

BEFORE OPERATING THE UNIT READ AND HEED ALL SAFETY PROCEDURES.
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS WHILE OPERATING THIS MACHINE CALL CROWN RENTAL IMMEDIATELY.

1. INSPECT SITE TO BE AERATED. FLAG ALL SPRINKLER HEADS OR OBJECTS THAT COULD BE DAMAGED OR DAMAGE THE MACHINE.
2. INSURE THAT THE LAWN IS SUFFICIENTLY WATERED TO PROVIDE BEST OPERATION. YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO PUSH A SCREWDRIVER INTO THE GROUND 4 TO 5 INCHES WITH LITTLE EFFORT. WATERING SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE AERATING WILL ACCOMPLISH THIS.
3. THE GRASS SHOULD BE MOWED SHORTER THAN NORMAL FOR BEST PERFORMANCE.
4. MAKE SURE THE WEIGHT BAR IS SECURED IN PLACE. FILL THE WEIGHT DRUM WITH WATER.
5. CHECK OIL LEVEL. NOTE ENGINE OIL SHOULD BE CHECKED WITH THE ENGINE IN THE LEVEL POSITION AND BE FULL TO THE TOP OF THE THREADS ON FILL PORT. THE ENGINE WILL SHUT OFF ON SLOPES IF NOT FULL OF OIL.

OPERATING THE UNIT:

1. TO OPERATE, PULL THE "T"-BAR THROTTLE/CLUTCH CONTROL HANDLE BACK. THIS ALLOWS THE ENGINE RPM'S TO ADVANCE TO OPERATING SPEED AS THE CLUTCH IS ENGAGED. RELEASING THE T-BAR CLUTCH HANDLE STOPS THE AERATOR IMMEDIATELY AND LEAVES THE ENGINE RUNNING.
2. RAISE THE TRANSPORT WHEELS AND PULL DOWN ON THE HANDLE UNTIL THE WEIGTH DRUM IS CLEAR OF THE GROUND. THIS WILL PUT THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT ON THE AERATION TINES WHICH PROPELS THE MACHINE. THE DRUM IS NOT DESIGNED AS A ROLLER.
3. AERATE AROUND ALL BOUNDRIES, HAZARDS AND OBSTACLES. TWO PASSES SHOULD BE ENOUGH FOR PROPER MANEUVERING AND TURNING.
4. STRAIGHT BACK AND FORTH OPERATION IS USUALLY FASTER. IF YOU DESIRE TO GO OVER THE YARD A SECOND TIME IT IS BEST TO SO AT AN ANGLE.
5. AERATE AT A 45 DEGREE ANGLE ON SLOPES. GOING STRAIGHT UP AND DOWN OR TRYING TO GO ACROSS A SLOPE CAN INCREASE OPERATOR FATIGUE.
6. RAISE THE MACHINE ON THE TRANSPORT WHEELS TO CROSS DRIVEWAYS AND SIDEWALKS. THE WEIGHT DRUM WILL PROPEL THE MACHINE.
7. WHEN COMPLETED DRAIN WATER FROM WEIGHT DRUM AND REFUEL WITH UNLEADED GASOLINE BEFORE RETURNING TO RENTAL STORE.