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U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20207

August 14, 1981

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Mr. J. A. Kerr, Jr.
Vice President
Yazoo Manufacturing Company, Inc.
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Jackson, Mississippi 39216

Dear Mr. Kerr:

Your letter of June 24, 1981, to Commissioner Pittle has **been forwarded** to this office for a response. In your letter, you ask for a determination that **your products do not fall within the scope of the Safety Standard for Walk-Behind Power Lawn Mowers, Title 16 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part' 1205.** A copy of the standard is enclosed for your information.

Part of your question can be readily answered. Since the performance requirements of the standard apply only to rotary walk-behind power lawn mowers, the tillers, **edger-trimmers**, trailers, independent cutting heads, flail mowers, and riding mowers or tractors shown in your literature would not be subject to the standard.

In addition, the standard does not apply to walk-behind power mowers that have all of the following characteristics: (1) a cutting width of 30 inches or greater, (2) a weight of 200 lbs. or more, and (3) an engine of 8 or more horsepower (§ 1205.1(c)(1)). Therefore, if the "36" commercial Yazoo weighs at least 200 lbs., it too would be outside the scope of the standard..

Asto the other big wheel mowers, the only remaining basis for determining that these are not subject to the standard would be if the available information showed that these products are not "consumer products" (§ 1205.1(b)(1)). "Consumer product" is defined in section 3(a)(1) of the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2052(a)(1), which states:

ADVISORY OPINION

(1) The term "consumer product" means any article, or component part thereof, produced or distributed (i) for sale to a consumer for use in or around a permanent or temporary household or residence, a school, in recreation, or otherwise, or (ii) for the personal use, consumption or enjoyment of a consumer in or around a permanent or temporary household or residence, a school, in recreation, or otherwise; but such term does not include:

(A) any article which is not customarily produced or distributed for sale to, or use or consumption by, or enjoyment of, a consumer...

Product manufacturers have the initial responsibility for evaluating the use and distribution patterns for their products and determining if their products are subject to the Consumer Product Safety Act. When sufficient information is available, our office can issue an advisory opinion concerning whether a product is covered by the act. In the case of the big wheel mowers, however, there is insufficient information to make such a determination since the available facts do not permit any conclusion concerning the number of these mowers that may be used by consumers. If you wish to submit additional information, the following information, if available, would be helpful:

1. Who are the distributors of each model and what types or chains of dealers do they supply? Do the dealers carry other products likely to be sold to consumers?

2. How many mowers of each model are sold to each distributor?

3. What is the factual basis for your conclusion that the vast majority of your products have been used in commercial application?

4. Do you, or the distributors or dealers, promote your products in ways that will be likely to be seen by consumers?

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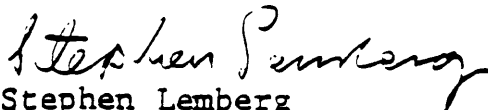
If you believe any information you submit to the Commission to assist us in determining whether your mowers are consumer products is **confidential**, you should submit with the information a written request that the information be considered exempt from **disclosure** or indicate that such a request **will** be submitted within 10 working days.

Under section **6(a)(2)** of the Consumer Product **Safety** Act, 15 U.S.C. **§ 2055(a)(2)**, the Commission is required to consider as confidential all information which contains or relates to a trade secret or certain commercial or financial data referred to in 18 U.S.C. **§ 1905**. The Commission is prohibited from disclosing such information to parties outside the Commission in accordance with 15 U.S.C. **§ 2055(a)(2)**.

If confidentiality is claimed for information submitted, the Commission will keep the submitted material in a restricted file. If the Commission receives a Freedom of Information Act request for such material, and the Freedom of Information Officer or the Commission were to subsequently find that at that time such information is disclosable in whole or in part, the information will not be released until you ark **given 10** days advance written notice. A **copy** of the Commission's regulations concerning disclosure of **information** under the Freedom of Information Act is enclosed for your information (16 C.F.R. Part 1015).

We will be happy to evaluate any additional information you can provide that might enable us to determine if these big wheel mowers are consumer products. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Mr. Ewell in my office, at (202) 6344770 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Stephen Lemberg
Assistant General Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Commissioner Pittle

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June 24, 1951

Commissioner David Prittle
Consumer Product Safety Commission
Washington, D.C. 20469

Reference: Meeting; Washington May 7, 1951
Telecon; 6/17/51

Dear Commissioner Prittle:

As a follow up to our meeting and telecon,
please find enclosed a presentation that includes:

1. Catalogs
2. Price List
3. Rationale

Hopefully you will be able to give my firm some
guidance as requested.

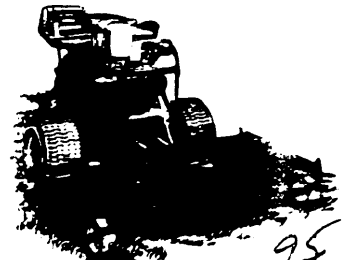
Respectfully submitted,

J.A. Kerr, Jr.
Vice President
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*Finest in rotary power mowers,
self propelled and push-type; residential and industrial riders; edgers and tillers.*



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Yazoo Manufacturing Company, Inc. makes the following points in requesting an opinion that our products do not fall within the scope of the CPSC mandated power mower standard.

1. Our **product** line is **commerical** and we believe the intent of congress was to exclude commerical and focus on consumer products through the act.

2. While our firm utilizes **approximately** [REDACTED] U.S.A. Distributors who sell to **approximately** [REDACTED] Dealers. It has been our experience since 1945, that the vast majority of **our** [REDACTED] plus products manufactured since that date have been used in commerical application.

The criteria used in previous discussions centered around an [REDACTED] **commerical/consumer**. All our knowledge/experience would indicate all present Yazoo products are **comfortably** within these limits.

3. Our prices generally are not in line with most homeowner expectations.

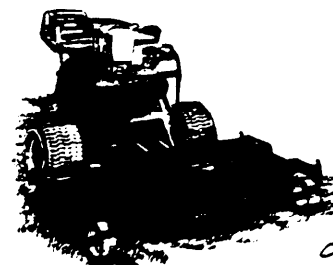
4. Our design is not consumer oriented nor intended to be.

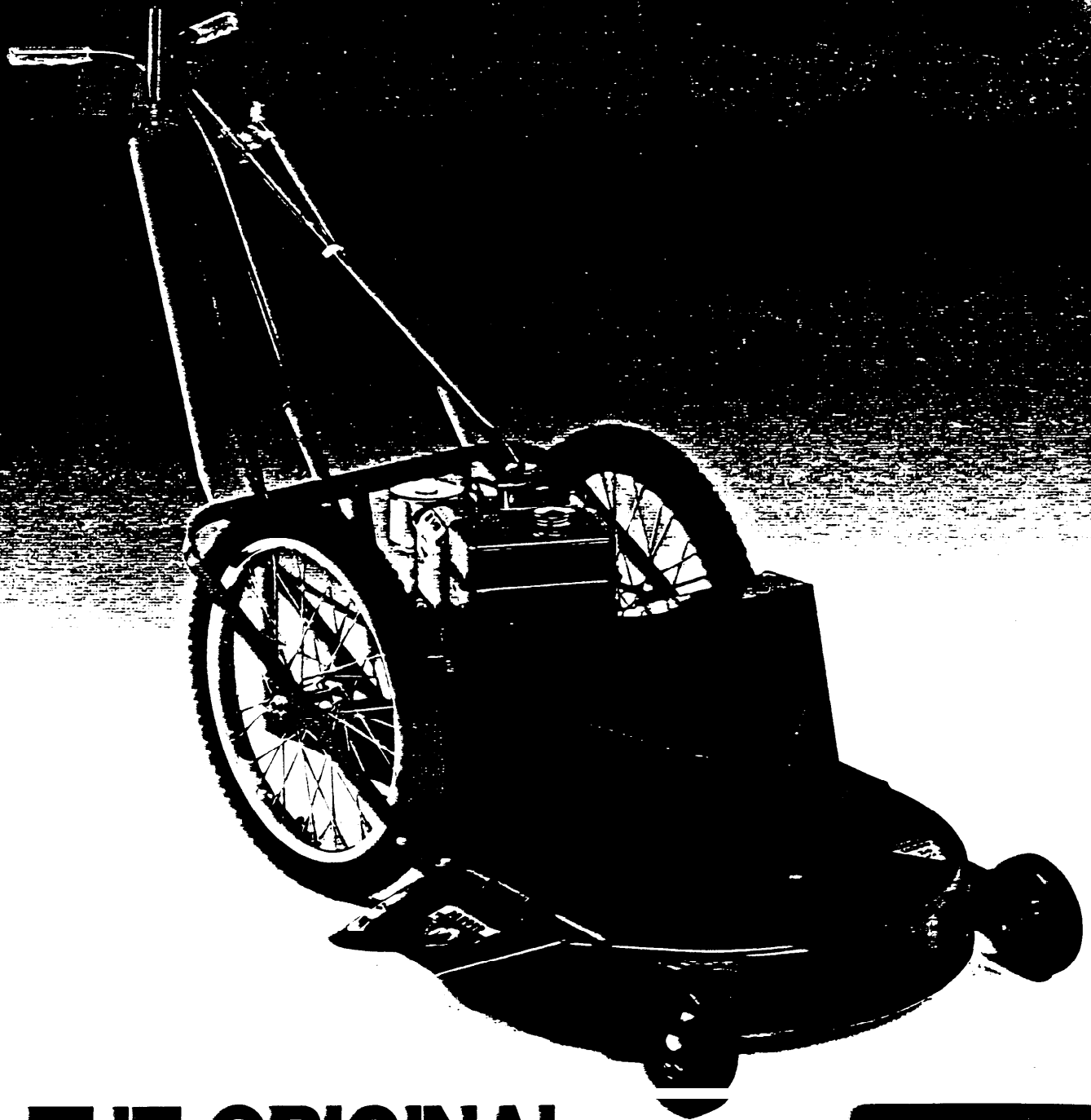
5. Our factory in order to service our products has established warehouse/service points in **Birmingham**, Alabama, **Mobile**, Alabama, **Jackson**, Mississippi, **Baton Rouge**, Louisiana, **Houston**, Texas, **Memphis**, Tennessee, and **Orlando**, Florida. This is normal in industrial Distribution more so than consumer coverage.

