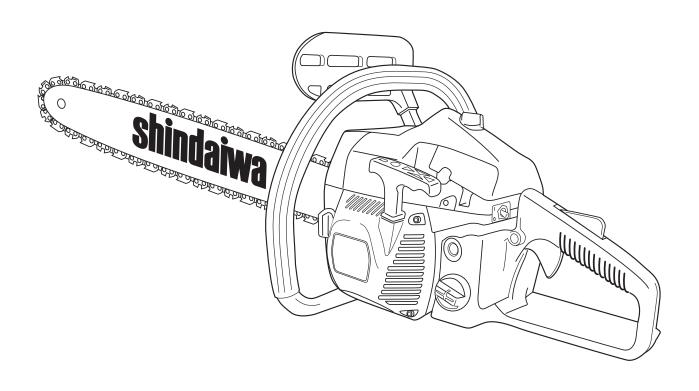


OWNER'S/OPERATOR'S MANUAL

285s CHAIN SAW 352s CHAIN SAW





Minimize the risk of injury to yourself and others! Read this manual and familiarize yourself with the WARNING! contents. Always wear eye and hearing protection when operating this unit.



Introductions

The Shindaiwa 285s and 352s chain saws are designed and built to deliver superior performance and reliability without compromise to quality, comfort, safety, or durability. Shindaiwa high performance engines represent the leading edge of 2-cycle engine technology, and deliver exceptionally high power at remarkably low displacement and weight. As a professional owner/operator, you'll soon discover why Shindaiwa is simply in a class by itself.

IMPORTANT!

The information contained in this manual describes units available at the time of production. While every attempt has been made to give you the very latest information about your Shindaiwa 285s and 352s chain saw. There may be some differences between your saw and what is described here. Shindaiwa Inc. reserves the right to make changes in production without prior notice, and without obligation to make alterations to units previously manufactured.

WARNING!

The engine exhaust from this unit contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

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Attention Statements

Throughout this manual are special "attention statements".



WARNING!

A statement preceded by the triangular attention symbol and the word "WARNING" contains information that should be acted upon to prevent serious bodily injury.

CAUTION!

A statement preceded by the word "CAUTION" contains information that should be acted upon to prevent mechanical damage.

IMPORTANT!

A statement preceded by the word "IMPORTANT" is one that possesses special significance.

NOTE:

A statement preceded by the word "NOTE" contains information that is handy to know and may make your job easier.



Read and follow the Operator's Manual. Failure to do so could result in serious injury.



Wear eye and hearing protection at all times during the operation of this unit.



Do not operate this tool if you are tired, ill or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medicine.



Beware of Kickback! Kickback can occur whenever the tip of the guide bar touches an object while the saw is operating. Kickback may force the bar up and back toward the operator with a lightning-fast reaction!



Pinching the saw along the top of the guide bar may force the bar rapidly back toward the operator. Pinching can occur whenever wood closes in around the moving chain.

IMPORTANT!

All chain saw service, other than the items listed in the owner's manual maintenance instructions, should be performed by trained Shindaiwa chain saw service personnel. (For example, if improper tools are used to remove the flywheel, or if an improper tool is used to hold the flywheel in order to remove the clutch, structural damage to the flywheel could occur and could subsequently cause the flywheel to burst.)

Kickback Safety

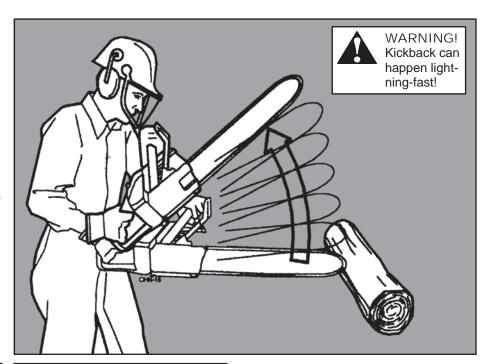
This saw is equipped with the following safety equipment:

- 1. Inertia chain brake.
- 2. Low kick chain.
- Activating the chain brake tightens a brake band around the chain drive mechanism, stopping all chain rotation. When sudden kickback occurs, the chain break is automatically actuated and the chain stops instantly. The chain brake can also be activated manually.
- Low-kick chain can significantly reduce the rotational force of kickback.
- Some bars are manufactured with a reduced-radius (smaller) nose. This special guide bar can reduce kick-back by placing fewer cutters in the kick-back zone.



WARNING!

To reduce the risk of kickback, all of the above devices must be properly installed and in good repair! Use of other than ANSI B175.1- 2000 combinations may result in reduced kickback protection!





WARNING!

Brake engagement and operation depend upon proper chain break condition! For proper chain brake testing and adjustment procedures, see page 13.

Kickback Safety Precautions



Either of the following reactions could cause you to lose control of your saw while cutting, possibly resulting in serious injury!

- 1. Kickback can occur whenever the guide bar nose or tip contact an object while the saw is running. Tip contact may cause the guide bar to kick upward and back toward the operator with a lightning-fast reaction!
- 2. Pinching the saw along the top of the guide bar may push the guide bar rapidly back toward the operator! Pinching can occur whenever wood closes in around the moving chain!

Do not rely exclusively on the safety devices incorporated with your saw. As a chain saw user, observing the following steps will also help you to avoid accident or injury on the job:

- Sudden surprise can contribute to accidents! With a basic understanding of kickback, you can reduce or eliminate the element of surprise.
- Clear obstructions from the work area before cutting. Remove any log, branch, or other obstruction that might contact the guide bar tip during cutting operations.
- Grip the saw firmly with your right hand on the rear handle and your left hand on the front handle, thumbs and fingers encircling the handles whenever the saw is running. Don't let go: A firm grip will help you to reduce kickback while maintaining control of the saw.
- Accelerate the saw before the chain contacts the work area, and always maintain high engine speeds throughout the cut.

- Do not overreach or attempt to cut above shoulder height.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for sharpening and maintenance of the saw chain.
- Use only the replacement bar and chain combinations specified by the manufacturer.
- Never stand directly over the saw while cutting!
- Use low-kickback chain, chain brakes, or special guide bars to reduce the risk of kickback. Low kickback chain is chain that has met the kickback performance requirements of ANSI B175.1-2000 (American National Standard for Power Tools-Gasoline Powered Chain Saws-Safety requirements) when tested on the representative sample of chain saws below 3.8 c.i.d. specified in ANSI B175.1-2000.



WARNING!

NOTE:

These safety precautions are intended primarily for consumers or occasional users. When using this chain saw for logging purposes, refer to: CFR Section 1910. 266 (5); 2.5.1 of the American National Safety Standard; Requirements for Pulpwood Logging ANSI 03.1-1978; and any applicable state safety codes.

