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TO TURN THE TOOL ON

Push the lock button in with your thumb and then squeeze the trigger with your fingers. (Once the tool is running, you can release the lock button). To turn the tool OFF, release the trigger.

Before you start the unit, make sure the trimmer is not contacting any object.

WARNING: Stones, pieces of metal and other objects can be thrown out at high speed by the line. The unit and guard are designed to reduce the danger.

WARNING: To guard against injury, observe the following:
Read instruction manual before using.

Save instruction manual.

Keep hands away from lines.

Keep hands on handles. Don't overreach.

CAUTION: Inspect area to be trimmed and remove any wire, cord, or string-like objects which could become entangled in the rotating line or spool. Be particularly careful to avoid any wire which might be bent outwardly into the path of the tool, such as barbs at the base of a chain link fence.

If you strike or become entangled with a foreign object, stop tool immediately, check for damage and have any damage repaired before further operation is attempted. Do not operate with a broken hub or spool.

WARNING: Do not allow familiarity with this type of product to make you careless. Remember that a careless fraction of a second is sufficient to inflict serious injury.

CAUTION: Lines coasts after turn off.
Do not use under wet conditions.
Do not use with damaged extension cord.

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Basic Cutting Procedure

Wear non-slip gloves for maximum grip and protection.

For the best cutting action against walls, fences and in high grass, move trimmer slowly so grass is cut WITH THE TIP of the high speed nylon line.

Avoid running trimmer with hub in contact with ground.

Trim only when grass and weeds are dry.

NOTE: As the weather becomes cooler, the tendency for the nylon line to break becomes greater. DO NOT USE WHEN TEMPERATURE IS BELOW 50 degrees F.

Cut tall grass from top down.

Hold the trimmer with your right hand on the rear handle and your left hand on the front handle. Trimmer should be held at a comfortable position with the rear handle about hip height.

WARNING: Always hold trimmer away from body. Any contact with the string trimmer cutting head while operating can result in serious personal injury.

The life of your nylon line is dependent upon following instructions for proper use, as well as what is being cut, and where the cutting is being done.

WARNING: Do not trim near electrical wires.

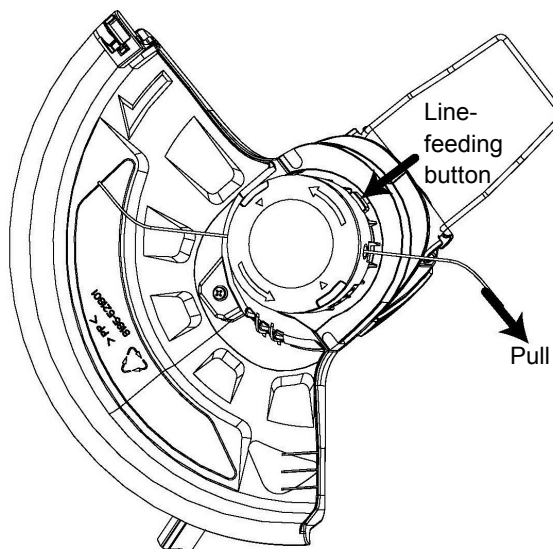
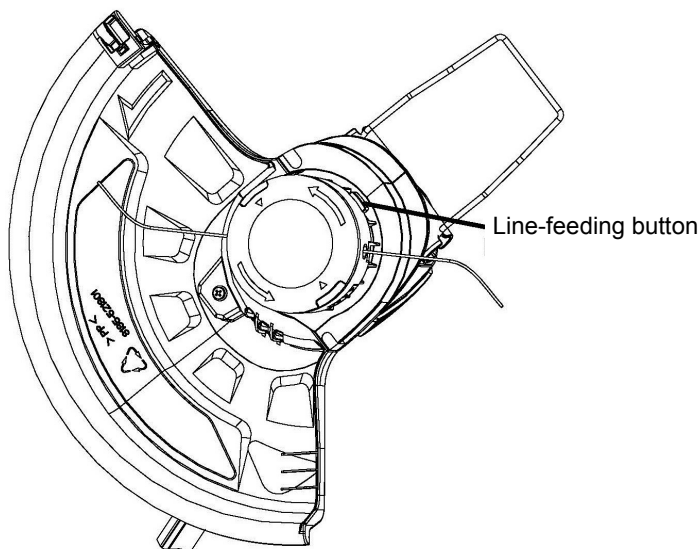
WARNING: Do not operate a string trimmer in a tree, on a ladder, or on a scaffold; this is extremely dangerous.

