WARNING FRONT TINE ROTOTILLER

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. <u>YOU</u> are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. If any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced, or rendered inoperable, **DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!**

WARNING: Operating, servicing and maintaining this equipment can expose you to chemicals including engine exhaust, carbon monoxide and lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize your exposure, avoid breathing exhaust, do not idle the engine except as necessary, operate and service your equipment in a well-ventilated area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently when servicing your equipment. For more information go to www.P65warnings.ca.gov

Use extreme caution whenever operating, moving, loading, or unloading this equipment. During and after operation the Muffler and other components are Extremely Hot and will cause Serious Burns.

Never operate power equipment of any kind if you are tired or if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, medication or any substance that could affect your ability or judgment. Be alert! If you get tired while operating this equipment, take a break. Tiredness may result in loss of control.

Provide adequate ventilation when operating this equipment. Internal combustion engines consume oxygen and give off deadly carbon monoxide gas.

DANGER: This equipment has multiple pinch points that can cause dismemberment or death. Keep hands, feet and all other body parts clear at all times.

Do not tape down or otherwise by-pass any safety devices! Always operate this equipment from the designated operator's position.

Use extreme caution: The tiller tines are sharp! Keep your hands and feet clear of the tines at all times.

IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES TO FOLLOW

- 1. Inspect area and remove all debris: stones, boards, wires, etc. Flag all sprinkler heads, water pipes, etc.
- 2. Do not use tiller on wet or slick ground. Never remove debris while tiller is running.
- 3. Shut off engine whenever leaving unattended. Do not start tiller if you are near tines.
- 4. While operating, keep both hands on the handles. Keep hands and feet away from tines.
- 5. Always wear safety boots and safety glasses when operating. Do not wear loose fitting clothing or jewelry.
- 6. Stay away from sidewalks, fences, garden edging and stakes while operating.
- 7. Operate during daylight hours only. Do not refuel while engine is hot or running. Do not use indoors. Do not smoke while operating.
- 8. Only start engine when machine is on ground to be tilled.
- 9. Do not till on steep slopes.
- 10. Never operate without all safety guards in place.
- 11. Stop tiller when another person approaches you.
- 12. Do not operate near glass enclosures, autos, windows, wells, drop-offs, or bystanders.

WARNING: Use of this product can create dust containing chemicals which may cause respiratory or other illnesses. Some examples of these chemicals are compounds found in pesticides, insecticides, fertilizers & herbicides. Your risk from these exposures varies, depending on how often you do this type of work. To reduce your exposure to these chemicals: work in a well-ventilated area, & work with approved safety equipment, such as those dust masks that are specially designed to filter out microscopic particles.

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. **If** there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment,

<u>DO NOT USE!!! CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!!</u>
FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH