts to specified amount. Recheck for excessive noise and/or binding.
23. Refill transmission with oil and engine fuel tank with fuel to appropriate levels.

CENTRIFUGAL CLUTCH ROTOR/SHOE ASSEMBLY REMOVAL & INSTALLATION

The 235 Hole Digger utilizes an all metal centrifugal clutch rotor and shoe assembly that expands with engine RPM to engage clutch drum and transfer torque. The clutch rotor and shoe assembly is mounted to the engine crankshaft. Clutch assembly replacement symptoms include the following:

- a) Excessive clutch slippage and auger stalling at full, governed engine speed.
- b) Partial clutch engagement (and resulting auger rotation) at specified engine idle speed.

To replace clutch assembly, proceed as follows:

Tools Required:

- 2 each, 1/2 inch (13 mm) wrenches
- 1 each, three jaw gear puller (if required)
- 1 each, plastic hammer
- 1 each, torque wrench, 240 inch pound (27 N.m.) capacity with 1/2 inch (13 mm) socket
- 1 each, 1 inch (25.4 cm) capacity micrometer
- 1 each, feeler gauge set
- 1 each, 3/16 inch (4.7 mm) Allen wrench
- 1 each, 1/8 inch (3.2 mm), long handle type Allen wrench

Parts Required:

- 1 each, PN 3516 clutch drum/pinion assembly
- 1 each, PN 235-0170 rotor/shoe assembly (units with Briggs & Stratton engine)
- 1 each, PN 330H-0175 rotor/shoe assembly (units with Honda engine)
- 1 each, PN 235-0100 transmission gasket (if required)
- 1 each, PN 6, alloy Woodruff key (if required)
- 1 each, container of high temperature, anti-seize compound
- 1 each, container of wicking grade, anaerobic adhesive/sealant

NOTE: Centrifugal clutch removal and installation will require a level working platform of sufficient size and appropriate height.

1. Drain fuel from fuel tank into a UL, CSA or UN marked, European ADR regulation approved fuel container, oil from transmission and oil from engine. If re-use is not possible, disposal must be carried out according to international and local environmental standards.

DANGER

- DO NOT smoke near fuel tank.
- DO NOT fill fuel tank with engine running or if it is hot.
- Allow ample time between each refueling for engine to cool.
- An ignition source in close proximity to fuel tank can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.
- Consult material supplied by engine manufacturer for information relative to proper fueling procedures.

2. Remove transmission assembly bolts. Use plastic hammer to split/separate transmission cover and case. DO NOT damage alignment dowel pins. Temporarily store transmission case assembly in upright position in suitable location.

NOTE: Remove primary gear/pinion gear assembly if attached to transmission cover when case and cover are split apart.

3. Clean transmission cover with appropriate solvent.

DANGER

- Use safety type solvent.
- DO NOT use thinner, benzene, or other volatile solvents that will attack rubber/plastic components when cleaning Hole Digger.
- Provide adequate ventilation.
- DO NOT smoke while using cleaning solvents..
- DO NOT use solvents with engine running or if it is hot.
- Allow ample time for engine to cool BEFORE using solvents.
- An ignition source in close proximity to hot engine can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.

4. Using 3/16 inch (4.7 mm) Allen wrench, remove access screw from side of transmission cover. FIGURE 30

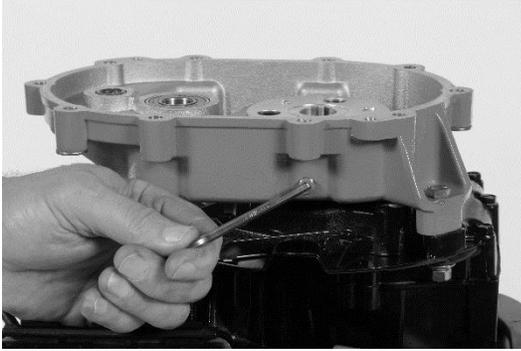


FIGURE 30

5. Using 1/8 inch (3.2 mm) Allen wrench, loosen two set screws retaining rotor/shoe assembly to engine crankshaft. FIGURE 31



FIGURE 31

6. Using gear puller, remove clutch rotor/shoe assembly. FIGURE 32

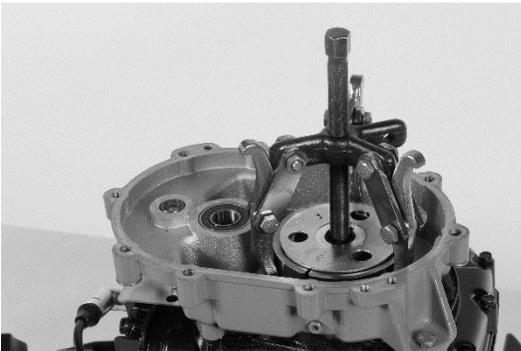


FIGURE 32

IMPORTANT: DO NOT structurally damage rotor/shoe assembly when removing assembly with gear puller. If any structural damage to rotor/shoe assembly occurs, replace.

7. Inspect engine crankshaft and Woodruff key for signs of cracks and/or other damage. Replace key if wear and/or elongation are visible. Measure engine crankshaft with micrometer. Minimum allowable crankshaft diameter is .868 inch (22.0 mm). Maximum allowable TIR limit in gear pinion journal area of crankshaft is .003 inch (0.076 mm), relative to crankshaft. If crankshaft assembly is not within defined limits, replace.
8. Clean surface of crankshaft with appropriate solvent.

⚠ DANGER

- Use safety type solvent.
- DO NOT use thinner, benzene, or other volatile solvents that will attack rubber/plastic components when cleaning Hole Digger.
- Provide adequate ventilation.
- DO NOT smoke while using cleaning solvents..
- DO NOT use solvents with engine running or if it is hot.
- Allow ample time for engine to cool BEFORE using solvents.
- An ignition source in close proximity to hot engine can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.

9. Install replacement clutch rotor/shoe assembly on engine crankshaft with hub, including two set screws, toward crankcase. Tighten with 1/8 inch (13 mm) Allen wrench. FIGURE 31

IMPORTANT: End of engine crankshaft MUST be set at .169 thousandths of an inch (4.29 mm) below top edge of clutch rotor/shoe assembly hub. FIGURE 33

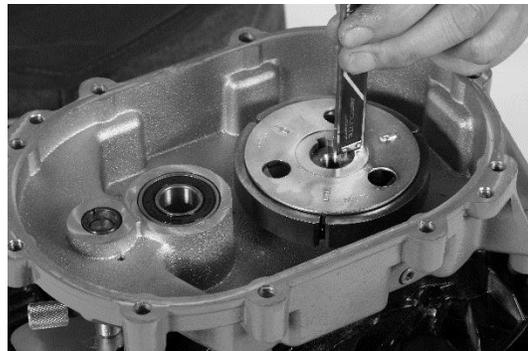


FIGURE 33

10. Apply wicking grade anaerobic adhesive to Allen screw to eliminate movement during Hole Digger operation. Using 3/16 inch (4.7 mm) Allen wrench, re-install access screw in transmission cover side. FIGURE 34

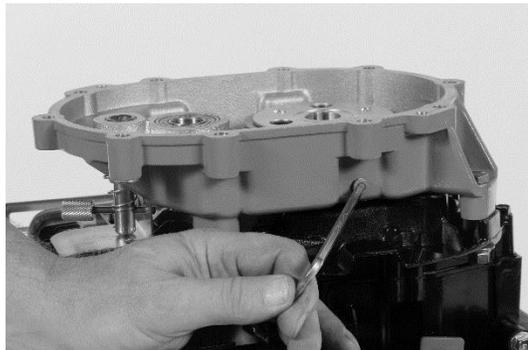


FIGURE 34

11. Apply small amount of high temperature, anti-seize compound to pinion gear journal area of transmission case output driveshaft. Install replacement clutch drum/pinion assembly on transmission case output driveshaft.
12. Reinstall primary gear/pinion assembly. If existing transmission gasket is damaged, replace. Realign transmission dowel pins when reinstalling engine and cover assembly. Torque all fasteners to 20 pound feet (27 N.m.) in an "X" sequence.
13. Rotate transmission output driveshaft and check for excessive noise and/or binding. If excessive noise and/or binding is evident, disassemble transmission and investigate for probable causes. Reassemble and retorque bolts to specified amount. Recheck for excessive noise and/or binding.

IMPORTANT: Transmission gasket is required to provide adequate clearance. DO NOT substitute silicon material or gasket adhesive for factory approved gasket.

Refill transmission, engine fuel tank and crank case with appropriate fluids to proper levels.

ENGINE SERVICE

Consult applicable material supplied by engine manufacturer for specific service and maintenance information regarding:

1. muffler
2. spark plug
3. air filter
4. carburetor adjustment
5. maintenance schedule
6. engine oil change
7. troubleshooting
8. short and long term storage

Keep this information stored with Operator Manual for Hole Digger so it will always be available for use when engine requires service or maintenance.

Under Title 13 if the California Code of Regulations, the California Air Resource Board (CARB) has identified several important engine service related subjects. The material supplied by specific engine manufacturer will include the following:

1. statement of compliance
2. engine oil recommendations
3. engine fuel recommendations
4. maintenance information
5. other information as required by (CARB)
6. emission component warranty statement

If you have any question regarding emission components, warranty rights and responsibilities for a specific engine used on Hole Digger, contact Customer Service Department for specific information. There is no charge for this service.