LINE FEEDING

Your trimmer uses .065" (1.65mm) diameter nylon line to cut grass and weeds quickly and easily. In time, the tip of the nylon line will become worn and the auto feed mechanism will automatically feed and trim a fresh length of line. The cutting line will wear faster if the cutting is done along sidewalks or other abrasive surfaces or heavier weeds are being cut. The line will extend approximately 1/4 in. with each stop and start of the switch trigger until the line reaches the length of the grass deflector blade. **Do not bump unit on ground** in attempt to feed line or for any other purpose.

If your trimmer line hits sharp or abrasive objects, such as stones, metal pieces, or concrete, the trimmer line can be cut too short to continue trimming. In this case, you can manually extend the line:

1. Unplug the trimmer.
2. Press the line-feeding button with one hand while pulling the line out with the other.
3. Press the button repeatedly to release line to the proper length. Each press of the button will release approximately 1/4 inch of line. (Note: Release only enough line to extend just beyond the blade. If too much line is released, the blade will be unable to cut it to the correct working length and it may become tangled on the rotating shaft.)
4. Plug in the trimmer.
5. Restart the trimmer and return to normal operation.

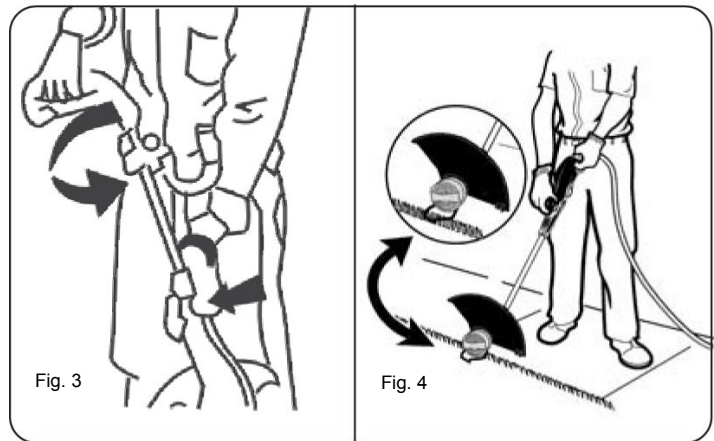
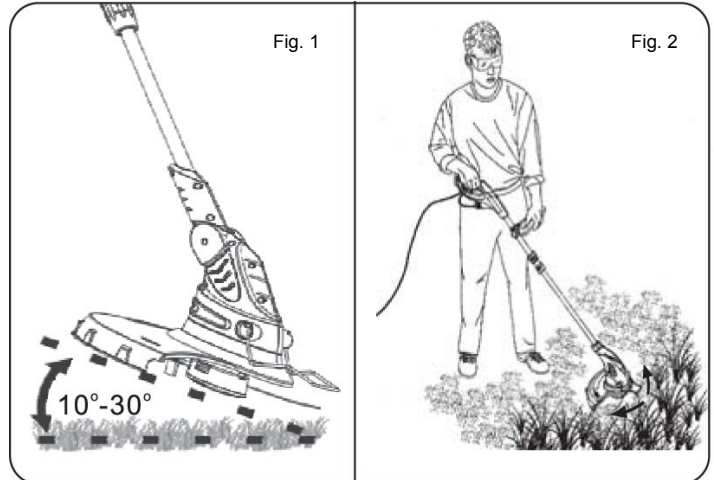