6. **ANSI 71.4** covers all our units which closes the **ANSI 71.1, 2 & 3** non **application** arguments.



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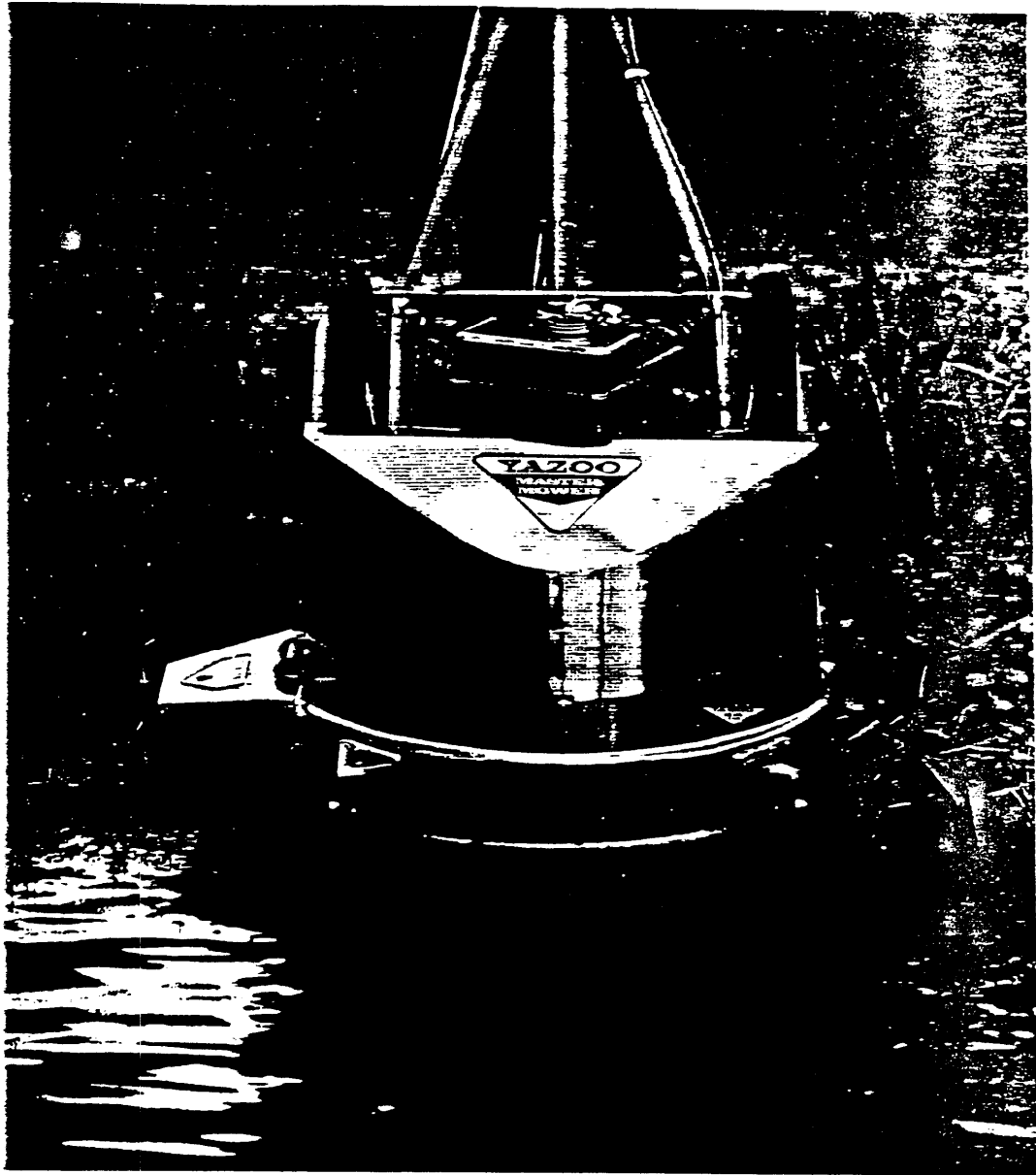




THE ORIGINAL BIG WHEEL MOWER.



Big Wheel Mowers Since 1945



Cutting down to the water's edge is no problem with a Yazoo. Only the deck itself reaches the water; the engine—and you—stay high and dry.

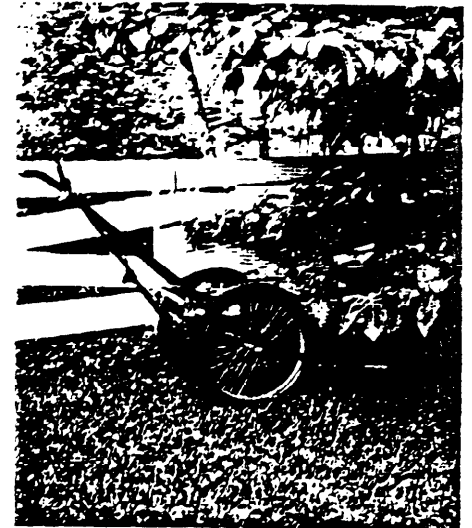
YAZOO THE ONE MOWER

MOWING. There is no better machine to cut tough grass than the Big Wheel Mower that Yazoo pioneered in 1945. On a Big Wheel Yazoo, the engine's weight is where it should be: over the drive wheels for balance and traction, and below the axle for stability. When you lift the cutting section, you never have to lift the engine. This allows Yazoo to use larger engines strong enough to do the job. And it gives Yazoos the capability to go in places that other mowers just can't reach.

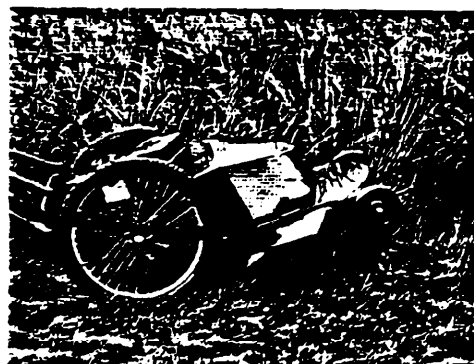
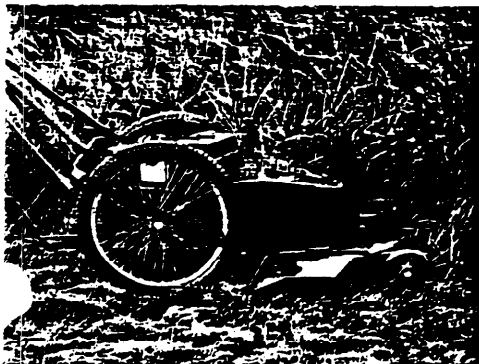
TRIMMING. Here's where the Big Wheel Mower really shines. The unique design of a Yazoo lets you push the out-front deck right up to trees, bushes, fences, poles, guardrails, even the water's edge. And it goes under hedgerows and low-hanging trees so easily that you can actually finish the job faster, and get back to doing something besides cutting the grass. The Yazoo will do it all: trim, mulch, and patch grass and leaves.



The unique out-front deck lets you cut under fenceposts and guardrails in comfort—and get under low-hanging trees and shrubs without dodging branches.

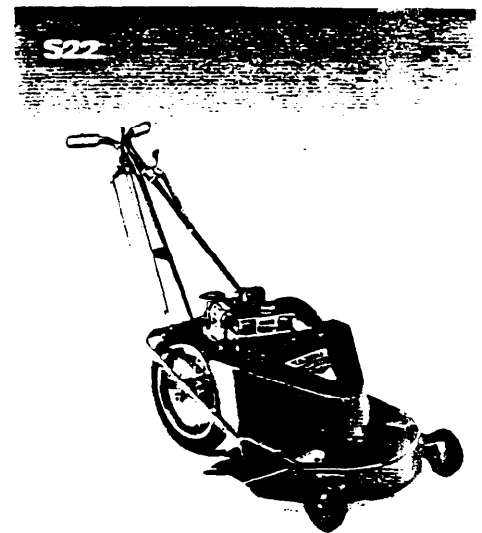
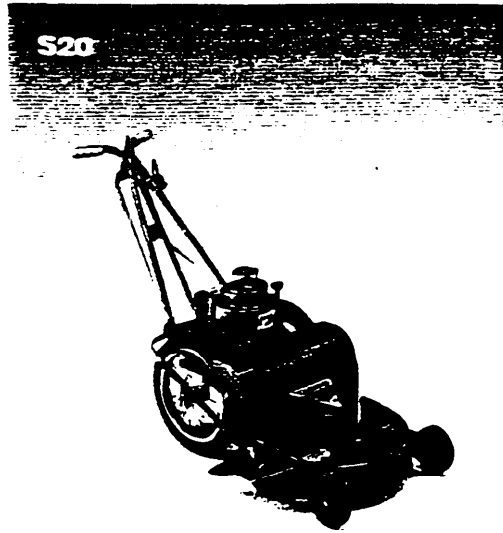


WITH **ALL THE** TRIMMINGS.



High grass? A snap for the Big Wheel Yazoo. Lift it high coming in (all you have to lift is the cutting section, not the engine) and bring it down coming back. That's how a Big Wheel Yazoo can take on grass like this without stalling.

SPECIFICATIONS



ENGINE: 5 HP Briggs & Stratton Industrial/Commercial engine. Kooli-bore aluminum design. Puls-a-Jer Carburetor. Cast iron cylinder sleeves. Dual element air cleaner. Stellite[®] exhaust valves and valve seats. Easy-Spin[®] start. Heavy duty cast iron flywheel with long safety rope. One year limited warranty by the engine manufacturer. S20 also available with 3.5 HP Briggs & Stratton engine.

5 HP Briggs & Stratton Industrial/Commercial engine. Full float carburetor. Cast iron cylinder sleeves. Dual element air cleaner. Stellite[®] exhaust valves and valve seats. Ball bearings on both ends of the crankshaft. One year limited warranty by engine manufacturer.

BLADE DRIVE: Special twin oil-and-heat resistant V-belts from engine to hub assembly. Machined steel sheaves computer matched to belts.