13 TROUBLESHOOTING

NOTE: If troubleshooting information does not correct situation, all maintenance/repairs not described in this operator manual must be done by a dedicated service center following a specific service/repair manual.

ENGINE WILL NOT START

Possible Cause	Correction
Fuel valve in off position.	Turn fuel valve to on position.
Ignition cut-off switch (if equipped) improperly adjusted.	Adjust throttle cable.
Incorrect carburetor adjustment.	See engine manufacturer supplied information.
Ignition wire to spark plug loose or disconnected.	Reconnect.
Fuel supply exhausted.	Refill fuel tank.

ENGINE LOSES POWER

Possible Cause	Correction
Incorrect carburetor adjustment.	See engine manufacturer supplied information.
Water in fuel supply.	Drain and replace fuel.
Plugged engine exhaust ports.	See engine manufacturer supplied information.
Dirty spark plug.	See engine manufacturer supplied information.
Incorrect throttle control/cable adjustment.	See MACHINE SET-UP this manual.
Gasoline tank breather vent closed (if so equipped).	Open vent.
Dirty air filter.	See engine manufacturer supplied information.

ENGINE OVERHEATS

Possible Cause	Correction
Incorrect carburetor adjustment.	See engine manufacturer supplied information.
Cooling fins clogged with debris.	Remove engine blower housing and clean cooling fins.

HOLE DIGGER LACKS POWER

Possible Cause	Correction
Incorrect transmission oil level.	See FILLING HOLE DIGGER WITH TRANSMISSION OIL in MACHINE SET-UP this manual.
Centrifugal clutch assembly worn.	Replace.
Incorrect throttle control/cable adjustment.	See MACHINE SET-UP this manual.

AUGER ROTATES AT IDLE SPEED

Possible Cause	Correction
Incorrect throttle control/cable adjustment does not permit proper engine idle speed.	See MACHINE SET-UP this manual.
Centrifugal clutch worn.	Replace.
Incorrect engine idle speed.	See MACHINE SET-UP this manual and/or engine manufacturer supplied information.

14 STORAGE

TEMPORARY STORAGE (On Job Site)

Hole Digger can be temporarily stored on job site by one of three acceptable methods. Method chosen by operator is based on personal preference and/or job site conditions.

1. In all three storage methods, STOP Hole Digger per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.
 - a. Dig shallow hole and leave Hole Digger connected to auger. FIGURE 35



FIGURE 35

- b. Disconnect Hole Digger from auger and/or auger extension and store in level configuration. FIGURE 36



FIGURE 36

- c. Store Hole Digger connected only to lead auger with engine spark plug facing upward to minimize potential for crankcase oil entering combustion chamber and causing hydraulic lock up. FIGURE 37



FIGURE 37

2. Protect operator handles from external sources of damage. Do not allow handles to contact augers, shovels, or other sharp/abrasive objects during transit whether stacked or thrown against handles. Do not drag Hole Digger with handle or throttle grips contacting ground. Damage can result.

WARNING

- **DO NOT drop or impact Hole Digger against ground.**
- **Action can damage twist grip throttle control, engine and result in property damage and/or personal injury.**

DANGER

- **Do not store Hole Digger with engine operating.**
- **Improper storage methods can result in property damage and/or personal injury.**

WARNING

- **When storing Hole Digger using methods a, b or c, turn fuel tank on/off valve to off position.**
- **Action prevents fuel flooding carburetor and/or entering combustion chamber and/or impacting the environment.**
- **Not turning valve to off position can result in property damage and/or personal injury.**

LONG TERM STORAGE

Procedure for Hole Digger long term storage will protect against effects of corrosion and damage. If Hole Digger is not to be operated for a period of 30 days or more, proceed to store as follows:

1. STOP Hole Digger per STOPPING HOLE DIGGER in OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.

DANGER

- **Do not store Hole Digger with engine operating.**
- **Improper storage methods can result in property damage and/or personal injury.**

2. Disconnect auger from Hole Digger.
3. Drain transmission and refill with clean oil per CHANGING HOLE DIGGER TRANSMISSION OIL in MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS section of this manual.
4. Follow procedure as outlined in material supplied by engine manufacturer detailing long term storage of engine.
5. Clean all accumulated dirt and grease from Hole Digger utilizing an appropriate solvent. Provide adequate ventilation and observe all applicable safety precautions for solvent.

DANGER

- Use safety type solvent.
- **DO NOT use thinner, benzene, or other volatile solvents that will attack rubber/plastic components when cleaning Hole Digger.**
- Provide adequate ventilation.
- **DO NOT smoke while using cleaning solvents..**
- **DO NOT use solvents with engine running or if it is hot.**
- **Allow ample time for engine to cool BEFORE using solvents.**
- **An ignition source in close proximity to hot engine can be the source of an explosion, resulting in property damage and/or personal injury.**

6. Inspect all visible parts for wear, breakage or damage. Replace any part required to make necessary repair with factory approved parts only.
7. Apply light coat of protective grease to transmission driveshaft to prevent formation of rust.
8. Store Hole Digger with operator handles level with ground to prevent transmission oil draining from breather vent and damaging surrounding environment and to minimize potential for crankcase oil entering combustion chamber and creating hydraulic lock up.
9. DO NOT allow handles to come in contact with augers, shovels, or other sharp and abrasive objects during storage to prevent damage.
10. Store Hole Digger inside. If Hole Digger must be stored outside, protect it and each auger with a suitable covering.

15 END OF LIFECYCLE



If the machine comes to the end of its lifecycle, destruction of the machine must be conducted according to international and local environmental regulations.

16 DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

We, General Equipment Company, 620 Alexander Drive SW, P.O. Box 334, Owatonna, MN 55060, USA declare under our sole responsibility that the portable hole digger product: M235

To which this declaration relates is in conformity with the following standards or standardization documents:

- EN-ISO 12100:2010

According to the provisions of the European directive:

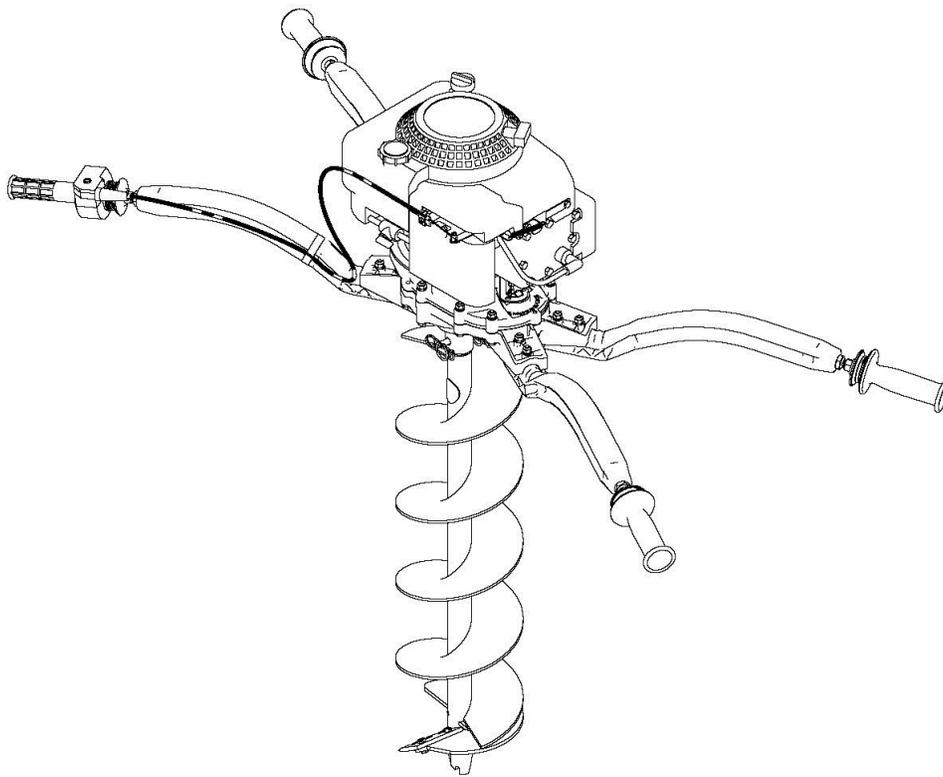
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Beginning with serial number: 151117

