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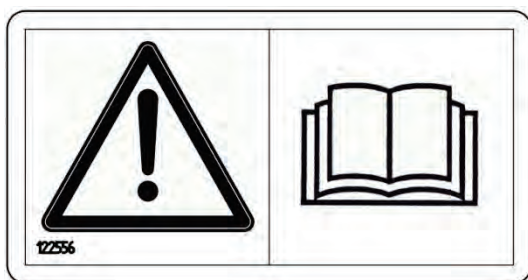


Fig. 5 Read the operating instructions

Before using the machine for the first time, **read** the operating instructions and safety instructions. Always **observe** the operating instructions and safety instructions while using the equipment.



Fig. 6 Drive speed

**Do not exceed** the maximum permissible drive speed of 1000 rpm.

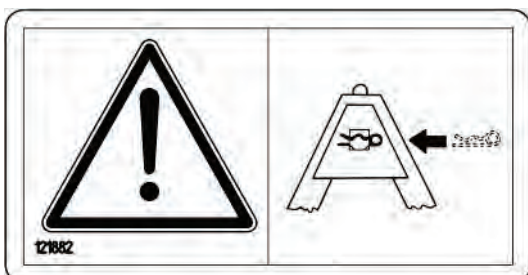


Fig. 7 Securing the coupling triangle

**Secure** the coupled machine's interlocking system using a spring cotter.

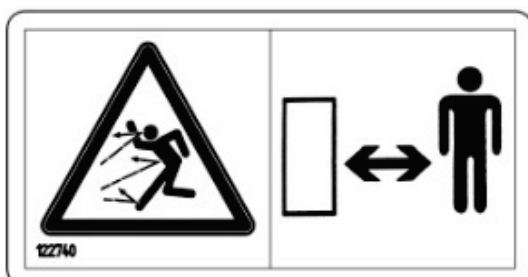


Fig. 8 Loose stones

**Keep out of the hazard area.** Please take particular care when working near roads and buildings.

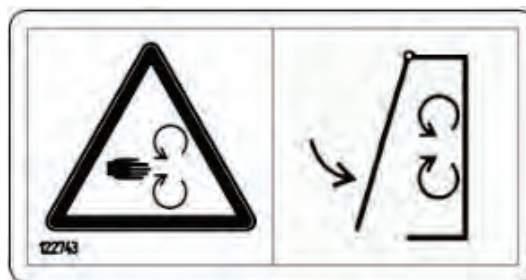


Fig. 9 Close the guard

**Move** the machine's safety equipment to the safety position before switching on the PTO shaft.



Fig. 10 Overrun time

**Only** approach when the machine's machine parts **have come to a complete stop.**

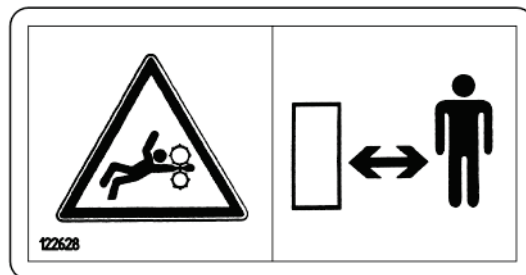


Fig. 11 Rotating machine parts

**Maintain** a safe distance from the rotating machine parts.

## 2.7 Safety instructions

### Observing the safety instructions and warnings

The general safety instructions always apply for using the machine safely and maintaining it in a safe condition. The operating instructions and, in particular, all of the safety instructions contained therein, must therefore be read through before using the machine for the first time and kept in mind during use.

## 6 Attachment to the tractor



### Warning!

#### Risk of injury as a result of crushing or shearing

Coupling, raising or lowering the lower link may result in injury to anyone remaining within the area around the lower link rods.

- Do not step between the tractor and the machine when you are lifting and lowering the lower links.
- Ensure that there is no-one between the tractor and the machine.



### Caution!

#### Risk of injury as a result of insecure fastening of the machine to the tractor

If the standardised three-point categories for tractor and machine do not match, this may result in personal injury and material damage.