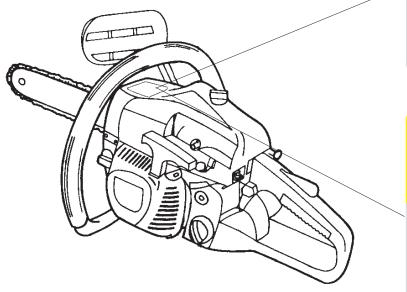
- Never operate this chain saw with one hand! One-handed operation could cause you to lose control, causing serious injury to yourself or others! A chain saw is intended for two-handed use.
- Wear safety footwear, snug-fitting clothing, protective gloves, and eye, hearing, and head-protection devices while working with this chain saw.
- Do not allow other persons to be near the chain saw when starting or running the chain saw. Keep bystanders and animals out of the work area.
- Never allow young children or any person unfamiliar with chain saws to operate this saw!
- Clear the work area before using the saw. Never start cutting until you are sure you have a secure footing and have planned a retreat path from the falling tree.

- Before starting the saw engine, make sure nothing is touching the saw chain.
- Keep all parts of your body away from the saw chain whenever the engine is running!
- Stop the engine before carrying the saw. Carry the saw with the engine stopped, the guide bar and saw chain pointing to the rear, and the engine muffler away from your body.
- Stop the engine before setting the chain saw down.
- Install the appropriate guide-bar scabbard before transporting the saw.
- Never operate this chain saw if you are fatigued or if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or any other substance that could affect your ability or judgement.
- Never operate a saw that is damaged, improperly adjusted, or not completely and securely assembled.
- Do not use this saw if the saw chain continues to move after the throttle control trigger is released.
- Use only Shindaiwa-recommended parts when repairing or servicing this saw.
- Use extra care when cutting a limb that is under tension! A limb under tension could spring back suddenly, causing you to lose control of the saw!

- Use extreme caution when cutting smaller brush and saplings! Small-diameter material may catch in the chain and be whipped toward you or pull you off balance, causing you to lose control of the saw!
- Operate the saw only in a well ventilated area.
- Keep the saw handles dry, clean and free of oil or fuel mixture.
- Never operate any saw while in a tree unless you have been specifically trained to do so!
- Never perform service or repairs to this saw unless you are specifically trained and equipped to do so!
- Improper maintenance, use of nonconforming replacement components, or the removal of safety devices, such as the chain brake or any of the chain brake components, could result in serious injury.
- Never allow any part of your body near the clutch cover of an operating saw
- Never operate a saw with damaged or missing anti-vibration cushions. Long-term exposure to vibration can damage your hands.
- Always maintain a firm footing while operating this saw! Ladders and other temporary platforms can shift unexpectedly, and are not recommended!

IMPORTANT!

Safety and Operation Information Labels: Make sure all information labels are undamaged and readable. Immediately replace damaged or missing information labels. New labels are available from your local authorized Shindaiwa dealer.











WARNING!

Read and follow all safety precautions in the owner's manual. Failure to follow instructions could result in serious personal injury.

For replacement, use Shindaiwa brand 12" or 14" Guard Tip bar with Oregon 91VG chain. Other low-kick combinations may be available.

GASOLINE POWERED CHAIN SAWS

LISTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARD SAFETY SPECIFICATIONS FOR GASOLINE POWERED CHAIN SAWS (ANSI B175.1-2000)



285s









WARNING!

Read and follow all safety precautions in the owner's manual. Failure to follow instructions could result in serious personal injury.

For replacement, use Shindaiwa® brand 14" or 16" Guard Tip bar with Oregon® 91VG chain. Other low-kick combinations may be available.

GASOLINE POWERED CHAIN SAWS

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352s

Unit Description

IMPORTANT!

The operational procedures described in this manual are intended to help you get the most from this unit and also to protect you and others from harm. These procedures are general guidelines only, and are not intended to replace any additional safety rules or laws that may be in force in your area. If you have any questions regarding your Shindaiwa chain saw, or if you do not understand something in this manual, your Shindaiwa dealer will be glad to assist you. For additional information, you may also contact Shindaiwa Inc. at the address printed on the back of this manual.

Tools Included

- Screwdriver (352s only)
- Spark plug/13mm socket wrench (Scrench)

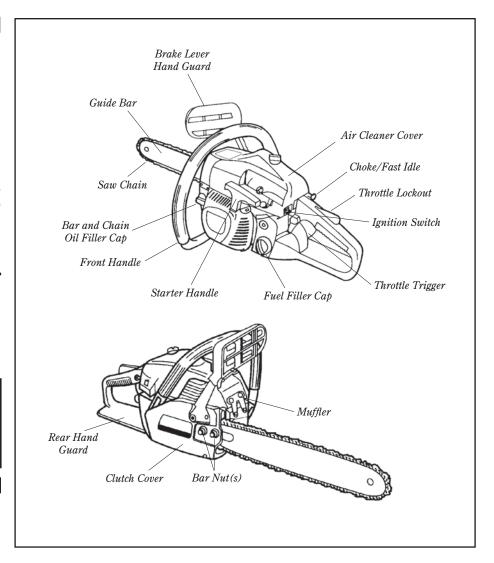


WARNING!

Do not make unauthorized modifications to this saw, guide bar, or chain!

IMPORTANT!

The terms "left," "left-hand," and "LH": "right," "right-hand," and "RH"; "front" and "rear" refer to directions as viewed by the operator during normal operation of this product.



Specifications*

Model.	285s	352s
Displacement	28.5cc (1.74 cu.in.)	35.2cc (2.15 cu.in.)
Engine Type2-cycle gas engine, vertical cylinder	X	X
Cooling System	X	X
Carburetor	WT 702	WT 701
FuelGasoline-oil mixture, 50:1 with Shindaiwa 2-Cycle Engine Oil	X	X
Starting	X	X
Stopping	X	X
Ignition Electronic ignition system	X	X
Spark PlugNGK BPMR7A	X	X
Power TransmissionAutomatic centrifugal clutch	X	X
HandleSpecial anti-vibration mountings on both front and rear handles	X	X
Safety DevicesFront hand guard, rear hand guard,	X	X
throttle lock, chain brake and chain catcher		**
Chain LubricationAutomatic (clutch driven) fully adjustable oiler	X	X
Chain OilShindaiwa Premium Bar & Chain Oil (or equivalent)	X	X
Fuel Tank Capacity	340ml (11.5 oz.)	400ml (13.5 oz.)
Oil Tank Capacity	250ml (8.5 oz.)	250ml (8.5 oz.)
Weight (less bar & chain)	4.2 kg (9.2 lbs.)	4.2 kg (9.2 lbs.)
*Specifications subject to change without notice.		

Installing and Adjusting the Guide Bar and Saw Chain

NOTE

For longest chain life, place new or replacement chain loops in oil and soak overnight before installation.

IMPORTANT!

The chain brake must be completely disengaged before removing or installing the clutch cover.

- Use the socket wrench to remove the clutch cover nut(s) in a counter-clockwise rotation.
- 2. Remove the clutch cover.
- 3. Remove and discard the packing spacer.
- 4. Place the guide bar over the guide bar stud(s) and chain tensioner pin.

