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Yard Tuff YTF-38STQA

Yard Tuff 38-Inch Tow Style Lawn Sweeper (Model YTF-38STQA) Instruction Manual

Efficient Debris Collection for ATVs and Tractors

Product Overview

The Yard Tuff 38-Inch Tow Style Lawn Sweeper is designed for efficient collection of various lawn debris such as leaves, pine needles, twigs, and grass clippings. This quick-assembly sweeper attaches to ATVs, UTVs, or lawn tractors, simplifying yard maintenance. Its durable steel construction and mesh bag are built for long-lasting performance.

Key Features:

- **38-inch Wide Sweeping Path:** Covers a significant area with each pass.
- **4 Brushes:** Each brush measures 10 inches in diameter for an efficient 4-to-1 sweep ratio.
- **Universal Pin Style Hitch:** Easily attaches to ATVs or lawn tractors with leveling spacers.
- **Durable Mesh Bag:** Measures 41 x 29 x 22 inches with a capacity of 12.5 cubic feet for ample debris collection.
- **Powder Coated Steel Construction:** Ensures durability and resistance to outdoor elements.
- **Compact Storage:** Designed to fold up easily for convenient storage.

Setup and Assembly

Follow these steps to assemble your Yard Tuff Lawn Sweeper. Refer to the assembly video for visual guidance.

Assembly Video Guide:

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Video Description: This video provides a detailed instruction guide for assembling a 42-inch tow-behind lawn sweeper. While the model size may vary slightly, the assembly steps are generally applicable to the 38-inch model, demonstrating how to connect various components, including the hitch, frame, and collection bag.

Step-by-Step Assembly:

1. **Attach Hitch Tubes:** Secure the left and right hitch tubes to the main sweeper body using the provided bolts and nuts. Ensure they are correctly oriented as indicated in the manual.
2. **Assemble Hitch Bracket:** Connect the straight and angled hitch brackets to the assembled hitch tubes using bolts and

nuts. Insert the hitch pin and secure it with the R-clip.

3. **Install Height Adjustment Lever:** Attach the height adjustment lever assembly to the sweeper body. Use the provided bolts, washers, and nuts, ensuring the lever can move freely to adjust brush height.
4. **Assemble Hopper Frame:** Connect the lower hopper side tubes and the hopper front bar using bolts and nuts to form the base of the collection bag frame.
5. **Attach Hopper Bag to Frame:** Slide the hopper bag onto the assembled frame, ensuring all loops and grommets align with the frame bars. Secure the bag to the frame.
6. **Insert Hopper Support Rods:** Insert the hopper support rods into the designated sleeves within the hopper bag. These rods help maintain the bag's shape.
7. **Connect Bag Arm Tubes:** Attach the bag arm tubes to the sides of the sweeper body and connect them to the hopper bag frame using the provided pins and R-clips.
8. **Secure Dump Rope:** Thread the dump rope through the designated loops on the hopper bag and tie it securely. This rope is used to empty the bag from the towing vehicle.



Image Description: A partially assembled Yard Tuff lawn sweeper, showing the main body, wheels, and the initial setup of the collection bag frame. The black mesh bag is draped over the metal frame, indicating the next steps for securing it.

Operating Instructions

Proper operation ensures optimal performance and longevity of your lawn sweeper.

Connecting to Your Vehicle:

- Attach the universal pin style hitch to the hitch point of your ATV, UTV, or lawn tractor.
- Ensure the hitch pin is securely fastened with the R-clip.
- Use leveling spacers if necessary to ensure the sweeper is level with your towing vehicle for even sweeping.

Adjusting Brush Height:

- Locate the height adjustment lever on the side of the sweeper.
- Adjust the lever to raise or lower the brushes. For lighter debris like grass clippings, a higher brush setting may suffice. For heavier or matted leaves, a lower setting will provide more aggressive sweeping.
- Avoid setting the brushes too low, as this can cause them to drag on the ground, reducing efficiency and potentially damaging the brushes or the lawn.

Sweeping Your Lawn:

- Drive your towing vehicle at a consistent, moderate speed.
- Overlap each pass slightly to ensure complete coverage and avoid missed strips.
- Monitor the collection bag and empty it before it becomes too full to maintain optimal sweeping performance.

Emptying the Collection Bag:

- When the bag is full, drive to your desired dumping location.
- Pull the dump rope from your towing vehicle's seat. This will tilt the bag backward, allowing the collected debris to fall out.
- Once emptied, release the rope, and the bag will return to its operating position.

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Video Description: This video demonstrates the Yard Tuff Lawn Sweeper in action, showing how it picks up leaves and grass clippings. It highlights the ease of use and the effectiveness of the sweeper for various types of lawn debris.



Image Description: The Yard Tuff lawn sweeper is shown attached to the rear of a lawn tractor, actively collecting a large volume of autumn leaves into its mesh collection bag. The sweeper's brushes are engaged with the ground, demonstrating its operational function.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures your lawn sweeper remains in optimal working condition.

- **Cleaning:** After each use, clear any remaining debris from the brushes and inside the collection bag. Wipe down metal components to prevent rust.
- **Lubrication:** Periodically lubricate moving parts, such as wheel axles and brush bearings, according to the manufacturer's recommendations.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store the sweeper in a dry, covered area to protect it from the elements. The sweeper can be folded for compact storage.
- **Inspection:** Regularly inspect all bolts, nuts, and pins to ensure they are tight and secure. Check brushes for wear and

replace if necessary.

Troubleshooting

Here are solutions to common issues you might encounter:

- **Sweeper not collecting debris effectively:**
  - Adjust brush height: Lower the brushes to increase contact with the ground.
  - Check ground speed: Ensure the towing vehicle is moving at an appropriate speed. Too fast or too slow can reduce effectiveness.
  - Inspect brushes: Worn brushes may need replacement.
- **Wheels losing traction:**
  - This can occur on damp ground. Try sweeping when the lawn is dry.
  - Ensure brush height is not set too low, causing excessive drag.
- **Difficulty with assembly:**
  - Carefully review the instruction manual and assembly video, paying close attention to part orientation and hardware usage.
  - Verify all parts are present and match the parts list. Contact customer support if parts are missing or incorrect.

Specifications

Brand	Yard Tuff
Model Number	YTF-38STQA
Power Source	Manual (Tow-Behind)
Material	Alloy Steel
Color	Black
Item Weight	75 Pounds
Cutting/Sweeping Width	38 Inches
Assembly Required	Yes
Product Dimensions	46 x 70 x 26 inches
UPC	832830004435

Warranty and Support

For warranty information, technical support, or to order replacement parts, please contact Yard Tuff customer service directly. Refer to your product packaging or the official Yard Tuff website for the most current contact details and warranty terms.

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