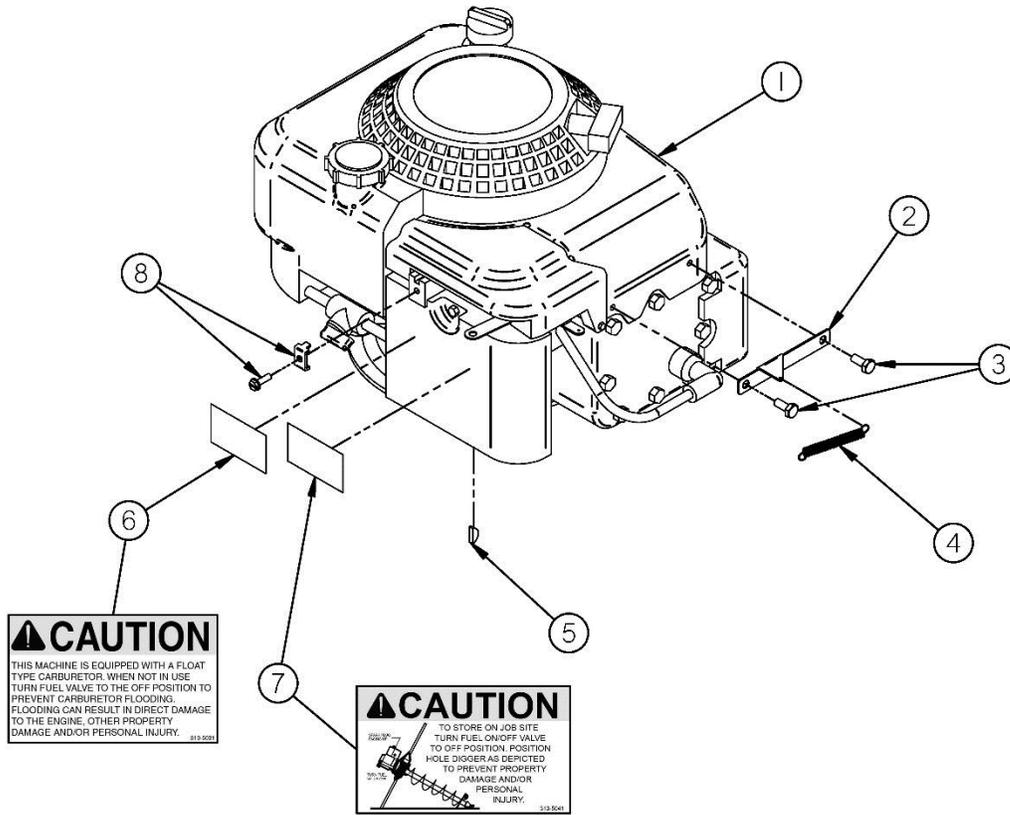
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17 Replacement Parts 235 Hole Diggers



*Replacement Parts Diagram
Engine - Briggs & Stratton 675E Series
235 Hole Diggers
[Starting With Serial Number 151117]*



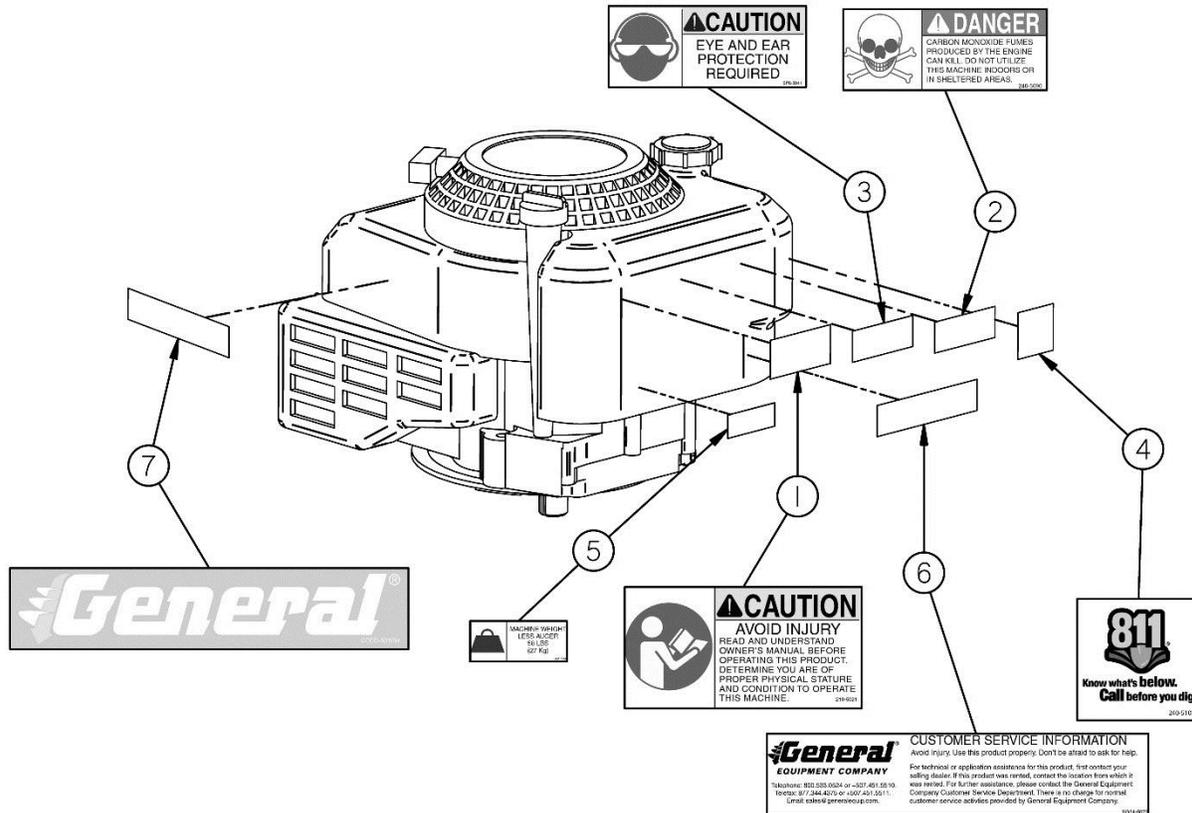
Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	235-0300	Engine, B&S, 190cc, US Spec.	1
1	235-0301	Engine, B&S, 190cc, EU Spec.	1
2	235-0210	Bracket, Spring	1
3	15040500	HHCS, 1/4-20 X 5/8	2
4	235-0180	Spring, Return, Throttle	1
5	505	Key, Woodruff	1
6	310-5031	Decal, Carb Off	1
7	310-5041	Decal, Caution, Storage	1
8	235-0020A	Assembly, Clamp, Cable	1

Replacement Parts Diagram

Engine, Continued - Briggs & Stratton 675E Series

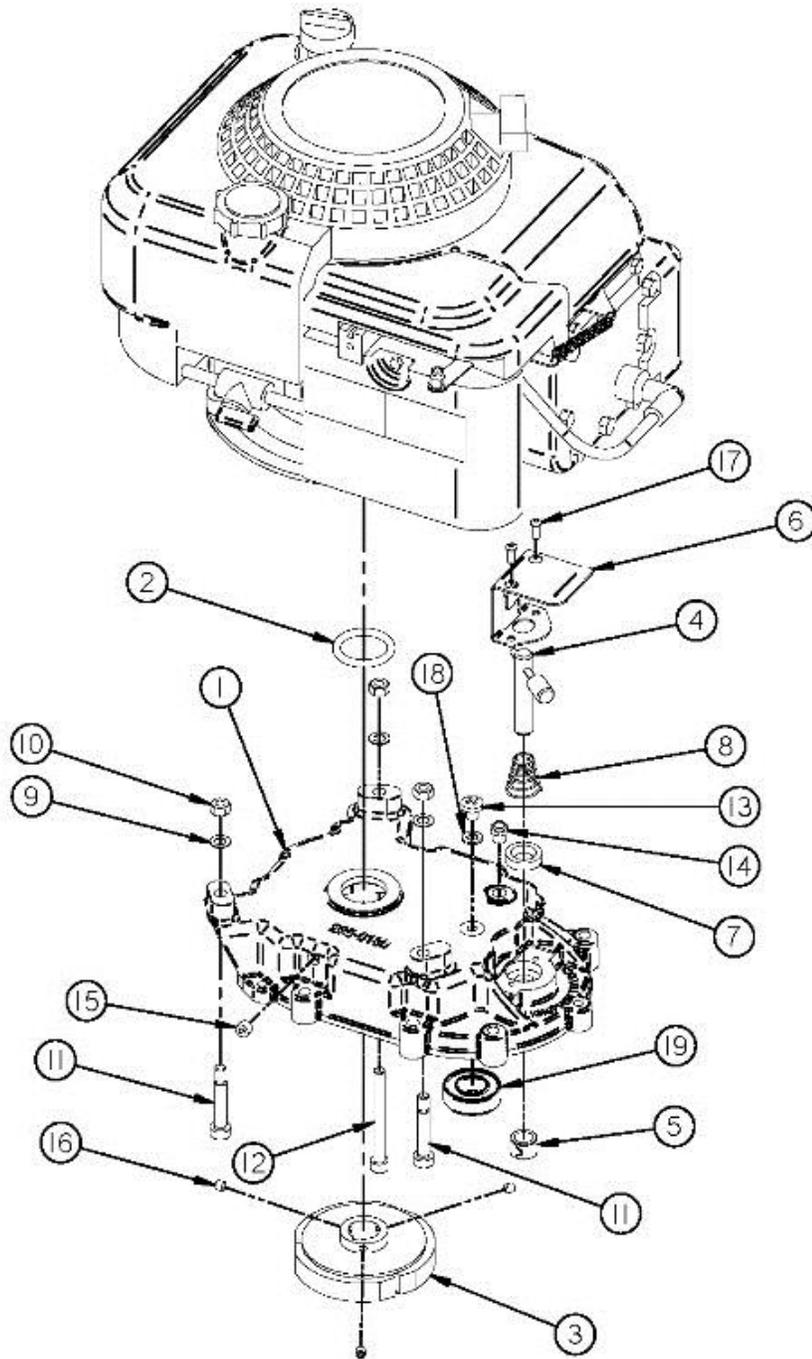
235 Hole Diggers

[Starting With Serial Number 151117]



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	210-5021	Decal, Caution, Avoid Injury	1
2	240-5090	Decal, Danger, CO	1
3	SP8-5041	Decal, Caution, Eye/Ear	1
4	240-5100	Decal, 811	1
5	235-5000	Decal, Weight	1
6	SG24-5072	Decal, Assistance	1
7	GECD-5010W	Decal, General, 1.00H X 5.25L	1