Special oil-and-heat resistant matched V-belts from engine to hub assembly. Machined steel sheaves computer matched to belts.

SELF-PROPELLING UNIT: Belt-and-chain drive. Steel spline friction drivers run on Knobby pneumatic rear tires. Self-cleaning. Reduces clogging in wet grass or mud. Control lever on handle.

Belt-and-chain driven. Spline drivers run on knobby pneumatic rear tires. Self-cleaning. Reduces clogging in wet grass or mud. Lever control on handle.

BLADE AND HUB ASSEMBLY: Special steel housing with 1" shaft running in sealed ball bearings top and bottom. Lower bearing protected by shielding blade adaptor. 20" x 1/4" one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blade. High-lift design for strong vacuum.

Steel hub housing has armor-guard seal. Replaceable ball bearings top and bottom. Alloy steel shaft. Lower bearing protected by shielding blade adaptor. 22" x 1/4" one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blade. High-lift design for strong vacuum.

FRAME: 11 ga. steel deck, 8 ga. steel engine mount and 1" x 3/8" strap steel. All-welded construction. Handle is 3/8" x 1/4 ga. steel tubing for solid handling. Height adjustable. Molded grips.

11 ga. steel deck, 3/8" steel engine mount and 1" x 3/8" strap steel. All-welded construction. Tripod handle of 3/8" x 1/4 ga. steel tubing gives solid handling. Height adjustable. Molded grips.

WHEELS: Rear: heavy duty 16" bicycle type tires with 28 x 05 ga. steel spokes. Hubs have replaceable ball bearings. Tires are pneumatic with heavy duty knobby tread. Front: heavy duty 6 x 1.66 semi-pneumatic zero-pressure tires with ball bearings.

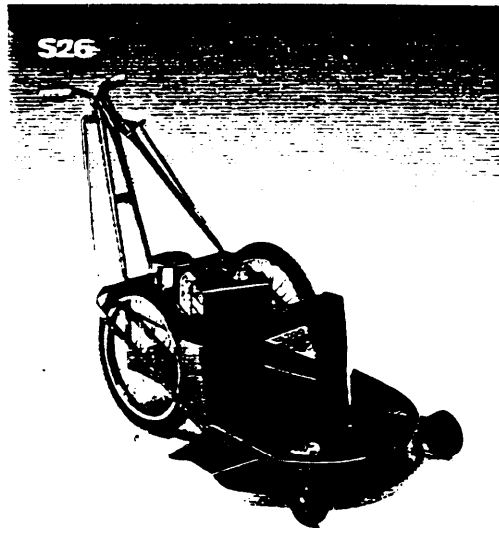
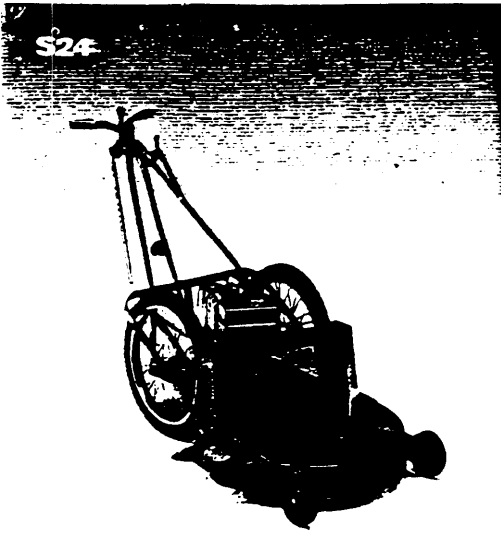
Rear: 16" heavy duty bicycle type tire with 28 x 05 ga. steel spokes. Replaceable ball bearings. Tires are 16" pneumatic with knobby tread. Solid tires optional. Front: heavy duty 6 x 1.66 semi-pneumatic zero-pressure tires with ball bearings.

CUTTING HEIGHT: 3/4" to 2 3/4" in five settings

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SHIPMENT: 38 1/2" x 25 3/4" x 21 1/4" Weight 116 lbs

42 1/8" x 28" x 20" Weight 140 lbs



5 HP Briggs & Stratton Industrial/Commercial engine. Full float carburetor. Cast iron cylinder sleeves. Dual element air cleaner. Stellite* exhaust valves and valve seats. Ball bearings on each end of the crankshaft. One year limited warranty by engine manufacturer.

8 HP Briggs & Stratton Industrial/Commercial engine. Full float carburetor. Cast iron cylinder sleeves. Dual element air cleaner. Stellite* exhaust valves and valve seats. Ball bearing on each end of the crankshaft. One year limited warranty by engine manufacturer.

Special twin oil-and-heat-resistant matched sets from engine to hub assembly. Machined steel sheaves computer matched to belts.

Special oil-and-heat-resistant matched V-belts from engine to hub assembly. Machined steel sheaves computer matched to belts.

Belt-and-chain driven Spine drivers running on knobby pneumatic tires on rear wheels. Self-cleaning. Reduces clogging in wet grass or mud. Lever control on handle.

Belt-and-chain driven with ratchet type spine drivers running on knobby pneumatic rear tires. Self-cleaning. Reduces clogging in wet grass or mud. Lever control on handle.

Steel hub housing has armor-guard sealed, replaceable ball bearings top and bottom. 1" alloy steer shaft. Lower bearing protected by shielding blade adaptor. 24" x 1/4" one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blade. High-lift design for strong vacuum.

Steel hub housing has armor-guard sealed, replaceable ball bearings top and bottom. Lower bearing protected by shielding blade adaptor. 1" alloy steel shaft. 26" x 1/4" one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blade. High-lift design for strong vacuum.

11 ga. steel deck. 3/8" steel engine mount and 1" x 3/8" steel strao. All-welded construction. Tripod handle of 1" 14 ga. steel tubing gives solid handling. Height adjustable. Molded grips.

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Rear: 20" heavy duty bicycle type tires with 36 1 20 ga. steel spokes. Replaceable ball bearings. Tires are pneumatic with knobby tread. Solid tires optional. Front: heavy duty 6 x 1 66 zero-pressure tires with ball bearings.

Rear: heavy duty 20" bicycle type with 36 1 20 ga. steel spokes. Replaceable ball bearings. Tires are pneumatic with heavy-duty knobby tread. Front: heavy duty 6 x 1 66 semi-pneumatic zero-pressure tires with ball bearings.

3/4" x 2" in five settings

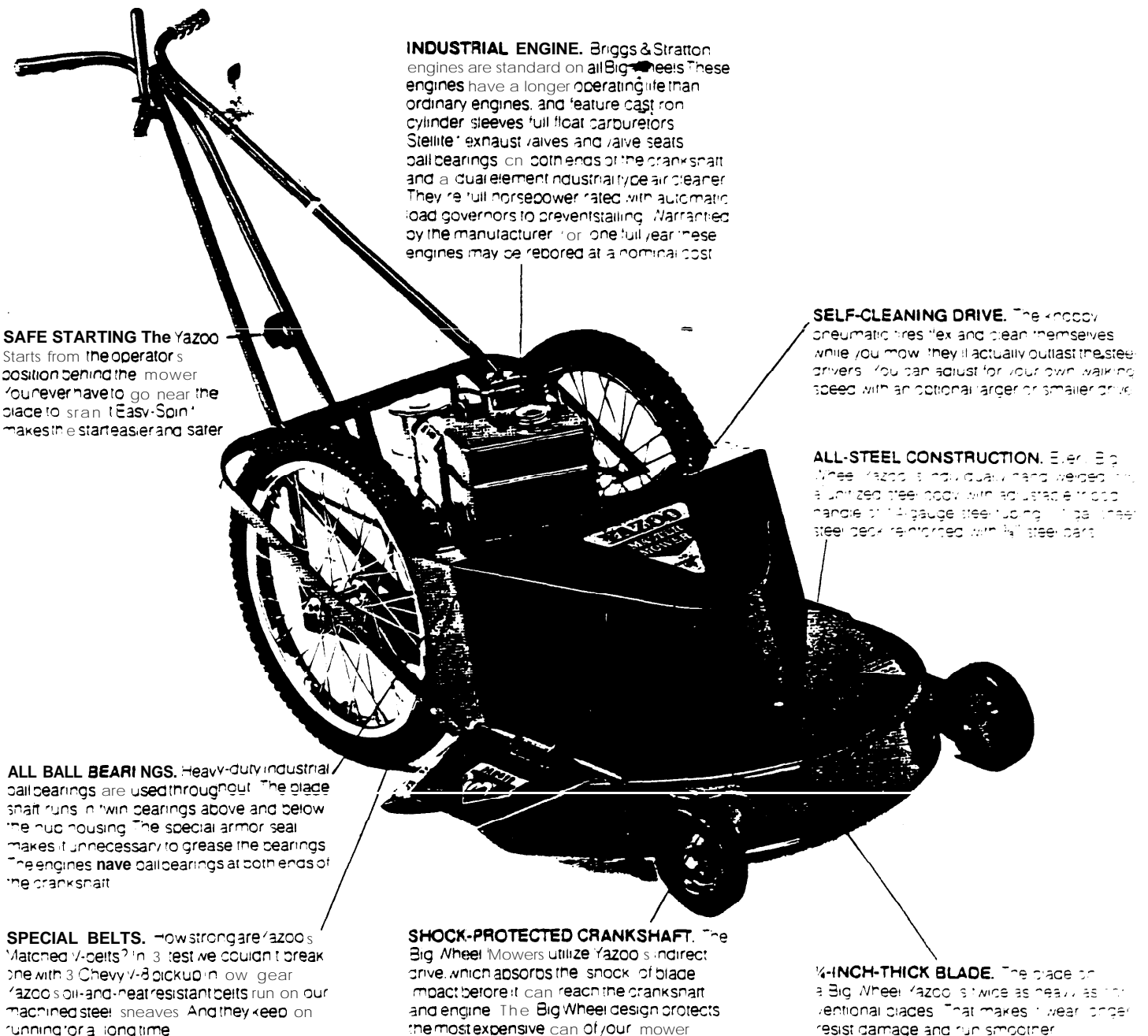
3/4" x 2 3/4" in five settings

43 1/2" x 29" x 20 1/2" Weight 152 lbs.