CAUTION!

Failure to align the guide bar and chain tensioner pin can cause serious damage to the clutch cover, guide bar, tensioner pin, and/or engine crankcase!



WARNING!

The cutters on the saw chain are very sharp! Always wear gloves when handling.

- 5. Install the chain loop over the drive sprocket, and then align the chain drive links within the guide bar groove. Verify that the cutters are properly oriented with cutter edges facing forward on top of bar. If chain installation is difficult or if the chain appears too tight, refer to step 8 on the next page.
- 6. Install the clutch cover over the bar stud(s) and install the the bar nut(s) finger tight. Continued on next page.

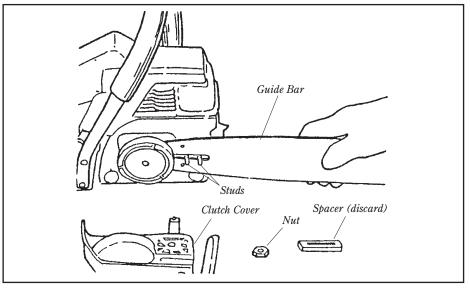


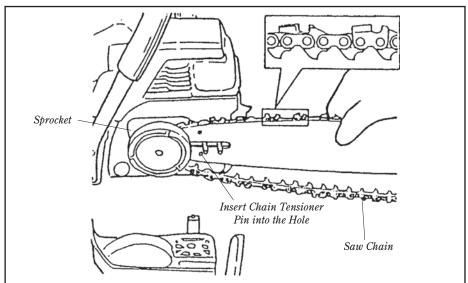
WARNING!

Never operate this saw without the clutch cover installed.

IMPORTANT!

Proper chain adjustment is essential for maximum performance, chain life, and operator safety. Always inspect chain tension before operating this saw!





RECOMMENDED BAR AND CHAIN COMBINATIONS

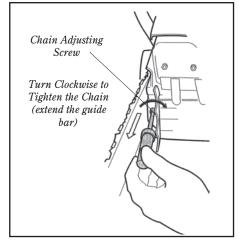
285s:	Chain Type	91VG (12")	91VG (14")
	Guide Bar	12" Double-Guard	14" Double-Guard
		Sprocket Nose Bar	Sprocket Nose Bar
352s:	Chain Type	91VG (14")	91VG (16")
	Guide Bar	14" Double-Guard	16" Double-Guard
		Sprocket Nose Bar	Sprocket Nose Bar



Replacement chain for this saw must meet applicable ANSI B175.1 kickback performance requirements and/or be designated as "low kickback chain" per ANSI B175.1-2000 standards.

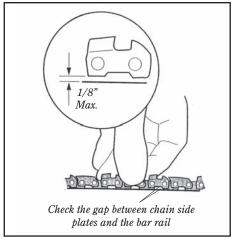
Installing and Adjusting the Guide Bar and Saw Chain (cont.)

- 7. Place the saw on a flat surface and lift the bar nose slightly.
- 8. To adjust chain tension:
- Turn the chain tension screw clockwise to tighten the chain.
- Turn the chain tension screw counterclockwise to loosen the chain.
- While lifting the bar nose, tighten or loosen the adjusting screw until the chain at mid-bar on the bottom of the bar just contacts the guide bar rails.
- 9. Tighten the bar nut(s). The saw chain tension is correct when there is not any slack on the bottom of the guide bar but the saw chain can move freely.



Re-Adjusting the Saw Chain

1. To adjust chain tension in the field: Stop the saw and allow the guide bar and chain to cool. Loosen both bar nuts approx. 1-turn each, and then perform steps 7-9 above. Never operate the saw with a loose chain!





WARNING!

Inspect chain tension often during operation, especially when breaking in a new chain. A loose saw chain can jump from the guide bar, possibly causing serious personal injury!

Mixing Fuel/Filling With Fuel



WARNING!

Minimize the risk of fire, burns, and personal injury!

- STOP engine before refueling.
- ALWAYS allow the engine to cool before refueling!
- ALWAYS open the fuel cap slowly to allow any pressure build-up in the tank to release fuel vapor slowly.
- Avoid overfilling and wipe up all spilled fuel. Move the engine at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the fueling point, storage area and other readily flammable materials before restarting!
- ALWAYS inspect the unit for fuel leaks before each use. During each refill, make sure there are no fuel leaks around the fuel cap and/or tank. If a fuel leak is evident, stop using the unit immediately. Fuel leaks must be repaired before using the unit.
- NEVER smoke or light any fires near the engine or fuel source!
- NEVER place any flammable material near the engine muffler!
- NEVER operate the engine without the muffler and spark arrester in good working condition.

IMPORTANT!

Shindaiwa high-performance 2-cycle engines are designed to operate on a 50:1 mixture of unleaded gasoline and 2-cycle mixing oil. Using a fuel mixture less than 50:1 ratio (such as 80:1 or 100:1) can cause catastrophic engine failure!

- 1. Use only fresh, clean unleaded gasoline with a pump octane rating of 87 or higher.
- 2. Mix fuel with a 2-cycle mixing oil designed for use in high-performance 2-cycle air-cooled engines.

NOTE:

Shindaiwa offers two performance levels of 2-cycle air-cooled mixing oils, Shindaiwa 2-Cycle mixing Oil and Shindaiwa ONE High Performance 2-Cycle Mixing Oil. Shindaiwa 2-Cycle Mixing Oil is designed to meet the lubrication demands of most 2-cycle air-cooled engines. Shindaiwa ONE High Performance 2-Cycle Mixing Oil is recommended when superior lubrication is needed to help protect engines used in severe operating conditions. Shindaiwa ONE also contains a fuel stabilizer to help maintain fuel quality when fuel is stored longer than 30 days.

3. Refer to following examples of 50:1 fuel to oil mix quantities.

Gasoline 2-cycle mixing oil **U.S. Gal. U.S. fl. oz.**

1 gal	2.6 oz.
2 gal	5.2 oz.
2.5 gal	6.4 oz.
5 gal	12.8 oz.
Gasoline	2-cycle mixing oil
111010	milliliters
2.51	50 ml
51	100 ml
101	200 ml
201	400 ml

CAUTION!

- Some types of gasoline contain alcohol. Never use any type of gasoline containing more than 10% alcohol by volume! More than 10% alcohol by volume may affect the lubricating qualities of 2-cycle mixing oils reducing engine life and/or causing engine failure.
- Generic mixing oil and marine engine oil may not be intended for use in high-performance 2-cycle engines and should never be used in Shindaiwa engines. Mixing oils not intended for use in high-performance air-cooled 2-cycle engines can cause excessive carbon deposits, reduce engine life and/or cause engine failure.
- 4. Place the saw on a hard surface with the fuel cap up and wipe any chips or debris from around the fuel cap.
- 5. Remove the fuel cap and fill the tank with clean, fresh 2-cycle fuel mix. Avoid overfilling and fuel spillage.
- 6. Wipe any spilled fuel and move the saw at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the fueling point before starting the engine.

