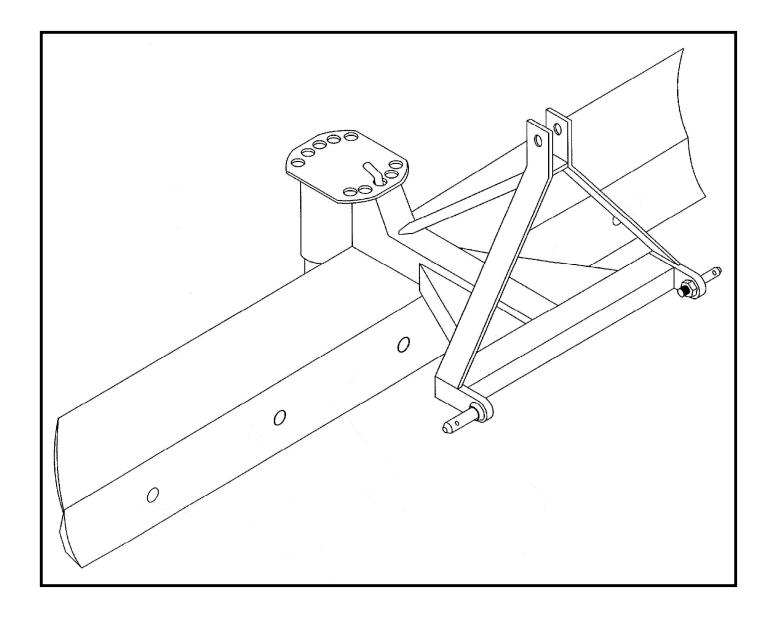


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# RBX60 REAR BLADE MANUAL



## TO THE PURCHASER

This manual contains valuable information about your new Summit Tractor RBX60 Rear Blade. It has been carefully prepared to give you helpful suggestions for operating, adjusting, servicing and ordering repair parts.

Keep this manual in a convenient place for quick and easy reference. Study it carefully. You have purchased a dependable and sturdy Rear Blade, but only by proper care and operation can you expect to receive the service and long life designed and built into the product.

Sometime in the future your Rear Blade may need new parts to replace those that are worn. If so, go to your dealer and provide him with the model and part number.

## **Customer Information**

Name
Purchased From
Date Purchased
Model No

It is the purchaser and/or operator's responsibility to....

- I Read and understand the information contained in this manual.
- I Operate, lubricate, assemble and maintain the equipment in accordance with all instructions and safety procedures in this manual.
- I Inspect the equipment and replace or repair any parts that are damaged or worn which under continued operation would cause damage, wear to other parts, or cause a safety hazard.
- I Return the equipment or parts to the authorized Summit Tractor dealer, from where it was purchased, for service or replacement of defective parts that are covered by warranty. (The Summit Tractor Factory or an Authorized Summit Tractor Dealer may inspect equipment or parts before warranty claims are honored.)

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## **SPECIFICATIONS**

MODEL	RBX60
MOLDBOARD WIDTH—in. (mm)	60" (1524)
MOLDBOARD THICKNESS—in. (mm)	1/4" (6.35)
HITCH TYPE	CAT. I
TRACTOR HP	UP TO 25
ANGLE FORWARD	0,15,30,45,60
ANGLE REVERSE	0,15,30,45,60
MOLDBOARD HEIGHT—in. (mm)	10" (254.4)
CUTTING EDGE—in. (mm)	1/2" X 6" (12.7 X 152.4)
APPROX WEIGHT	191 LBS.

## **SAFETY**

READ AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL AND ESPECIALLY IN THE SAFETY SECTION. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

TAKE NOTE! THIS SAFETY ALERT SYMBOL FOUND THROUGHOUT THIS MANUAL IS USED TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO INSTRUCTIONS INVOLVING YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS.



ATTENTION!

BECOME ALERT!

YOUR SAFTEY IS INVOLVED

### **SIGNAL WORDS:**

The signal words **DANGER**, **WARNING** and **CAUTION** are used with the safety messages in this manual and with each safety signs. They are defined as follows:

**DANGER:** Indicates an immediate hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death. This signal word is to be limited to the most extreme situations typically for machine components that, for functional purposes, cannot be guarded.

