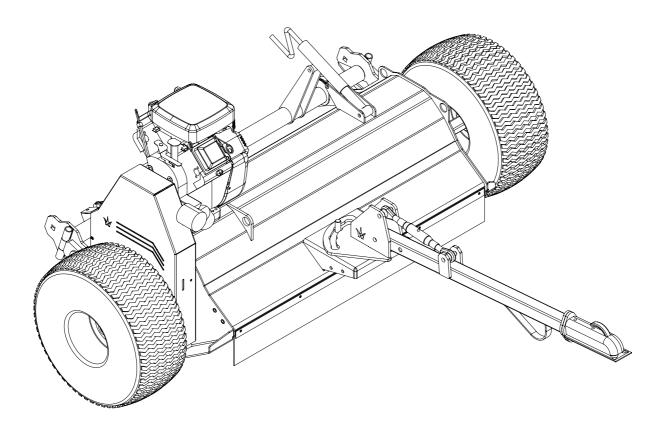


Operation Manual and Parts Book

Wessex AFE120 & AFE160 GII Trailed Flail Mowers

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Thank you for purchasing a Wessex product. As a Wessex customer, you now number among the most important people of our business and we will endeavour to give you the best service available through our dealer network.

Please read this Manual carefully and familiarise yourself and other persons that will be using the machine with its contents, to ensure the optimum performance and working life of your machine. It is advisable that a copy of this Manual is kept in the workshop and one copy with the machine. Further copies are available through your dealer.

On delivery, your dealer should go through the workings of the machine with you, explaining the setting up procedures, all of which are contained in this manual for further reference. The Warranty Registration Form must also be completed via our website at www.wessexintl.com/warranty/ within 7 days of delivery in order to validate the Warranty.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY BEFORE USING YOUR MACHINE AND KEEP THIS MANUAL IN A SAFE PLACE.



THIS SAFETY SYMBOL IS TO ALERT OPERATORS OF A HAZARD THAT MAY RESULT IN INJURY. ALWAYS FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

SAFETY DECALS



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- **ATTENTION** Description of pictograms.
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- **VORSICH** Beschreigung der piktogramme.



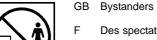
- GB Read Operating manual before use.
- F Lisez Manual D'Opéreration avant l'utilisation.
- D Vor der Benutzung, Betriebshandbuch lesen.



- GB Ear defenders must be worn.
- F Défenseurs des oreilles doivent être portés.
- D Gehörschutz getragen werden.



- GB Never remove guards or attempt adjustment until rotor has stopped.
- F Ne retirez jamais les gardes ou d'ajustement tentative jusqu'à ce que toutes les pièces mobiles ont été interrompus.
- D Schutzvorrichtung niemals abnehmen oder einstellung versuchen, bevore der rotor abstellt.



- B Bystanders must be at least 20 metres from machine range of action.
- Des spectateurs doivent s'écarter au moins 20 mètres du rayon d'action de la machine.
- D Umstenhenden müßen sich mindestens 20 meter vom maschinenbetriebsraum entfernen.



- GB Stand clear. Flying objects possible.
- F S'écartez! Possibilité d'objets volants.
- D Zurückbleiben! Herumfliegende objekte möglich

- GB Liftt Machine before turning
- F Levez la machine avant de la tourner
- D Maschine aufheben, bevor man sie umdreht.



- GB Examine blades regularly. The operator is responsible for machine damage caused by unbalanced rotors.
- F Examinez des lames régulièrement. L'opérateur est responsable des dommages à la machine provoqés par des rotors mal equilibrés
- D Klingen regelmäßig kontrollieren. Der abeiter ist an den durch unausgewogenen rotoren maschinenschäden verantwortlich.
- GB Keep hands and feet clear
- F Garder les mains et les pieds.
- D Halten Sie Ihre Hände und Füße.



- GB Grease points
- F Les points de graissage
- D Grease Punkte.