- Make sure that the standardised categories match when attaching the machine to the tractor.
- Check that the securing elements on the hitch are in good condition.

### 6.1 Initial operation

- Check the maintenance intervals (see chapter 13 Servicing) to see when maintenance work is due and perform this work correctly.
- Check that the drive shaft is fitted and operating correctly and that all protection devices are in place.
- Check the machine for damage. Rectify any damage.

### 6.2 Attaching the machine

Standard equipment on the machine allows front attachment to a Weiste triangle.

- Move the drive shaft bracket to the direction of travel.
- Remove the rear protective sheet.
- With the front hydraulics lowered, drive the tractor slowly towards the machine.
- Raise the front hydraulics carefully until the Weiste triangle is fully engaged in the machine frame.

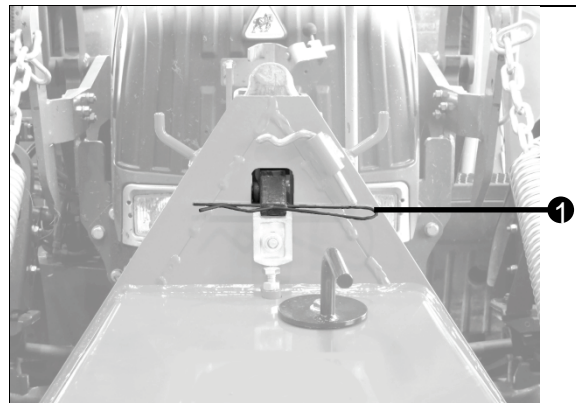


Fig. 22 Spring cotter to secure the Weiste triangle

- Use the spring cotter (1) to secure the machine to the Weiste triangle.

### 6.3 Connecting the drive shaft to the tractor



### Caution!

#### Risk of injury when fitting/removing the drive shaft

Rotating machine parts may cause personal injury and material damage.

Before you attach/detach the drive shaft:

- Switch off the PTO shaft on the tractor.
- Switch off the tractor engine.
- Remove the ignition key.

## Rectifying faults

### 12.1 If the machine runs over an obstacle

- Switch off the machine.
- Switch off the tractor engine.
- Remove the ignition key.
- Check the cutter blades for damage.
- Replace any damaged cutter blades.
- Check that the cutter blade holders are securely in place and are not damaged.
- Replace any loose or damaged cutter blade holders.
- Check the rest of the machine for damage.
- If you discover further damage, replace the affected parts or have them repaired by a specialist workshop.

### 12.2 Weiste triangle

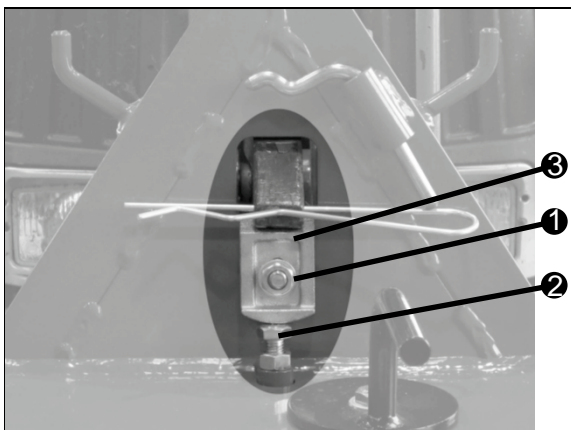


Fig. 41 Setting the position of the slider

- Loosen the nut (1).
- Turn the adjustment screw (2) until the slider (3) reaches the desired position.

Screw in                      Lower  
Unscrew                      Higher

- Tighten the nut (1).

### 12.3 Replacing driveGUARD

The machine drive is protected by driveGUARD – an element that connects the drive flange and the mower disc. The driveGUARD element is triggered if the mower disc is blocked by foreign objects.

Result: The mower disc turns freely, power to the drive is interrupted and damage prevented.

A driveGUARD element that has been triggered can be identified by:

- A poor cutting pattern or no visible cut on the forage (creation of stripes) at the cutting position of the affected mower disc,
- the mower disc is not situated at a 90° angle to the adjacent mower discs and can be turned manually.