**WARNING:** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in serious injury or death, and includes hazards that are exposed when guards are removed. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

**CAUTION:** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practice.

If you have any questions not answered in this manual or require additional copies or the manual is damaged, please contact your dealer or Summit Tractor LLC 3379 Peachtree Road NE Suite 555 Atlanta, GA 30326 (678) 916-6555.

### **EQUIPMENT SAFETY GUIDELINES**



- Safety of the operator and bystanders is one of the main concerns in designing and developing a rear blade. However, every year accidents occur which could have been avoided by a few seconds of thought and a more careful approach to handling equipment. You, the operator, can avoid many accidents by observing the following precautions and insist those working with you, or for you, follow them.
- In order to provide a better view, certain photographs or illustrations in this manual may show an assembly with a safety shield removed. However, equipment should never be operated in this condition. Keep all shields in place. If shield removal becomes necessary for repairs, replace the shield prior to use.
- I Replace any safety sign that is not readable or is missing. Copies of such safety signs are shown in this manual.
- Never use alcoholic beverages or drugs that can hinder alertness or coordination while operating this equipment. Consult your doctor about operating this machine while taking prescription medications.
- Under no circumstances should children under the age of 18 be allowed to work with this equipment. Do not allow persons to operate or assemble this unit until they have read this manual and have developed a thorough understanding of the safety precautions and of how it works. Review the safety instructions with all users annually.
- I This equipment is dangerous to children and persons unfamiliar with its operation. The operator should be a responsible, properly trained and physically able person familiar with farm machinery and trained in this equipment's operations. If the elderly are assisting with farm work, their physical limitations need to be recognized and accommodated.
- I Use a tractor equipped with a Roll Over Protective System and seat belts. (ROPS)
- I Never exceed the limits of a piece of machinery. If its ability to do a job, or to do so safely, is in question- **DON'T TRY IT.**
- I Do not modify the equipment in any way. Unauthorized modification could result in serious injury or death and may impair the function and life of the equipment.
- In addition to the design and the confirmation of this implement, including safety signs and safety equipment, hazard control and accident prevention are dependent upon the awareness, concern, prudence, and proper training of personnel involved in the operation, transport, maintenance, and storage of the machine. Refer also to safety messages and operation instruction in each of the appropriate sections of the tractor and rear blade manuals. Pay close attention to the safety signs affixed to the tractor and the rear blade.

## **SAFETY TRAINING**



- I Safety is a primary concern in the design and manufacture of our product. Unfortunately, our efforts to provide safe equipment can be wiped out by a single careless act of an operator or bystander.
- In addition to the design and configuration of equipment, hazard control and accident prevention are dependent upon the awareness, concern, prudence and proper training of personnel involved in the operation, transport, maintenance and storage of this equipment.
- It has been said, "The best safety device is an informed, careful operator." We ask you to be that kind of operator. It is the operator's responsibility to read and understand all safety and operating instructions in the manual and to follow them. Accidents can be avoided.
- Working with unfamiliar equipment can lead to careless injuries. Read this manual, and the manual for your tractor, before assembly or operating, to acquaint yourself with the machines. If this machine is used by any person other than you, or is loaned or rented, it is the rear blade owner's responsibility to make certain that owner's manual be available to the operator prior to operating and that the operator:
  - 1- Reads and understands the operator's manuals.
  - 2- Is instructed in safe and proper use.
- I Know your controls and how to stop tractor, engine, and the rear blade quickly in an emergency. Read this manual and the one provided with your tractor.
- Train all new personnel and review instructions frequently with existing workers. Be certain only a properly trained and physically able person will operate the machinery. A person who has not read and understood all operating and safety instructions is not qualified to operate the machine. An untrained operator exposes himself and bystanders to possible serious injury or death. If the elderly are assisting with farm work, their physical limitations need to be recognized and accommodated.

## **PREPARATION**



- Never operate the tractor and rear blade until you have read and completely understand this manual, the Tractor Operator's Manual, and each of the safety messages found on the safety signs on the tractor and disc.
- Personal protection equipment including hardhat, safety glasses, safety shoes, and gloves are recommended during assembly, installation, operation, adjustment, maintenance, repairing, removal, or moving the implement. Do not allow long hair, loose fitting clothing, or jewelry to be around equipment.
- PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO LOUD NOISE MAY CAUSE PERMANENT HEARING LOSS! Tractors with or without rear blades attached can often be noisy enough to cause permanent, partial hearing loss. We recommend that you wear hearing protection on a full-time basis if the noise in the operator's position exceeds 80 db. Noise over 80 db on a long-term basis can cause severe hearing loss. Noise over 90 db adjacent to the operator over a long-term basis may cause permanent, total hearing loss. **NOTE:** Hearing loss from loud noise (from tractors, chain saws, radios, and other such sources close to the ear) is cumulative over a lifetime without hope of natural recovery.
- Operate the rear blade only with a tractor equipped with an approved Roll-Over-Protective System (ROPS). Always wear your seat belt. Serious injury or even death could result from falling off the tractor particularly during a turnover when the operator could be pinned under the ROPS or the tractor.
- I Operate only in daylight or good artificial light.
- I Ensure the rear blade is properly mounted, adjusted and in good operating condition.
- I Ensure that all safety shielding and safety signs are properly installed and in good condition.

## **OPERATIONAL SAFETY**



This product is designed to move in the soil when attached to the 3-point linkage system of a tractor. It is **not** intended for any other use! Using the product for anything other than its original purpose could result in serious injury or death!

- I The use of this equipment is subject to certain hazards that cannot be protected against by the mechanical means or product design. All operators of this equipment must read and understand this entire manual, paying particular attention to safety and operating instructions, prior to using. If there is something in this manual you do not understand, ask your supervisor, or your dealer, to explain it to you.
- Most accidents occur because of neglect or carelessness. Keep all helpers and bystanders at least several feet from an operating rear blade. Only properly trained people should operate this machine.
- I When machine is operated in populated area operation must be stopped when anyone comes within 25 feet.
- I The majority of the accidents involve operators being knocked off the tractor by low hanging limbs. Accidents are most likely to occur with machines that are loaned or rented to someone who has not read the owner's manual and is not familiar with a rear blade and or a tractor.
- Install and secure all guards and shields before starting or operating. The tractor shields should be used and maintained in good working condition. They should be inspected carefully, at least daily, for missing or broken cable, chain links, shields, or guards. (Worn items must be replaced at once to reduce possibility of injury)
- I Place transmission in neutral before attempting to start engine.
- I Many varied objects, such as wire, cable, rope, or chains, can become entangled in the operating parts of the disc. Such a situation is extremely hazardous. Inspect the area for such objects before discing. Remove any like objects from the site.
- Never allow the disc to contact such items. Never assume an area is clear. Always Check!

## **OPERATIONAL SAFETY continued...**



- Always stop the tractor, disengage PTO, set brake, shut off the tractor engine, remove the ignition key, lower implement to the ground and allow rear blade to come to a complete stop before dismounting tractor. Never leave equipment unattended with the tractor running.
- Never place hands or feet close to rear blade with tractor engine running or before you are sure all motion has stopped. Stay clear of all moving parts.
- I Do not reach or place any part of your body close to equipment until it is blocked securely.
- I Do not allow riders on the tractor at anytime. There is no safe place for any riders.
- I Do not operate unless all personnel, livestock, and pets are several feet away to prevent injury.
- I The rotating parts of this machine have been designed and tested for rugged use. However, they could fail upon impact with heavy, solid objects such as steel guard-rails and concrete abutment. Such impact could cause the broken objects to be thrown outward. To reduce the possibility of property damage, serious injury, or even death, never allow the rear blade to contact such obstacles.
- I Stop the rear blade and tractor immediately upon striking an obstruction. Turn engine off, remove key, inspect and repair any damage before resuming operation.
- I Stay alert for uneven terrain, rocks, and roots and other hidden hazards. Keep away from drop-offs and hazards that could cause roll over. Use extreme care and maintain minimum ground speed when transporting or operating on hillsides, over rough ground and when operating close to ditches or fences. Be careful and slow down when turning sharp corners and changing direction on slopes. Do not start or stop suddenly on slopes. Avoid operation on steep slopes. In extremely uneven terrain, rear wheels weights, front tractor weight, and/or tire ballast should be used to improve stability.
- I Always check tractor manual for proper use on slopes.
- When using a unit, a minimum 20% of tractor and equipment weight must be on tractor front wheels. Without this weight, tractor could tip over, causing personal injury or death. The weight may be attained with a front- end loader, front wheel weights, ballast in the tires or front tractor weights. When attaining a minimum 20% of tractor and equipment weight on the front wheels, you must not exceed the ROPS weight certification. Weigh the tractor and equipment. **Do not guess or estimate!**