SAFETY DECALS



- GB Lifting Point
- F Point de levage
- D Anschlagpunkt



- GB It is the operators responsibility to ensure that the machine is compatible with the loading capacity of the towing vehicle.
- F Il est de la responsabilité des opérateurs afin de s'assurer que la machine est compatible avec la capacité de chargement du véhicule tracteur.
- D Es ist den Betreibern dafür zu sorgen, dass die Maschine mit der Belastbarkeit des Zugfahrzeugs ist.



- GB Never carry passengers on implements unless designed to do so.
 - Ne jamais transporter des passagers sur instruments sauf s'ils sont conçus pour le faire.
 - Niemals Passagiere implementiert, es sei denn ausgelegt, dies zu tun.



- GB ATTENTION: Engage Slowly.
- F ATTENTION: Engagez Lentement.
- D VORSICH: Einschalten Langsam.



Wessex machines are guarded for your protection, but you must always observe certain elementary precautions. Machines are potentially **dangerous** and should be used with the greatest respect and **ALL OPERATORS MUST** read this manual and be are aware of all safety precautions.

- 1. **NEVER** attempt any adjustment whatsoever, unless the machine is **COMPLETELY** at a standstill, and its engine and moving parts are stopped.
- 2. **NEVER** attempt to clear any obstructions around the mower unless the machine is **COMPLETELY** at a standstill, and its engine and moving parts are stopped.
- 3. **NEVER** remove belt guards unless the machine is **COMPLETELY** at a standstill and the engine has stopped.
- 4. **NEVER** remove safety guards which are provided for your protection.
- 5. **NEVER** operate the mower with people behind, keep everybody (especially children and animals) at a safe distance, **minimum 20 metres**.
- 6. Stand well back from the machine when cutters are spinning.
- 7. Regularly inspect the **BLADES AND FIXING BOLTS** to ensure that they are in excellent condition. Replace blades **IMMEDIATELY** if any signs of fracture or excess wear becomes apparent. Serious damage, which is excluded from our warranty conditions, may result from using your mower with an unbalanced rotor. When replacing blades, always fit new mounting bolts and nuts to ensure that the rotor is balanced and running smoothly.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Noise at Work Regulations

READING AT THE OPERATORS EAR Wessex AF, Flail mower: Approximately 97.5 D.B.A

Depending on conditions and material being cut, this reading may alter, it is therefore advisable for users to do their own assessment.



In compliance with the above regulations, Ear Protectors must be worn when operating this machinery.

READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS ON COUPLING IMPLEMENTS AND ATTACHMENTS TO ATV'S



TRAINING

- It is most essential that all operators of ATV's are trained by a certified training organisation.
- It is strictly forbidden that any person under 16 years of age should ride an ATV.
- Any person 17 years of age must have had training before towing a trailer with an ATV.
- Contact your local HSE office for approved training courses.

BODY PROTECTION

- Remember that when riding on an ATV the only form of protection that you have is what you wear. **ALWAYS** wear a helmet, eye protection and suitable robust clothing.
- Never operate an ATV or attachments while under the influence of alcohol or non-prescription drugs.
- Contact your doctor before operation of an ATV or attachments while under the influence of any prescription drugs.

ATV MANUAL

• Before coupling any implement to your ATV refer to your ATV handbook.

STABILITY

• When using equipment coupled to an ATV it is very important to remember that the handling characteristics of your ATV will change dramatically, whether the additional load is placed on the front or rear rack or trailed on the towing ball hitch.

WEIGHT CAPACITY

- Always ensure that the implement or attachment that your are coupling to the ATV is within the ATV's drawbar loading or weight carrying capacity. Refer to the ATV manufacturer's handbook to obtain information on the specific capacities.
- It is most important that you know the weight of your load, especially when on slopes or hillsides.
- As a guide, on level ground with an unbraked implement, the weight of the implement should be approximately no more than twice the unladen weight of the ATV. This should be reduced on sloping, uneven or rough ground.

WEIGHT TRANSFER

- Always take great care when towing loads which may be subject to weight transfer e.g. liquids or livestock, especially on hillsides and slopes.
- Always restrict the movement of animals or rolling objects in a trailer.