The driveGUARD element can be replaced on site.



#### Danger!

#### Risk of injury from running-on machine parts!

The work tools on the machine may continue to run after the drive has been switched off.

- Wait until all machine parts have stopped rotating.
- Approach the work tools only when they are stationary.



#### Caution!

#### Risk of injury from sharp edges and burrs!

There is a risk of injury and cutting yourself when replacing parts with sharp edges.

- Wear protective gloves.

## 13.8.3 Checking the blade retaining bolt

Only applicable for models with the quick-change blade system:

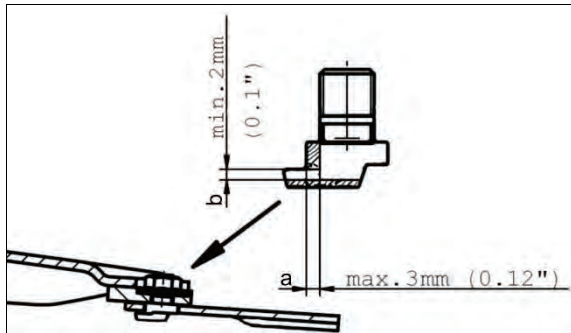


Fig. 66 Blade retaining bolt wear

- ➔ Measure the blade retaining bolt wear a.
- ➔ If  $a > 3 \text{ mm}$ , replace the blade retaining bolt and the Verbus-Ripp nut.
- ➔ Check the square section and head (minimum height b 2 mm) for wear or damage, replacing the blade retaining bolt and/or nut if necessary.



### Important!

#### Risk of material damage from imbalance

Irregular running may result in damage to the machine.

- ➔ Always replace the blade retaining bolt and holder in pairs.

## 13.8.4 Checking the holding spring

Only applicable for models with the quick-change blade system:

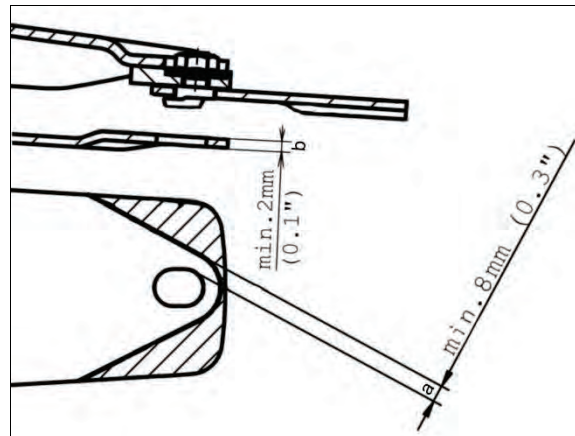


Fig. 67 Holding spring wear

- ➔ Measure the edge distance a and the height b of the holding spring.
- ➔ If  $a < 8 \text{ mm}$  or  $b < 2 \text{ mm}$ , replace the holding spring.

## 13.8.5 Replacing the cutter blades and/or cutter-blade bolt

Only applicable for models without quick-change blade system:

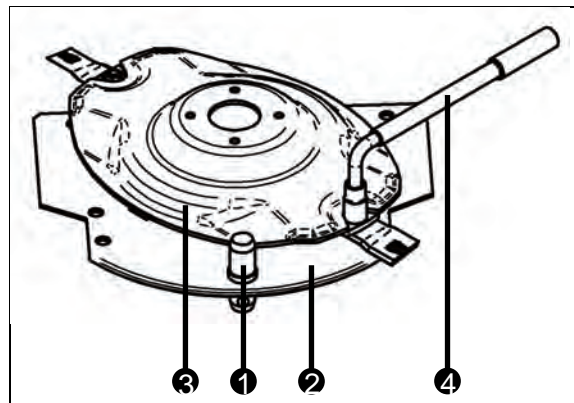


Fig. 68 Loosen the cutter blade

- ➔ Insert the stop pin (1) into the stone guard disc (2) of the affected mower disc (3).
- ➔ Turn the mower disc (3) until contact is made.
- ➔ Check that the mower discs are aligned.

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