48" x 30 3/8" x 22" Weight 186 lbs

ENGINEERING

Every Yazoo is built tough for a long life of hard work. Each component is industrial grade. Industry figures indicate the average Big Wheel Yazoo lasts three times as long as a conventional mower - and those figures include commercial Yazoos that work eight hours a day, throughout the mowing season.



INDUSTRIAL ENGINE. Briggs & Stratton engines are standard on all Big Wheels. These engines have a longer operating life than ordinary engines, and feature cast iron cylinder sleeves, full float carburetors, Stellite exhaust valves and valve seats, ball bearings on both ends of the crankshaft and a dual element industrial type air cleaner. They're full horsepower rated with automatic load governors to prevent stalling. Warranted by the manufacturer for one full year, these engines may be rebored at a nominal cost.

SAFE STARTING The Yazoo starts from the operator's position behind the mower. You never have to go near the blade to start. "Easy-Spin" makes the start easier and safer.

SELF-CLEANING DRIVE. The knobby pneumatic tires flex and clean themselves while you mow. They'll actually outlast the steel drivers. You can adjust for your own walking speed with an optional larger or smaller drive.

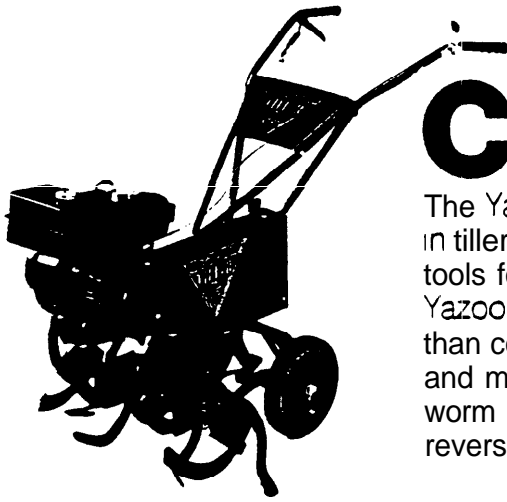
ALL-STEEL CONSTRUCTION. Every Big Wheel Yazoo is individually hand-welded into a unitized steel body with adjustable front handle of 1 1/2 gauge steel tubing. The steel deck is reinforced with 1/4" steel plate.

ALL BALL BEARINGS. Heavy-duty industrial ball bearings are used throughout. The blade shaft runs in twin bearings above and below the hub housing. The special armor seal makes it unnecessary to grease the bearings. The engines have ball bearings at both ends of the crankshaft.

SPECIAL BELTS. How strong are Yazoo's Matched V-belts? In a test we couldn't break one with 3 Chevy V-8 pickups in low gear. Yazoo's oil- and heat-resistant belts run on our machined steel sheaves. And they keep on running for a long time.

SHOCK-PROTECTED CRANKSHAFT. The Big Wheel Mowers utilize Yazoo's indirect drive, which absorbs the shock of blade impact before it can reach the crankshaft and engine. The Big Wheel design protects the most expensive part of your mower.

1/4-INCH-THICK BLADE. The blade on a Big Wheel Yazoo is twice as heavy as the conventional blades. That makes it wear longer, resist damage and run smoother.

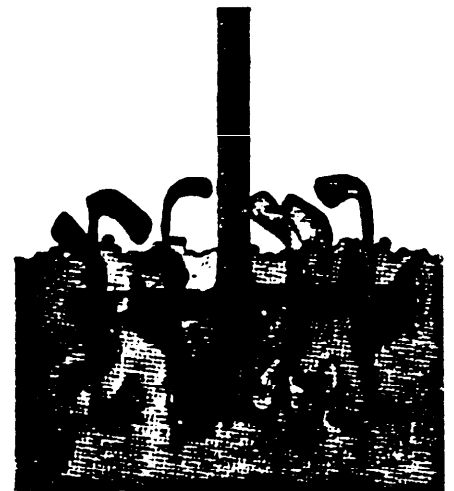
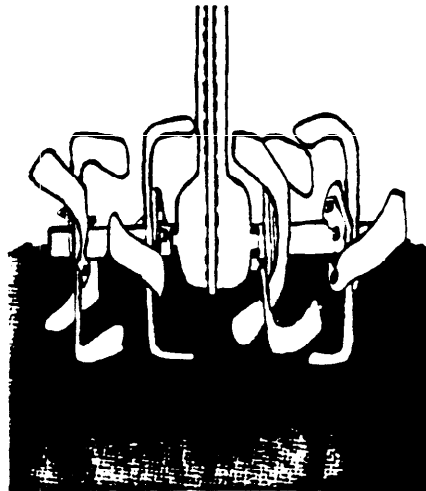
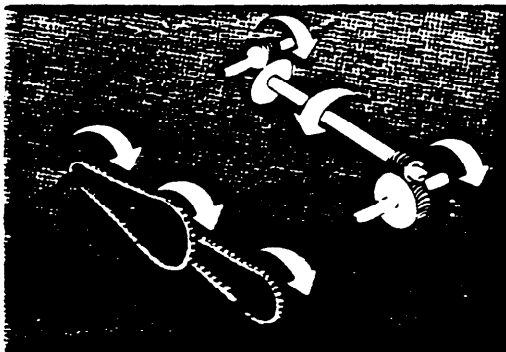


CULTIVATOR

The Yazoo Cultivator, like the Big Wheel Mowers, is a revolution in tiller design. It works like a small walk-behind tractor with all the tools for tilling operations. Because of its unique chain drive, the Yazoo Cultivator will use power more efficiently and dig deeper than conventional worm drive tillers. It can till, furrow, cover, cultivate and mulch, with effective power for any soil condition. And unlike worm drive units, the Yazoo Cultivator doesn't jam; no power reverse is needed to clear the rotor. Tilling is easier-and safer,

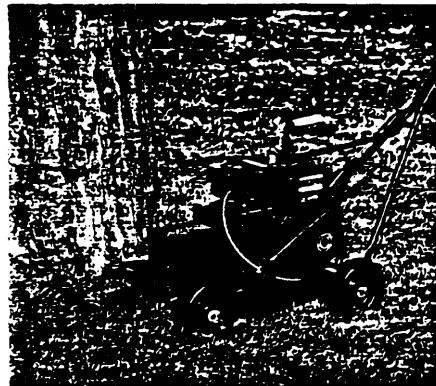
MORE POWER. Common worm drive (top) changes direction twice before it gets to the rotor. At these heavy friction points, 40% of the engine's power is wasted. Besides doing less work, the engine wears out sooner. The Yazoo Chain Drive (bottom) does not change direction to get to the rotor shaft. There are no heavy friction points, meaning friction loss is cut by 75%. The Yazoo outperforms worm-driven machines of up to 7 HP and lasts far longer.

DIGS DEEPER. Worm drive (left) requires a broad axle housing, causing it to resist digging into the ground. So tilling is shallower and harder to control. On the other hand, the narrow axle housing of the Yazoo Chain Drive (right) sinks farther into the soil as the rotors dig, so tilling is deeper and easier to control.



EDGER-TRIMMER

Yazoo's Edger-Trimmer turns one of the most frustrating lawn jobs into a quick and easy pleasure. Like all Yazoo products, it is as versatile as it is rugged. Not only will it edge sidewalks, driveways and flower beds at an adjustable depth, but a special drop wheel and adjustable angle also lets you edge along a curb just as precisely as if you were on level ground. And for close work around trees, the Yazoo Edger-Trimmer trims razor-close without scoring the bark.





SERVICE

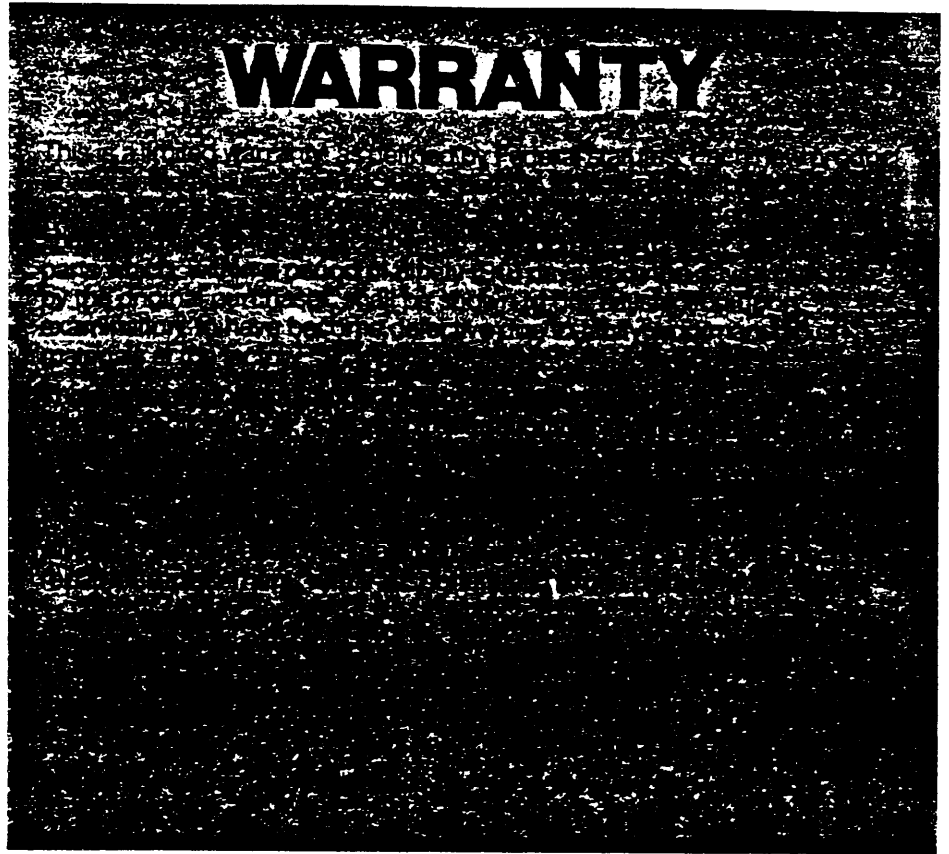
Everything on your Yazoo—from the engine on down—is repairable, replaceable or adjustable. Your Yazoo dealer or distributor can supply you with any part you need on the entire machine. You won't have to go to a separate dealer.

Yazoo dealers and distributors are geared to serve commercial clients who can't afford downtime. Service is the most important part of their business, and they do it gladly. All Yazoo dealers carry a full stock of normal-demand parts, and are backed up by their distributors and these factory service depots:

- ORLANDO, FLA.
- JACKSON, MISS.
- MEMPHIS, TENN.
- BATON ROUGE, LA.
- HOUSTON, TEX.
- MOBILE, ALA.
- BIRMINGHAM, ALA.
- GILMAN, ILL.

CAUTION:

Do not exceed 15° angle of bank while operating any Yazoo mower. Do not operate mower until you have read and thoroughly understood your Yazoo Operator's Manual.



SAFETY FEATURES

A Big Wheel Yazoo has special safety features built in. But statistics show that 95% of mower accidents don't happen because of the machine; they happen because of the operator. Just make sure you read and understand your owner's manual thoroughly before you use your new Yazoo—and you'll have many years of safe mowing.

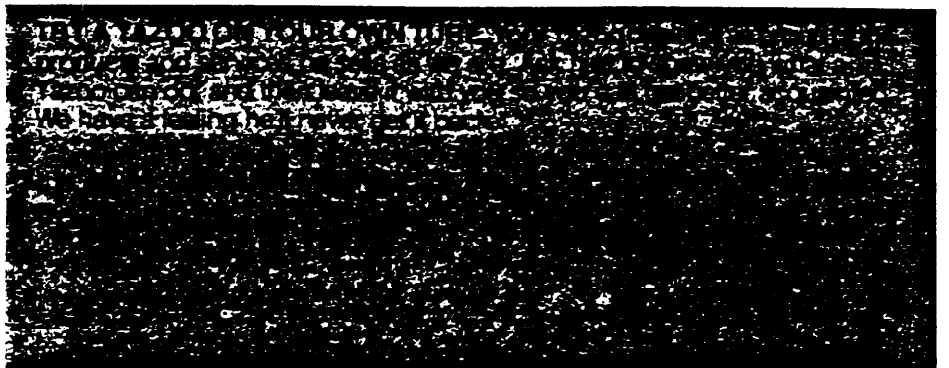
CHUTE GUARD — Protects against flying debris. All expelled materials aimed toward ground level.

BEHIND-ENGINE START — The Big Wheel Yazoo's design makes it virtually impossible to start the engine from beside the mower. The engine should only be started from safety behind the mower.

BLADE HOUSING — Constructed of 1 1/2-gauge steel, for extra protection.

VARIABLE MOWING SPEED — You may change the speed of your mower to produce the most comfortable pace for your particular needs. Your Yazoo will mow at the speed that's right for you.

FILMS/DEMONSTRATIONS — Your Yazoo dealer has special films illustrating proper mower safety and will be glad to give you a personal demonstration of Yazoo safety features.

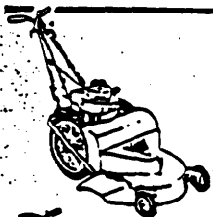
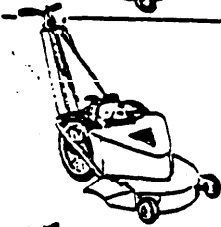
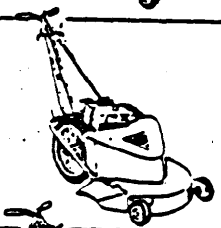
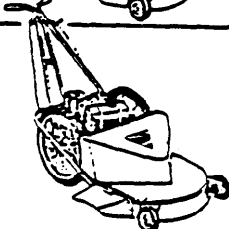


PRICE LIST (Effective March 1, 1981)
BIG WHEEL MOWERS AND ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

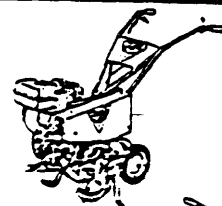
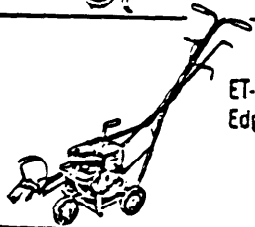
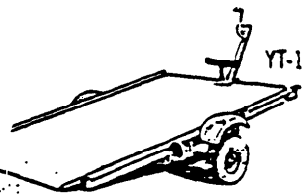
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BIG WHEEL MOWERS

	MODEL	ENGINE DESCRIPTION	SUGGESTED RETAIL
	S-20	5.0-HP model #131922 R/W Briggs & Stratton I.C. engine	██████████
	S-22	5-HP model #131432 R/W Briggs & Stratton I.C. engine	██████████
	S-24	5-HP model #131432 R / W Briggs & Stratton. I.C. engine	██████████
	S-26	8-HP model #195432 R/W Briggs & Stratton I.C. engine	██████████

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

	YC-5 Tiller	5-W model #131432 Briggs & Stratton I.C. engine	██████████
	ET-2 Edger/Trimmer	2-HP model #60102 Briggs & Stratton aluminum engine	██████████
	YT-10 Trailer		██████████

Prices are subject to change without notice.
 Shipments: F.O.B. Jackson, Mississippi

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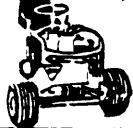



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BELT DRIVE, TRACTOR TO CUTTER HEAD

	MODEL	TRACTOR ENGINE	CUTTER HEAD DESCRIPTION	SUGGESTED RETAIL
	YR-42	16-HP model #326437 Briggs & Stratton cast iron		██████████
	BS-42	YR-42	42-inch independent cutter head	██████████
	YR-48	16-HP model #326437 Briggs & Stratton cast iron		██████████
	BS-48	YR-48	48-inch independent cutter head	██████████
	YR-60	18.5-HP model TJD Wisconsin industrial cast iron		██████████
	BS-60	YR-60	60-inch independent cutter head	██████████

PTO DRIVE SHAFT, TRACTOR TO CUTTER HEAD

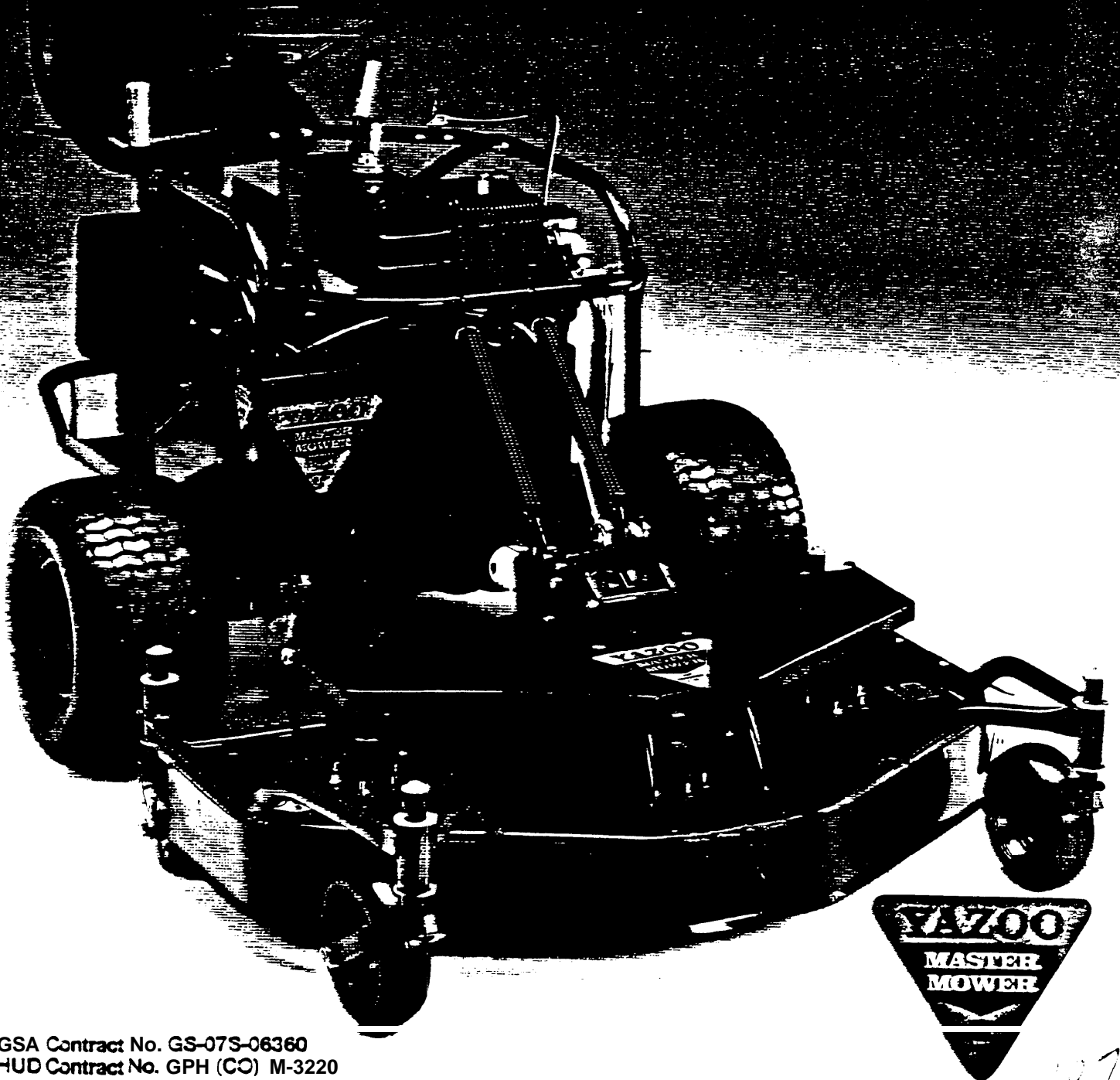
	PTO-8	16-HP model #326437 Briggs & Stratton cast iron, beltless, with power take-off		██████████
	PTO-W	18.5-HP model TJD Wisconsin industrial cast iron, beltless, with power take-off		██████████
	PS-48	PTO-8 PTO-W	48-inch independent cutter head	██████████
	PS-60	PTO-8 PTO-W	60-inch independent cutter head	██████████
	PS-76	PTO-W	76-inch independent cutter head	██████████
	FS-60	PTO-W	60-inch f lai	██████████

Prices are subject to change without notice.
 Shipments: F.O.B., Jackson, Mississippi.
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 charge is assigned on all past due accounts.

