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For John Deere LA130, LA140, LA145, LA150, LA155, LA165, LA175 Lawn Tractors

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Max Motosports Electric PTO Clutch. Designed as a replacement part for specific John Deere LA series lawn tractors, this clutch ensures reliable power transfer to your mower deck. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and use to ensure proper function and safety.

COMPATIBILITY CHECK

Before proceeding with installation, verify that this electric PTO clutch is compatible with your specific John Deere lawn tractor model. This clutch is designed for John Deere models LA130, LA140, LA145, LA150, LA155, LA165, and LA175.



4 Ways To Find The Right PTO Clutch



Check Your
Machine's Manual



Search Your
Clutch's OEM Number



Look For Your
Make And Model



Check The
Crankshaft Size

Image: Compatibility Verification Methods. This diagram illustrates various ways to confirm the correct PTO clutch for your equipment, including checking your machine's manual, searching OEM numbers, looking for make and model, and verifying crankshaft size.

To ensure proper fitment, confirm the following specifications:

- **Crankshaft:** 1.00 inch
- **Pulley:** 6.150 inch
- **Belt:** 5/8 inch
- **Rotation:** Counter Clockwise

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Safety Precautions

- Always disconnect the spark plug wire(s) and remove the ignition key before performing any maintenance or installation.
- Ensure the engine is cool to the touch.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including gloves and eye protection.
- Work on a flat, stable surface.

Tools Required (Typical)

- Socket wrench set
- Torque wrench
- Pry bar (for belt removal/installation)
- Wire cutters/strippers (if wiring harness modification is needed)

Step-by-Step Installation

1. **Prepare the Tractor:** Park the lawn tractor on a level surface, engage the parking brake, and disconnect the spark plug wire(s).
2. **Remove Mower Deck:** Detach the mower deck from the tractor according to your tractor's owner's manual. This provides better access to the PTO clutch.
3. **Remove Old Clutch:**
 - Locate the existing PTO clutch, typically mounted on the engine crankshaft.
 - Disconnect the electrical wiring harness from the clutch.
 - Remove the bolt securing the clutch to the crankshaft.
 - Carefully remove the old clutch and any associated washers or spacers. Note their orientation for reassembly.
4. **Inspect Crankshaft:** Clean the crankshaft and inspect it for any damage or wear. Ensure it is free of debris.
5. **Install New Clutch:**



Image: Max Motosports Electric PTO Clutch. This image displays the complete electric PTO clutch assembly, ready for installation.

- Slide the new Max Motosports Electric PTO Clutch onto the crankshaft. Ensure the keyway aligns correctly.
- Install any necessary spacers or washers in their correct positions.
- Secure the clutch with the crankshaft bolt. Torque the bolt to the manufacturer's specifications (refer to your tractor's service manual for exact torque values).

6. Connect Wiring:



Image: Wiring Harness Connectors. This image shows the electrical connectors for the PTO clutch, highlighting their design for secure attachment.

- Connect the electrical wiring harness to the new clutch. Ensure a secure connection.
 - If the existing wiring harness does not match, a compatible adapter may be required or minor wiring modification might be necessary.
7. **Install Mower Deck:** Reattach the mower deck to the tractor, ensuring all belts are properly routed around the clutch pulley.
 8. **Final Checks:** Reconnect the spark plug wire(s). Start the engine and test the PTO engagement and disengagement in a safe, open area.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The electric PTO clutch is controlled by a switch on your tractor's dashboard. Refer to your John Deere tractor's owner's manual for specific operating procedures.

- **Engaging the PTO:** To engage the PTO and start the mower blades, ensure the engine is running at the recommended RPM (usually full throttle) and pull or flip the PTO switch. The clutch will engage, transferring power to the mower deck.
- **Disengaging the PTO:** To disengage the PTO and stop the mower blades, push or flip the PTO switch back to its off position. The clutch will disengage, stopping power to the mower deck.
- **Smooth Operation:** Always engage and disengage the PTO smoothly. Avoid rapid or jerky movements of the control switch.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance helps prolong the life and performance of your electric PTO clutch.

- **Cleaning:** Periodically clean the exterior of the clutch to remove grass clippings, dirt, and debris. Ensure cooling fins (if present) are clear for proper heat dissipation.
- **Inspection:** Regularly inspect the clutch for signs of wear, damage, or loose connections. Check the wiring harness for fraying or corrosion.
- **Bearing Check:** The Max Motosports PTO clutch features upgraded bearings for enhanced durability. Listen for unusual noises during operation, which could indicate bearing wear. While the bearings are sealed and do not require lubrication, excessive noise or play may indicate a need for replacement.
- **Belt Tension:** Ensure the mower deck belt is properly tensioned. Incorrect belt tension can cause premature clutch wear or slippage.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
PTO does not engage	Blown fuse, faulty PTO switch, wiring issue, clutch coil failure, safety interlock engaged	Check fuses, test PTO switch, inspect wiring for damage, consult a technician for coil testing, ensure all safety switches (seat, brake) are engaged.
PTO engages but mower blades do not spin	Broken or slipped mower deck belt, seized mower deck spindle	Inspect and re-route/replace mower deck belt. Check mower deck spindles for free movement.
Unusual noise from clutch	Worn bearings, loose mounting bolt, debris in clutch mechanism	Inspect clutch for loose components. Clean any debris. If noise persists, clutch bearings may be worn, requiring replacement.
Clutch overheats	Excessive load, improper belt tension, restricted airflow	Reduce load on mower. Adjust belt tension. Clean clutch exterior and ensure proper ventilation.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	PT001
Crankshaft Diameter	1.00 inch
Pulley Diameter	6.150 inch
Belt Type	5/8 inch
Rotation	Counter Clockwise
Torque Rating	105 lb.ft
Bearing Type	Upgraded Bearings
Brake Rivets	Stainless Steel
Design	Simplified No Linkage Design
Item Weight	13.75 pounds

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Max Motosports stands behind the quality of its products. For specific warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Max Motosports website.

If you encounter any issues or have questions regarding the installation, operation, or maintenance of your Electric PTO Clutch, please contact Max Motosports customer support:

- **Website:** Max Motosports Store on Amazon
- **Email:** Refer to product packaging or website for contact email.
- **Phone:** Refer to product packaging or website for contact phone number.

When contacting support, please have your product model number (PT001) and purchase details readily available.