TOWING

- Never tow loads larger or heavier than recommended for your ATV. (See ATV hand book).
- Never tow or turn across a slope.
- Never tow down a steep slope with a large or heavy load.
- When towing heavy loads there is a significant risk of jack-knifing or overturning.

ROUGH TERRAIN

- Always take care when operating implements on rough terrain or uneven ground.
- Take special care when operating on slippery surfaces especially hill sides or slopes.
- Take extra care when towing on hillsides, slopes or rough terrain.

OPERATING ON ROADS

- Implements are not designed for travelling distances on roads but when crossing or going short road distances always travel slowly and do not exceed 20 KPH.
- Make sure that your equipment complies with Road Vehicle Lighting Regulations.
- Ensure that you have the correct insurance cover and comply with all relevant laws.

LOAD SECURITY

- Always secure your load firmly with ratchet straps.
- Make sure that your load is evenly; distributed.
- Never stack a high load, high loads increase the risk of overturning.

PASSENGERS

• Never carry passengers on any kind of implement or attachment, especially children.

MAINTENANCE

 Service your ATV and attachments as per the manufacturer's handbook. Regular servicing of your ATV will ensure that it will steer, stop and handle to its best ability and your attachment will operate as safely and effectively as possible. Regular servicing helps ensure the longest possible working life for your equipment.

EQUIPMENT SAFETY INSPECTION

- Check tyre pressure, incorrect tyre pressure can seriously affect the handling of your ATV. (See Operators handbook).
- Maintain your equipment regularly to keep it in safe working order.

ROUTE / RISK ASSESSMENT

- Assess and plan the route that you intend to travel to avoid any type of hazards i.e. rocks, boulders, ditches, hidden fences or wire, pot holes, low hanging branches or any other type of hazard.
- Where possible stay with a routine route to avoid hazards.
- The risk may change in wet or wintery conditions, avoid slopes where possible.

Your Wessex product or equipment is warranted free from defect in workmanship or manufacture for one year from date of purchase. Any parts which appear to us to be defective, either in material or workmanship shall be replaced or repaired at no cost to the purchaser, subject to the following conditions:

- You should register your product within seven days of purchase via our website. http://www.wessexintl.com/warranty-registration
 Alternatively, if you prefer, please telephone Wessex International on 01264 345888
- 2. Any failure in the machine should be reported in the first instance immediately to your dealer, who will act on your behalf to resolve the matter to your satisfaction.
- 3. The defective parts will be returned by your dealer to us, accompanied by a full statement describing the failure and the circumstances and conditions in which the failure occurred.
- 4. The following are specifically excluded from our terms of warranty:
 - a) Fair wear and tear, especially to belts, brushes, blades and spinners.
 - b) Damage to blades or brushes caused through incorrect positioning of the rotor (see instructions).
 - c) Damage caused by neglect or lack of lubrication.
 - d) Damage caused by misuse or abuse.
 - e) Damage caused whilst the machine is in transit.
 - f) Damage caused to the frame of the machine by running the machine with unbalanced rotors, blades or spinners.
 - g) Damage caused to the machine by use with loose nuts, bolts, screws or any other type of fittings.
- 5. The warranty is for the benefit of the first user only.
- 6. Wessex International decisions will be final and binding.

Note:

It is recommended that every machine is inspected after one hour of operation to check that all nuts, bolts, screws or any other types of fixings are tight and any loose fixings or components should be rectified as appropriate.

Further inspections should be carried out at regular intervals thereafter.

- 1. Reverse your towing vehicle up to your machine, and connect to the ball hitch. Ensure that it is locked in position prior to use.
- Secure the engine cut-off switch to the rear carrier, within easy reach of the operator. Attach the clip lanyard hook to a suitable robust point on your clothing to ensure that it will pull the kill cord in an emergency.



- 3. Ensure that the rotor is disengaged, and stationary, before using the adjustment handle to adjust the cutting height.
- 4. Adjust the anti-scalp rear roller to suit conditions. Set the roller down for large volumes of cut material or to avoid rocks etc on very rugged terrain.
- 5. In order to obtain full cutting height adjustment, the adjustment handle(s) must be in the correct position on the adjusting screw mount.