Bar Oil / Filling With Oil

Oil Requirements

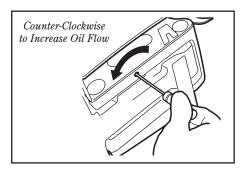
- When available, use Shindaiwa Premium bar & chain oil.
- When Shindaiwa oil is not available, use a premium 30-weight oil specifically blended for bar & chain lubrication.
- For cold weather operation, bar oil may be thinned by mixing with clean kerosene at a ratio of 1:1.

Filling the Oil Reservoir

- Place the saw on its side (clutch cover down), and wipe any chips or debris from around the oil cap.
- Remove the oil cap at the front of the saw.
- Fill the oil reservoir with bar & chain oil and replace the cap.
- Wipe spilled oil from handles and controls before starting the saw.

CAUTION!

Proper lubrication is critical to the performance and service life of your saw's oil pump, guide bar, and saw chain! Always use a high quality lubricating oil designed for saw chain lubrication! Never use dirty or reclaimed oil!



Oil Pump Adjustment

Guide bar and saw chain lubrication is automatically provided by an adjustable-rate oil pump designed to operate whenever the clutch drum rotates. A temporary increase in oil flow rate is often desirable when cutting hardwoods or large-diameter softwoods, and can be provided as follows:

- Stop the engine and verify that the engine stop switch is in the "OFF" position.
- 2. Place the saw on its side, with the clutch cover facing up.
- 3. Use a screwdriver to turn the oil flow rate adjustment screw.
- Clockwise to decrease bar & chain lubrication.
- Counter-clockwise to increase bar & chain lubrication.

Engine Start and Stop



WARNING!

This chain saw is equipped with a fast idle feature for ease of engine starting. When the fast idle is set, the saw chain will rotate when the engine starts! Rotating saw chain can cause serious injury. Clear a safe work area before starting the engine.

NOTE:

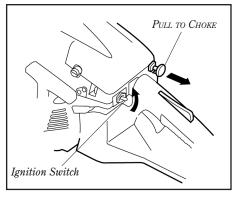
This engine ignition system is controlled by a two-position "ON-OFF" switchlabeled "I" for ON and "O" for OFF located near the rear handle.

IMPORTANT!

This chain saw is equipped with a throttle trigger lock out system designed to prevent unintended throttle activation. This system requires the operator to first depress the throttle lock out lever on top of the rear handle to release the trigger from the engine idle position.

Engine start:

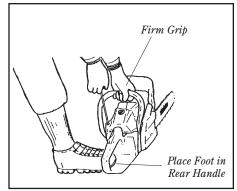
- 1. Move the ignition ON-OFF switch to the ON position.
- 2. **COLD ENGINE ONLY:** Completely
 - close the choke by pulling the choke control out to the fully extended position. This motion will automatically engage the "fast idle" setting.
- 3. **WARM ENGINE:** Pull the choke control out to its fully extended position and then push the choke control all the way in again. This motion will automatically engage the "fast idle" setting.



- 4. Place the saw upright on the ground.
- 5. Secure the saw by stepping on the inside of the rear handle with the right foot and firmly grasping the front handle with the left hand.
- Grip the starter handle with the right hand and pull slowly until starter engagement is felt.
- 7. With the starter engaged, pull the starter upward. Repeat until the engine either attempts to start or starts.
- 8. When the engine attempts to start or starts, push the choke control in if previously set. If the engine does not continue to run, pull the starter until the engine restarts then immediately press and release the throttle lever to disengage the fast idle.

NOTE:

If the engine fails to start, repeat the starting procedure setting the choke control appropriately for either a cold or warm engine. If the engine still fails to start, refer to the section, "Starting a Flooded Engine."



CAUTION!

The recoil starter can be damaged by abuse!

- Never pull the starter completely to the end of the starter cord. Fully extending the starter cord can damage the starter spring, cord and/or starter assembly.
- Never release the starter grip with the starter rope extended. Always hold on to the grip during engine start and return the starter grip back to the starter housing slowly as the starter spring retracts the rope.

Engine Stop:

1. Move the "ON/OFF" ignition control switch to the off position. If the saw has just been used, allow the engine to idle for 1 to 2 minutes to stabilize engine operating temperature before stopping the engine.

Starting a Flooded Engine

If the carburetor choke is closed (choke control fully extended) and after repeated attempts, the engine fails to start, the engine may be flooded with fuel. The following steps are recommended to clear a flooded engine.

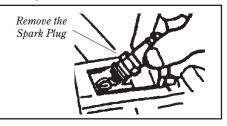
1. Move the "ON/OFF" ignition control switch to the "OFF" position.



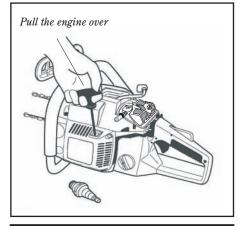
WARNING!

The ignition switch must be in the "OFF" position to prevent the chance of igniting fuel and/or fuel vapors escaping from the engine during this procedure.

2. Push the choke control completely in to open the choke.



- 3. Remove the spark plug access cover and disconnect the plug wire. Remove the spark plug.
- 4. Inspect the spark plug for damage or excessive wear and replace if necessary. If the spark plug electrode is fuel soaked, or coated with carbon deposits, clean and set the plug gap. Refer to page 16 of this manual in the maintenance section for spark plug information.



WARNING!

Keep clear of the spark plug opening! Any excess fuel in the engine will be ejected through the spark plug opening during starter operation.

- 5. With the spark plug removed, the choke control pushed in and the ignition control in the "OFF" position, clear any excess fuel in the engine by repeatedly pulling the starter until no evidence of fuel is seen escaping from the spark plug opening.
- 6. Replace the spark plug and install the spark plug lead and access cover.
- 7. Refer to the Engine Start and Stop section and follow the instructions for starting a warm engine.
- 8. If the engine still fails to start, refer to the Troubleshooting Section.

Carburetor Adjustments



WARNING!

The saw chain will move during the carburetor adjustment. Make sure that the guide bar and saw chain can not contact any objects and that bystanders and pets stay clear of the chain saw while the carburetor is being adjusted.

IMPORTANT!

A clean and unrestricted air-flow is essential to your saw engine's performance and durability! Before attempting any carburetor adjustments, inspect and clean the engine air filter as required! Procedures for maintaining your saw's air filter are described on page 16 in this manual.

Before starting the saw

- I. Inspect saw chain tension, and adjust if necessary. (See page 8.)
- 2. Verify that the chain brake is disengaged, and that the saw chain is free to rotate.

