

# **Sno-Thro**<sup>®</sup>

Operator's Manual Manuel du Utilisateur



## Models

938030 - SS21 (SN 000101 +)

938031 - SS21 (SN 000101 +)

938032 - SS21E (SN 000101 +)

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# WELCOME

Congratulations on your purchase and welcome to the Ariens family! Every machine in the Ariens lineup is designed for long-lasting and unsurpassed performance. We are confident your machine will be part of your family for many years to come.

# Have Questions or Need Assistance? ariensstore.com • arienscusthelp.com

A parts manual for your unit is available for free download or purchase at ariens.com.

## PRODUCT REGISTRATION

You or the dealer you purchased the unit from must register the product at the time of purchase. Know the model and serial numbers of your unit and register online at ariens.com or return the registration card to Ariens Company. See Figure 1 for label location.



Record model number here.

Record serial number here.

#### MANUALS

Before operating or servicing the unit, carefully and completely read the manuals provided with the unit. They contain safety instructions and important information about unit controls.

The engine on this unit is covered by a separate manual. Refer to the engine manual for engine service recommendations. Contact the engine manufacturer for a replacement manual if necessary.

Your dealer must review important information in this manual with you before or upon delivery of the unit. It is your responsibility to read and understand all safety precautions and instructions in the manuals. If you do not understand or have difficulty following the instructions, contact your Ariens dealer for assistance. To locate your nearest Ariens dealer, go to ariensstore.com.

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Ariens reserves the right to discontinue, make changes to, and add improvements upon its products at any time without public notice or obligation. The descriptions and specifications contained in this manual were in effect at printing. Equipment described in this manual may be optional. Some illustrations may not be applicable to your unit.

## SAFETY

Read these safety rules and follow them closely. Failure to follow these rules could lead to loss of control of unit, severe personal injury or death to you or bystanders, or result in damage to property or the machine.

## **PRACTICES & LAWS**

Practice usual and customary safe working precautions. Learn applicable rules and laws in your area. Always follow the practices set forth in this manual.

## **EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEM**

This equipment and/or its engine may include exhaust and evaporative emissions control system components required to meet U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and/or California Air Resources Board (CARB) regulations. Tampering with emission controls and components by unauthorized personnel may result in severe fines or penalties. Emission controls and components can only be adjusted by an Ariens Company dealer or an authorized engine manufacturer's service center. Contact your Ariens Company Equipment Retailer concerning emission controls and component questions.

#### REQUIRED OPERATOR TRAINING

The original purchaser of this unit was instructed by the seller on safe and proper operation. If unit is to be used by someone other than the original purchaser, loaned, rented, or sold, ALWAYS provide this manual and any needed safety training before operation.



WARNING: AVOID INJURY. This snow thrower is capable of crushing or amputating body parts. Failure to observe the safety instructions in the manuals and on decals could result in serious injury or death.

ALWAYS disengage auger, stop unit and engine, remove key and allow moving parts to stop before leaving operator's position.

## SAFETY ALERT SYMBOL



This is the safety alert symbol. It means:

- ATTENTION!
- YOUR SAFETY IS
   INVOLVED!

When you see this symbol:

- BECOME ALERT!
- OBEY THE MESSAGE!

## SIGNAL WORDS

The safety alert symbol above and signal words below are used on decals and in this manual. Read and understand all safety messages.

#### 1. Danger



DANGER: Indicates an IMMINENTLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION! If not avoided, WILL RESULT in death or serious injury.

## 2. Warning



WARNING: Indicates a POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION! If not avoided, COULD RESULT in death or serious injury.

## 3. Caution



**CAUTION:** Indicates a POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION! If not avoided, MAY RESULT in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

### 4. Notice

**NOTICE:** Indicates information or procedures that are considered important but not hazard related. If not followed, property damage could result.

#### 5. Important

**IMPORTANT:** Indicates general reference information worthy of special attention.

## SAFETY DECALS

The safety decals on your machine are visual reminders of the important safety information in this manual. All messages on your unit must be fully understood and carefully followed. Safety decals on the machine are explained below.

Always replace missing or damaged safety decals. Replacement decal information is in the parts manual for your machine. Decals can be ordered from your dealer.

See Figure 2 for safety decal locations.

#### Safety Decal Locations



## Safety Decal Descriptions



Danger!

Only use clean-out tool to clear blockages. NEVER use vour hands.



NEVER direct discharge towards persons or property that may be injured or damaged by thrown objects.



Keep people away from unit while operating. Keep children out of work area and under watchful care of a responsible adult.



### 3. DANGER!



Danger!



ROTATING PARTS! ONLY use clean-out tool to clear blockages. NEVER use your hands. High speed auger/impeller rotates below discharge opening. Wait for all moving parts to stop before removing clogs or servicing.

### 4. DANGER!



Danger!



Read operator's manual.



Do not operate in rain.

## SAFETY RULES

The following safety instructions are based on the B71.3 specifications of the American National Standards Institute in effect at the time of production.

#### Training

Read, understand and follow all instructions on the machine and in the manual(s) before operating this unit. Be thoroughly familiar with the controls and the proper use of the equipment. Know how to stop the unit and disengage the controls quickly.