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**48" COMMERCIAL MOWERS
PTO-B, PS-48**

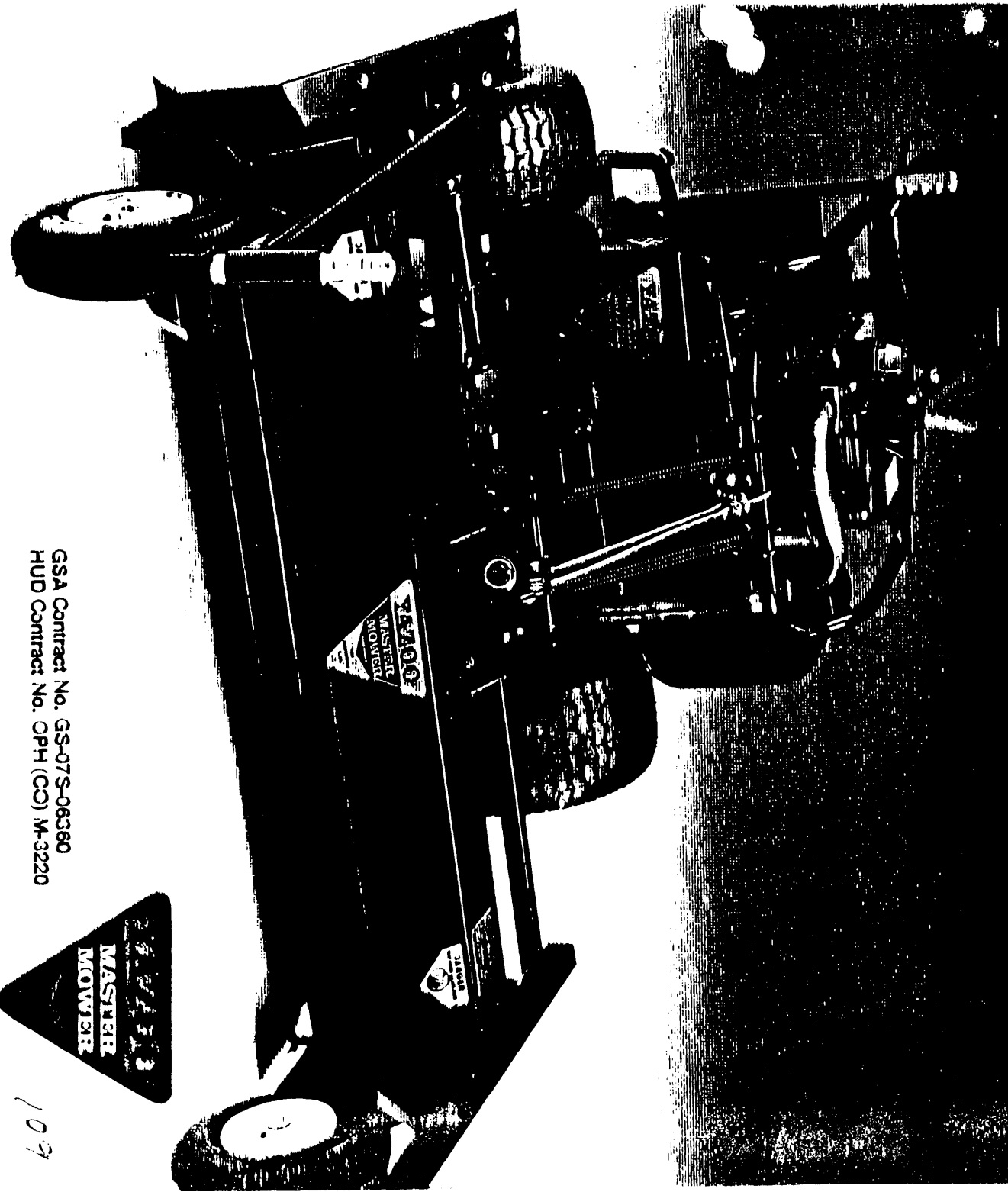


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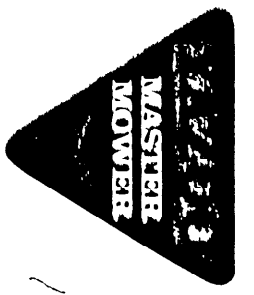
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FRONT-CUTTING COMMERCIAL FLAILS
FS-48, FS-60



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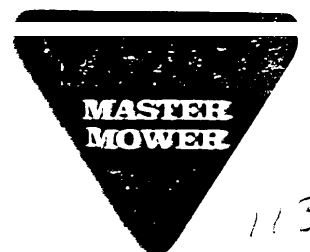
36" WALK-BEHIND MOWERS



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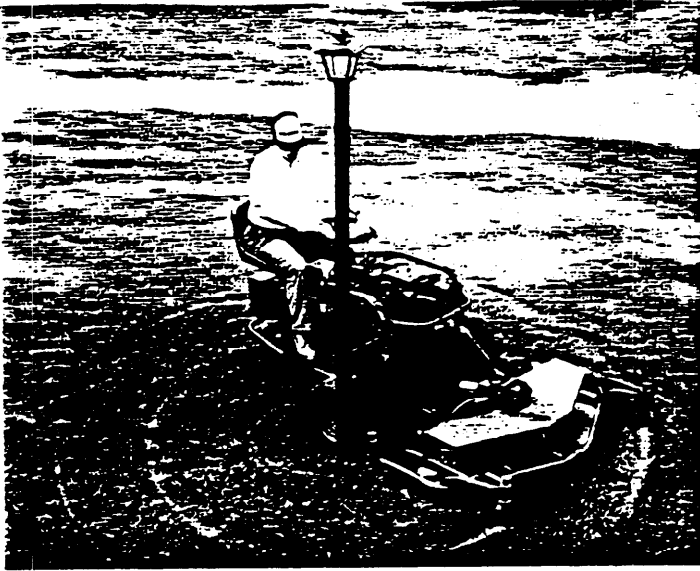
MASTER
MOWER

THE ONE MOWER

MOWING. A Yazoo commercial rider is built to work hard, last long, and give you an incredible maneuverability. The floating head will mow uneven ground without scalping or skipping. The unique design gets Yazoo into places that conventional riders just can't reach. The end result of Yazoo's ingenious and innovative design is that one man can mow up to 24 acres a day — including the trimming. The right-angle drive option eliminates belts going from the tractor to the cutting head, substituting a drive shaft instead.

TRIMMING. You don't have to mow a Yazoo with a trim mower and another man. Yazoo does it all the first time. You can drive the out-front deck right up to trees, bushes, fences, poles, guardrails, even the water's edge. It trims as it mows in just one pass — something a belly-riding mower can't possibly do. And it mows under eaves, eaves and low-hanging trees without making the driver dodge branches.

The unique design lets a Yazoo rider mow around a pole in just one pass—without any need for trimming.



The Yazoo rider mows under guardrails and cleans right up to the posts. The Yazoo design lets you take the cutting head right to the water's edge. (See opposite page.) The engine remains high and dry; impossible with a belly-slung mower.

Fenceposts, low-hanging shrubbery and trees are a breeze to cut with a Yazoo rider. The driver can cut under low branches without fighting the branches away from his face.



The floating cutting head follows the ground, regardless of the contour. The cutting head and tractor mow independently so there are no skips or scrapes.



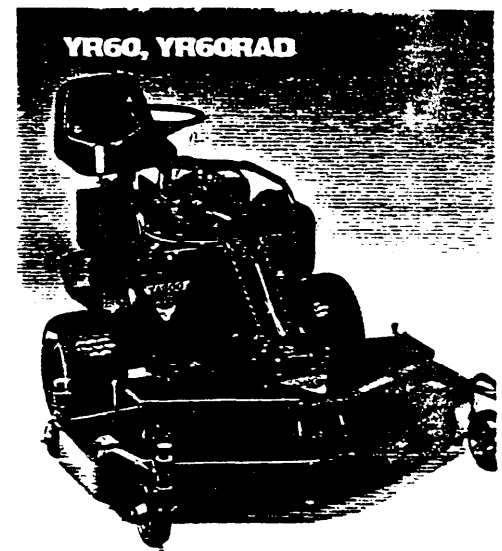
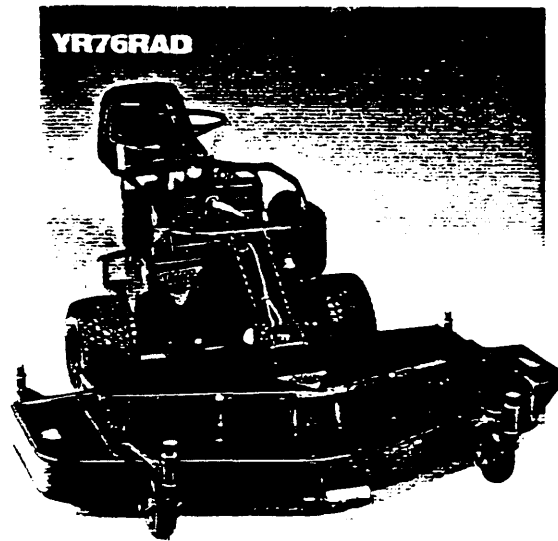
WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS.

VACUUMING. With the optional Lawn Vacuum attachment, an 18-bushel collection box picks up clippings while the mower leaves a clean beautiful turf cut. The dumping door can be operated from the tractor seat. An 8 HP engine powers the vacuum power plant. And of course, a Yazoo lets you vacuum right up to the edge of any obstruction as you trim.