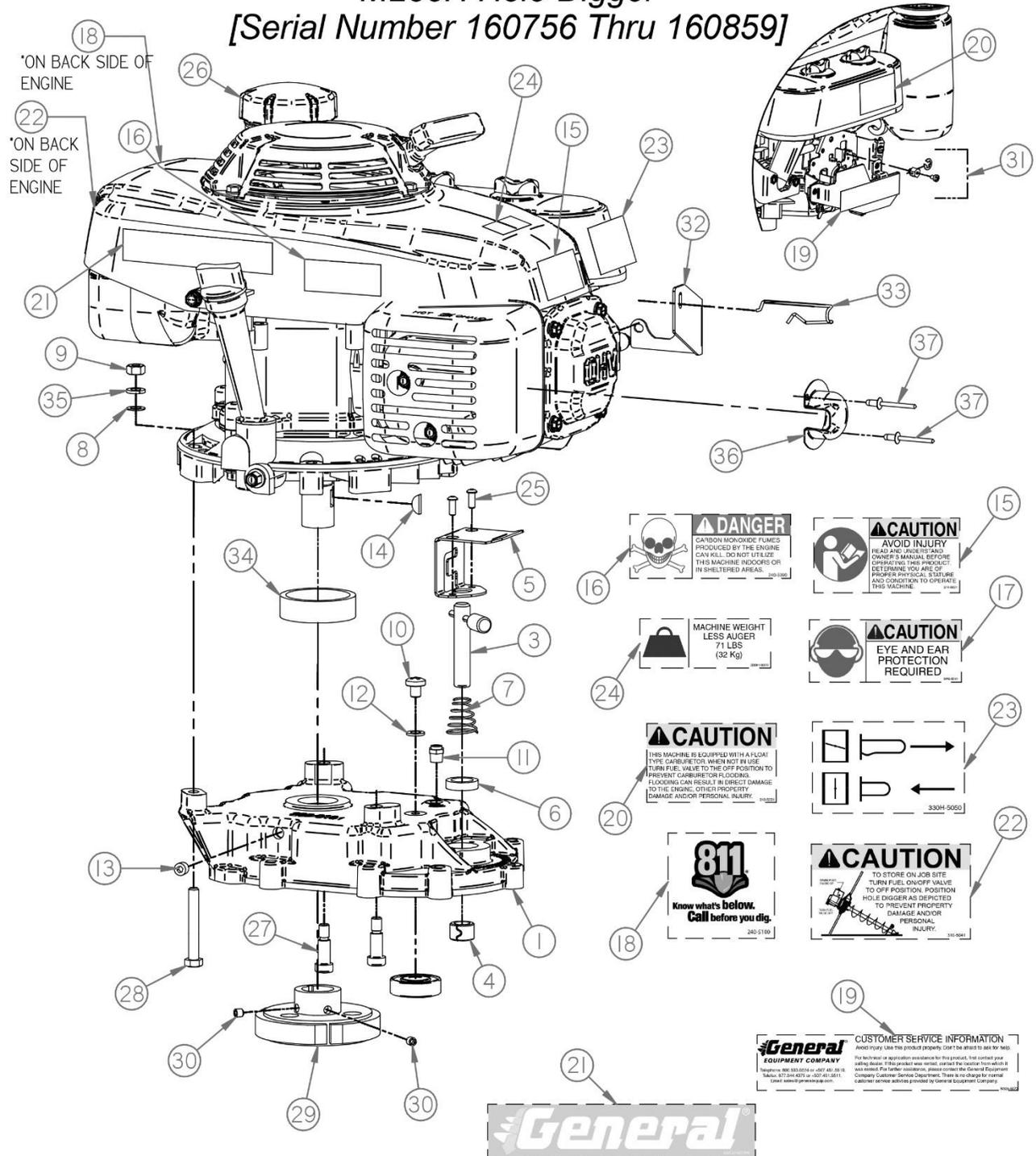
*Replacement Parts Diagram
Cover Assembly
235 Hole Digger
[Starting With Serial Number 151117]*



*Replacement Parts Diagram
Cover Assembly
235 Hole Digger
[Starting With Serial Number 151117]*

Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	235-0130A	Assembly, Cover, Transmission	1
2	235-0320	Ring, O-Type	1
3	235-0170	Assembly, Rotor/Shoe, Clutch	1
4	235-0220	Assembly, Lock, Transmission	1
5	235-0140	Bushing, Spring-Type	1
6	235-0230	Plate, Pin, Lock	1
7	471442	Seal, Oil	1
8	235-0110	Spring, Pin, Lock	1
9	AN-960-516L	Washer, Flat, Light, 5/16, ZY	3
10	18050000	Nut, Hexagon, 5/16-18 UNC, ZY	3
11	235-0050	Bolt, Shoulder, .344 X 2, ZY	2
12	60052400	SHCS, 5/16-18 UNC X 3, ZY	1
13	37050300	PHMS, 5/16-18 UNC X 3/8, ZY	1
14	5677	Valve, Relief	1
15	74020201	Plug, PTF, 1/8-27, Flush	1
16	31040201	Screw, Set, 1/4-28 X 1/4, PF	3
17	55030400	BHSCS, #10-24 UNC X 1/2, ZY	2
18	330H-0200	Washer, Nylon	1
19	6203-2RS-12	Bearing, Ball	1

Replacement Parts Diagram Cover Assembly M235H Hole Digger [Serial Number 160756 Thru 160859]



⚠ DANGER
CARBON MONOXIDE FUMES
PRODUCED BY THE ENGINE
CAN KILL. DO NOT UTILIZE
THIS MACHINE INDOORS OR
IN SHELTERED AREAS. 240-5180

⚠ CAUTION
AVOID INJURY
READ AND UNDERSTAND
OWNER'S MANUAL BEFORE
OPERATING THIS PRODUCT.
DETERMINE YOU ARE OF
PROPER PHYSICAL STATURE
AND CONDITION TO OPERATE
THIS MACHINE. 3304

**MACHINE WEIGHT
LESS AUGER
71 LBS
(32 Kg)**

⚠ CAUTION
EYE AND EAR
PROTECTION
REQUIRED. 3304

⚠ CAUTION
THIS MACHINE IS EQUIPPED WITH A FLOAT
TYPE CARBURETOR. WHEN NOT IN USE,
TURN FUEL VALVE TO THE OFF POSITION TO
PREVENT CARBURETOR FLOODING.
FLOODING CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS DAMAGE
TO THE ENGINE, OTHER PROPERTY,
DAMAGE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY. 3304

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Know what's below.
Call before you dig. 240-5180

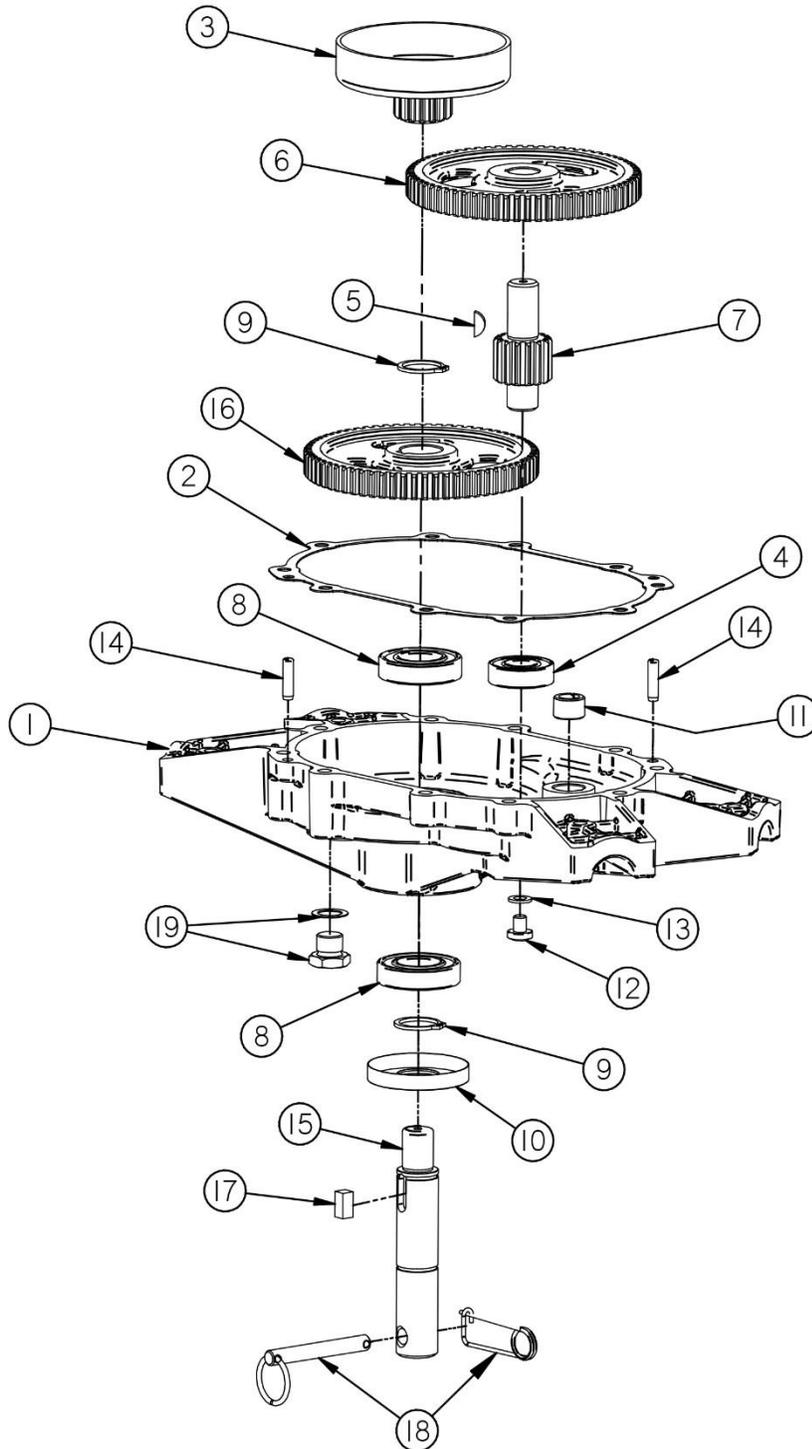
⚠ CAUTION
TO STORE ON JOB SITE
TURN FUEL ON/OFF VALVE
TO OFF POSITION. POSITION
HOLE DIGGER AS DEPICTED
TO PREVENT PROPERTY
DAMAGE AND/OR
PERSONAL INJURY. 330-0041