Never allow children to operate the equipment. Never allow adults to operate the equipment without proper instruction, including actual operation. Keep the area of operation clear of all persons, particularly small children. Keep children under watchful care of a responsible adult. Be alert and shut off unit if children enter area.

Exercise caution to avoid slipping or falling, especially when operating the snow thrower in reverse.

Always remove key and/or wire from spark plug before assembly, maintenance or service. Unintentional engine start up can cause death or serious injury.

Complete a walk-around inspection of the unit to understand the unit, your work area, and all safety decals.

#### Preparation

Always check overhead and side clearances carefully before operation.

Always be aware of traffic when operating along streets or curbs.

Thoroughly inspect the area where the equipment is to be used and remove all pets, doormats, sleds, boards, toys, wires, debris and other foreign objects.

Disengage all clutches and shift into neutral before starting the engine (motor).

Use only approved extension cords and receptacles when starting units equipped with electric starter. Do not connect electric starter cord to any wiring system that is not a three-wire grounded system. Handle fuel with care; it is highly flammable.

- Use an approved fuel container.
- Never add fuel to a running engine or hot engine.
- Fill fuel tank outdoors with extreme care. Never fill fuel tank indoors.
- Never fill containers inside a vehicle or on a truck or trailer bed with a plastic liner. Always place containers on the ground, away from your vehicle, before filling.
- When practical, remove gas-powered equipment from the truck or trailer and refuel it on the ground. If this is not possible, then refuel such equipment on a trailer with a portable container, rather than from a gasoline dispenser nozzle.
- Keep the nozzle in contact with the rim of the fuel tank or container opening at all times, until refueling is complete. Do not use a nozzle lock-open device.
- Replace gasoline cap securely and wipe up spilled fuel.
- If fuel is spilled on clothing, change clothing immediately.

Adjust the auger/impeller housing height to clear gravel or crushed rock surface.

Never attempt to make any adjustments while the engine (motor) is running (except when specifically recommended by manufacturer).

Always allow unit and engine to adjust to outdoor temperature before clearing snow.

#### Operation

Never leave a running unit unattended. Always shut off engine before leaving unit. Always remove key to prevent unauthorized use.

Do not put hands or feet near or under rotating parts. Keep clear of the discharge opening at all times.

Moving and/or rotating parts can cut off body parts such as fingers or a hand. Always keep hands, feet and clothing away from all rotating parts during operation.

Always keep hands away from all pinch points.

Do not touch unit parts which might be hot from operation. Allow parts to cool before attempting to maintain, adjust or service. Thrown objects can cause injury. Check for weak spots on docks, ramps or floors. Avoid uneven work areas and rough terrain. Stay alert for hidden hazards.

Exercise extreme caution when operating on or crossing gravel drives, walks or roads. Adjust skid shoes so scraper blade does not contact gravel. Stay alert for hidden hazards or traffic.

After striking a foreign object, stop the engine (motor), remove the wire from the spark plug, thoroughly inspect the snow thrower for any damage, and repair the damage before restarting and operating the snow thrower.

If the unit should start to vibrate abnormally, stop the engine (motor) and check immediately for the cause.

Stop the engine (motor) whenever you leave the operating position, before unclogging the auger/impeller housing or discharge guide, and when making any repairs, adjustments or inspections.

When leaving the machine unattended, disengage the power take-off, lower the attachment, set the parking brake, stop the engine and remove the key.

When cleaning, repairing or inspecting the snow thrower, make certain the auger/impeller and all moving parts have stopped. Disconnect the spark plug wire and keep the wire away from the plug to prevent someone from accidentally starting the machine.

Do not run the engine (motor) indoors, except when starting the engine and for transporting the snow thrower in or out of the building. Open the outside doors; exhaust fumes are dangerous.

Never operate the snow thrower without proper guards and other safety protective devices in place.

Never direct the discharge toward people or areas where property damage can occur from thrown objects. Keep children and others away.

Do not overload the machine capacity by attempting to clear snow at too fast a rate. Slow down and turn corners slowly.

Never operate the machine at high transport speeds on slippery surfaces. Look behind and use care when backing.

Do not operate in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always back up slowly and look down and behind before and while backing. Do not carry passengers.

Disengage attachment drive when traveling from one work area to another.

Disengage power to the auger/impeller when snow thrower is transported or not in use.

Use only attachments and accessories approved by the manufacturer of the snow thrower (such as wheel weights, counterweights or cabs).

This product is equipped with an internal combustion type engine. Do not use unit on or near any unimproved, forest-covered or brush-covered land unless exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local, state or federal laws. A spark arrester, if it is used, must be maintained in effective working order by operator.

Never operate the snow thrower without good visibility or light. Falling snow, fog, etc. can reduce vision and cause an accident.

Never operate unit after or during the use of medication, drugs or alcohol. Safe operation requires complete and unimpaired attention at all times.

Never allow anyone to operate this unit when their alertness or coordination is impaired.

Avoid sharp edges. Sharp edges can cut.

Do not throw snow any higher than necessary.

## Clearing a Clogged Discharge Chute

Hand contact with the rotating auger/impeller inside the discharge chute is the most common cause of injury associated with snow throwers. Never use your hand to clean out the discharge chute.

To clear the chute:

- 1.SHUT THE ENGINE OFF!
- 2.Wait 10 seconds to be sure the auger/impeller blades have stopped rotating.
- 3.Always use a clean-out tool, not your hands.