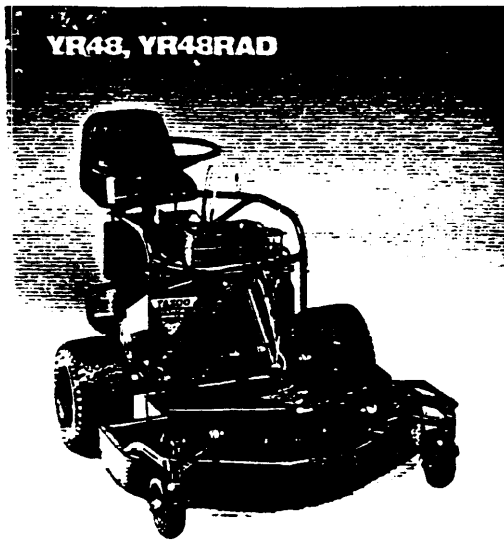
MULCHING. An optional Leaf Mulcher grinds dry leaves almost to powder with a chopper screen of heavy-gauge expanded steel. The mulcher even works on sidewalks, driveways and other paved areas. There's no need to follow your mower with a rake. The Yazoo with the leaf mulching option can take care of the whole lawn in just one pass.

SAVING. Yazoo saves you money. There's no need to follow your mower with a trim man or a rake man. One man at the controls can do a clean job on up to 24 acres in a single day. Yazoo saves you time. With less man-hours on the turf, you can turn your attention to other jobs. And the Yazoo is designed so that most maintenance can be performed by the operator in the field. Downtime is drastically reduced. Past statistics show the average Yazoo rider lasts three times as long as conventional mowers. Many Yazoos are still in use after 10 and 15 years.

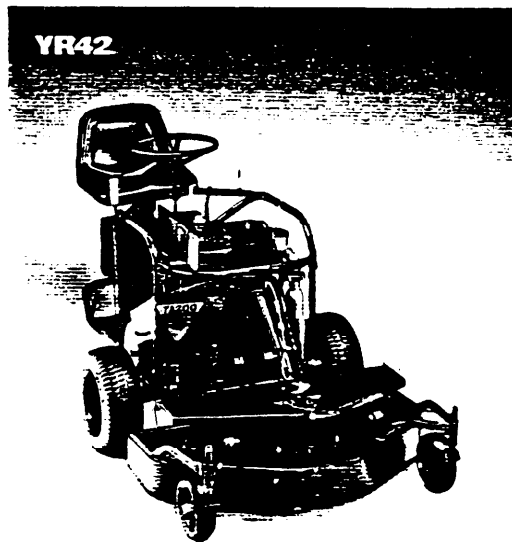
SPECIFICATIONS



ENGINE:	2-cylinder 4-cycle 1 @ 8.5 HP Wisconsin TJD cast iron industrial type engine. Warranty is for one full year by the engine manufacturer. Industrial dry-type replaceable air cleaner 12-volt automotive battery with automotive-type electric start. Gas tank capacity 3.2 gallons. Special oil pump, fuel pump and chrome rings are among the extras.	2-cylinder 4-cycle 1 @ 5 HP Wisconsin TJD cast iron industrial type engine. Warranty is for one full year by the engine manufacturer. Industrial dry-type replaceable air cleaner 12-volt automotive battery with automotive-type electric start. Gas tank capacity 3.2 gallons. Special oil pump, fuel pump and chrome rings are among the extras.
POWER TRAIN:	Combines transmission, clutch and differential in Yazoo's transaxle. Two multi-disc clutches built into the transaxle give forward-reverse. Two forward gears, one reverse. Permanent mold aluminum alloy gear case with steel axle housings. Hardened automotive-type gears and shafts mounted in ball bearings. Automotive differential with heat-treated axles.	Combines transmission, clutch and differential in Yazoo's transaxle. Two multi-disc clutches built into the transaxle give forward-reverse. Two forward gears, one reverse. Permanent mold aluminum alloy gear case with steel axle housings. Hardened automotive-type gears and shafts mounted in ball bearings. Automotive differential with heat-treated axles.
STEERING:	Gear-and-chain to rear wheel giving zero turning radius.	Gear-and-chain to rear wheel giving zero turning radius.
BRAKING:	Foot-operated friction-type drum brake. To be used in conjunction with the neutral clutching mode. Parking brake provided.	Foot-operated friction-type drum brake. To be used in conjunction with the neutral clutching mode. Parking brake provided.
TRACTOR FRAME:	All-welded 1/4" x 2 ga. steel tubing, with 1/4" sheet steel decking.	All-welded 1/4" x 2 ga. steel tubing, with 1/4" sheet steel decking.
TRACTOR WHEELS:	Drive wheels 17 x 9.30 x 3 four-ply tubeless tires. Low profile for maximum traction. Rear steering wheels 16 x 6.50 x 3 wide-based wheels with heavy-gauge 5-lug rims. Drive hubs mounted on keyed tapered axle.	Drive wheels 17 x 9.50 x 3 four-ply tubeless tires. Low profile for maximum traction. Rear steering wheels 16 x 6.50 x 3 wide-based wheels with heavy-gauge 5-lug rims. Drive hubs mounted on keyed tapered axle.
BLADES:	High-strength one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blades 1/4" thick. Mounted on 1" steel spans in armor-guard sealed ball bearings at both top and bottom. Steel hub housing. Three blades positioned for maximum front and side trimming with sufficient overlap to prevent streaking.	High-strength one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blades 1/4" thick. Mounted on 1" steel spans in armor-guard sealed ball bearings at both top and bottom. Steel hub housing. Three blades positioned for maximum front and side trimming with sufficient overlap to prevent streaking.
BLADE DRIVE:	Rigid P.T.O. shaft connects engine to cutter head. Matched V-belts run from center hub to wing hubs. Special oil- and heat-resistant industrial type belts. Machined billet steel sneaves computer matched to right angle drive (P.T.O.) components.	On YR60RAD a rigid P.T.O. shaft connects engine to cutter head while on YR60 matched V-belts run from engine to center hub. Both models feature single set V-belts from center hub to wing hubs. Special oil- and heat-resistant industrial type belts. Machined billet steel sneaves computer matched to belts on YR60. Right angle drive (P.T.O.) components on YR60RAD.
CUTTING SECTION FRAME:	1/2 ga. steel with 1/4" x 1/2 ga. tubular span reinforcements, independently suspended from tractor for maximum flotation and maneuverability. 1/2 ga. steel guards.	1/2 ga. steel with 1/4" x 1/2 ga. tubular span reinforcements, independently suspended from tractor for maximum flotation and maneuverability. 1/2 ga. steel guards.
CUTTING SECTION WHEELS:	Front semi-pneumatic 3.25 x 2.75 tires swivel mounted. Rear hard industrial rubber 5 x 2 wheels with replaceable sleeve bearings. Hubs swivel mounted.	Front semi-pneumatic 3.25 x 2.75 tires swivel mounted. Rear hard industrial rubber 5 x 2 wheels with replaceable sleeve bearings. Hubs swivel mounted.
CUTTING HEIGHT:	Easily adjustable in 1/2" increments from 1/4" to 3 3/4"	Easily adjustable in 1/2" increments from 1/4" to 3 3/4"
CUTTING WIDTH:	76"	60"
SPEED:	High 5.2 MPH Low 2.8 MPH	High 5.2 MPH Low 2.8 MPH
SHIPMENT:	In 2 sections. Tractor 65" x 48" x 44" 365 lbs. Cutting section 30" x 41" x 9" 350 lbs.	In 2 sections. Tractor 65" x 48" x 44" 365 lbs. Cutting section 62" x 48" x 19" 270 lbs.



16 HP Briggs & Stratton Industrial/Commercial engine
Castrol sleeves Stellite exhaust valves and valve seats
Dual element air cleaner 12-volt automotive-type electric
start Warranty is for one full year by engine manu-
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Combines transmission clutch and differential in
Yazoo's transaxle. Two multi-disc clutches built into the
transaxle give forward-reverse. Two forward gears, one
reverse. Permanent mold aluminum alloy gear case with
steel axle housings. Hardened automotive-type gears
and shafts mounted in ball bearings. Automotive
differential with heat treated axles.

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and shafts mounted in ball bearings. Automotive
differential with heat treated axles.

Gear-and-chain to rear wheel steering, providing
zero turning radius.

Gear-and-chain to rear wheel steering, or a zero turning
radius.

Foot-operated friction-type drum brake. To be used in
conjunction with the neutral clutching mode. Parking
brake provided.

Foot-operated friction-type drum brake. To be used in
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All-welded 1/4" 12 ga. steel tubing, with 1/4" sheer steel
decking.

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Drive wheels are 17 x 9.50 x 8 four-ply tubeless terra tires
low profile for maximum traction. Rear steering wheels
16 x 6.50 x 8 wide-based wheels with heavy-gauge
5-lug rims. Drive hubs mounted on keyed tapered axle.

Drive wheels and rear steering wheels 16 x 6.50 x 8
wide-based four-ply terra tires. Low profile for maximum
traction. Heavy-gauge 5-lug rims. Drive hubs mounted
on keyed tapered axle.

High-lift one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blades 1/4"
thick. Mounted on 1" steel shafts in armor-guard sealed
ball bearings at both top and bottom. Steel hub housing.
Three blades positioned for maximum front and side
trimming with sufficient overlap to prevent streaking.

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thick. Mounted on 1" steel shafts in armor-guard sealed
ball bearings at both top and bottom. Steel hub housing.
Three blades positioned for maximum front and side
trimming with sufficient overlap to prevent streaking.

• On YR48RAD, a rigid PTO shaft connects engine to
clutter head while on YR48, matched V-belts run from
engine to center hub. Both models feature single super
V-belts from center hub to wing hubs. Special oil- and
heat-resistant industrial type belts. Machined billet steel
sneaves computer matched to belts on YR48 and to
right angle drive (PTO) components on YR48RAD.

Matched V-belts from engine to center hub.
Single V-belts to wing hubs. Special oil- and heat-
resistant industrial type belts. Machined billet steel
sneaves computer matched to belt selection.

2 ga. steel with 1/4" 12 ga. tubular span reinforcements
independently suspended from tractor for maximum
rotation and maneuverability. 2 ga. steel guards.

12 ga. steel with 1/4" 12 ga. tubular span reinforcements
independently suspended from tractor for maximum
rotation and maneuverability. 2 ga. steel guards.