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EQUIPMENT COMPANY
For technical or application assistance for this product, first contact your
sales dealer. This product was tested, contact the dealer from which it
was needed. For further assistance, please contact the General Equipment
Company Customer Service Department. There is no charge for general
customer service advice provided by General Equipment Company.

*Replacement Parts Diagram
Cover Assembly
M235H Hole Digger
[Serial Number 160756 Thru 160859]*

Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	235-0131A	Assembly, Cover, Transmission, (Includes Ref. 2 & 4)	1
2	6203-2RS-12	Bearing, Ball	1
3	235-0220	Assembly, Lock, Transmission	1
4	235-0140	Bushing, Spring-Type	1
5	235-0230	Plate, Pin, Lock	1
6	471442	Seal, Oil	1
7	235-0110	Spring, Pin, Lock	1
8	AN-960-516L	Washer, Flat, 5/16, ZY	1
9	18050000	Nut, Hex, 5/16-18, ZY	1
10	37050300	PHMS, 5/16-18 X 3/8, ZY	1
11	5677	Valve, Relief	1
12	330H-0200	Washer, Nylon	1
13	74020201	Plug, PTF, 1/8-27	1
14	6	Key, Woodruff, 5/32 X 5/8	1
15	210-5021	Decal, Caution, Avoid Injury	1
16	240-5090	Decal, Danger	1
17	SP8-5041	Decal, Caution, Eye/Ear	1
18	240-5100	Decal, 811	1
19	SG24-5072	Decal, Assistance	1
20	310-5031	Decal, Carb Off	1
21	GECD-5010W	Decal, General, 1.00H X 5.25L	1
22	310-5041	Decal, Caution, Storage	1
23	330H-5050	Decal, Choke	1
24	235-5010	Decal, Weight	1
25	55030400	BHSCS, #10-24 X 1/2, ZY	2
26	GXV160UH2N5AH-BLK	Engine, Honda, GXV160	1
27	62060601	Bolt, Shoulder, 3/8 X 3/4	2
28	15051800	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 2-1/4, ZY	1
29	330H-0175	Assembly, Rotor/Shoe, Clutch, (Includes Ref. 30)	1
30	31040201	Screw, Set, 1/4-28 X 1/4, PF	2
31	330-0320	Assembly, Swivel	1
32	17954-ZG9-U80	Bracket, Choke	1
33	16611-ZG9-U80	Rod, Choke	1
34	235-0322	Gasket, Crankshaft	1
35	16050000	Washer, Lock, 5/16, ZY	1
36	330H-0040	Deflector, Exhaust, GXV160	1
37	46030100	Rivet, Pop, 3/16 X 1/8, SS	2

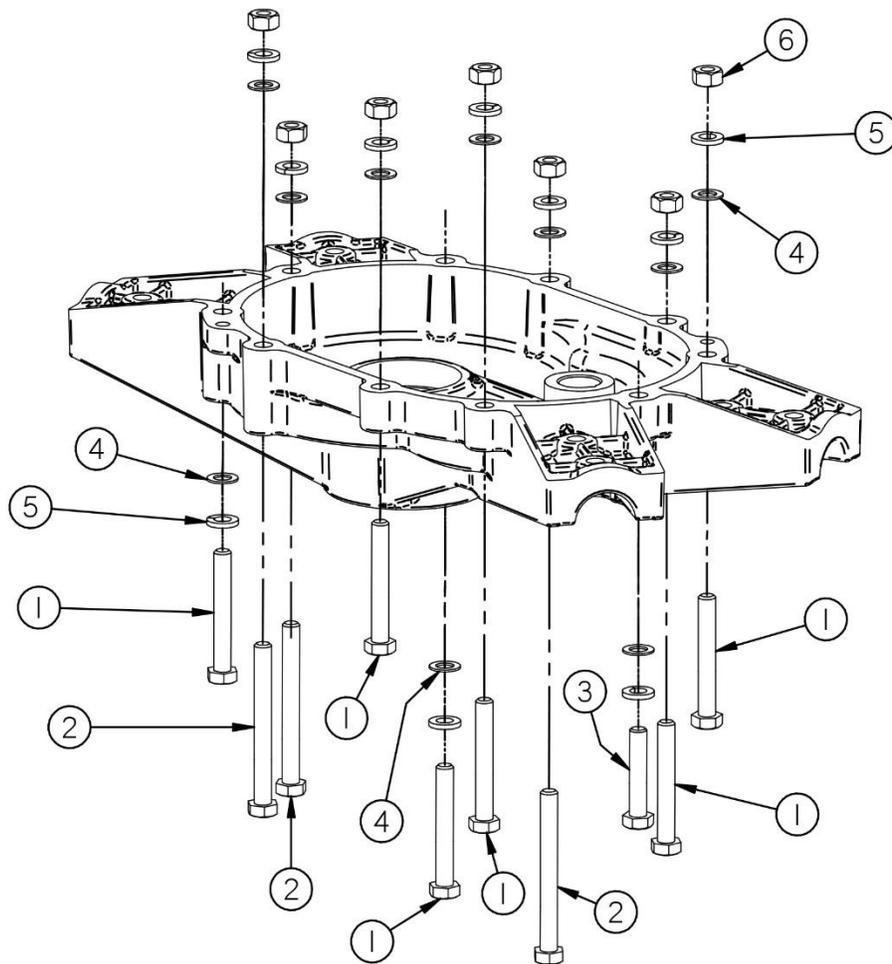
*Replacement Parts Diagram
Case Assembly
M235 Hole Digger
[Beginning With Serial Number 151117]*



*Replacement Parts Diagram
Case Assembly
M235 Hole Digger
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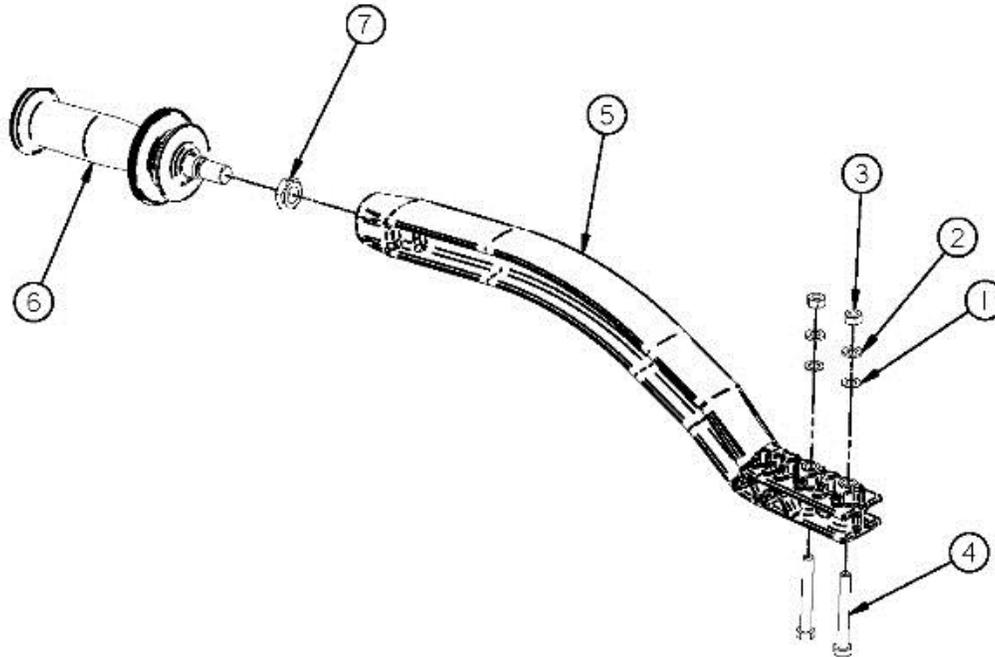
Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	235-0120A	Assembly, Case, Transmission, (Includes Ref. 4, 8 & 11)	1
2	235-0100	Gasket, Transmission	1
3	3516	Drum, Clutch, W/Pinion	1
4	6203-2RS-12	Bearing, Ball	1
5	6	Key, Woodruff, 5/32 X 5/8	1
6	235-0340	Gear, Primary	1
7	235-0310	Gear, Pinion, Secondary	1
8	99R16	Bearing, Ball	2
9	5160-98	Ring, Snap	2
10	471516	Seal, Oil	1
11	235-0140	Bushing, Spring-Type	1
12	37050300	PHMS, 5/16-18 X 3/8, ZY	1
13	330H-0200	Washer, Nylon	1
14	51040800	Pin, Dowel, 1/4 X 1	2
15	235-0330	Shaft, Drive, 1D	1
16	235-0350	Gear, Secondary	1
17	63050500	Key, Square, 5/16 X 5/8, PF	1
18	2121	Pin, Auger, .375D	1
19	50100800A	Plug, Drain, Oil, W/Gasket	1