#### Maintenance and Storage

Secure unit so it will not tip over during maintenance.

Before cleaning, removing clogs or making any inspections, repairs, etc., disengage clutch(es), stop unit and engine, remove key, allow moving parts to stop. Allow hot parts to cool.

Make sure the equipment is in safe working condition. Check shear bolts and other bolts and hardware at frequent intervals for proper tightness. If components are worn or damaged, replace with manufacturer's recommended parts.

Check clutch and brake operation frequently.

Do not change engine governor settings or over-speed engine.

Adjust and service as required. All motion of drive wheels and auger/impeller must stop quickly when control levers are released.

Always maintain unit in safe operating condition. Damaged or worn out muffler can cause fire or explosion.

Keep unit free of ice or other debris. Clean up oil or fuel spills.

Always keep protective structures, guards, and panels in good repair, in place and securely fastened. Never modify or remove safety devices.

Never store the machine with fuel in the fuel tank inside a building where ignition sources are present such as hot water heaters, space heaters or clothes dryers. Allow the engine to cool before storing in any enclosure or covering the unit.

Always refer to operator's manual for important details if the snow thrower is to be stored for an extended period.

Maintain or replace safety and instruction labels as necessary.

Run the machine a few minutes after throwing snow to prevent freeze-up of the auger/impeller.

#### **Personal Protection**

Do not operate the equipment without wearing adequate winter garments. Avoid loose fitting clothing that can get caught in moving parts. Wear footwear that will improve footing on slippery surfaces.

Wear adequate safety gear, including safety glasses with side shields, and protective gloves. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry, and tie back hair that may get caught in rotating parts.

Protect eyes, face and head from objects that may be thrown from unit. Wear appropriate hearing protection.

#### **Slope Operation**

Operate the snow thrower on level surfaces. Stay off slopes and slippery surfaces.

Do not clear snow across the face of slopes; go up and down. Exercise extreme caution when operating on slopes. Do not attempt to clear steep slopes.

Use a slow speed to avoid stops or shifts on slopes. Avoid starting or stopping on a slope.

Do not park unit on a slope unless absolutely necessary. When parking on a slope always block the wheels.

Do not operate near drop-offs, ditches, or embankments. Unit can suddenly turn over if a wheel is over the edge of a cliff or ditch, or if an edge caves in.

#### Fuel

Do not run engine in an enclosed area. Always provide good ventilation. Fumes from engine exhaust can cause injury or death.

Fuel is highly flammable and its vapors are explosive. Handle with care. Use only an approved gasoline container with an appropriately sized dispensing spout.

No smoking, No sparks, No flames. Always allow engine to cool before servicing.

Never fill fuel tank when engine is running or hot from operation.

Never fill or drain fuel tank indoors.

Replace fuel cap securely and clean up spilled fuel.

Never fill fuel containers inside a vehicle or on a truck or trailer bed with a plastic liner. Always place containers on the ground away from your vehicle before filling.

When practical, remove gas-powered equipment from the truck or trailer and refuel it on the ground. If this is not possible, then refuel on a trailer with a portable container, rather than from a gasoline dispenser nozzle. Keep the nozzle in contact with the rim of the fuel tank or container opening at all times until fueling is complete. Do not use a nozzle lock-open device.

If fuel is spilled on clothing, change clothing immediately.

Properly remove fuel before tipping unit up onto housing, so no spills will occur.

#### Towing/Transporting

Always shut off engine, remove key and close fuel shut-off valve or drain fuel when transporting unit on a truck or trailer.

Use extra care when loading or unloading unit onto trailer or truck. Secure unit chassis to transport vehicle. Never secure from rods or linkages that could be damaged. Do not transport machine while engine is running.

#### Accessories

Use only Ariens Company-recommended attachments that are appropriate to your use and can be used safely in your application.

## **CONTROLS & FEATURES**



- 1. Handlebar
- 2. Auger Control Bar
- 3. Auger Control Cable Assembly
- 4. Remote Discharge Chute Handle Assembly (Model 938033)
- 5. Recoil Starter Handle
- Discharge Chute Handle (Models 938030, 938031, 938032, 938034)
- 7. Discharge Chute Deflector Handle
- 8. Discharge Chute
- 9. Wing Knob
- 10. Auger Paddle
- 11. Oil Fill (Models 938030, 938034)

- 12. Oil Fill (Models 938031, 938032, 938033)
- 13. Oil Drain Plug
- 14. Fuel Cap & Tank
- 15. Choke Control Knob
- 16. Engine Switch
- 17. Primer Bulb
- 18. Electric Start Button (Models 938032, 938033, 938034)
- 19. Power Cord Receptacle (Models 938032, 938033, 938034)
- 20. Fuel Valve
- 21. Engine Guard
- 22. Fuel & Oil Door



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See Figure 3 for all controls and features locations.

## **ENGINE SWITCH**

See Figure 4.

The engine switch has two positions:

- Off Engine will not start or run.
- On Engine will start and run.



## CHOKE CONTROL KNOB

See Figure 5.

- Start (Choke Closed): Chokes off air to engine for easier starting.
- Run (Choke Open): Allows for normal operation.



## FUEL VALVE

See Figure 6.

