

## STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

# Air Blower

**DO NOT use this machine unless you have received authorization from the Shop Coordinator**



Hearing Protection must be worn at all times.



A dust mask must be worn at all times.



Safety glasses must be worn at all times.



Gloves must be worn at all times.

### Potential Hazards and Injuries

- Struck by
- Burns
- Inhalation
- Noise

### Pre-Operational Safety Checks

- Ensure tool is off when inspecting.
- Check for loose nuts, bolts and screws before each use.
- Make sure the air tube is securely attached.
- Inspect spark plug cap and lead to make sure they are not damaged, otherwise electric shock can occur.
- Clean air filter according to manufacturer's recommendations.
- Put on PPE
- Clean any spills with non-flammable absorbent and dispose of according to procedure.
- Inspect the area for people and wait until the area is clear.
- Check fuel lines and gas tank for leaks. If fuel is found do not start or operate.
- Ensure fuel mixture ratio per manufactures recommendation.

### Safe Practices During Operation

- Allow engine to warm up after starting.
- Use easy, short sweeping motion.
- Pause for pedestrians or motorists to move past immediate location.
- Follow noise ordinance restrictions when and where appropriate.

### Ending Operations and Cleaning Up

- Allow engine to cool after use.

### DON'T

- Do not block blower pipe.
- Do not touch muffler or exhaust.
- Do not touch the engine, it will be hot.
- Avoid twisting and bending.
- Do not point blower in the direction of other people.
- Do not blow dust/debris towards bystanders or passersby.

**SOP must be used in conjunction with an effective training program**