Front semi-pneumatic 3.25 x 2.75 tires swivel
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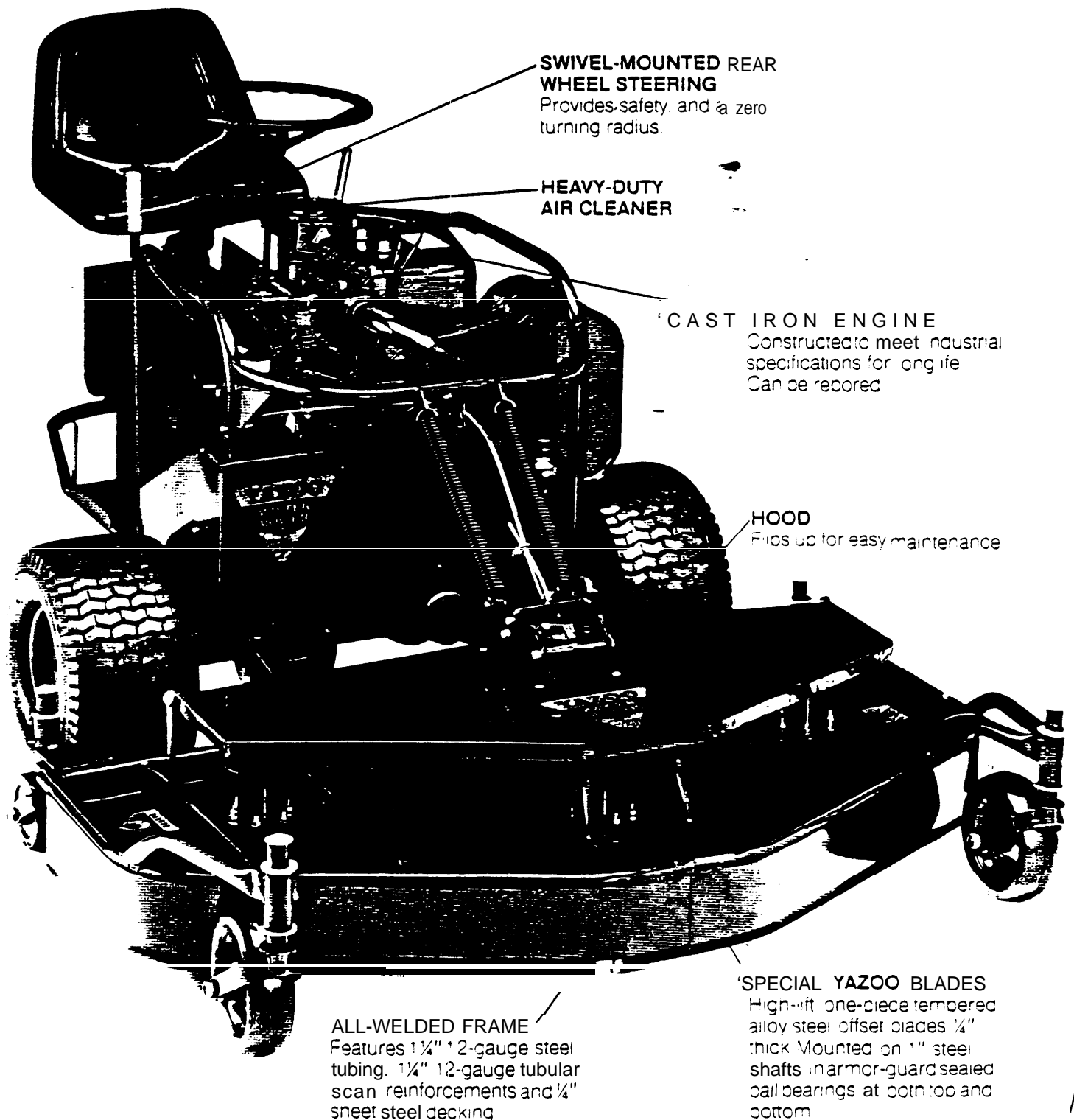
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In 2 sections Tractor 65" x 46" x 44" 750 lbs
Cutting section 51" x 32" x 19" 230 lbs

In 2 sections Tractor 65" x 42" x 44" 635 lbs
Cutting section 45" x 31" x 19" 210 lbs

ENGINEERING

Yazoo riders are built to rigid engineering standards to insure high quality and long life. Every component is industrial grade. And everything is accessible or adjustable. Yazoos prevent downtime by making it possible for the operator to perform most maintenance in the field.



SWIVEL-MOUNTED REAR WHEEL STEERING

Provides safety and a zero turning radius

HEAVY-DUTY AIR CLEANER

CAST IRON ENGINE

Constructed to meet industrial specifications for long life
Can be rebored

HOOD

Flops up for easy maintenance

ALL-WELDED FRAME

Features 1 1/4" 12-gauge steel tubing, 1 1/4" 12-gauge tubular scan reinforcements and 1/4" sheet steel decking

SPECIAL YAZOO BLADES

High-lift one-piece tempered alloy steel offset blades 1/4" thick Mounted on 1" steel shafts in armor-guard sealed ball bearings at both top and bottom

ATTACHMENTS



▲ **TOTE TRAILER.** For one-man hauling of your Yazoo tractor mower. All steel. Bed 10' long, 62" wide. Overall, 13' 1 1/2" long, 76 1/2" wide. Automatic bed tilt and lock. heavy-duty manual, self-locking winch. Capacity 1600 lbs. shipping weight 500 lbs.



▲ **DOZER BLADE.** Fits 42" 48" 60" and 76" Yazoo tractors. 60" wide, 1/8" reinforced steel. 5 positions straight and angle. Reversible. Near edge and adjustable skid shoes. Automatic safety pin.

▲ **SNOW V-BLADE** (not shown) 4' wide, 20" high, weighs 77 lbs. 1/4" steel blades have easily changed cutting edges. Adjustable skid shoes to control depth on uneven terrain.



▲ **DRIVE WHEEL WEIGHTS.** Add stability and traction. Especially effective for plowing and dozing.



▲ **ASIDE CATCHER.** Grass is deposited in two side-mounted 20" x 20" x 20" steel pull-out drawers for easy emptying. For 42" 48" 60" and 76" Yazoo mowers. Simple and easily installed. Catcher is powered from the mower blades. Most effective in dry grass.



▲ **POWER BROOM.** in 48" and 60" widths. Fits 42" 48" 60" and 76" Yazoo tractors. Polypropylene bristles in individual wafers for easy maintenance. Industrial-grade polystyrene hood. Adjustable sweeping pressure. Caster wheels available for broom.

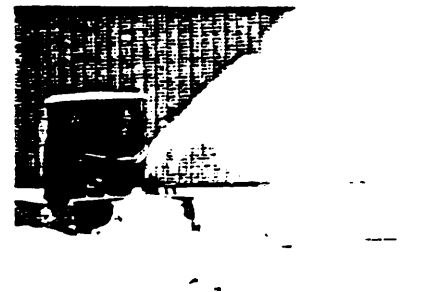


▲ **SAFE-T-SEAL TIRE SEALANT.** Can be poured into any pneumatic tire to prevent flats and leaks from punctures.



▲ **LAWN VACUUM.** 18-bushel rear-mounted collection box. Clam shell dumping door operated from seat of tractor. For 48" 60" and 76" Yazoo tractors. Includes vacuum power plant with 3 HP engine. 4-blade fan blades 1/4" thick steel. 14-gauge steel fan housing with 3/4" diameter outlet. 3/4" diameter spring wire reinforced tubing.

▲ **LEAF MULCHER** (not shown). This rugged simple device turns dry leaves almost to powder. Includes chopper screen of heavy-gauge exoanana steel plus three special high-vacuum blades of 1/4" tempered steel. Order by mower model for 48 60 and 76.



▲ **SNOW BLOWER.** Lets you enjoy your Yazoo all year round.

OTHER ACCESSORIES

Draw Bar, Weather Cab, Roll Bar (used only with seat belt), Seat Belt, Tire Chains, Extra Traction Tires, Dual Wheels, Torsion-Ride Seat, and Hour Meter.



SERVICE

Everything on your Yazoo Rider — from the engine on down — is repairable, replaceable, or adjustable. Your Yazoo dealer or distributor can supply you with any part you need. You won't have to go to different parts stores.

Service is the most important part of a Yazoo dealer's business, and he does it gladly. All Yazoo dealers carry a full stock of normal-demand parts, and are backed up by their distributors and these factory service depots:

ORLANDO, FLA.
JACKSON, MISS.
MEMPHIS, TENN.
BATON ROUGE, LA.
HOUSTON, TEX.
MOBILE, ALA.
BIRMINGHAM, ALA.
GILMAN, ILL.

CAUTION:

Do not exceed 15° angle of bank while operating any Yazoo mower. Do not operate mower until you have read and thoroughly understood your Yazoo Operator's Manual.

WARRANTY

This is a limited warranty, as defined by Federal Statutes. Each new Yazoo Rider is warranted against manufacturing defects in workmanship and materials under normal use and service. A publication entitled "Warranty" should be included in the literature for each Yazoo Rider. This publication contains the full text of the limited warranty. The limited warranty does not cover damage caused by misuse, accident, or neglect.

SAFETY FEATURES

Yazoo Riders have special safety features built in. Just make sure you read and understand your Owner's Manual thoroughly before you use your new Yazoo — and you'll have years of safe mowing.

FRONT CUTTING

Because the cutting section is out front, you're not sitting on top of the blades. And the front-cutting design lets you see where you're mowing with no trouble.

SWIVEL-MOUNTED REAR WHEEL STEERING

Besides allowing a zero turning radius, this steering design gives added safety for the operator.

AUTOMATIC CUT-OFF SWITCH

Your engine will only operate while your foot is resting on this switch. If your foot leaves it for any reason, the engine automatically cuts off.

CHUTE GUARD

Protects against flying debris. An excellent material is aimed safely at ground level.

REAR WEIGHT

For extra safety. Counter-balancing effect gives a smoother, safer ride.

2-BAR SHIFT PATTERN

Makes for safer shifting. Prevents accidental shifting into reverse.

KEY START

Prevents unauthorized use.