Controls fuel flow to the engine. The fuel valve has two positions:

- Closed Use this position to service, transport or store the unit.
- Open Use this position to run the unit.

**NOTICE:** The valve is closed when it is narrow and vertical when viewed from above.



## PRIMER BULB

Adds fuel to engine for easier start on cold engines. See *Start Engine* on page 10.

## **RECOIL STARTER HANDLE**

When pulled, handle will start engine. See *Start Engine* on page 10.

#### ELECTRIC START BUTTON Models 938032, 938033, 938034

When pushed, button will start a properly choked and cranked engine. See *Start Engine* on page 10.

## DISCHARGE CHUTE HANDLE

#### Models 938030, 938031, 938032, 938034

Turn discharge chute handle to control direction of snow discharge. See *Position Discharge Chute* on page 11.

## REMOTE DISCHARGE CHUTE HANDLE ASSEMBLY

#### Model 938033

See Figure 7.

Move remote discharge chute handle forward or backward to control direction of snow discharge.



## **BEFORE OPERATING**



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**IMPORTANT:** All references to left, right, front or rear are given from the perspective of operator in operator's position, facing the direction of forward travel.

- 1. Know how to stop in an emergency. See *Emergency Stopping* on page 10.
- 2. Check for frozen components.
- 3. Check fuel level and add fuel if needed.

**IMPORTANT:** Use fresh unleaded fuel with an octane rating of at least 87. DO NOT use E85 blended fuels; the engine is not E20 / E30 / E85 compatible. The maximum recommended ethanol content is 10%. Ariens recommends using a quality fuel stabilizer in all fuel. See *Short Term* on page 17.

- 4. Check engine oil level and add oil if needed. Refer to engine manual.
- 5. Check function of all controls.

#### CHECK ENGINE OIL Models 938031, 938032, 938033

- 1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve.
- 2. Open fuel and oil door and remove cap from oil fill.

- 3. Check engine oil level and add oil if needed. Refer to engine manual.
- 4. Replace cap and close door.
- 5. Clean up any spilled oil.

#### Models 938030, 938034

- 1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve.
- 2. Remove cap from oil fill.
- 3. Check engine oil level and add oil if needed. Refer to engine manual.
- 4. Replace cap.
- 5. Clean up any spilled oil.

## OPERATION

**WARNING:** AVOID INJURY. Read and understand the *Safety* section before proceeding.

## **EMERGENCY STOPPING**

- 1. Release auger control bar.
- 2. Turn engine switch to OFF position.
- 3. Wait for all moving parts to stop before leaving operator's position.

### START ENGINE

- 1. Position discharge chute in a safe direction. See *Position Discharge Chute* on page 11.
- 2. Move engine switch to ON position.
- 3. Electric Start Models Only: Connect a power cord to power cord receptacle and then plug cord into a wall outlet.



**CAUTION:** Use cord that is minimum of 13 amp, 16 Gauge, 3 wire grounded plug, UL listed, CSA Certified. Cord must be labeled suitable for outdoor use.

- 4. Open fuel valve.
- 5. If engine is cold, turn choke to CLOSED position.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not apply choke to a warm engine.

6. Push primer bulb twice.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not push primer bulb to start a warm engine.

 Electric Start Models Only: Press electric start button. If engine does not start after three attempts, see *Troubleshooting* on page 18.

- 8. *Electric Start Models Only:* When engine starts, disconnect power cord from wall outlet, then disconnect cord from power cord receptacle.
- 9. Recoil Start: Pull recoil starter handle.
  - a. Grasp handle and pull rope out slowly until it pulls harder.
  - Pull handle firmly and quickly with a rapid, continuous full-arm stroke.
     Repeat until engine starts. If engine does not start, see *Troubleshooting* on page 18.
  - c. Let handle rewind slowly after engine starts. DO NOT let handle snap back against handlebar.
- 10. Gradually open choke after engine starts.

## POSITION DISCHARGE CHUTE

#### See Figure 8.

**IMPORTANT:** Always throw snow in a safe direction, away from people and windows.

**IMPORTANT:** If chute becomes frozen and does not turn correctly, take unit into warm area until controls are unfrozen.

#### Model 938033:

- 1. Move remote discharge chute handle forward or backward to choose the direction to throw snow.
- Loosen wing knob and move discharge chute deflector handle up or down to control snow throw height.
- 3. Tighten wing knob.

#### Models 938030, 938031, 938032, 938034:

- 1. Turn discharge chute handle in the direction you want to throw snow.
- Loosen wing knob and move discharge chute deflector handle up or down to control snow throw height.
- 3. Tighten wing knob.



3. Discharge Chute Deflector Handle Figure 8

## **OPERATE UNIT**

1. Rotate discharge chute and move deflector to desired positions.

**NOTICE:** On some surfaces, auger paddle rotation may leave residual paddle material. This usually washes off after rain showers. Scraper bar may be adjusted to minimize this condition. See *Adjust Scraper Blade* on page 15.

2. Pull auger control bar back to handlebar to start auger; release bar to stop auger. See Figure 9.



#### STOP ENGINE

- 1. Release auger control bar.
- 2. Turn engine switch to OFF position.
- 3. Close fuel valve.

### TRANSPORTING UNIT

1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve.