*Replacement Parts Diagram
Case Assembly, Continued
Fastener Requirements
M235 Hole Digger
[Beginning With Serial Number 151117]*



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	15051800	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 2-1/4, ZY	6
2	15052400	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 3, ZY	3
3	15051300	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 1-5/8, ZY	1
4	AN-960-516L	Washer, Flat, 5/16, ZY	10
5	16050000	Washer, Lock, 5/16, ZY	10
6	18050000	Nut, Hex, 5/16-18, ZY	7

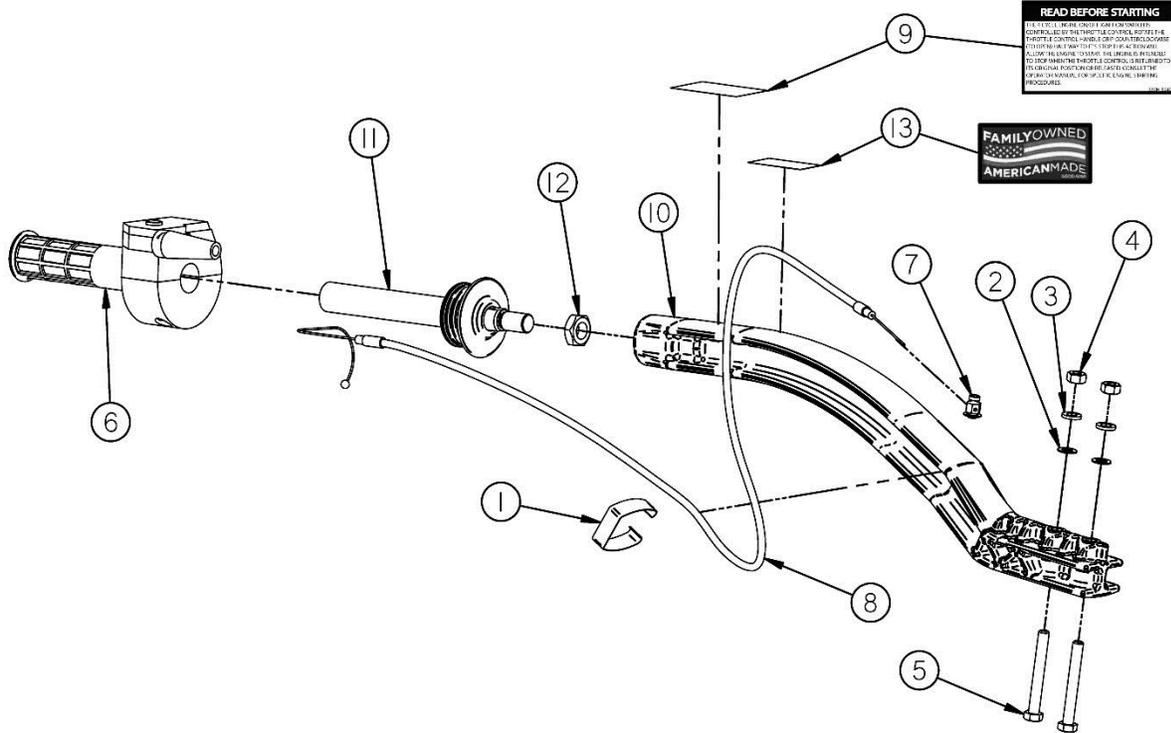
*Replacement Parts Diagram
 235-0092 Operator Handle
 Three Assemblies Per Machine
 [Starting With Serial Number 151117]*



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	AN-960-516L	Washer, Flat, Light, 5/16, ZY	2
2	16050000	Washer, Lock, 5/16, ZY	2
3	18050000	Nut, Hexagon, 5/16-18 UNC, ZY	2
4	15052000	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 2-1/2, G5, ZY	2
5	235-0092-010	Handle, Operator	1
6	235-0092-020	Grip, Handle	1
7	40090001	Nut, Jam, Hex, 9/16-18 UNF, ZY	1

Note: Part Number 235-0092 includes items 5, 6, and 7.

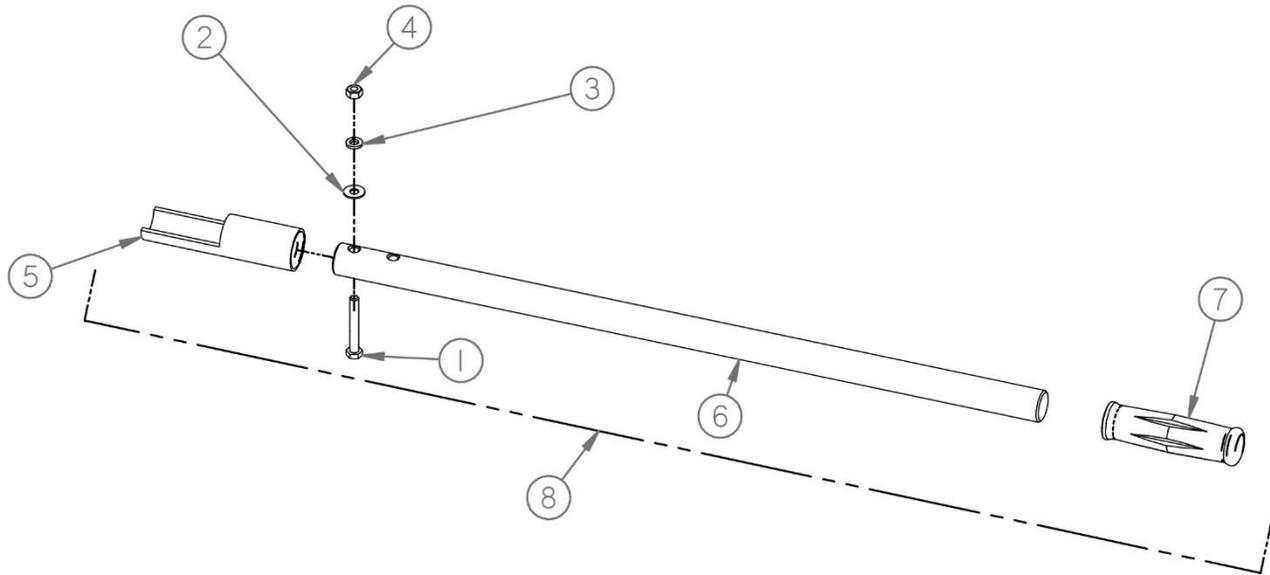
Replacement Parts Diagram 235-0093 Throttle Control Handle One Assembly Per Machine [Starting With Serial Number 151117]



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	235-0010	Spring, Clip	1
2	AN-960-516L	Washer, Flat, Light, 5/16, ZY	2
3	16050000	Washer, Lock, 5/16, ZY	2
4	18050000	Nut, Hexagon, 5/16-18 UNC, ZY	2
5	15052000	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 2-1/2, G5, ZY	2
6	310-0030	Assembly, Control, Throttle	1
7	330-0320	Assembly, Swivel	1
8	310-0081	Assembly, Cable, Throttle	1
9	330H-5040	Decal, Ignition	1
10	235-0093-010	Handle, Operator, Throttle	1
11	235-0093-020	Handle, Sub, Throttle	1
12	40090001	Nut, Jam, Hex, 9/16-18 UNF, ZY	1
13	GECD-5050	Decal, Family Owned, American	1

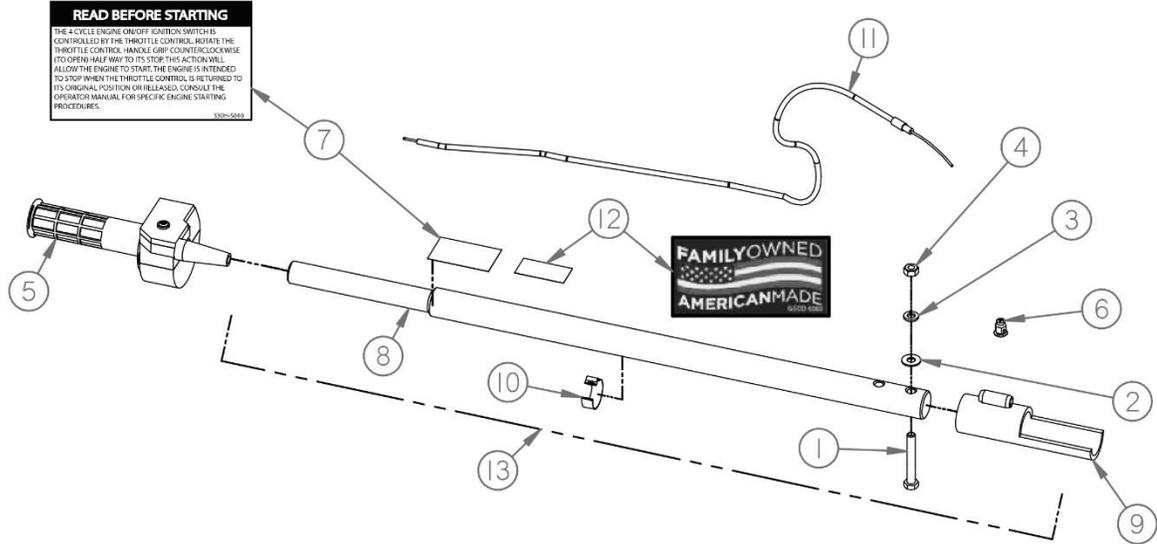
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Replacement Parts Diagram Operator Handle Assembly M235 Hole Digger