Adjuster position when wheels are set to the Side of machine



Adjuster position when wheels are set to the Rear of machine

USING YOUR WESSEX MOWER

- 1. Centrifugal Clutch version (AFE) The engine on your mower can be started with the throttle set at either the high or low revs setting, but always ensure that the revs are immediately adjusted so that the clutch is either completely engaged or disengaged. Running the machine with the clutch partially engaged will drastically reduce the life of the clutch.
- 2. Suitable forward speed will be determined by the amount, type, and condition of material to be cut. In very difficult conditions, better results will be obtained by making two passes, and adjusting cutting height accordingly.
- 3. Cutting height is adjusted by turning the adjustment handle in the relevant direction.

1. Remove Belt Cover.

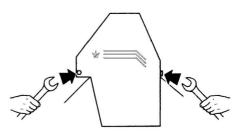
2. Loosen Jockey Pulley Bracket clamping bolt.

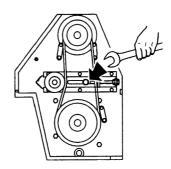
3. Tighten belts using adjusting screw and lock off.

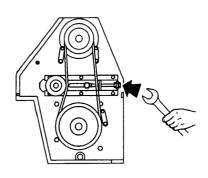
- 4. Retighten clamp bolt.
- 5. Replace Belt Cover.

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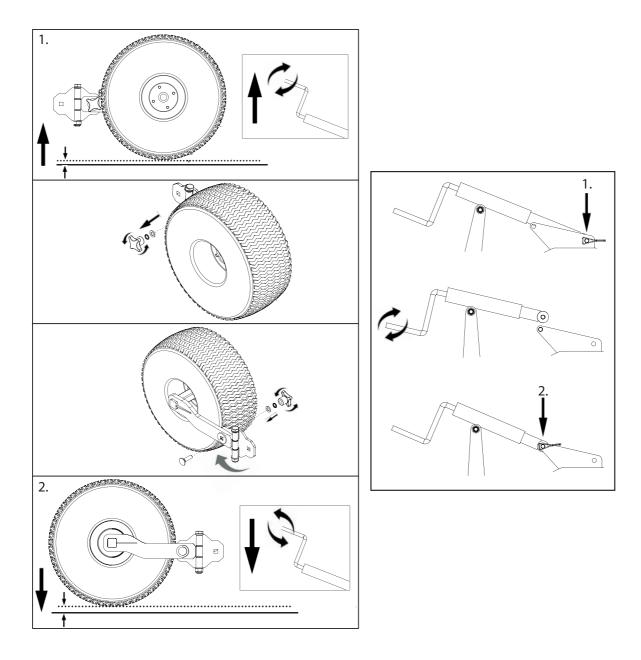
- 1. The belts should be free to move 10mm under moderate thumb pressure.
- 2. Check belt tension after 1 hours use, as new belts often slacken while seating in pulleys.
- 3. For Centrifugal Clutch machines, it is strongly advised not to put the machine to very heavy work for the first 5 hours of use, as this can cause the clutch to overheat, consequently reducing its useful life, before the clutch is allowed to bed in.







- 1. For use where it is advantageous to orientate the wheels to the rear of the machine such as getting as close as possible to trees or fences etc., the wheels may be moved from the side to the rear of the machine.
- 2. The following considerations should be taken: With the wheels to the rear the weight placed upon the tow-ball will be increased, which may exceed the capacity of the drawbar nose weight of the UTV/ATV. Please be aware that overloading the drawbars capacity can cause vehicle mishandling and loss of control with resulting risk of accidents.
- 3. Running the machine with the wheels to the side, reduces the weight on the drawbar to a minimum and allows the wheels to run along side the cutting rotor which reduces scalping of the ground on undulating terrain.



• **IMPORTANT!** Check that all fastening sets (bolts and nuts) are tight after the first hour of operation.

LUBRICATION

DAILY (8-10 working hours)

- Grease Main Rotor bearings (x2).
- Grease Roller bearings (x2).
- Grease Wheel bearings (x2).