**NOTICE:** Use extra care when loading or unloading onto truck or trailer. DO NOT lift using discharge chute handle.

 Secure unit chassis to transport vehicle. Never secure from rods or linkages that could be damaged.

### FOR BEST PERFORMANCE

- For complete snow removal, walk slowly and slightly overlap each path previously taken.
- Position discharge chute downwind when possible.
- Do not pick up gravel and rocks. Push down slightly on handlebar to avoid picking up debris.
- Inspect auger before each use and remove any accumulation / debris.
- Check oil level before each use.
- Clean unit after each use.

## MAINTENANCE



**WARNING:** AVOID INJURY. Read and understand the *Safety* section before proceeding.

Proper maintenance can prolong the life of unit. The *Maintenance Schedule on Page 12* shows the recommended service schedule.

Your Ariens dealer can provide service and adjustments to keep your unit operating at peak efficiency. Contact an authorized engine manufacturer's service center for engine service.

More frequent service may be required due to working conditions (heavy loads, high ambient temperatures, dusty conditions, or airborne debris).

See the maintenance instructions in the Engine Manual for additional information.

### MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Service Performed	Each Use	Every 10 hrs.	As Needed	Annually
Clean Unit	•			
Check Engine Oil*	٠			
Check Fasteners	٠			
Check Auger Paddle Wear		•		
Check Scraper Blade Wear		•		
Check Belt Wear		•		
Replace Scraper Blade			•	
Change Engine Oil*			•	
Replace Auger Paddles			•	

\*Refer to engine manual for instructions.

## SERVICE PARTS

See your Ariens dealer to purchase service parts for your unit.

Description	Part No.
Ariens Hi-Temp Grease	
<ul> <li>97 ml (3 oz) cartridges (3)</li> </ul>	00036800
• 414 ml (14 oz) cartridge (1)	00036700
Fuel Stabilizer – 118 ml (4 oz)	04730400
	04742500
	(for Canada
	Only)
Spark Plug	21547400

Ariens 5W-30 Engine Oil	
• 473 ml (16 oz)	00091000
• 946 ml (32 oz)	00067600
Auger Cable	06900533
Auger Belt	07200627
Auger Paddle Replacement Kit	53802900
Scraper Blade Replacement Kit	53803100
Pawl Arm Replacement Kit	53803800

## CLEAN UNIT

- 1. Remove snow and debris with a softbristled brush. DO NOT use harsh abrasives or cleaners.
- 2. Protect painted surfaces with automotivetype wax.

## CHECK ENGINE OIL

See Check Engine Oil on page 10.

## CHANGE ENGINE OIL

Refer to engine manual.

## CHECK FASTENERS

Check for loose hardware.

## CHECK AUGER PADDLE WEAR

Replace when auger paddles have worn through wear indicator holes. See *Replace Auger Paddles* on page 13.

## CHECK SCRAPER BLADE WEAR

Replace when damaged or when scraper blade has been adjusted down as far as possible and does not touch surface or clear properly. Scraper blade MUST be replaced when worn through to wear indicator pockets. See Figure 10.



**NOTICE:** DO NOT allow scraper blade to wear down too far or auger housing will become damaged. See *Replace Scraper Blade* on page 15.

## CHECK BELT WEAR

Adjust auger cable as needed. Replace when damaged or when auger stops or stutters during operation. See *Adjust Auger Cable* on page 14 and *Replace Belt on Page 15*.

## SERVICE & ADJUSTMENTS

**WARNING:** AVOID INJURY. Read and understand the *Safety* section before proceeding.

## REPLACE AUGER PADDLES

Replace auger paddles when paddles have worn completely through wear indicator holes. See Figure 11.

**IMPORTANT:** Always replace auger paddles in pairs. Do not replace one paddle only.



1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve. Allow unit to cool.

See Figure 12.

- Tip unit back onto engine guard. DO NOT tip further than engine guard allows or oil may leak out of engine.
- 3. Remove six hex bolts, washers and top locking flange nuts securing each paddle to center plate and side plates. Discard all parts.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not remove center plate.



- 4. Position new paddles with wear indicator holes on the left side as you face the unit.
- Install spacers into paddle holes and secure paddle with new hex bolts and nuts.
- 6. Tighten nuts to 5.6 − 10.2 N•m (50 − 90 lb-in). DO NOT overtighten.
- When both paddles are installed, rotate auger paddles by hand. Ensure that paddles do not rub on housing and are tightly attached.
- 8. Return unit to operating position.
- 9. Remove slack from auger cable. See *Adjust Auger Cable* on page 14.

## ADJUST AUGER CABLE

See Figure 13.

- 1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve.
- 2. Slide plastic sleeve up to auger control bar.
- Insert Z-hook into appropriate hole in adjustment bracket. When auger control bar is disengaged, there should minor slack in cable and no tension.
- 4. Engage auger control bar to ensure proper operation. There should be no excessive tension on cable.
- 5. Lower plastic sleeve.



## REPLACE BELT

- 1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve. Allow unit to cool.
- Remove five tapping screws from belt cover and remove belt cover. Retain all parts. See Figure 14.



See Figure 15.

- Disconnect extension spring from idler arm.
- 4. Remove belt from drive pulley, idler and engine sheave.



