Victa 18" Rotary Lawn Mower (Briggs & Stratton EXi725 engine)

Walk-behind petrol rotary mower with Briggs & Stratton EXi725 Low Noise engine. Mower model number to be confirmed from the deck label.

PRE-START CHECKS

- Engine oil level correct (check on level ground with dipstick); fuel tank has fresh unleaded petrol.
- Blade and blade bolt tight, blade not cracked, bent or blunt – check with the spark-plug lead disconnected.
- Handles, height adjusters, wheels and grass catcher/rear flap fitted and secure.
- Engine stop (operator presence) lever returns freely and stops the engine.
- Clear the lawn of stones, sticks, toys, wire and dog bones; keep people and pets away.

HOW TO OPERATE – BASIC STEPS

1. Set cutting height with the engine stopped.
2. Stand behind the handle, hold the stop lever against the handle and pull the starter cord smoothly (EXi engines with ReadyStart do not need priming/choke – see engine manual).
3. Mow walking forward at a steady pace; on slopes mow across the slope, never up and down; do not mow wet steep banks.
4. Release the stop lever to stop the engine before emptying the catcher, clearing blockages or crossing gravel/paths.
5. Never lift or tilt the mower while the engine runs.

KEY HAZARDS

- Contact with the rotating blade (hands/feet) – blade keeps turning briefly after release.
- Thrown objects from the discharge.
- Slips and loss of control on slopes; fuel fire; hot muffler; noise.

REQUIRED PPE

- Enclosed sturdy boots, long trousers, safety glasses, hearing protection.

REFUELLING / POWER / CHARGING

- Unleaded petrol only – do not mix oil with the fuel (4-stroke). Refuel only with the engine stopped and cool, outdoors, away from ignition sources – no smoking. Do not overfill; wipe up spills and move away from the refuelling spot before starting. Carry fuel only in an approved, labelled container.

STORAGE & RETURN

- Clean grass off the deck with the engine stopped and spark-plug lead off. If tipping, keep the spark plug side up (per B&S; manual). Return with the catcher.
- Return with all accessories supplied. Report any damage, fault or near-miss at return – do not attempt repairs.

MANUFACTURER MANUAL & SDS

- **Manual:** Victa mower operator manual: Manual available on request (model to be confirmed).
- **Manual:** Engine manual: Briggs & Stratton manual search (enter the engine model number from the engine label): briggsandstratton.com – Manuals
- **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 licence required. Users must be competent and have read the manual.

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.