FLAIL BLADES

- The condition of the flail blades should be inspected daily. Damaged flail blades cause imbalance in the rotor and in turn, will cause serious damage to the mower, which is specifically excluded from our Warranty Conditions.
- If the mower begins to vibrate, stop work immediately and investigate. Almost certainly the cause will be damaged flail blades, or foreign objects around the flail rotor.

FLAIL BLADES - CHANGING

- When fitting new flail blades, unhitch the mower from the tractor/ATV and lift the mower up enough to access the blades, (preferably with a hoist or mechanical lifting equipment). Remove the damaged flail blades and replace.
- It is important that the rotor remains balanced. Always fit new bolts and nuts when replacing the flails and preferably fit a full set. If only one or two flails are being replaced, they should be fitted opposite to each other on the rotor, to keep the rotor balanced.

SPARE PARTS

Spare parts for your Wessex Mower can be obtained through our extensive dealer network. For details of your nearest supplier or technical information, please email parts@wessexintl.co.uk or telephone 01264 345870.

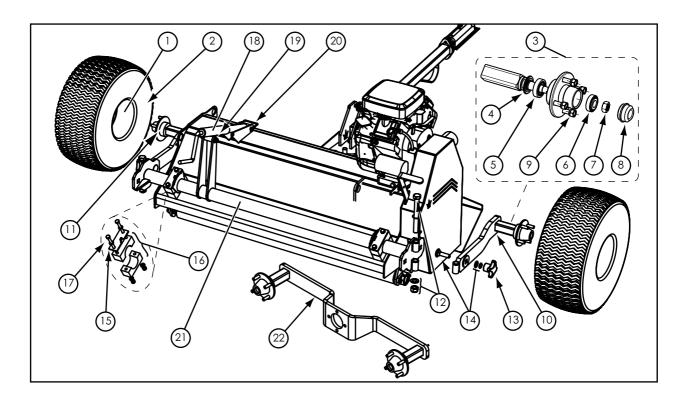
TROUBLESHOOTING

FAULT	CAUSE	REMEDY
Leaving wheel track uncut	 Forward speed too fast Cutting height too high 	Reduce forward speed Lower cutting height
Bad quality of cut	 Forward speed too fast Excessive blade wear Belts slipping 	Reduce forward speed Replace blades Tighten belts
Narrow strip uncut	1. Possibly missing or broken blade	Inspect blades and replace as necessary
Excessive vibration	 Damaged or missing blades Bent flail rotor Main rotor bearing failed Loose part 	Inspect and replace blades Inspect rotor Inspect bearing, replace if damaged Check all nuts and bolts are tight
Excessive scalping	1. Cutting height too low	Raise cutting height.