Start the saw

Start the saw and warm the engine to operating temperature. With the chain saw on a flat surface and the engine running, adjust the carburetor using the following procedures:



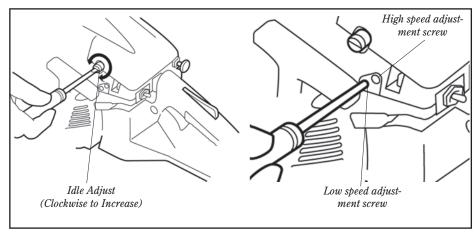
WARNING!

The saw chain must never rotate at engine idle speed.

Idle speed adjustment

Turning the idle speed adjusting screw clockwise increases engine idle speed while turning the adjusting screw counterclockwise decreases idle speed. Adjusted correctly, the engine should run at a steady speed and the saw chain should not move or attempt to move. Using an engine tachometer, the recommended idle speed is 2,800-3,200 rpm (min⁻¹). If a tachometer is not available, decrease idle speed until the chain stops moving.

If the engine idle can not be adjusted so that the saw chain stops moving when the throttle trigger is released, immediately stop using the chain saw and contact an authorized Shindaiwa dealer for assistance.



Low and High Mixture Adjustments for Emission Compliance Engines.

IMPORTANT!

This chain saw is equipped with an US EPA tamper resistant carburetor. The low (L) and high (H) speed adjustment screws are limited to approximately 1/4 turn from stop to stop.

Low-speed (L) mixture screw (engine idling at operating temperature)

- With the engine running, slowly turn the low speed (L) mixture screw clockwise until it stops. Check engine acceleration. Slowly turn the low speed (L) mixture counterclockwise until it stops (approx. 1/4 turn). Check engine acceleration again. Position the low speed (L) mixture screw for best engine acceleration.
- If necessary, readjust the idle speed screw for an engine idle speed of 2,800 3,200 rpm (min⁻¹).

CAUTION!

Operating the saw at wide open throttle for longer than 5 seconds without a load could result in engine damage.

High speed (H) mixture screw

■ The high speed (H) adjusting screw will vary the maximum engine speed with the throttle trigger fully depressed by approximately 500 rpm. Turning the high speed (H) screw clockwise will increase maximum engine speed while turning high speed (H) screw counterclockwise (approx. 1/4 turn) will decrease maximum engine speed. For most conditions, turning the (H) screw counterclockwise to its stop will provide the best engine performance during operation.

Chain Brake Operation and Service

Chain Brake Operation

This saw is equipped with a dual function chain brake designed to stop the saw chain from rotating whenever kickback occurs.

IMPORTANT!

The chain brake system for models 285s and 352s is not adjustable! If the chain brake fails to stop the chain in any of the following steps, DO NOT USE THE SAW! Return the saw to your dealer for repairs.

- Engaging the brake lever causes a brake band to tighten around the clutch drum, stopping the saw chain.
- The chain brake is designed to engage whenever the brake lever strikes the operator's hand or from the inertial effects of kickback.
- The chain brake can also be activated by pushing the brake lever forward manually.

To release (disengage) the chain brake, pull the brake lever rearward, towards the front handle until a positive stop is felt. (Position 1).



WARNING!

The chain brake is installed only to reduce the risk from kickback! The chain brake is not a substitute for careful operation!

IMPORTANT!

Release the throttle whenever the chain brake is activated!

Chain Brake Testing

Step 1: Inertia Chain Brake Function (engine "off")

Use the following procedure to test for proper operation:

- 1. Turn the engine "off," and verify that the ignition switch is in the "O" or "off" position.
- 2. Hold the chain saw normally gripping the rear handle with the right hand and the front handle with the left hand. While keeping the chain saw level, hold the nose of the guide bar approximately 14 inches above a solid wood block. Release the front handle only and allow the guide bar nose to drop onto the wood. The chain brake lever should move forward to position 2 and activate the brake as soon as the nose strikes the wood block. Wearing gloves, make sure that the saw chain cannot be pulled around the guide bar.

Step 2: Manual Chain Brake Function (engine running)

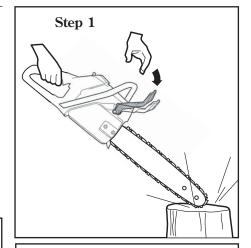
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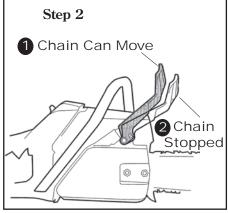
- 1. Start the saw and warm the engine to operating temperature.
- 2. With the saw on a flat stable surface, maintain a firm grip on the rear handle with the right hand and the top of the front handle with the left hand. The left hand should be centered with the front hand guard.

CAUTION!

Operating the saw at wide open throttle for longer than 5 seconds without a load could result in engine damage.

3. Accelerate engine to full throttle, then, without releasing the front handle, roll the left wrist forward against the front hand guard/chain brake lever to push the brake lever forward until the chain brake activates (position 2). The saw chain must stop immediately. If either of step 1 or step 2 tests fail, contact an authorized shindaiwa dealer for repairs.







WARNING!

Both of the above testing procedures must cause the chain brake to engage and prevent the saw chain from moving! If the chain brake does not fully engage and prevent the saw chain from moving during either test, DO NOT OPERATE THE SAW! Return the saw to your dealer for repairs!

Chain Brake Maintenance

- Periodically clean the brake mechanism of sawdust or debris.
- If the chain brake becomes damaged or worn, or fails to completely engage or release the clutch drum, return the saw to your dealer for repairs.
- Never carry the saw by the brake lever! Carry the saw by the front handle.

CAUTION!

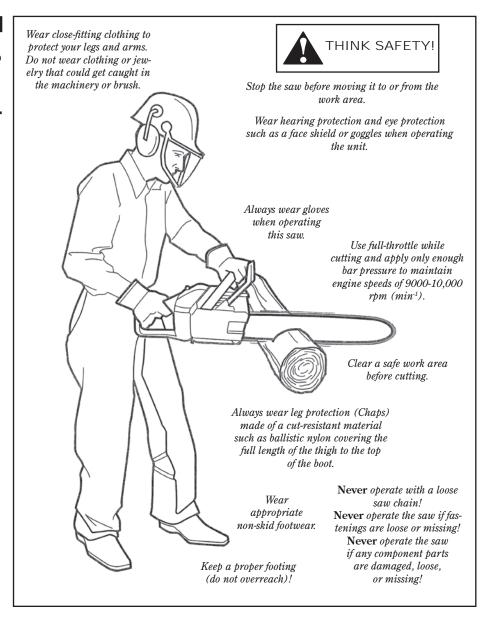
Never start or operate this saw while the chain brake is activated!

Always stop the saw and disengage the chain brake before removing or replacing the clutch cover! ■ Never make carburetor adjustments while the chain brake is engaged!

Cutting with the Saw

IMPORTANT!

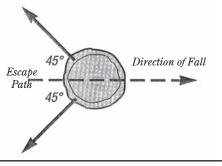
Always use full throttle while cutting! Keep the chain sharp and let the saw do the work! Forcing the saw into the wood reduces cutting performance, and can damage the saw through overheating!



