



Tool Tips

Operation & Safety

Trenchers



Safety Practices:

Always make sure that the trailer is attached securely to vehicle.

Ensure all fastening devices from the trailer to the equipment are secured.

Machine should be started and shut off at low throttle

Do not fuel machines that are still hot from running, allow engine to cool

If the trencher is a stand on type unit, do not place feet under the standing platform.

If the machine is left unattended, it must be turned off with the key removed and parked on level ground.

Wear close fitting protective clothing and correct safety footwear.

Do not use indoors or in confined spaces as equipment emits carbon monoxide.

Check controls for proper response. Shut down the machine if a fault is detected.

Never enter a moving machine.

Come to a complete stop before reversing direction.

Keep hands away from drive chains.

Ensure there is ample overhead clearance.

Stay clear of all electrical and water conductor lines.

Never touch a hydraulic leak under pressure.

Questions or Problems?

Contact the Home Depot listed on your contract.

Need More Information?

The instructions on this sheet are abbreviated instructions only and are provided solely as a customer service. They are not meant to replace the tool's operation manual. If you are unsure of the tool's safe and proper operation, please request an operator's manual from one of our sales associates. You can also view or download a copy of the operating manual at www.compactpowerrents.com.

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Tool Operation:

Step	Action
Drive Unit	
1	Check engine oil before startup
2	Stand at the rear of the machine. If the machine is a ride on type, step onto the standing platform.
3	Make sure all levers are in the neutral position.
4	Push throttle lever forward.
5	Pull choke - gas engine Engage glow plugs - diesel engine
6	Gas engine - Return choke lever to operating position.
7	Never jerk the controls, use a steady even action.
Trailer / Transporting	
1	Secure machine to trailer with chains and binders before transporting.
2	Make sure that the jack on the trailer is securely raised and locked into place prior to towing.
3	Ensure all pins, chains, binders and retention devices are fastened securely before towing the equipment.

Tips:

Step	Action
1	Gas engines: Use choke when starting engine, THEN REDUCE CHOKE FOR OPTIMUM OPERATION as engine warms up. Diesel engines: Let glow plugs heat longer in cold weather.
2	Always move backwards while trenching.
3	If the trencher stops or jams due to an obstruction, reverse the direction of operation a couple of times and/or lift and lower the trencher bar a couple of times to remove the obstruction. <u>DO NOT USE YOUR HANDS.</u>
4	Be sure trencher chain has come to a complete stop and the machine is turned off and key removed before going near the trencher chain.
5	Make wide sweeping turns with the unit to reduce turf damage and pavement marking.
6	Use a funnel when refueling the drive unit. Add proper fuel type for the equipment. Do not smoke while refueling the machine. Other than fuel, do not add any fluids to the equipment without authorization.