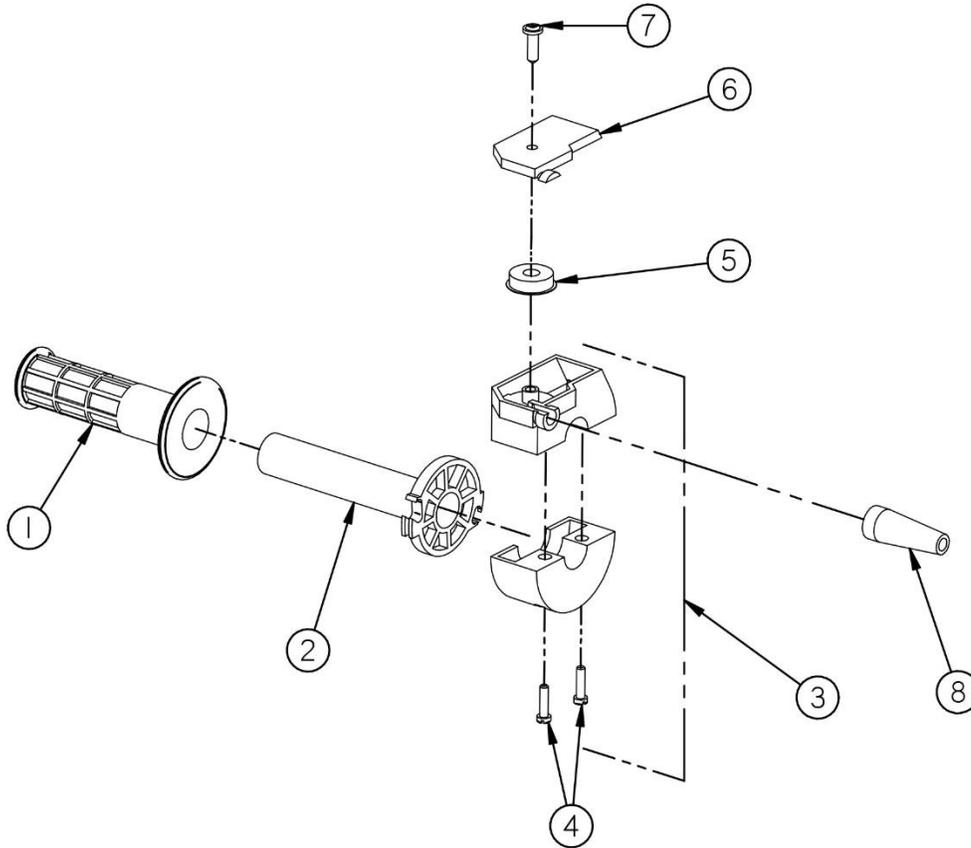
Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	15051800	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 2-1/4, ZY	2
2	17040000	Washer, Flat, 1/4, ZY	2
3	16050000	Washer, Lock, 5/16, ZY	2
4	18050000	Nut, Hex, 5/16-18, ZY	2
5	310-0013	Brace, Handle, Operator	1
6	310-0093	Handle, Operator	1
7	330-0070	Grip, Handle	1
8	310-0093-A	Assembly, Handle, Operator, (Includes Reference 5, 6 & 7)	

Replacement Parts Diagram Throttle Handle Assembly M235 Hole Digger



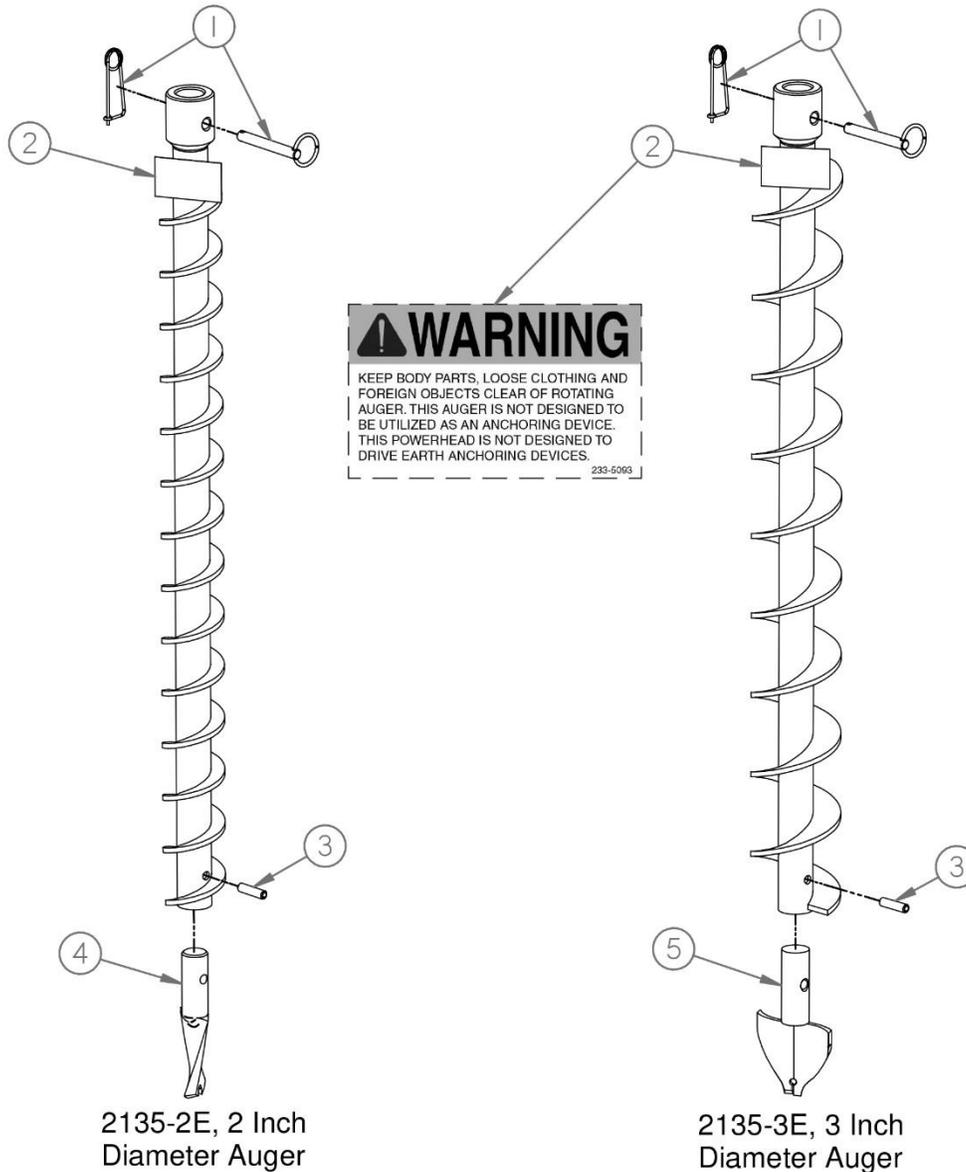
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1	15051800	HHCS, 5/16-18 X 2-1/4, ZY	2
2	17040000	Washer, Flat, 1/4, ZY	2
3	16050000	Washer, Lock, 5/16, ZY	2
4	18050000	Nut, Hex, 5/16-18, ZY	2
5	310-0030	Assembly, Control, Throttle	1
6	330-0320	Assembly, Swivel, (Engine Mounted)	1
7	330H-5040	Decal, Ignition	1
8	310-0091	Handle, Throttle	1
9	310-0012	Brace, Handle, Throttle	1
10	CC-1	Clip, Cable, Throttle	1
11	310-0081	Assembly, Cable, Throttle	1
12	GECD-5050	Decal, Family Owned, American	1
13	310-0091-A	Assembly, Handle, Throttle, (Includes Ref. 7, 8, 9 & 12)	

*Replacement Parts Diagram
PN: 310-0030 Throttle Control Assembly
For Use With
M235 Hole Digger*



