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DISK HARROW

• Assembly
• Installation
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THIS IMPLEMENT FOR USE WITH GARDEN TRACTORS EQUIPPED WITH SLEEVE HITCH. ALSO, TIRE CHAINS AND WHEEL WEIGHTS ARE RECOMMENDED.

"IMPORTANT: THIS MANUAL CONTAINS INFORMATION FOR THE SAFETY OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY. READ IT CAREFULLY BEFORE ASSEMBLY AND OPERATION OF THE EQUIPMENT!"

LIMITED WARRANTY

Brinly-Hardy Company warrants only to the original retail purchaser that this product will remain free of defects in workmanship and materials under normal use and service for a period of one (1) year (NOTE: ninety (90) days for commercial or rental use) commencing with the date of purchase.

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CONGRATULATIONS on your purchase of this Brinly Attachment. It has been designed, engineered, and manufactured to give you the best possible dependability and performance.

Please read and retain this manual. The instructions will enable you to assemble and maintain your Attachment properly. Always observe the "SAFETY RULES".

Should the need ever exist for repair parts, order through most any Lawn and Garden dealer, using part number and description.

RULES FOR SAFE OPERATION

- Know controls and how to stop quickly, READ THE OWNER'S MANUAL.
- Do not allow children to operate the vehicle, do not allow adults to operate without proper instruction or without having read the owner's manual.
- Do not carry passengers. Keep children and pets a safe distance away.
- Always wear substantial footwear. Do not wear loose fitting clothing that can get caught in moving parts.
- Keep your eyes and mind on your tractor/attachment and area being covered. Do not let other interest distract you.
- Stay alert for holes in the terrain and other hidden hazards.
- Do not drive close to creeks, ditches and public highways.
- Watch out for traffic when crossing or near roadways.
- When using any attachment, don't allow anyone near the vehicle while in operation.
- Keep the vehicle and attachment in good operating condition and keep safety devices in place.
- Keep all nuts, bolts and screws tight to be sure the equipment is in safe working condition.
- The vehicle and attachment should be stopped and inspected for damage after striking a foreign object. The damage should be repaired before restarting and operating the equipment.
- See tractor equipment owner's manual for safe operation of the equipment.

WARNING!

- DO NOT allow anyone to ride on Disk Harrow. The blades are sharp and personal injury could result.
- DISK BLADES HAVE SHARP EDGES. ASSEMBLE AND OPERATE THE DISK HARROW WITH CAUTION.

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Read and observe the "SAFETY RULES".
- Follow a regular schedule in maintaining, caring for and using your Disk Harrow.

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NOTE: Right Hand (R.H.) and Left Hand (L.H.) are determined from the OPERATOR'S position while seated on tractor.

This unit can be assembled as a Front Disk Harrow for Mounting directly to the Tractor Sleeve Hitch or as a Rear (Tandem) Disk Harrow (Requires purchase of an additional Disk Harrow).

Assembly as Front (Hitch Mounted) Disk Harrow.

Refer to Fig. 1

- Assemble both Disk Gangs as shown.
  - Note: Curved side of Disk Blades must be positioned as shown - relative to Disk Hanger. Unplated Bearing Tube must be inserted in Disk Hanger.
  
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Refer to Fig. 2

- Attach the Hitch Bar to the UNDERSIDE of Tray (Positioned as shown on Tray). Secure with two 1/2" x 1-1/4" Carriage Bolts, Lock Washers and Hex Nuts.
  - Position the Adaptor Coupler UNDER the Hitch Bar as shown. Align the two holes in the Adaptor Coupler with the second and third holes in the Hitch Bar. Secure with 1/2" x 1-1/2" Hex Bolts, Lock Washers, and Hex Nuts.

TO ASSEMBLE YOUR DISK HARROW, YOU WILL NEED:

2 - 1-1/8" wrenches
or
2 - 10" Adjustable Wrenches
1 - 9/16" Wrench
2 - 3/4" Wrench
1 - Pair of Gloves (Optional)
Refer to Fig. 3