Felling Trees

Before Felling a Tree

- 1. Determine the direction of fall by inspecting:
- Tree shape and angle of lean.
- Size and shape/placement of limbs.
- Location of nearby trees or other obstacles.
- Condition of tree (damage, disease, etc.).
- Prevailing wind direction.



- 2. Clear a safe work area around the tree. Be alert for loose or dead limbs overhead. Clear an appropriate escape path approx. 45° from the direction of fall.
- 3. Notify nearby workers of your intentions!

Felling Small Trees

(Under 6" diameter)

- 1. Determine the direction of fall. If uncertain as to direction of fall, use the procedure "Felling Large Trees" as outlined on the following page.
- 2. Start cutting on the side of the tree away from the fall, and make a single felling cut all the way through the tree
- 3. Stop the saw, and put it down on the ground.
- 4. Use your retreat path to exit the area quickly.



WARNING!

Diseased, damaged, or otherwise unbalanced trees can fall unpredictably during felling, and should be left to an experienced timber faller!

Felling Trees (cont.)

Felling Larger Trees

(Over 6" diameter)

If a tree is otherwise healthy and not seriously out of balance, its direction of fall can often be encouraged by first "notching" the tree on the side facing the desired direction of fall.

After the notch is completed, start the felling cut slightly higher and on the opposite side of the tree, away from the direction of fall.

The goal of the method is to leave a sturdy wooden "hinge" for the tree to pivot on while falling.

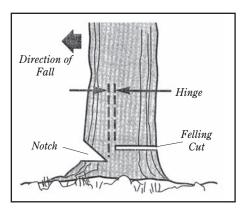
- 1. Determine the direction of fall.
- 2. On the side of the tree facing the direction of fall, make a single 90° cut through approx. 1/3 of the tree's diameter.
- 3. Working from the same side of the tree and at a 45° angle to the first cut, make your second cut in an upward direction to remove a notch from the tree as shown.

4. Working on the opposite side of the tree and starting approximately 2" higher than the bottom of the notch created in steps 1-3, make the final felling cut as shown.

NOTE:

If the cut appears to be closing on the bar, use a mallet to drive one or two plastic or wooden wedges into the cut behind the bar.

- 5. Stop the saw, and put it down.
- 6. Use your retreat path to exit the area quickly.





WARNING!

Failure to leave a proper wooden hinge during the falling or "back cut" can cause the tree to pinch the saw's guide bar, and may also change the direction of fall!



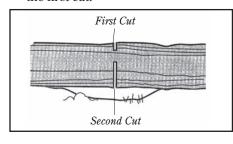
WARNING!

Always make your falling cut parallel to the bottom cut! An angled falling cut may cause the tree to split, possibly changing the direction of fall!

Bucking

Techniques

- If the log is well supported, start your cut from the top of the log. Keeping the guide bar parallel to the ground, cut straight down but do not allow the saw to cut into the ground.
- Cutting downed timber, or "bucking," increases the possibility of the wood settling and pinching the guide bar. Driving one or more soft plastic or wooden bucking wedges can help prevent bar-pinching during a cut.
- Use two cuts when bucking near the inboard end of an unsupported log.
- 1. Make the first cut as an overbuck approx. 1/3 the diameter of the log.
- 2. Finish the job with an underbuck coming up from beneath and joining the first cut.

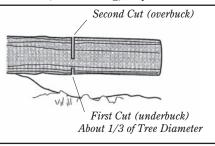




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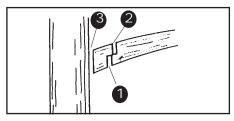
Always cut downed timber from the uphill side of the wood! Be alert for potential injury from rolling or shifting logs! Downed timber may shift or roll unpredictably during cutting or handling operations!

■ Use two cuts when bucking the outboard end of an unsupported log. Your first cut should be an underbuck, cutting upward through approximately 1/3 the diameter of the tree. Finally, move to the top of the log and finish the cut by bucking down (overbucking) to your first cut.



Limbing

Limbing a standing tree is usually accomplished in the same manner as bucking, with a third and final cut used to remove the remaining stub of the limb.





WARNING!

Kickback danger increases in overheight or out of position cutting! Do not overreach or attempt to cut above shoulder height!

NOTE:

When cutting unsupported logs or limbs, starting with an underbuck cut will minimize the possibility of the wood splitting during the bucking cut.

IMPORTANT!

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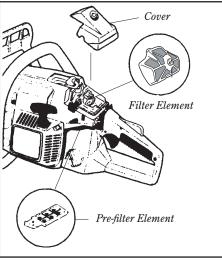


WARNING!

Before performing any maintenance on this saw, stop the engine and disconnect the spark plug wire!

Daily Maintenance

- Remove dirt and debris from the saw exterior, cylinder fins, and cooling air intake.
- 2. Inspect the saw for fuel and oil leaks. Repair as necessary.
- 3. Service the air filter.



- Remove the air filter cover and then remove the element. Use extreme care to prevent any debris from entering the carburetor bore. Wash all parts with soap and water, and then gently wipe or blow dry before reassembly.
- Install the air filter element in the saw.

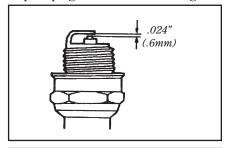
IMPORTANT!

For cutting in dry weather, an optional flocked air filter will offer additional protection. However, when operating in damp or icing conditions the flocked filter should be replaced with a meshtype element.

- 4. Sharpen and adjust the saw chains as required.
- 5. Clean the guide bar groove and oil hole, and inspect the bar groove and tip for damage or unusual wear. Repair or replace worn or damaged components as necessary.
- Inspect the entire saw for damaged, loose or missing components or fastenings. Repair as necessary.

10/15 Hour Maintenance

1. Remove and clean the spark plug. Adjust the spark plug gap to 0.024" (0.6mm), and reinstall. Replace any damaged or visibly worn plug with an NGK BPMR7A or equivalent spark plug of the same heat range.



CAUTION!

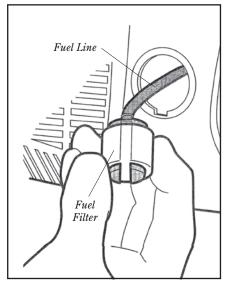
Never allow chips or other debris to enter the cylinder bore! Before removing the spark plug, thoroughly clean the spark plug and cylinder head area!

Remove the guide bar and chain.
 Carefully inspect the drive sprocket for wear or damage, and replace if noted. Inspect the guide bar grooves and tip for wear or damage, and repair or replace components as required.

IMPORTANT!

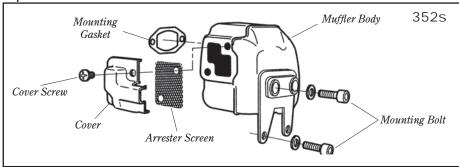
The drive sprocket and saw chain loop should always be replaced as a set! For economy, rotate the same 2-3 chains daily. When these chains are worn out, replace both the chains and drive sprocket at the same time.

