Wacker Neuson EZ17 – 1.7 t Tracked Zero-Tail Mini Excavator

Diesel tracked excavator with canopy. Supplied with 300 mm and 450 mm GP buckets and 1000 mm mud bucket. Ripper available as an extra-cost add-on.

PRE-START CHECKS

- Walk around: check for oil/fuel/coolant leaks, damaged hoses, cracked welds, loose or missing pins and retaining bolts.
- Check engine oil, coolant, hydraulic oil and fuel levels (daily checks per the operator manual).
- Tracks: no cuts or missing parts, tension correct, no rocks/debris packed in the undercarriage.
- Canopy (ROPS/TOPS) intact and not modified; seat belt latches and retracts; mirrors, lights, horn work.
- Bucket/attachment correctly fitted and locked; pins secured.
- Do the control lever base functional check: with the base raised, the work and travel functions must not move.
- Site: call Before You Dig Australia (byda.com.au) and locate underground services; check for overhead powerlines, trench edges, soft ground and slopes.

HOW TO OPERATE – BASIC STEPS

1. Mount/dismount facing the machine using three points of contact, with the left control lever base raised.
2. Adjust seat, fasten the seat belt. Start the engine with the control lever base raised; check the oil-pressure and charge warning lights go out; allow warm-up.
3. Lower the control lever base to enable the hydraulics. Test all controls slowly in a clear area.
4. Extend the telescopic undercarriage (wide track) and stabiliser blade extensions before working, and lower the blade to the ground for stability.
5. Note blade position before travelling: if the blade is behind you, travel lever directions are reversed. Travel slowly; keep the bucket low.
6. Do not rip or dig using swing force or travel force, and do not drop the machine onto the bucket.
7. Park on firm level ground: lower bucket and blade to the ground, raise the control lever base, stop engine, remove key.

KEY HAZARDS

- Crushing/striking people within the slew and work radius – keep everyone clear; use a spotter.
- Rollover/tip-over on slopes, trench edges or soft ground; when travelling with a raised or swinging load.
- Contact with underground services or overhead powerlines (electrocution, gas).
- Trench collapse – do not let anyone enter an unsupported trench.
- Do not lift suspended loads unless the machine is set up for lifting per the manual and lift chart and the operator is competent.
- Hydraulic fluid injection, hot surfaces, diesel exhaust (do not run in enclosed spaces), noise.

REQUIRED PPE

- Hi-vis clothing, safety boots, hard hat where required on site, safety glasses, hearing protection. Seat belt must be worn at all times.

REFUELLING / POWER / CHARGING

- **Diesel only.** Engine off, no smoking, no ignition sources. Do not overfill; clean up spills. Return with fuel at the level supplied.
- Do not jump-start or disconnect the battery unless following the manual procedure.

STORAGE & RETURN

- Return with bucket and blade lowered and mud/clay removed from tracks and buckets.
- For transport: load on a suitably rated trailer, lower the attachment, lock the upper carriage, stop the engine and restrain at the tie-down points with rated chains/straps.
- Return with all accessories supplied. Report any damage, fault or near-miss at return – do not attempt repairs.

MANUFACTURER MANUAL & SDS

- **Manual:** Wacker Neuson EZ17 Operator's Manual: Manual available on request (a copy should be in the machine's document box; ask us if missing).
- **Manual:** Manufacturer product information: wackerneuson.com/au – EZ17
- **SDS:** No SDS applies to the equipment itself. SDS for fuels/oils: from your fuel supplier, or available on request from Foothills Hire.

Licence / competency: No WA high-risk work licence is required for an excavator, but the operator must be trained and competent (e.g. nationally recognised excavator unit or verification of competency) and follow site rules.

EMERGENCY: call 000 (Police/Fire/Ambulance) • Poisons Information 13 11 26 • Breakdown or help: see the Contact page at foothillshire.com.au • Site first aider / supervisor: _____

IMPORTANT – READ BEFORE USE. This sheet is a summary only and does not replace the manufacturer's operator manual. The hirer must read, understand and follow the manufacturer's manual and all warning labels before use, and must ensure every operator is trained, competent and – where required – licensed for this equipment and task, as required by the Work Health and Safety Act 2020 (WA) and the Work Health and Safety (General) Regulations 2022 (WA). Do not use equipment that is damaged, untagged or out of inspection date – stop and contact Foothills Hire. Foothills Hire is a business name held by Foothills Industries Group Pty Ltd, ABN 38 688 848 302.