- Determine your requirements for Disk Angling and Spacing. (Refer to Fig. 6 & 7) Disk Gang Angles are adjustable for 10, 15, & 20 degree Angles. The 15 degree position (center of the Adjusting Slot in Disk Hanger) is recommended to start. The 10 and 20 degree Angles are for less aggressive or more aggressive Disking Action.
- Attach each completed Disk Gang Assembly to the Tray as shown into inner sets of slots in Tray using 3/8" x 1" Carriage Bolts, 3/8" Flat Washers (next to slots in Disk Hangers), 3/8" Lock Washers and 3/8" Nuts. The cutting edges of Disk Blades face toward outside of Disk Tray. NOTE: The carriage bolts must be inserted from the TOP, locking in the selected Disk Gang Angle - (15° Center of Adjusting Slot to start).
- Normal operation of the Disk is at the 15 degree Disk Gang Angle with the two center Disk Blades as close together as possible. This is accomplished by placing the Carriage Bolts in the CENTER and inner slots of the Tray and moving as close to the center of the Tray as possible.
- Tighten all fasteners previously assembled and Lubricate (Grease) both Disk Gangs through the Grease Fittings until grease comes out around ends of Disk Hanger.

Assembly as Rear (Tandem) Disk Harrow
(Requires purchase of additional Disk Harrow).

Refer to Fig. 4

- Assemble both Disk Gangs as described in Fig. 1.
- Assemble Hitch Bar, Adaptor Coupler and Tray as described in Fig. 2.
- Determine your requirements for disk angling. Disk Gang Angles are adjustable for 10, 15 & 20 degree angles. The 15 degree position (Center of the Adjusting Slot in Disk Hanger) is recommended to start. The 10 & 20 degree angles are for less aggressive or more aggressive disking action.
- Attach each completed Disk Gang Assembly to the Tray as shown, into the OUTER set of slots in Tray, using 3/8" x 1" Carriage Bolts, 3/8" Flat Washers (next to slots in Disk Hangers), 3/8" Lock Washers and 3/8" Hex Nuts. Cutting edges of Disk Blades face toward center of Disk Tray to throw dirt in (opposite of the Front Disk Harrow Blades). Inner Blades of Disk Gangs to be set apart 8'-10" (See Fig. 7). NOTE: The carriage bolts must be inserted from the TOP, locking in the selected Disk Gang Angle - (15° Center of Adjusting Slot to start).
- Tighten all fasteners previously assembled and Lubricate (Grease) both Disk Gangs through Grease Fittings until grease comes out around ends of Disk Hanger.
OPERATION

Refer to Fig. 5

- For tractors equipped with sleeve hitch, refer to operator's manual on your hitch for any hitch pre-adjustment instructions.
- Remove stabilizer bolts from your hitch. Disk Harrow should be free to move side to side on hitch.
- Mount the Disk Harrow to the sleeve hitch, with hitch pin.
- Disking breaks down large clods of plowed dirt, preparing a smooth seed bed. Depending on ground conditions, several passes may be required. It is recommended that disking be done in a "zig-zag", then "criss-cross" pattern.
- The Disk Harrow may also be used for early cultivation by moving the disk gangs out to maximum width to straddle young row crops. The Disk Gangs can be reversed to throw dirt inward or outward. When set to throw dirt in, the dirt will smother grass and weed seedlings between the plants.

NOTE: NEVER DISK WHEN THE SOIL IS WET! Take a handful of soil and squeeze it in the palm of your hand. If it forms a ball and doesn't crumble, soil is too wet for diskig. Disking in soil that is too moist will cause soil to pack between Disk Blades. Running tractor over moist soils will cause soil compaction, resulting in hard packed soil conditions when it dries out.
- Start disking slowly at first, use third or fourth gear, as larger clods are broken down and pulverized.
- The addition of a concrete block (or other weight) may be required for good penetration. Weight should be added AFTER the Disk Harrow has been attached to the rider/tractor Drawbar and may be secured with rubber tie-down straps, bailing wire, nylon rope, or any suitable binding material to the four holes in Tray flanges.

TANDEM DISK HARROW

Refer to Fig. 6 & 7

- An additional Disk Harrow can be assembled (as described in Fig. 4) to form a Tandem Disk Harrow. Attach front and rear gangs using a 1/2" x 1-1/2" Hex Bolt and a 1/2" Lock Nut. Allow about 1/8" gap between the two hitch bars.

WARNING

- DO NOT attempt to lift the Tandem Arrangement with the Tractor Hitch.
- When properly set, the Front Disk Gang will throw dirt out, and the Rear Disk Gang will throw the dirt in.
- The Front Gangs Inner Blades should be set close to throw dirt out, and the Rear Gang Blades reversed, with inner blades set apart 8" - 10", to throw dirt in.
CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITY

- Frequently inspect all fasteners - they must be tight!
- Lubricate the disk bearings through grease fittings (7), shown on the parts list, before each disking operation and at four-hour intervals during use.

NOTE: When lubricating bearings, it is recommended that you use automotive-type chassis lube.

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