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Brand: Stens

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Stens Spindle Assembly 285-143 is a replacement component designed for MTD equipment, specifically compatible with part number 918-0429A. This assembly is crucial for the proper functioning of a mower deck, allowing the blades to rotate efficiently. It features a double pulley and is designed for secure mounting using self-tapping screws (not included).



Image: Front view of the Stens Spindle Assembly 285-143, showcasing the double pulley and mounting base.

KEY FEATURES

- **Double Pulley Included:** Designed for efficient power transmission to mower blades.
- **No Threads in Housing:** Requires self-tapping screws for installation (screws not included).
- **6 3/4" Pulley Outer Diameter:** Ensures compatibility with specified MTD models.
- **Country of Origin:** United States.

INSTALLATION GUIDE

Safety First: Always disconnect the spark plug wire or remove the battery before performing any maintenance or installation on your equipment to prevent accidental starting.

1. **Prepare Equipment:** Park the mower on a flat, stable surface. Ensure the engine is off and cool. Disconnect the spark plug wire or remove the battery.
2. **Access Mower Deck:** Carefully lift or remove the mower deck to access the spindle assembly from underneath.
3. **Remove Old Spindle:** Loosen and remove the bolts securing the old spindle assembly to the mower deck. Detach any belts connected to the pulley.
4. **Clean Mounting Area:** Thoroughly clean the mounting surface on the mower deck to ensure a proper fit for the new spindle.
5. **Install New Spindle:** Position the new Stens Spindle Assembly 285-143 onto the mounting holes. Secure it using appropriate self-tapping screws (not included). Ensure the spindle is seated firmly and evenly.
6. **Reattach Belts:** Route the mower deck belt(s) correctly around the new spindle's pulley.
7. **Reassemble and Test:** Reattach the mower deck, reconnect the spark plug wire or battery. Test the mower at a low speed in a safe area to ensure proper operation and blade rotation.



Image: Bottom view of the Stens Spindle Assembly 285-143, illustrating the four mounting points and the threaded shaft for blade attachment.

OPERATION

Once installed, the spindle assembly facilitates the rotation of the mower blade. The double pulley receives power from the engine via the mower deck belt, transferring this rotational force to the spindle shaft, which in turn spins the attached blade. Proper operation relies on secure installation, correct belt tension, and a well-maintained blade.

MAINTENANCE

- **Regular Inspection:** Periodically inspect the spindle assembly for signs of wear, damage, or looseness. Check for excessive vibration during operation, which may indicate a failing spindle.
- **Cleanliness:** Keep the area around the spindle free from grass clippings, dirt, and debris, which can impede performance and cause premature wear.
- **Belt Tension:** Ensure the mower deck belt maintains proper tension. An overly tight or loose belt can affect spindle life.
- **Blade Balance:** Always use balanced blades. An unbalanced blade can cause excessive vibration, leading to premature spindle bearing failure.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Symptom	Possible Cause	Solution
Excessive vibration from mower deck	Damaged or worn spindle bearings; unbalanced blade; loose mounting bolts.	Inspect spindle for play; check blade balance; tighten mounting bolts. Replace spindle if bearings are faulty.
Blade not spinning freely or making grinding noise	Seized or failing spindle bearings; debris wrapped around spindle shaft.	Clear any debris. If noise persists, replace the spindle assembly.
Belt slipping off pulley	Incorrect belt tension; worn pulley; bent spindle shaft.	Adjust belt tension. Inspect pulley for wear. Check spindle shaft for straightness.

SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Value
Product Dimensions	7.7 x 6 x 5.5 inches
Item Weight	5.15 pounds
Manufacturer	Stens
ASIN	B07KMHTCFL

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Item Model Number	285-143

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For specific warranty information or technical support regarding your Stens Spindle Assembly 285-143, please refer to the documentation provided with your purchase or visit the official Stens website. You may also contact Stens customer service directly for assistance with product inquiries or troubleshooting.

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