- Install new belt on engine sheave, idler and drive pulley. Route belt between idler and belt finger on idler arm.
- 6. Reinstall extension spring.
- 7. Reinstall belt cover.

## ADJUST SCRAPER BLADE

**IMPORTANT:** The auger housing may be damaged if blade wears down too much.

See Figure 16.

- Tip unit back onto engine guard and loosen hardware securing scraper blade to scraper support.
- 2. Reposition scraper blade.
  - Move scraper blade down to compensate for scraper blade wear and increase auger clearance.
  - Move scraper blade up to decrease auger clearance.
- 3. Tighten hardware and return unit to operating position.



## **REPLACE SCRAPER BLADE**

- 1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve. Allow unit to cool.
- 2. Tip unit back onto engine guard.

See Figure 17.

- Remove nuts, bolts, scraper support and scraper blade. Retain hardware. Discard scraper blade.
- 4. Check condition of scraper support. Replace if worn or damaged.



See Figure 18.

- 5. Insert scraper support into new scraper blade. The D-shaped cutout must be on the left (drive belt side).
- 6. Position scraper assembly under housing.
  - D-shaped cutout must be on the left.
  - Edge must point down and forward.
  - Scraper assembly bolt holes must align with square bolt holes in auger housing.



- Move scraper assembly backward and up until small lip on top of scraper blade contacts bottom lip of housing.
- Install bolts and nuts. Tighten nuts to 4.5 – 5.7 N•m (40 – 50 lb-in). Threads must protrude beyond the nut.
- 9. Return unit to operating position.

**IMPORTANT:** If auger paddles are pulling too strongly or scraper blade is not clearing completely, loosen nuts (do not remove) and slide scraper assembly down slightly. Tighten nuts.

#### ADJUST REMOTE CHUTE ROTATION CABLES Model 938033

1. Stop engine, remove key and close fuel valve. Allow unit to cool.

See Figure 19.

- 2. Open fuel and oil door to access chute rotation cable adjustment screws.
- 3. Loosen cable clamp screws.



- 4. Pull cable covers to the right to remove slack.
- 5. Tighten screws and close fuel and oil door.

**NOTICE:** Remote chute rotation cables may also be accessed from under unit by tipping unit forward.

## STORAGE



**WARNING:** AVOID INJURY. Read and understand the *Safety* section before proceeding.

## SHORT TERM

- 1. Engage auger momentarily to remove loose or melting snow to prevent auger shaft from freezing.
- 2. Tighten all hardware to correct specifications.
- 3. Inspect unit for visible signs of wear or damage. Repair as needed.
- 4. Apply a light layer of oil or anti-rust compound on bare metal areas.
- 5. Prepare fuel system for storage.

**NOTICE:** Ariens recommends using a quality fuel stabilizer in all fuel. Gasoline left in the fuel system without a stabilizer, even for short periods of time, deteriorates and leaves gummy deposits in the system that may damage the carburetor and fuel hoses, filter and tank. For the best effectiveness, add stabilizer to all fuel containers whenever purchasing fuel. Add the stabilizer to the container before adding fuel.

- a. Add Ariens fuel stabilizer (see Service Parts on page 12) or equivalent according to manufacturer's instructions to the fuel tank and any fuel containers with remaining fuel.
- Bun engine outdoors for at least
   5 minutes to allow stabilizer to reach the carburetor.
- 6. Close fuel valve and allow engine to stop on its own.
- 7. Set engine switch to off position and remove key.
- 8. Store unit in a cool, dry, protected area. Do not store unit outdoors.

### LONG TERM

- 1. Perform all short-term storage items.
- 2. Wash salt and other corrosive ice-melting agent residue from unit with mild soap and low-pressure water.

**IMPORTANT:** Never spray unit with highpressure water.

- 3. Touch up all scratched painted surfaces.
- 4. Store unit in a cool, dry, protected area. Do not store unit outdoors.

## START-OF-SEASON FUEL PREPARATION

 Before opening the fuel valve for the first time after long-term storage, add fresh, stabilizer-treated fuel to the fuel tank and any fuel containers with remaining fuel.

## ACCESSORIES

See your Ariens dealer for a complete list of compatible accessories and attachments for your unit.

Description	Part No.
Sno-Thro Cover Kit	73801100
Protective Floor Mat	70707600
Snow Shield Kit	73800600
Remote Chute Rotation Kit (Models 938030, 938031, 938032, 938034)	73800800
Maintenance Kit*	73801000

\*Includes 16 oz. 5W-30 engine oil, spark plug, fuel stabilizer and non-stick spray (Snow-Jet).