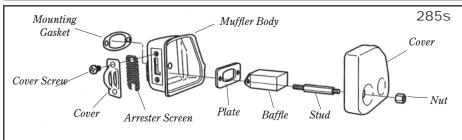
- 1. Replace the spark plug with an NGK BPMR7A (or equivalent), gapped to 0.024" (0.6mm).
- 2. Extract the fuel filter from inside the fuel tank, and then remove and replace the filter element. Before replacing the filter, inspect the condition of the fuel line. If damage or deterioration are noted, the saw must be removed from service until it can be inspected by a Shindaiwatrained service technician.



3. Extract the oil filter from inside the oil tank, and then wash the filter element in an approved solvent. If damage or deterioration are noted on the oil suction line, the saw must be removed from service until it can be inspected by a Shindaiwa-trained service technician.

40/50 Hour Maintenance Spark Arrester Maintenance





Hard starting or a gradual loss of performance can be caused by carbon deposits lodged in the muffler's spark arrester screen. For maximum performance, the arrester screen should be periodically removed and cleaned with a small wire brush.

- The muffler used on Model 285s has an internal baffle that can be removed for cleaning by removing the two nuts on the muffler cover.
- The muffler used on Model 352s is a one piece assembly and cannot be further disassembled for service.

Long Term Storage

(over 30 days)

- Thoroughly clean the saw exterior. Remove all chips and other debris from the cylinder fins and cooling passages.
- Drain the fuel tank, and then clear the carburetor and lines by running the saw until it stops from lack of fuel.

CAUTION!

Never store the saw with any fuel remaining in the tank, fuel lines, or carburetor! Your Shindaiwa warrantv does not include coverage for damage caused by "stale" or contaminated fuels!

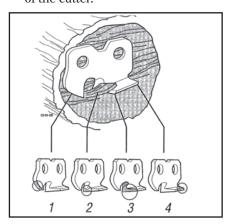
- Drain any remaining bar oil from the oil reservoir.
- Remove the spark plug, and then pour 1/4-oz of 2-cycle mixing oil into the cylinder through the spark plug hole. Before reinstalling the spark plug, slowly pull the recoil starter 2-3 times to distribute the oil over the cylinder walls.
- Remove, clean, and reinstall the air filter element as described under "daily maintenance."
- Repair or replace any damaged components as required, and then store the unit in a clean, dry, dust-free area.

Saw Chain Performance

Your saw's performance on the job depends heavily on the condition of its saw chain.

How the Saw Chain Works As the saw chain is pulled through the wood:

- 1. The depth gauge setting determines the depth of cut for each cutter.
- 2. The cutter's leading edge enters the wood, causing the entire cutter to "rock back" and lift away from the bar.
- 3. The top plate peels the severed wood chip away.
- 4. The chip is discharged out the rear of the cutter.



IMPORTANT!

Most of the actual cutting is done by the sides and corners of the individual cutters

Sharpening Technique

1. Using the appropriate round file, sharpen all cutters to a 30° angle as shown.

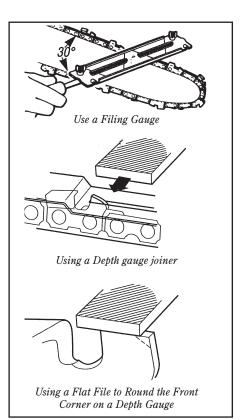
IMPORTANT!

File all cutters to the same angle and depth! Unequal filing may cause the saw to vibrate or cut erratically!

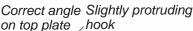
NOTE:

For consistent filing angles, use a filing guide.

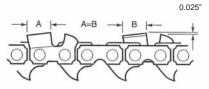
- 2. After all cutters are sharpened, use a depth gauge joiner to measure the height of each depth gauge.
- 3. As required, use a flat file to lower depth gauges to the appropriate 0.025" (0.635 mm) height.
- 4. After all depth gauges have been adjusted, use a flat file to round each depth gauge leading edge to original curvature and angle.



Correct Filing Technique



or point (curve on -chisel chain) Top of depth guage at correct height below top plate Front of depth gauge



Keep all cutter lengths equal

Top plate angle less than recom-



Cause

File held at less than recommended angle.

Result

Slow cutting. Requires extra effort to cut.

Remedy

File cutters to recommended anale.

Top plate angle

rounded

more than recommended

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Cause

Filing Problems

File held at more than recommended angle.

Result

Cutting angle is very sharp but will dull fast. Cutting action rough and erratic.

Remedy

File cutters to recommended angle.

High depth gauge



Cause

Result Slow cutting. Must force chain to cut. Will cause excessive wear on the cutter

Depth gauge never filed.

heel. Remedy

Lower gauges to recommended setting.

Hook in side plate cutting edge



Cause

File held too low or the file was too small.

Result

Rough cutting. Chain grabs. Cutters dull quickly or won't hold a cutting edge.

Remedy

Check file size. File cutters to recommended angle.

Backslope on side plate cut-



Cause

File held too high or the file was too large.

Result

Cutters won't feed into wood Slow cutting. Must force chain to cut. Causes excessive bottom wear.

Remedy

File cutters at recommended angle. Check file size.

Low depth



Cause

Wrong gauge setting or no gauge used.

Result

Rough cutting. Chain grabs. Saw won't pull chain through wood. Excessive wear on the cutter heel.

Remedy

If depth gauges are too low, the chain is no longer serviceable.

Does the tank contain fresh

fuel of the proper grade?

YES

YES

ENGINE DOES NOT START What to Check Possible Cause Remedy Consult with an authorized servicing NO Faulty recoil starter. Does the engine crank? dealer. Fluid in the crankcase. YES Internal damage. NO Tighten and re-test. Loose spark plug. Good compression? Consult with an authorized servicing Excess wear on cylinder, piston, rings. YES dealer. NO

Stale or contaminated fuel mixture.

Is fuel reaching the cylinder Check for clogged fuel filter and/or and combustion chamber? vent. NO

NO

Drain and refill with fresh, clean unleaded gasoline with a pump octane of 87 or higher mixed with Shindaiwa 2-cycle mixing oil and gasoline at a 50:1 ratio).

Clean and replace as required and re-start.

Is there spark at the spark ▶ Is the ignition switch ON? plug wire terminal? YES Faulty ignition ground. Faulty ignition system. Check the spark plug.

If the plug is wet, excess fuel may be in the cylinder.

The plug may be fouled or improperly gapped.

The plug may be damaged internally or may be the wrong size.

Move switch to ON and re-start.

Consult with an authorized servicing dealer.

Crank the engine with the plug removed, replace the plug, and re-start. See pg. 11 (Starting a flooded engine).

Clean and re-gap the plug to 0.024 inch (0.6mm).Re-start.

Replace the plug with an NGK BPMR7A. Re-start.

LOW POWER OUTPUT

What to Check

Is the engine overheating?