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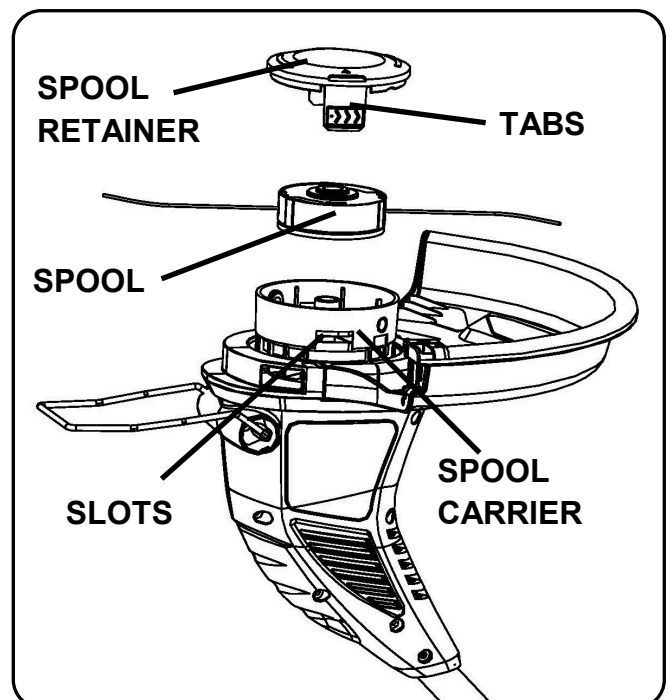
- Angle unit as shown. (Fig. 1)
- Slowly swing trimmer side to side as shown. (Fig. 2)
- To convert for maintenance edging, turn off the tool. Holding the trimmer with one hand by the auxiliary handle, grasp the collar and push in the direction of arrow and rotate the trimmer head until it stops (half turn), release your hand, (rotate clockwise when viewed from the switch end). The tool is locked in the edger position. (Fig. 3)
- Rotate the wire edge guide forward and down into place before edging.
- To operate as a maintenance edger, position trimmer above sidewalk as shown. (Fig. 4)
- Return to trimming position by turning the tool off, push in direction of arrow and rotate the trimmer head counter clockwise until it stops. When using the tool in the trimmer mode you may choose to fold the wire edge guide up out of the way.



REPLACING SPOOL / CLEARING JAMS AND TANGLED LINES

From time to time, especially when cutting thick or stocky weeds, the line feeding hub may become clogged with sap or other material and the line will become jammed as a result. To clear the jam, follow these steps.

- Turn off the trimmer and unplug from power source.
- Press the release tabs on the line spool retainer and remove the cover by pulling it straight off.
- Lift the spool of nylon line out of the hub and clear any broken line or cutting debris from the spool area.
- In case of jams and tangled line, unwrap about one foot (30cm) of line to ensure that it is undamaged. If it is OK, re-wind it and insert the line ends through the eyelets in the spool hub.
- Press the spool down GENTLY and rotate it until you feel it drop into place. (When in place, the spool will freely turn a few degrees left and right.)
- Snap the spool retainer back on, insert the cord into the outlet and turn the tool on. In a few seconds or less you'll hear the line being cut automatically to the proper length.