	TROUBLESHOOTING					
Problem	Probable Cause	Correction				
	Engine switch in OFF position.	Move switch to ON position. See <i>Engine Switch</i> on page 9.				
	Fuel valve is closed.	Open fuel valve. See <i>Fuel Valve</i> on page 9.				
	Fuel tank empty.	Fill fuel tank with fuel. See <i>Before Operating</i> on page 10.				
	Cord not plugged in (electric start models only).	Plug power cord in or replace worn cord. Reset circuit breaker.				
Engine will not	Engine not primed.	Press the primer bulb twice and start engine.				
start.	Spark plug disconnected.	Connect spark plug.				
	Choke open / cold engine.	Turn choke to CLOSED position, then press primer button and start engine. See Choke Control Knob on page 9.				
	Excessive fuel in engine cylinder (flooded).	Turn choke control knob to off position and reattempt starting. See <i>Start Engine</i> on page 10.				
	Faulty spark plug.	Replace spark plug.				
	Faulty engine.	See your Ariens Dealer.				
	Fuel mixture too rich.	Turn choke to OPEN position. See Choke Control Knob on page 9.				
Engine starts hard or runs poorly.	Faulty, fouled or incorrectly gapped spark plug.	Clean and properly set spark plug gap or see your Ariens Dealer.				
	Fuel cap vent is blocked.	Install new fuel cap.				
Excessive vibration.	Loose parts or damaged auger paddles.	Stop engine immediately. Replace auger paddles. See <i>Maintenance Schedule</i> on page 12 or see your Ariens Dealer.				
Excessive snow left behind.	Scraper blade is worn.	Replace when damaged or when scraper blade has been adjusted down as far as possible and does not touch ground or clear properly. See <i>Replace Scraper Blade</i> on page 15 or see your Ariens Dealer.				
	Auger drive belt is loose or damaged.	Replace belt or adjust auger control cable. See <i>Replace Belt</i> on page 15 and <i>Adjust Auger Cable</i> on Page 14. See your Ariens Dealer.				
Snow does not discharge.	Discharge chute is clogged with snow.	Stop engine immediately. Clean discharge chute and auger housing. DO NOT use your hands.				
	Auger paddles are worn or damaged.	Replace auger paddles. See Maintenance Schedule on page 12 or see your Ariens Dealer.				
Remote discharge chute handle has excessive play.	Remote chute rotation cables are loose.	Adjust remote chute rotation cables. See Adjust Remote Chute Rotation Cables on page 16 or see your Ariens Dealer.				

SPECIFICATIONS							
	938030		938032	938033	938034		
Model	SS21	SS21	SS21E	SS21EC	SS21E		
Starter	Recoil	Recoil	Electric / Recoil	Electric / Recoil	Electric / Recoil		
Engine							
Engine			Ariens				
Engine Model	AX136		AX208		AX136		
Engine Size – cm <sup>3</sup> (in <sup>3</sup> )	136 (8.3)	.3) 208 (12.7) 136 (8.3)					
Maximum RPM – No load.	3600 ± 100						
Oil Capacity: L (Pt.)			0.47 (1.0)				
Fuel Tank Capacity: L (Qt.)	2.7 (2.9)	.7 (2.9) 1.27 (1.34) 2.7 (2.9)					
Fuel Octane Rating		Se	e Engine Man	ual			
Size and Weight							
Length: cm (in.)	137.9 (54.3)						
Width: cm (in.)	54.9 (21.6)						
Height: cm (in.)	103.9 (40.9)						
Weight: kg (lbs.)	39.5 (87)	(87)         41.3 (91)         43.1 (95)         44.0 (97)         41.3 (91)					



## Sno-Thro<sup>®</sup>, Sno-Tek<sup>®</sup> and Chore Performing Equipment Limited Warranty

Ariens Company (Ariens) warrants to the **original purchaser** that Ariens, Gravely, Parker, and Countax brand chore performing equipment (including Sno-Thro<sup>®</sup> and Sno-Tek<sup>®</sup> equipment) purchased on or after 1/1/2015 will be free from defects in material and workmanship for the time period noted in the chart below. Equipment put to personal use around a single household or residence is considered "Consumer Use"; equipment put to any business use (agricultural, commercial, or industrial) or used at multiple locations is considered "Commercial Use." If any product is rented or leased, then the duration of these warranties shall be 90 days after the date of purchase.

An authorized Ariens dealer (Ariens brand products), Gravely dealer (Gravely brand products), Parker dealer (Parker brand products), or Countax dealer (Countax brand products) will repair any defect in material or workmanship, and repair or replace any defective part, subject to the conditions, limitations and exclusions set forth herein. Such repair or replacement will be free of charge (labor and parts) to the original purchaser except as noted below.

Warranty Code	Product Group	Warranty Period Consumer Use	Warranty Period Commercial Use
PA	Log Splitters, Brushes, String Trimmers, Edgers	3 Years	90 Days
PB	Professional Powered Brushes	3 Years	1 Year
PC	Tillers	2 Years	90 Days
PD	Vacuums, Blowers, Sweepers, Truck Loaders, Lawn Rakes, Sprayers, Aerators, etc.	1 Year	1 Year
PE	Pressure Washer, Generators	3 Years	1 Year
SA	Professional Sno-Thro <sup>®</sup>	3 Years	1 Year
SB	Compact, Deluxe, Platinum, AMP™ Sno-Thro <sup>®</sup> , Path-Pro <sup>®</sup>	3 Years	90 Days
SC	Sno-Tek <sup>®</sup>	2 Years	90 Days
UA	Utility Vehicles	1 Year	1 Year
N/A	Service (Replacement) Parts	90 Days (no labor)	90 Days (no labor)

#### Special Extensions

The chart below details special extensions to this warranty:

Warranty Code	Warranty Exception	Warranty Period	Use	Detail
SA	Cast Iron Auger Gear Case	5 Years	All	5 Years for all users including Commercial
SB	Cast Iron Auger Gear Case	5 Years	Consumer	5 Years for Consumer use; 1 Year for Commercial Use
SB	Batteries for AMP™ Sno-Thro <sup>®</sup>	2 Years	Consumer	100% first year; prorated second year.