## **ASSEMBLY**

Your RBX60 is shipped fully assembled.

## **BEFORE OPERATION**

- 1) Tighten all loose hardware using the torque chart. Replace any missing hardware. On new machines, all hardware must be rechecked after first few hours of operation.
- 2) Replace any bent or broken parts.
- 3) Refer to your Tractor's Owner's Manual for recommended adjustments and weight distribution.
- 4) Check blade for signs of wear or damage. Replace if necessary. SEE MAINTE-NANCE.
- 5) Read the SAFETY section of this manual to be sure of all precautions.

## **TRANSPORTING**

- 1) Use a Slow Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem and proper lighting on the tractor when transporting the rear blade.
- 2) Always comply with all state and local lighting and marking requirements.
- 3) Do not drive the tractor and rear blade over 20 MPH (30 KPH) on the best surface conditions. Reduce speed when going up or down hills and when approaching ditches or corners.
- 4) Check condition of hitch pins and bolts before transporting.
- 5) Raise rear blade to highest position for transport.
- 6) Travel at a speed safe for terrain and other conditions.
- 7) Keep your rear blade in proper working condition. Unauthorized modifications to the rear blade may impair the function, affect rear blade life, and put you at risk. Do not add excessive weight to rear blade. Additional weight could cause frame to fail resulting in loss of control of rear blade/tractor during transport.
- 8) Check local laws governing transport of farm equipment on public roads.
- 9) Use caution and be aware of oncoming traffic and roadside obstructions.
- 10) DO NOT transport on public roads at night.

## **OPERATION**

Your personal safety is a primary concern in the design and manufacture of our products. Unfortunately, our efforts to provide safe equipment can be wiped out by a single careless act of an operator.

In addition to the design and configuration of equipment, hazard control and accident prevention are dependent upon the awareness, concern, prudence and proper training of personnel involved in the operation, transport, maintenance and storage of the equipment.

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The operator must be properly trained. Operators should be familiar with the rear blade and tractor and all safety practices before starting operation.

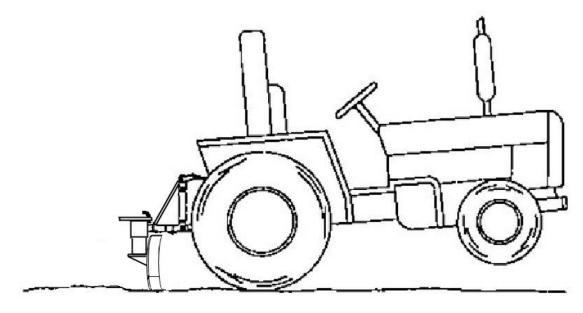
This rear blade is designed for normal farm usage. Recommended blading speed for most conditions is from two to five mph. Maintain your implement with original repair parts to insure optimum performance.

#### TRACTOR STABILITY





A minimum of 20% of combined tractor and rear blade weight must be on tractor front wheels with attachment in transfer position. Without this weight, tractor could tip over causing personal injury or death. See your tractor operator's manual regarding adding weights.



## WARNING



Be sure bystanders are clear. Do not stand between rear blade and tractor. Shut off tractor and engage parking brake prior to dismounting.

- 1) Back tractor to align three--point lower arms with frame pins.
- 2) Attach left lower link arm to frame first and secure with click pin.
- 3) Using tractor right leveling crank, align right lower link arm with link pin. Attach arm to link pin and secure with click pin.
- 4) Attach top link between the frame and the tractor with a pin and secure with click pins.

## **DETACHING**

- Lower rear blade to the ground.
- Detach the tractor top link from the rear blade.
- Lower the blade frame unto supports and shut off tractor engine. Be sure blade is stable on supports.
- Detach tractor right hand lower link arm then left hand lower link arm from rear blade.

## **ADJUSTMENTS**

## **Depth Control:**

The desired operating depth is selected by using the tractor's position control lever. When using position control, the blade will operate at the same depth, below the line of travel of the tires, until the setting is changed. It is possible to operate the blade using draft control (if tractor is so equipped) when operating in the forward direction. When using draft control, the blade will operate at a depth which will result in a constant load on the tractor. NEVER operate with draft control when operating in the reverse direction with the moldboard reversed.

## **Blade Moldboard Angle:**

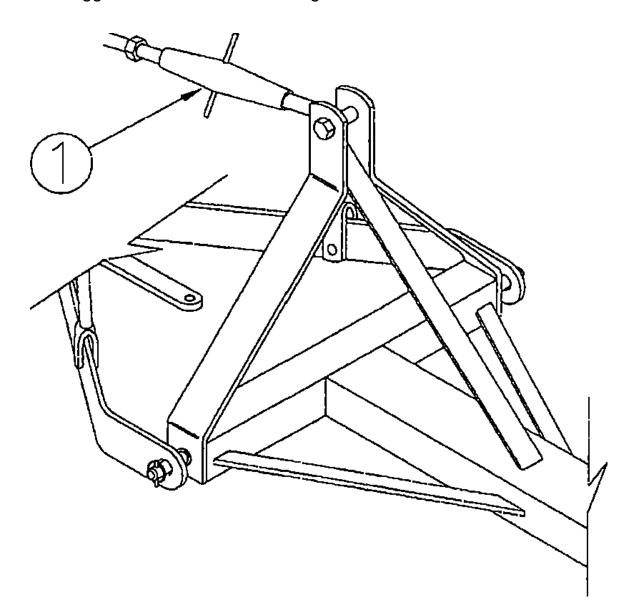
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Operating conditions for the job being done will largely determine the desired angle of the blade. A greater angle is generally used for cutting deep rather than for moving loose soil. As the blade is angled more, soil will roll and travel for a lesser distance, thus allowing a deeper cut. It is suggested that the blade be angled sufficiently to permit soil to move freely in front of the blade. The blade moldboard has an angle adjustment of 0°, 15°, 30°, and 45° to the left or right in the forward direction. Remove hairpin and pin and rotate moldboard to desired angle. Replace pin and hairpin.

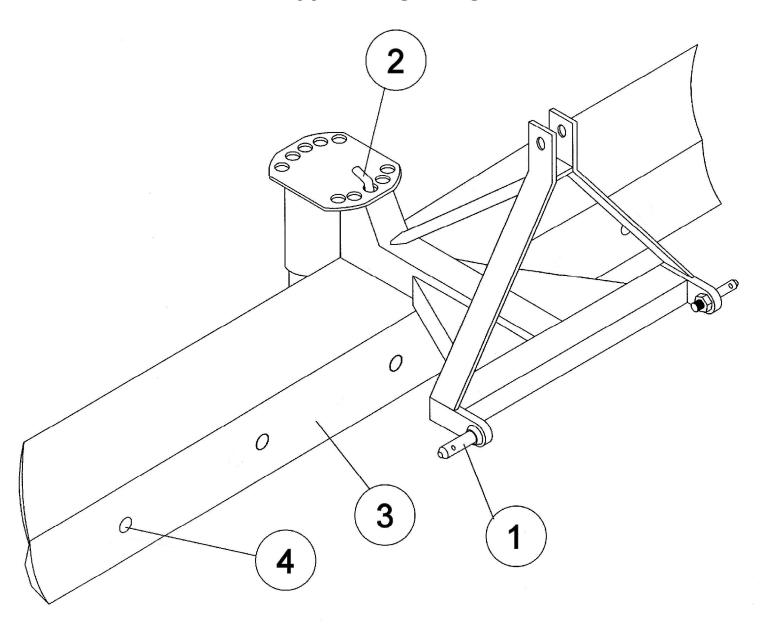
## **Blade Pitch (Refer to Figure Below)**

