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Brand: STERWINS | Model: 181003076/1

1. Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the installation, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of the Sterwins Traction Box, model 181003076/1. This component is designed as a replacement part for the self-propelled drive system of compatible lawn mowers, ensuring efficient and reliable operation.

Please read this manual thoroughly before attempting any installation or maintenance to ensure safe and correct handling of the product.

2. Important Safety Information

WARNING: Always disconnect the spark plug wire or remove the battery (for electric models) before performing any maintenance, installation, or inspection on the lawn mower to prevent accidental starting.

- Ensure the lawn mower is on a stable, level surface before beginning any work.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as gloves and eye protection.
- If you are unsure about any procedure, consult a qualified technician or refer to your lawn mower's original instruction manual.
- Keep children and bystanders away from the work area.
- Use only genuine replacement parts or approved equivalents.

3. Product Overview and Components

The Sterwins Traction Box 181003076/1 is a crucial part of the lawn mower's self-propelled system. It transmits power from the engine to the drive wheels, allowing the mower to move forward without manual pushing.



Figure 3.1: Sterwins Traction Box 181003076/1.

This image displays the Sterwins Traction Box 181003076/1, a key component for the self-propelled drive system of compatible lawn mowers. It features a black housing, a pulley for belt connection, and two shafts extending from the sides for wheel attachment. This unit is responsible for transferring power from the engine to the wheels, enabling the mower's forward motion.

Key components typically include:

- **Housing:** Encloses the internal gears and mechanisms.
- **Input Pulley:** Connects to the engine's drive belt.
- **Output Shafts:** Connect to the lawn mower's drive wheels.
- **Internal Gearing:** Reduces speed and increases torque for wheel propulsion.

4. Installation Instructions

The installation of the traction box requires mechanical aptitude. If you are not comfortable performing this procedure, it is recommended to seek professional assistance.

4.1. Tools Required

- Socket wrench set
- Screwdrivers (Phillips and flathead)
- Pliers
- Gloves
- Safety glasses

4.2. Replacement Procedure

1. **Prepare the Mower:** Ensure the engine is off and cool. Disconnect the spark plug wire or remove the battery.
2. **Access the Drive System:** Depending on your mower model, you may need to remove the deck cover, wheels, or other components to access the traction box. Refer to your lawn mower's specific service manual for detailed access steps.
3. **Remove Drive Belt:** Carefully detach the drive belt from the traction box pulley. Note its routing for reinstallation.
4. **Disconnect Linkages/Cables:** Disconnect any control cables or linkages attached to the traction box.
5. **Remove Mounting Hardware:** Unbolt or unfasten the traction box from its mounting points on the mower chassis.
6. **Remove Old Traction Box:** Carefully remove the old traction box from the mower.
7. **Install New Traction Box:** Position the new Sterwins Traction Box 181003076/1 in place and secure it with the mounting hardware. Ensure it is seated correctly.
8. **Reconnect Linkages/Cables:** Reattach all control cables and linkages. Ensure they operate smoothly.
9. **Reinstall Drive Belt:** Route the drive belt correctly around the new traction box pulley and other pulleys. Ensure it is properly tensioned.
10. **Reassemble Mower:** Reattach any covers, wheels, or other components that were removed.
11. **Test Operation:** Reconnect the spark plug wire or battery. Start the mower and test the self-propelled function in a safe, open area. Ensure smooth engagement and proper forward motion.

5. Operation of the Traction System

Once installed, the traction box operates as an integral part of your lawn mower's self-propelled system. When the drive engagement lever or handle is activated, it tensions the drive belt, which in turn transfers power from the engine to the input pulley of the traction box. The internal gears then reduce the rotational speed and increase the torque, driving the output shafts connected to the wheels.

This mechanism allows the lawn mower to move forward automatically, reducing the effort required to push the mower during operation. Proper functioning of the traction box is essential for the self-propelled feature to work effectively.

6. Maintenance

Regular maintenance of your lawn mower's drive system, including the traction box, will extend its lifespan and ensure optimal performance.

- **Regular Inspection:** Periodically inspect the traction box and surrounding components for signs of wear, damage, or loose connections. Check the drive belt for cracks, fraying, or excessive wear.
- **Cleaning:** Keep the area around the traction box free from grass clippings, dirt, and debris. Excessive buildup can hinder performance and cause premature wear.
- **Lubrication:** Most modern traction boxes are sealed units and do not require internal lubrication. However, check your lawn mower's specific manual for any recommended lubrication points for external linkages or shafts connected to the traction box.
- **Belt Tension:** Ensure the drive belt maintains proper tension. A loose belt can cause slippage and reduce drive efficiency.

If any significant wear or damage is observed, replace the affected components promptly to prevent further issues.

7. Troubleshooting

This section addresses common issues related to the lawn mower's self-propelled drive system, which may involve the traction box.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Mower does not move forward when drive is engaged.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drive belt is broken or dislodged. Drive belt is too loose. Traction box internal gears are stripped or damaged. Drive engagement cable is broken or misadjusted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspect and replace/reinstall drive belt. Adjust belt tension according to mower manual. Replace the traction box. Inspect and adjust/replace drive cable.
Mower moves slowly or intermittently.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drive belt is worn or slipping. Traction box is partially damaged. Wheels are clogged with debris. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspect and replace drive belt. Consider replacing the traction box. Clean wheels and axle area.
Unusual noises from the drive system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Damaged internal gears in traction box. Loose or worn bearings. Debris caught in the drive system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace the traction box. Inspect and replace bearings if accessible, otherwise replace traction box. Clean the drive system thoroughly.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, it may indicate a more severe internal failure of the traction box, requiring replacement.

8. Specifications

- **Product Type:** Traction Box / Drive Unit
- **Model Number:** 181003076/1
- **Brand:** STERWINS
- **Compatibility:** Compatible with various lawn mower models including, but not limited to:
 - 460BSP550-3 (2014) [299486828/DEO]
 - 460BSP550-3 (2014) [299486828/LM]
 - 460BSP550-3 (2015)
 - 460BSP550-3 (2016)
 - 460BSPE675-3 (2014) [299486528/DEO]
 - 460BSPE675-3 (2014) [299486528/LM]
 - 460BSPE675-3 (2015)
 - 460BSPE675-3 (2016)
 - 4820 PD (2019)
 - Also compatible with certain Ggp, Performance Power, Alpina, and Mountfield models.
- **Function:** Transmits power from engine to drive wheels for self-propelled operation.

9. Warranty Information

Specific warranty details for this replacement part are typically provided by the retailer or the manufacturer at the time of purchase. Please refer to your purchase receipt or contact the seller directly for information regarding warranty coverage, terms, and conditions.

Keep your proof of purchase in case a warranty claim is necessary.

10. Customer Support

For technical assistance, replacement part inquiries, or further support, please contact the retailer from whom you purchased this product or refer to the official STERWINS website for contact information.

When contacting support, please have your product model number (181003076/1) and your lawn mower's model and serial number readily available.