**Predator 360 Stump Grinder – Instructions for use**

**PRE-START CHECKs:**

* Position the stump grinder adjacent to the sump before starting the motor.

**OPERATION:**

* Engage choke
* Set the ON/OFF switch in the “I” or “on” position.
* Set the throttle to start position (min speed) & push the Dead Mans Lever down.
* Pull the start cord. Once the engine has started gradually increase the throttle & disengage the choke.
* When grinding maintain a constant pressure on the stump by regulating the pressure through the handles. Do not let the engine stall.
* Move the grinding head left to right to grind the stump.
* As the stump is ground down, secure the swivel lock, disengage the brake, move the machine forward, reengage the brakes, disengage the swivel lock and continue grinding.

**STOPPING AND AFTER USE:**

* Reduce the throttle to idle.
* Secure the swivel lock & brakes.
* Release the Dead Mans Handle.
* Turn the start/stop switch to “off”.
* Drop the support leg down into place.
* Wait for the grinding head to stop.

**SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:**

* Ensure the brake is engaged before disengaging the swivel lock & grinding the stump.
* Never place hands or feet near the grinding disk.
* Always stand behind the machine.
* Do not use on uneven ground.
* Never leave the engine running when unattended.
* Do not operate on a slope more than 11-degree angle.
* The “**Dead Mans Handle**” must be pushed down when the machine is in operation.
* Never grind from the top of the stump or use the bottom of the grinding head.

**REQUIRED SAFETY EQUIPMENT:**

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