Possible Cause

Fan, fan cover, cylinder fins dirty or damaged.

Operator is overworking the unit.

Carburetor mixture is too lean.

Improper fuel ratio

Carbon deposits on the piston or in the muffler.

Remedy

Clean, repair or replace as necessary.

Cut at a slower rate. Sharpen chain as

required.

Adjust carburetor or consult with an

authorized servicing dealer.

Drain and refill with fresh, clean unleaded gasoline with a pump octane of 87 or higher mixed with Shindaiwa 2-cycle mixing oil and gasoline at a 50:1 ratio).

Consult with an authorized servicing dealer.

Engine is rough at all speeds. May also have black smoke and/or unburned fuel at the exhaust.

→ Clogged air filter.

Loose/damaged faulty spark plug.

Air leakage or clogged fuel line.

Water in the fuel.

Piston seizure.

Faulty carburetor.

Service the air cleaner.

Tighten or replace.

Repair or replace fuel filter and/or fuel

line.

Replace the fuel.

Consult with an authorized servicing

dealer.

Engine is knocking.

Overheating condition.

Improper fuel.

Carbon deposits in the combustion chamber.

See above.

Check fuel octane rating; check for presence of alcohol in the fuel. Refuel as

necessary.

Consult with an authorized servicing dealer.

ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS Remedy Possible Cause Symptom Inspect and clean spark arrester screen Plugged spark arrester screen. Poor acceleration. if necessary. See page 17. Clogged air filter. Clean the air cleaner element. Clogged fuel filter. Replace the fuel filter. Chain brake engaged. Inspect and/or test brake. Consult with an authorized servicing dealer. Carburetor mixture too rich or too lean. Consult with an authorized servicing dealer. Idle speed set too low. Adjust: 2,800-3,200 rpm (min⁻¹). Switch turned off. Set the switch to ("ON") and re-start. Engine stops abruptly. Fuel tank empty. Refuel. Clean or replace filter as required. Clogged fuel filter. Water in the fuel. Drain; replace with clean fuel. Shorted spark plug or loose terminal. Clean or replace spark plug. Tighten the terminal. Ignition coil faulty. Replace the ignition unit. Piston seizure. Consult with an authorized servicing dealer. Ground (ignition switch) wire is discon-Consult with an authorized servicing Engine difficult to stop or will not nected, or switch is defective. dealer. stop. Overheating due to incorrect spark Correct plug: NGK BPMR7A. plug. Overheated engine. Idle engine until cool. Set idle: 2,800-3,200 rpm (min-1). Chain rotates at idle speed. Engine idle too fast. Broken clutch spring or shoe. Replace spring/shoes as required. Excessive vibration Worn or damaged sprocket, chain, or Inspect and replace chain components as required. Bent crankshaft. Consult with an authorized servicing dealer.

Shindaiwa Corporation Federal Emission Design And Defect Limited Warranty Utility And Lawn And Garden Engines

Shindaiwa Corporation warrants to the initial purchaser and each subsequent owner, that this utility equipment engine (herein engine) is designed, built and equipped to conform at the time of initial sale, to all applicable regulations of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and that the engine is free of defects in materials and workmanship that would cause this engine to fail to conform with EPA regulations during its warranty period. This emission warranty is applicable in all States, except the State of California.

For parts listed under PARTS COVERED, the dealer authorized by Shindaiwa Corporation will, at no cost to you, make the necessary diagnosis, repair, or replacement of any defective emission-related component to ensure that the engine complies with applicable U.S. EPA regulations.

MANUFACTURERS WARRANTY COVERAGE

When sold within the U.S., this engine's emission control system is warranted for a period of two (2) years from the date this product is first delivered to the original retail purchaser.

OWNER'S WARRANTY RESPONSIBILITIES

As the engine owner, you are responsible for the performance of the required maintenance listed in your owner's manual. Shindaiwa Corporation recommends that you retain all receipts covering maintenance on your engine, but Shindaiwa Corporation cannot deny a warranty claim solely for the lack of receipts or for your failure to ensure the performance of all scheduled maintenance.

As the engine owner, you should however be aware that Shindaiwa Corporation may deny your warranty coverage if your engine or a part has failed due to abuse, neglect, improper maintenance or unapproved modifications.

You are responsible for presenting your engine to the nearest dealer authorized by Shindaiwa Corporation when a problem exists.

If your Shindaiwa Dealer is unable to answer questions regarding your warranty rights and responsibilities, you should then contact your Shindaiwa Distributor.

For the name and telephone number of the Shindaiwa Distributor in your area, please call Shindaiwa Inc. at (503) 692-3070 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM Pacific Standard Time.

PARTS COVERED

Listed below are the parts covered by the Federal Emission Design and Defect Warranty. Some parts listed below may require scheduled maintenance and are warranted up to the first scheduled replacement of that part. The warranted parts include:

- 1. Carburetor Internal Components
 - Valve Assembly-throttle, Jet, Metering Diaphram
- 2. Ignition System Components
 - Ignition Coil
 - Flywheel Rotor

The emission control system for your particular Shindaiwa engine may also include certain related hoses and connectors.

LIMITATIONS

The Federal Emission Design and Defect Warranty shall not cover any of the following:

- (a) conditions resulting from tampering, misuse, improper adjustment (unless they were made by the dealer or service center authorized by Shindaiwa Corporation during a warranty repair), alteration, accident, failure to use the recommended fuel and oil, or not performing required maintenance services,
- (b) the replacement parts used for required maintenance services,
- (c) consequential parts used for required maintenance services,
- (d) diagnosis and inspection fees that do not result in eligible warranty service being performed, and
- (e) any non-authorized replacement part, or malfunction of authorized parts due to use of non-authorized parts.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR REQUIREMENTS

You are responsible for the proper use and maintenance of the engine. You should keep all receipts and maintenance records covering the performance of regular maintenance in the event questions arise. These receipts and maintenance records should be transferred to each subsequent owner of the engine. Shindaiwa Corporation reserves the right to deny warranty coverage if the owner has not properly maintained the engine. Shindaiwa Corporation will not deny warranty repairs, however, solely because of the lack of repair, maintenance or failure to keep maintenance records.

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If other than the parts authorized by Shindaiwa Corporation are used for maintenance replacements or for the repair of components affecting emission control, you should assure yourself that such parts are warranted by their manufacturer to be equivalent to the parts authorized by Shindaiwa Corporation in their performance and durability.

OBTAINING WARRANTY SERVICE

All repairs qualifying under this limited warranty must be performed by a dealer authorized by Shindaiwa Corporation

If any emission-related part is found defective during the warranty period, it is your responsibility to present the product to an authorized Shindaiwa dealer. Bring your sales receipts showing the date of purchase for this engine. The dealer authorized by Shindaiwa Corporation will perform the necessary repairs or adjustments within a reasonable amount of time and furnish you with a copy of the repair order. All parts and accessories replaced under this warranty become the property of Shindaiwa Corporation

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