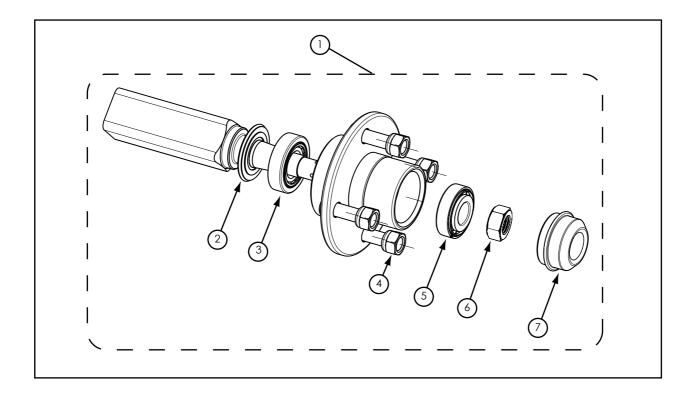
WINTER STORAGE

Before winter storage, the Mower should be thoroughly inspected:-

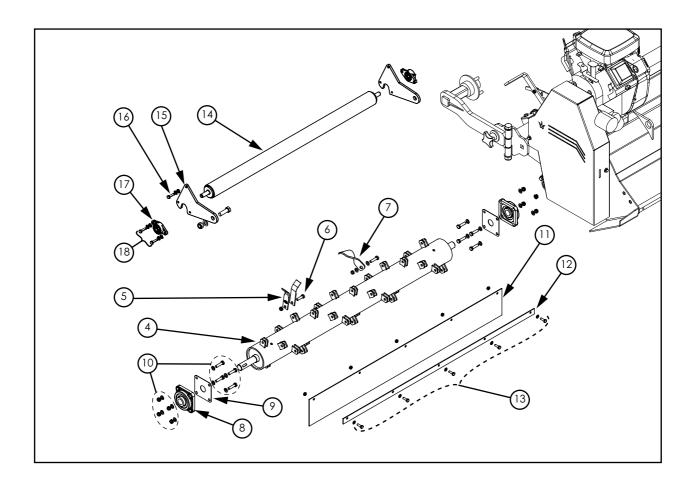
- Repair or replace any worn or broken parts.
- Take special care to look at the flail blades, rotor and the bearings.
- Remove the belts and ensure that the rotor is free-spinning.
- Make sure that the belts are in good condition before re-fitting.
- Thoroughly wash the machine to remove all oil, grease, debris and materials.
- Grease up all grease points before storage to avoid any corrosion.
- Check or change engine oil depending on hours of use.



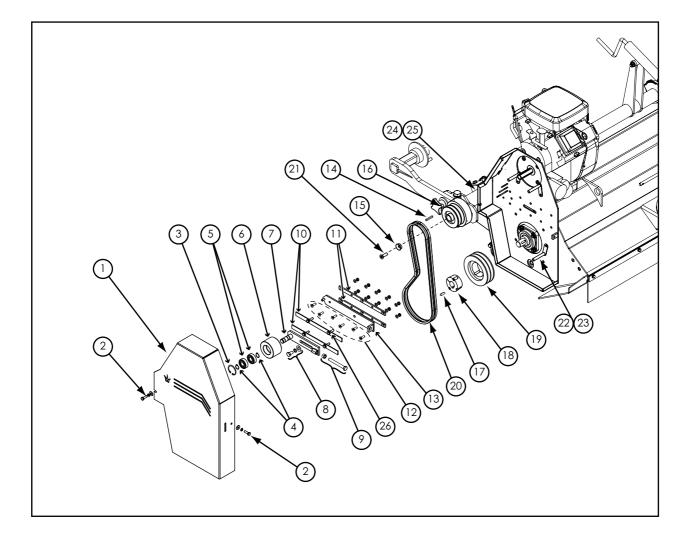
Ref	AF120 Part No.	QTY	AF160 Part No.	QTY	Description
1	WX-2552	2	WX-2552	2	Floatation Wheel - Complete
2	WX-2552A	2	WX-2552A	2	Floatation Tyre
3	WX-18951_4	2	WX-18951_4	2	Stub Axle
4	WX-3145	2	WX-3145	2	Wheel Seal
5	WX-10038	2	WX-10038	2	Wheel Bearing Inner
6	WX-10138	2	WX-10138	2	Wheel Bearing Outer
7	WX-12053	2	WX-12053	2	Axle Nut
8	WX-20351	2	WX-20351	2	Hub Cap
9	WX-11653	8	WX-11653	8	Wheel Nut
10	WX-52980	1	WX-52980	1	Swing Arm (Right Hand Side)
11	WX-52880	1	WX-52880	1	Swing Arm (Left Hand Side)
12	WX-19803	2	WX-19803	2	Swing Arm Retaining Bolt
13	WX-54080	2	WX-54080	2	Handwheel
14	WX-11953	2	WX-11953	2	Handwheel Fastening Set
15	WX-49676	2	WX-49676	2	Height Indicator
16	WX-53880	2	WX-53880	2	Axle Mount
17	WX-19703	2	WX-19703	2	Axle Mount Fastening Set
18	WX-13380	1	WX-13380	1	Height Adjuster
19	WX-0503	1	WX-0503	1	Height Adjuster Fastening Set
20	WX-0927	1	WX-0927	1	Height Adjuster Pin
21	WX-19251	2	WX-19351	2	Axle
22	WX-19551	2	WX-19551	2	Tandem Wheel Arm



