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## Oregon 92-123

# Oregon 92-123 Kubota Mower Blade Instruction Manual

Model: 92-123 | Replaces: Kubota K5371-9940

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential instructions for the safe and effective installation, operation, and maintenance of your Oregon 92-123 mower blades. These blades are designed as a direct replacement for Kubota part number K5371-9940 and are intended for use with compatible Kubota mowing decks. Please read this manual thoroughly before attempting any installation or operation.



Image 1.1: Oregon 92-123 Mower Blades. This image displays a set of three black mower blades, each featuring a central mounting hole and two smaller, offset holes for secure attachment to a Kubota mowing deck.

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

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Your safety and the safety of others are paramount. Always observe the following safety precautions when handling, installing, or operating with mower blades.

- **Disconnect Power:** Before performing any work on the mower deck, ensure the engine is off, the spark plug wire is disconnected (for gasoline engines), or the battery is removed (for electric mowers) to prevent accidental starting.
- **Wear Protective Gear:** Always wear heavy-duty gloves to protect your hands from sharp blade edges. Safety glasses are also recommended to protect your eyes from debris.
- **Sharp Edges:** Mower blades are extremely sharp. Handle them with extreme care to avoid cuts.
- **Secure Mower:** Ensure the mower is on a stable, level surface and cannot roll or tip over during blade replacement. Use jack stands if lifting the mower.
- **Inspect Blades:** Before each use, inspect blades for damage, cracks, or excessive wear. Replace damaged blades immediately.
- **Proper Installation:** Incorrectly installed blades can cause severe vibration, damage to the mower, or become projectiles. Follow installation instructions precisely.

## 3. INSTALLATION

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Follow these steps to safely replace your mower blades.

### 3.1 Tools Required

- Heavy-duty work gloves
- Safety glasses
- Wrench or socket set (appropriate size for blade bolts, typically 15mm to 24mm)
- Torque wrench
- Wood block or blade removal tool
- Wire brush (optional, for cleaning)

### 3.2 Blade Replacement Procedure

#### 1. Prepare the Mower:

- Ensure the mower engine is off and cooled down.
- Disconnect the spark plug wire or remove the battery to prevent accidental starting.
- Position the mower on a flat, stable surface. If necessary, lift the front or side of the mower using a jack and secure it with jack stands.

#### 2. Remove Old Blades:

- Wear heavy-duty gloves and safety glasses.
- Place a wood block between the blade and the mower deck to prevent the blade from turning while loosening the bolt.
- Using the appropriate wrench or socket, loosen and remove the blade bolt. Note the orientation of any washers or spacers.
- Carefully remove the old blade.

### 3. Clean Deck (Optional):

- While the blades are off, it is a good opportunity to clean any accumulated grass clippings and debris from the underside of the mower deck using a wire brush or scraper.

### 4. Install New Blades:

- Ensure the new Oregon 92-123 blade is oriented correctly. The cutting edge should face outwards and upwards towards the deck. The curved "lift" portion of the blade should point towards the deck to create airflow.
- Align the blade's center hole with the spindle and ensure any alignment pins or holes on the blade match those on the spindle.
- Reinstall any washers or spacers in their original orientation.
- Thread the blade bolt by hand to ensure it is not cross-threaded.
- Place the wood block again to prevent the blade from turning.
- Tighten the blade bolt using a torque wrench to the manufacturer's specified torque. For Kubota mowers, this is typically between **70-90 ft-lbs (95-122 Nm)**. Refer to your mower's specific manual for exact torque specifications.

### 5. Verify Installation:

- After installation, manually spin each blade to ensure it rotates freely and does not wobble.
- Reconnect the spark plug wire or reinstall the battery.

## 4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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Once new blades are installed, proper operation ensures optimal cutting performance and blade longevity.

- **Pre-Operation Check:** Before each mowing session, visually inspect the blades for any signs of damage, looseness, or excessive wear.
- **Clear Debris:** Always clear the mowing area of any rocks, sticks, wires, or other foreign objects that could damage the blades or be thrown by them.
- **Mowing Height:** Adjust your mower's cutting height according to grass conditions. Avoid cutting more than one-third of the grass blade length at a time for healthier turf.
- **Even Cut:** If you notice an uneven cut, stop the mower and check the blades for proper installation, damage, or if they are dull.
- **Vibration:** Excessive vibration during operation can indicate a bent, unbalanced, or improperly installed blade. Immediately shut off the mower and investigate the cause.

## 5. MAINTENANCE

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Regular maintenance extends the life of your blades and ensures consistent cutting performance.

- **Cleaning:** After each use, clean grass clippings and debris from the blades and the underside of the deck. This prevents rust and maintains blade balance.
- **Sharpening:** Blades should be sharpened regularly to maintain a clean cut. Use a blade sharpener or file, maintaining the original blade angle. Ensure the blade remains balanced after sharpening. An unbalanced blade can cause excessive vibration and damage to the mower. If you are unsure, consult a professional.
- **Inspection:** Periodically inspect blades for cracks, bends, or excessive wear. Replace blades that show significant damage or wear, as they can be dangerous and reduce cutting efficiency.
- **Storage:** If storing the mower for an extended period, clean and lightly oil the blades to prevent rust.

## 6. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Uneven cut	Dull blades, bent blades, incorrect blade installation, uneven deck height.	Sharpen or replace blades. Inspect blades for bends. Reinstall blades correctly. Adjust mower deck height.
Excessive vibration	Unbalanced blades, bent blades, loose blade bolts, damaged spindle.	Check blade balance. Inspect blades for bends. Tighten blade bolts to specified torque. Inspect spindle for damage.
Poor grass discharge	Dull blades, excessive grass clippings under deck, incorrect blade type for conditions.	Sharpen or replace blades. Clean underside of deck. Ensure blades are suitable for mulching/bagging if applicable.

## 7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	92-123
Brand	Oregon
Replaces OEM Part	Kubota K5371-9940
Blade Length	20-9/16 inches (approx. 52.2 cm)
Product Dimensions (each blade)	20.5 x 2.6 x 0.9 inches (approx. 52.07 x 6.6 x 2.29 cm)
Item Weight (each blade)	0.01 ounces (approx. 0.28 grams) - <i>Note: This weight is unusually low and may be a data entry error. Actual blade weight is significantly higher.</i>
Quantity	Set of 3 blades

## 8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty, returns, or technical support, please refer to the official Oregon product website or contact your authorized Oregon dealer. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

For further assistance, you may also contact the seller directly through the platform where the purchase was made.