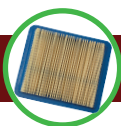




Lawn Mower Tune Up Checklist

*This is a basic checklist with popular procedures. Always refer to your owner's manual for manufacturer specific tune-up recommendations.



Check Air Filter



- Clean the filter to remove any built up debris.
- [Replace the filter](#) if it is damaged or torn.



Check Spark Plug



- Clean spark plug with wire brush and ignition cleaner to remove combustion residue.
- [Replace the spark plug](#) if damaged or the electrode is worn down.



Check Oil



- Check the oil level. Are you low? Add oil to the recommended level on the dipstick (ex. "Full").
- [Change the oil](#) if you did not do so before storage in the fall. It's always best to start the season fresh.



Stabilize Fuel



- Make sure any old gas has been removed from the fuel tank.
- Treat new fuel by adding a [fuel stabilizer](#) each and every time you buy new gas.



Check Mower Blades



- Sharpen dull blades. A dull blade will tear the grass rather than giving a clean cut.
- [Replace blades](#) if damaged, have excessive dents, or if the metal is wearing thin after several sharpenings.



Recharge Battery (Riding Mowers)



- Recharge the battery on your riding mower. Chances are all the juice has drained over winter if you did not hook the battery up to a trickle charger.



Inspect Belts



- Check for frayed or worn belts. [Replace a belt](#) if needed.



Clean Deck



- Clean the top and underside of the deck to remove all that old dried up grass.