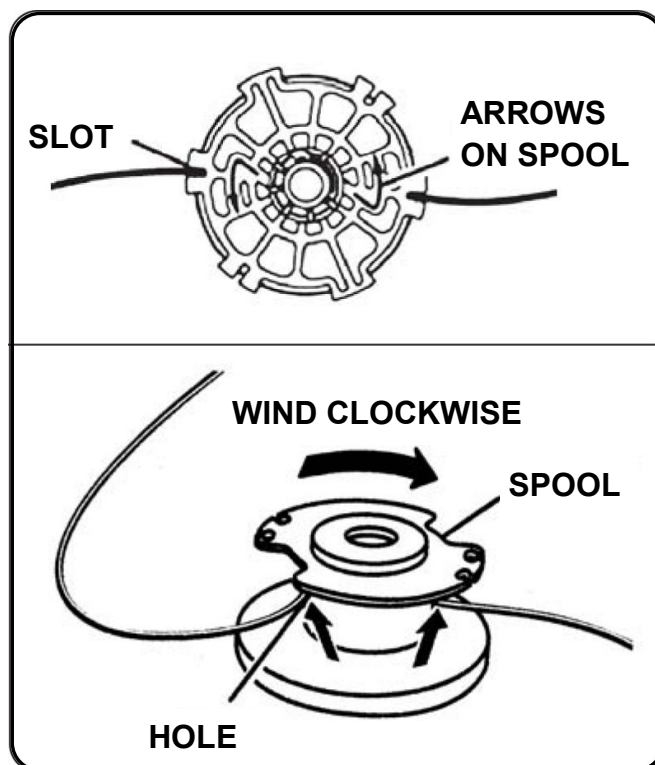
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REWINDING SPOOL FROM BULK LINE (USE ONLY .065" DIAMETER LINE)

Bulk line for your trimmer/edger is available at extra cost from your local dealer or service center. To install bulk line, follow these steps:

- Turn off the trimmer and unplug from the power source.
- Remove the spool assembly from the trimmer. To do so, hold the outer ribbed part of the assembly with one hand, while pushing down and turning the spool head to unlock it with the other hand.
- Remove any existing line from the spool.
- Using approximately 9 ft. of .065 replacement line, loop the line into 2 equal lengths. Insert looped center into slot of spool.
- Wind the line tightly around the spool. The line is wound in the direction of the arrow on the spool. Tightly wind it until there is about 6" of line left.
- Lock each end of line into opposite holding slot.
- Thread each end of the line through the upper and lower eyelets of the white plastic cover.
- Insert the line through each eyelet in the spool carrier and slide the spool into it.
- Insert the spring, assemble the spool and spool retainer back onto the trimmer. To do so, push the head on and turn it clockwise until it locks.
- Plug trimmer back in and in a few seconds or less you'll hear the line being cut automatically to the proper length.



MAINTENANCE

⚠ CAUTION: Do not at any time let brake fluids, gasoline, petroleum based products, penetrating oils, etc., come in contact with plastic parts. They contain chemicals that can damage, weaken or destroy plastic.

Make sure the trimmer is unplugged from the power supply, then use only mild soap and a damp cloth to clean the tool. Never let any liquid get inside the tool; never immerse any part of the tool into a liquid.

Fertilizers and other garden chemicals contain agents which greatly accelerate the corrosion of metals. Do not store the tool on or adjacent to fertilizers or chemicals.

⚠ IMPORTANT: To assure product SAFETY and RELIABILITY, repairs, maintenance and adjustment should be performed by a qualified individual using only identical replacement parts.

If you drop the trimmer, carefully inspect it for damage. If the guard is bent or cracked, handles broken or if you see any other condition that may affect the trimmer's operation, it must be repaired before putting it back into use. Call our customer service help line at 1-800-313-5111 for assistance.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Possible Solution
- Unit does not run	- Extension cord not connected to the plug - Cord not connected to power source - Lock button not fully operated	- Check extension cord is fully connected to tool - Check extension cord is fully connected to a live receptacle - Check that lock button is fully depressed prior to moving trigger
- Line won't feed	- Line tangled in spool	- Untangle line
- Line fails to cut off	- Line cutter in guard is damaged or missing - Line extends past guard	- Replacement/repair line cutter - Rewind or trim line to line cutter

CALL US FIRST !!

Call us first with questions about operating or maintaining your string trimmer at 1.800.313.5111 between 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, or send emails to earthwise@reelin.com.