Item No.	Part No.	Description	Qty.
1	WX-18951-4	Weld on Stub Axle	2
2	WX-3145	Wheel Seal	1
3	WX-10038	Wheel Bearing Inner	1
4	WX-11653	Wheel Nut	4
5	WX-10138	Wheel Bearing Outer	1
6	WX-38001	Stub Axle Nut	1
7	WX-20351	Hub Cap	1

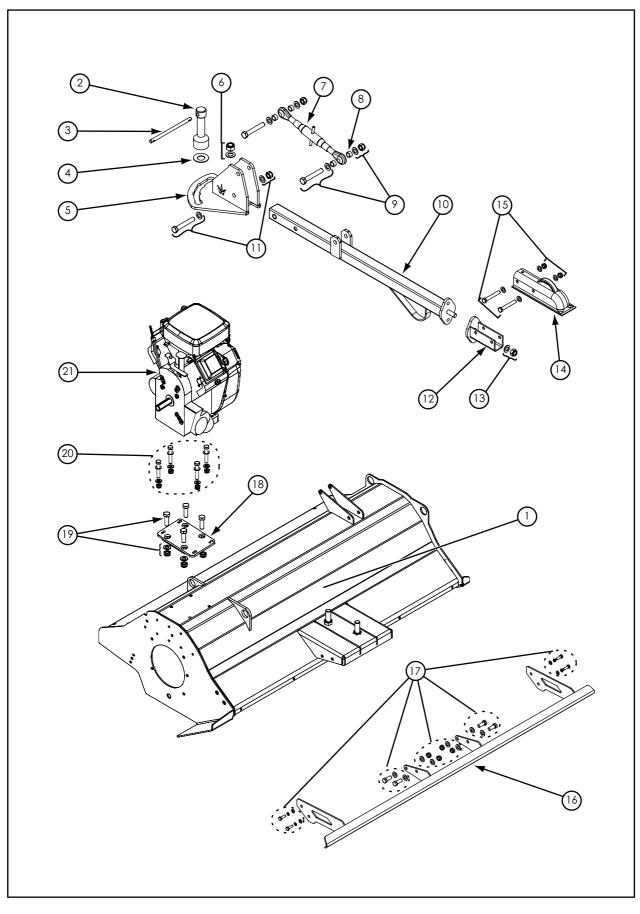


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4	WX-19466	1	WX-19766	1	Flail Rotor
5	WX-8270	32	WX-8270	42	Flail Blade (Pair)
6	WX-6702	32	WX-6702	42	Blade Bolt and Nut
7	WX-10970	32	WX-10970	42	Twisted Flail including. 2 spacers
8	WX-0941	2	WX-0941	2	Bearing (Rotor)
9	WX-9566	2	WX-9566	2	Bearing Shield
10	WX-1803	2	WX-1803	2	Rotor Bearing Fastening Set
11	WX-14578	1	WX-14678	1	Rubber Skirt
12	WX-49476	1	WX-49776	1	Clamp Bar
13	WX-2003	1	WX-2003	1	Rubber Skirt Fastening Set
14	WX-1655	1	WX-1855	1	Roller
15	WX-1755	2	WX-1755	2	Roller Bracket
16	WX-0303	2	WX-0303	2	Roller Bracket Fastening Set
17	WX-0841	2	WX-0841	2	Bearing (Roller)
18	WX-1703	2	WX-1703	2	Bearing Fastening Set