The pitch of the blade can be changed by lengthening or shortening the tractor top link (1). Lengthening the top link increases blade "aggressiveness" and shortening the top link decreases blade "aggressiveness". Adjust the blade pitch so that the soil tumbles ahead of

the blade. Tumbling soil produces less draft and moves more earth. Normally, the upper edge of the moldboard is 1" to 2" (25 to 51MM) ahead of an imaginary vertical line extending upward from the cutting edge of the moldboard. In general, working in harder soils requires more aggressiveness in order to dig in to the soil surface.



## **RBX60 PARTS DIAGRAM**



Ref. No.		Part #
	Model #	RBX60
1	(CAT. 1) Lift Pins (Pkg. 2)	500001
2	Index Pin	340065
3	60" Cutting Edge	188015
4	Cutting Edge Bolt Set (9/PK)	503001

## **MAINTENANCE**

#### General

Your rear blade is designed for minimum maintenance. By taking a few minutes prior to beginning operations and performing the following maintenance check, you will insure improved performance and longer life of your rear blade. Keep cutting edge sharp for maximum performance. Reverse the cutting edge to get maximum use from both edges. Replace cutting edge as wear becomes excessive.

## **STORAGE**

- 1) Store on a level surface sheltered from the weather.
- 2) Lower equipment to the ground and block to prevent rolling.
- 3) Clean all debris from implement.
- 4) Coat soil engaging surfaces with a rust inhibitor after cleaning.
- 5) Keep playing children and bystanders away from storage area.



#### 1. Limited Warranty.

Summit Tractors LLC, 3379 Peachtree Road NE Suite 555 Atlanta, GA 30326, warrants to the original retail purchaser ("Purchaser") that the product that is the subject of this sale is free from defects in material and workmanship at the time of sale.

Under this warranty, Summit Tractors will repair the defective product free of charge to the Purchaser, with either new or used and reconditioned replacement parts. All warranty service will be performed at service centers designated by Summit Tractors. If Summit Tractors is unable to repair the product to conform to the warranty after a reasonable number of attempts, Summit Tractors will provide, at its option, one of the following: (a) a replacement for the product or, (b) a full refund of the purchase price. Repair, replacement, or refunds are the Purchaser's EXCLU-SIVE remedies against Summit Tractors under this limited warranty. Summit Tractors will not be liable for any special, incidental or consequential damages based upon breach or warranty, breach of contract, negligence, strict tort liability, or any other legal theory. Such damages include, but are not limited to, loss of profits, loss of savings or revenue, loss of use of the product or any associated equipment, cost of capital, cost of any substitute equipment, facilities or services, down time, the claims of third parties including customers, and injury to property. These limitations also apply, to the extent allowed by law, to personal injury.

The purchaser must notify the Seller in writing of any defect in material or workmanship within one (1) year following the date of purchase. If the equipment is used for commercial purposes, the Purchaser must notify the Seller in writing of any defect in material or workmanship within ninety (90) days following the date of purchase. In no event will Summit Tractors be liable under this warranty unless written notice is received by the Seller within one (1) year from the date of original retail sale.

#### 2. Warranty of Title.

Summit Tractors warrants that it transfers a good title to the product free of any encumbrances, and free of the right-ful claim of any third party for infringement of patent or copyright.

#### 3. What is Not Covered by This Limited Warranty.

Summit Tractors will not be responsible for damage to or failure in the product which results from accident, misuse, abuse, neglect, installation of attachments not provided by Summit Tractors, modifications to the product, or damage caused by use of the product for purposes other than those for which it was designed.

#### 4. No Other Warranties.

Unless modified in writing and signed by both parties, this agreement is understood to be the complete and exclusive agreement and warranty between Summit Tractors and Purchaser, superseding all prior agreements, oral and written, and all other communication between Summit Tractors and Purchaser related to the subject matter of this agreement.