

Moving, Stopping and Steering

To move the machine:

1. Make sure that the area is clear of obstructions and/or personnel. It is possible for several people to stand under or near the machine, out of sight of the operator. It is recommended that you sound the horn before moving the machine.



CAUTION

This machine cannot be stopped instantly. The stopping distance varies, depending on load and speed. To avoid collisions, be sure to allow ample stopping distance.

2. Ensure the engine is at idle RPM (no throttle).
3. Lock seat in forward position.
4. Place the De-clutch control in the ON position.
5. Apply the brake pedal.
6. Lift the blade, if required, to clear any obstructions you might encounter.
7. Release the parking brake and put the transmission range selector into 1st gear.



CAUTION

It is recommended that you operate the Landfill Compactor in 1st gear only, until you become familiar with the machine and all of its operating characteristics.

8. Place the shift lever into the “forward” or “reverse” position on the left hand joystick. Moving the lever not only selects the direction of travel, but also shifts the transmission from neutral to “in gear”.
9. Release the brake pedal.

10. Depress the throttle pedal slowly and smoothly. Avoid sudden or jerky starts. Depress the pedal just enough to begin moving slowly.

NOTICE

Always brake to a full stop when changing directions. Drivelines are not strong enough to withstand the forces created when tons of vehicle are reversed suddenly. Keep the speed low until you feel comfortable with the machine.

Steering

With the operator facing the front, moving the left joystick to the right will turn the machine right, while moving the left joystick to the left will turn the machine left.

Practice moving the machine. Make several practice stops to develop a “feel” for the brakes. Practice driving and steering in forward and reverse.

NOTE: It is recommended that you keep the de-clutch in the ON position for normal operation. If a downgrade is encountered, the De-clutch control may be placed in the OFF position, and the transmission will remain in gear while braking.

Deceleration

Practice deceleration with the machine on a clear, level course with no obstacles. Accelerate to a moderate speed, and set the throttle lock.

Use the Deceleration Pedal to apply the brakes, declutch the transmission, and decelerate the engine. This pedal is not a substitute for the brake pedal, but may be used to temporarily slow the machine when the throttle lock is set. Releasing the pedal will resume the throttle lock setting.

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