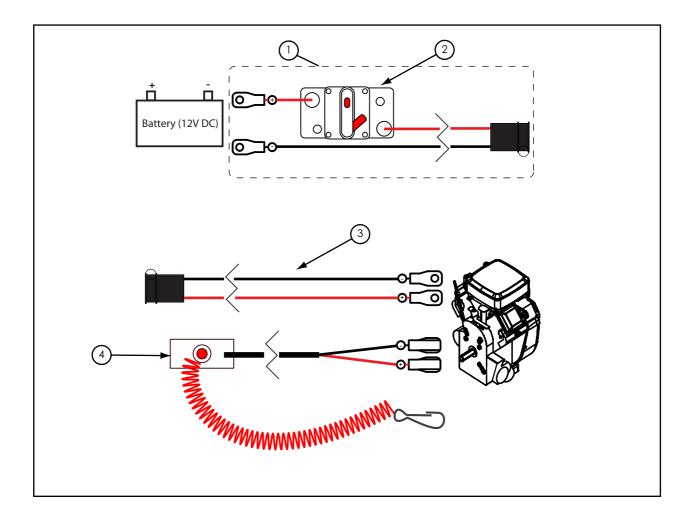
PARTS LIST - DRIVE SYSTEM

Ref	Part No.	QTY	Description
1	WX-22677	1	Belt Cover
2	WX-20003	1	Belt Cover Fastening Set
3	WX-0722	1	Circlip
4	WX-0622	2	Circlip
5	WX-1438	2	Bearing
6	WX-6962	1	Jockey Wheel
7	WX-19666	1	Jockey Bracket
8	WX-0703	1	Jockey Bracket Fastening Set
9	WX-2725	1	Belt Tension Adjuster
10	WX-49576	2	Slide Strip
11	WX-49076	2	Belt Tensioner Track
12	WX-19203	2	Belt Tensioner Track Fastening Set
13	WX-19566	1	ATV Jockey Bracket Mount
14	WX-1347	1	Key (Engine)
15	WX-16466	1	Top Hat Bush
16	WX-5062	1	Centrufugal Clutch
17	WX-0447	1	Key (Rotor)
18	WX-5962	1	Taper Lock (Rotor Pulley)
19	WX-9662	1	Rotor Pulley
20	WX-6634	2	Drive Belt
21	WX-33001	1	Clutch Bolt
22	WX-4858	1	Belt Retainer
23	WX-1103	1	Belt Retainer Fastening Set
24	WX-22577	3	Fixed Guard
25	WX-0103	3	Fixed Guard Fastening Set
26	WX-19303	2	Slide Strip Fastening Set



PARTS LIST - DRAWBAR AND ENGINE

Ref	AF120 Part No.	QTY	AF160 Part No.	QTY	Description
1	WX-7091	1	WX-7191	1	Mainframe
2	WX-5228	1	WX-5228	1	Pillar
3	WX-5228A	1	WX-5228A	1	Tommy Bar
4	WX-3325	1	WX-3325	1	Disc Spring
5	WX-11970	1	WX-11970	1	Drawbar Bracket
6	WX-1203	1	WX-1203	1	Drawbar Bracket Fastening Set
7	WX-2329	1	WX-2329	1	Drawbar Adjuster
8	WX-6628	4	WX-6628	4	Bush
9	WX-17501	2	WX-17501	2	Drawbar Adjuster Fastening Set
10	WX-53180	1	WX-53180	1	Drawbar
11	WX-4503	1	WX-4503	1	Drawbar fastening Set
12	WX-52780	1	WX-52780	1	Drawbar Swivel
13	WX-1203	1	WX-1203	1	Drawbar Swivel Fastening Set
14	WX-2356	1	WX-2356	1	Ball Hich
15	WX-1503	1	WX-1503	1	Ball Hitch Fastening Set
16	WX-53280	1	WX-53980	1	Boss Bar
17	WX-20203	1	WX-20203	1	Boss Bar Fastening Set
18	WX-11870	1	WX-11870	1	Engine Mounting Plate
19	WX-1303	1	WX-1303	1	Mounting Plate Fastening Set
20	WX-19403	1	WX-19403	1	Engine Fastening Set
21	WX-6660	1	WX-6660	1	Engine (13hp Briggs & Stratton)



Ref	Part No.	QTY	Description
1	WX-4814	1	Power lead, Battery Side
2	WX-6614	1	Resettable Fuse
3	WX-4714	1	Power lead, Mower Side
4	WX-2360	2	Safety Cut Out Switch

	Certificate of Conformity				
Machine Model:	AFE GII				
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Su	ertify that the machine detailed hereon conforms to: European Directives 2006/42/EC pply of Machinery Regulations 2008 ended 91/368EEC – 93/44EEC – 93/68EEC				
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