#### Exceptions and Limitations

The chart below details special exceptions to this warranty:

Warranty Code	Warranty Exception	Warranty Period	Use	Detail
All (Exc. SB)	Batteries	1 Year	All	Prorated
All	Belts, Muffler, Tires	None	Commercial	These components are not covered when used commercially.
All	Cloth, Plastic, and Rubber Components (Including Belts and Cables)	Maximum 2 Years	All	Warranty is limited to 2 years for consumer use. (1 year for warranty code "PD".) Except as noted above, these components are covered for defect, not for wear.
SA, SB, SC	Idlers	Maximum 2 Years	All	Warranty is limited on idlers to 2 years for consumer use.
All	Engines	See Engine Manufacturer's Warranty	All	Engines are covered by engine manufacturer's warranty. Refer to engine manufacturer's warranty statement.

#### Customer Responsibilities

**Register the product immediately at the time of sale.** If the dealer does not register the product, the customer must complete the product registration card in the literature package and return it to Ariens Company, or register the unit online at www.ariens.com, www.gravely.com, www.countax.com or www.parkersweeper.com.

To obtain warranty service, the **original purchaser** must:

- Perform the maintenance and adjustments explained in the Owner's Manual.
- Promptly notify Ariens or an authorized Ariens, Gravely, Parker or Countax service representative of the need for warranty service.
- Transport the product to and from the place of warranty service at owner's expense.
- Have the warranty service performed by an authorized Ariens, Gravely, Parker or Countax service representative.

#### To Find an Authorized Service Representative:

#### In the U.S. and Canada:

Use the dealer locator on our websites: www.ariens.com • www.gravely.com					
Or contact us by mail or by phone:					
In the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Caribbean, Central and South America:	In Europe, Asia, Africa or the Middle East:	In Australia or New Zealand:			
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#### Exclusions – Items Not Covered by This Warranty

- Parts that are not genuine Ariens, Gravely, Parker or Countax service parts are not covered by this
  warranty and may void the warranty.
- Damages resulting from the installation or use of any part, accessory, or attachment which is not
  approved by the Ariens Company for use with product(s) identified herein are not covered by this
  warranty.
- The following maintenance, service and replacement items are not covered by this warranty unless
  they are noted in the Limitations section above: lubricants, spark plugs, oil, oil filters, air filters, fuel
  filters, brake linings, brake arms, brake shoes, skid shoes, scraper blades, shear bolts, mower
  blades, mower vanes, brushes, headlights, light bulbs, knives, cutters, and single-stage impellers.
- Any misuse, alteration, improper assembly, improper adjustment, neglect, or accident which
  requires repair is not covered by this warranty.
- Use of gasoline blends exceeding 10% ethanol voids any and all warranties.
- Products are designed to the specifications in the area that the product was originally distributed. Different areas may have significantly different legal and design requirements. This warranty is limited to the requirements in the area in which the unit was originally distributed. Ariens Company does not warrant this product to the requirements of any other area. Warranty service is limited to service within the area originally distributed.
- In countries other than the United States and Canada, contact the Ariens Company dealer for warranty policies that govern within your country. Rights may vary from country to country and within any one country.
- Normal Wear: This warranty does not cover repair when normal use has exhausted the useful life of a part such as a high pressure hose, spray wand, nozzles, trigger handle, supply hoses, quick couplers, gaskets, valves, pistons, pump valve assemblies, o-rings, water and oil seals.

#### Special Exclusions on Utility Vehicles

The following uses void the warranty terms on Utility Vehicles (Warranty Code UA):

- Renting or leasing the utility vehicle.
- Using the utility vehicle to tow or carry loads in excess of the limits specified in the Owner/Operator Manual.
- Modifying the utility vehicle with parts and accessories that are not genuine or authorized Ariens or Gravely parts or accessories.
- Modifying the utility vehicle without express written authorization from Ariens Company.
- Operating the utility vehicle when it has not been completely and properly assembled and pre-delivered by an authorized Gravely dealer.

#### <u>Disclaimer</u>

Ariens Company may from time to time change the design of its products. Nothing contained in this warranty shall be construed as obligating Ariens Company to incorporate such design changes into previously manufactured products, nor shall such changes be construed as an admission that previous designs were defective.

#### LIMITATION OF REMEDY AND DAMAGES

Ariens Company's liability under this warranty, and under any implied warranty that may exist, is limited to repair of any defect in workmanship, and repair or replacement of any defective part. Ariens Company shall not be liable for incidental, special, or consequential damages (including lost profits). Some states do not allow the exclusion of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

#### AUSTRALIAN CONSUMER LAW

The following applies solely to warranties subject to Subsection 102(1) of the Australian Consumer Law: Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded by the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and failure does not amount to a major failure.

#### DISCLAIMER OF FURTHER WARRANTY

Ariens Company makes no warranty, express or implied, other than what is expressly made in this warranty. If the law of your state provides that an implied warranty of merchantability, or an implied warranty of fitness for particular purpose, or any other implied warranty, applies to Ariens Company, then any such implied warranty is limited to the duration of this warranty. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from region to region.

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### WARNING

The engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm.

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