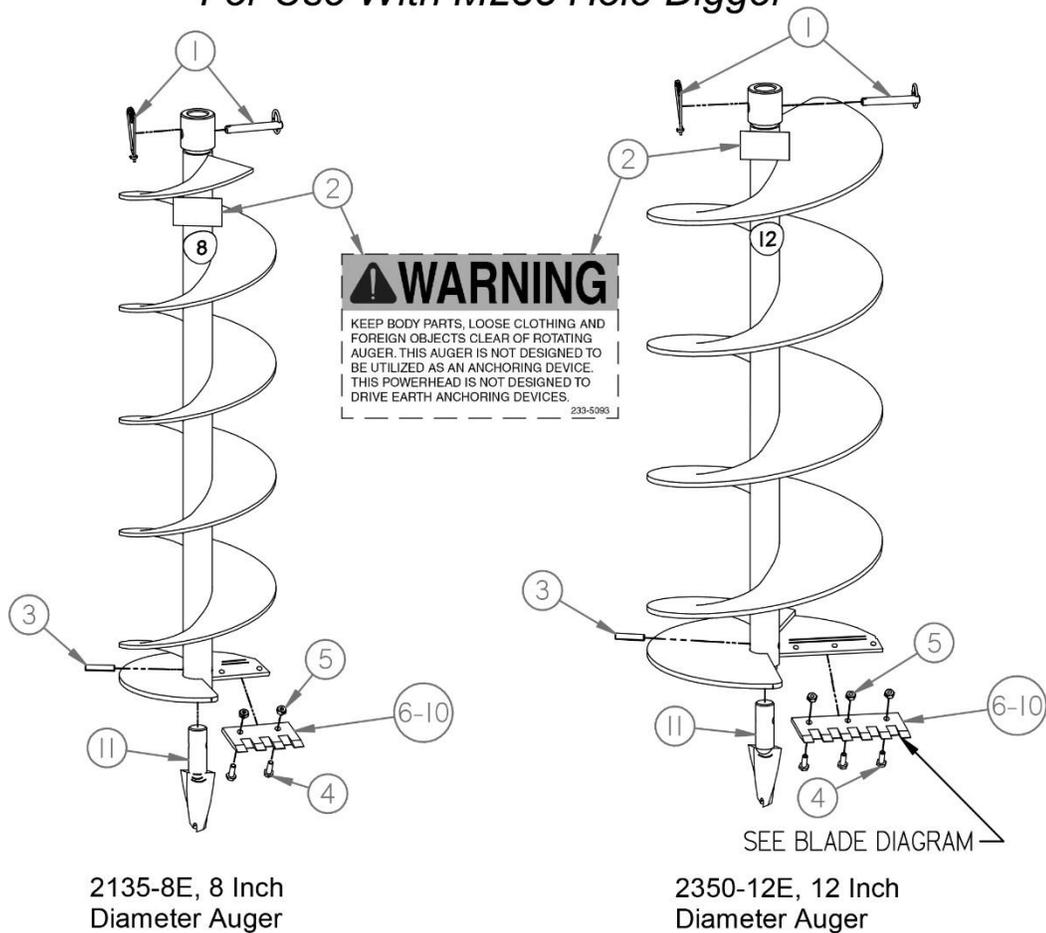
Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	310-0020-030	Grip, Throttle	1
2	310-0030-020-A	Tube, Throttle, W/Grip, (Includes Reference 1)	1
3	310-0030-010-A	Assembly, Body, W/Screws, (Includes Reference 4)	1
4	310-0030-040	Screw, Cheesehead, M5-.8 X 20	2
5	310-0030-070	Sheave, Roller	1
6	310-0030-060	Cover, Top	1
7	310-0030-050	Screw, Self-Tapping	1
8	310-0020-080	Boot, Rubber	1

Replacement Parts Diagram 2135 Series Augers (2 Thru 3 Inch Diameter) 1 Inch Round Drive Connection For Use With M235 Hole Digger



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	2121	Pin, Auger, .375D	1
2	233-5093	Decal, Caution, Clear Rotating	1
3	20051000	Pin, Roll, 5/16 X 1-1/4	1
4	P801	Bit, Screw, Auger	1
5	P302	Bit, Screw, Auger	1

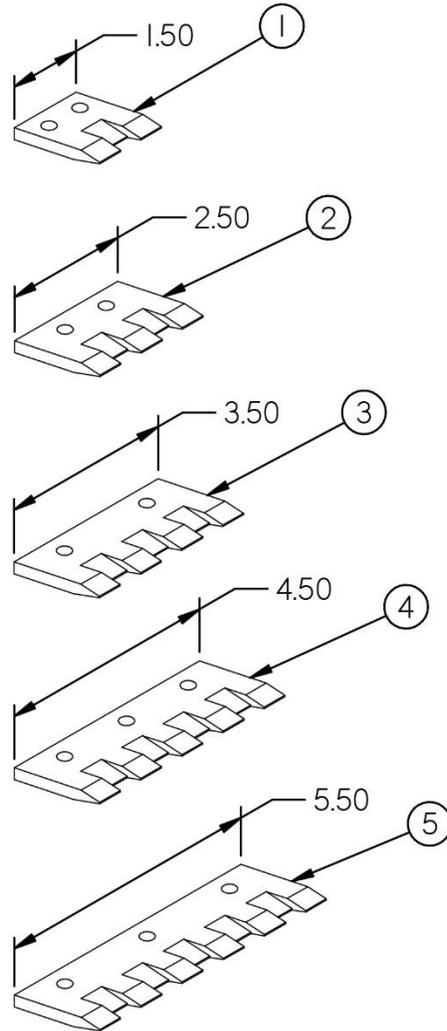
Replacement Parts Diagram
2135 Series Augers (4 Thru 12 Inch Diameter)
1 Inch Round Drive Connection
For Use With M235 Hole Digger



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	2121	Pin, Auger, .375D	1
2	233-5093	Decal, Caution, Clear Rotating	1
3	20051200	Pin, Roll, 5/16 X 1-1/2	1
4	15040600	HHCS, 1/4-20 X 3/4, ZY	2*
5	52040000	Nut, Lock, 2-Way, 1/4-20, ZY	2*
6	E244	Blade, Earth, 4D	1
7	E246	Blade, Earth, 6D	1
8	E248	Blade, Earth, 8D	1
9	E310	Blade, Earth, 10D	1
10	E512	Blade, Earth, 12D	1
11	P801	Bit, Screw, Auger	1

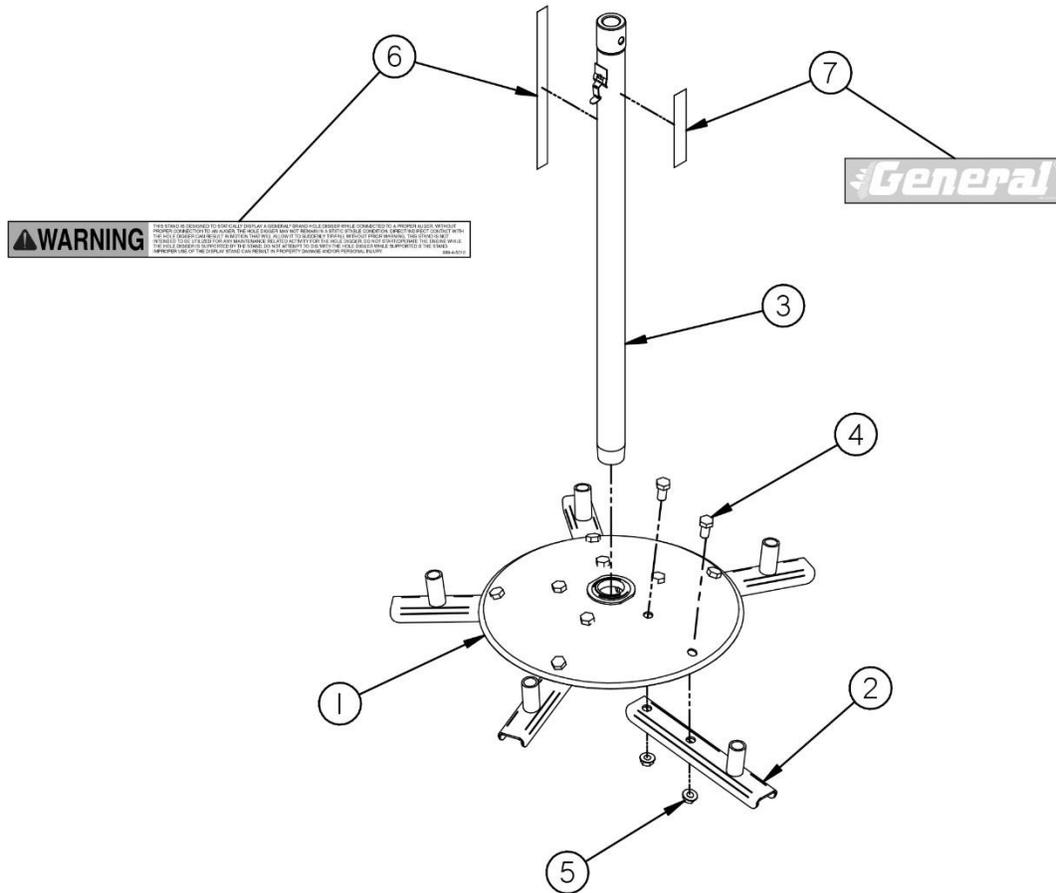
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Replacement Blade Diagram For Use With 2135 And 2350 Series Earth Augers



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Application
1	E244	Blade, Earth, 4D	2135-4E
2	E246	Blade, Earth, 6D	2135-6E
3	E248	Blade, Earth, 8D	2135-8E
4	E310	Blade, Earth, 10D	2350-10E
5	E512	Blade, Earth, 12D	2350-12E

Replacement Parts Diagram PN: 999-350 Display Stand For Use With M235 Hole Digger



Reference Number	Part Number	Description	Quantity
1	999-350-0010	Weldment, Base	1
2	999-350-0020	Leg, Support, Auger	5
3	999-350-0030	Tube, Center	1
4	15080800	HHCS, 1/2-13 X 1, ZY	10
5	86080000	Nut, Hex, Flange, 1/2-13, ZY	10
6	999-4-5010	Decal, Warning, Stand	1
7	GECD-5010W	Decal, General, 1.00H X 5.25L	1