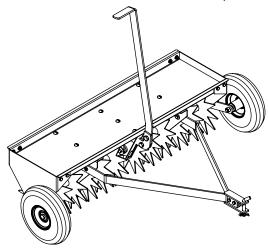
# Model: SPK-42 (5301531)

(42" Tow-Behind Spike Aerator)



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### General Information

Thank you for purchasing this product. The purpose of this manual is to assist you in operating and maintaining your spike aerator. Please read it carefully, as it furnishes information which will help you achieve years of trouble-free operation.

# Warranty/Parts/Service

Products are warranted for one year from date of purchase against manufacturer or workmanship defects.

Commercial users have a 90 day warranty.

Your authorized dealer is the best source of replacement parts and service. To obtain prompt, efficient service, always remember to give the following information...

- Correct Part Description and/or part number.
- Model number/Serial number of your sprayer.

Part descriptions and part numbers can be obtained from the illustrated parts list section(s) of this manual.

Whenever you need parts or repair service, contact your distributor/dealer first. For warranty work, always take your original sales slip, or other evidence of purchase date, to your distributor/dealer.

# Assembly

Your spike aerator has been partially assembled at the factory for you convenience. It has been packaged "inverted" in the box. Remove the parts to the unit from the carton. Refer to the exploded view and parts list to help identify the parts. Place the main frame on a flat surface, leaving the unit "inverted". This will be the best position for the tongue attachment procedure.

#### **Tonque Attachment:**

- 1. The tongue bars will be located under the inverted
- 2. Remove the locknuts, bolts and the clevis hitch from the parts bag.
- 3. Illustrated steps 1 & 2 show the tongue bars bolted to the hitch clevis.
- 4. Step 4 shows hardware orientation at mounting location to unit (Typ. both sides). The flatwashers should go up against the slots in the center plate.
  5. Bolt the tongue to the main unit. (Step 4)

#### **Handle Attachment:**

Bolt handle to handle mount plate, using (2) 1/2" x 1" bolts and (2) 1/2" locknuts.

# Operation

Aerating produces holes in the ground that allows water, fertilizer, and air to permeate the soil and reach the roots. It is recommended that the lawn be mowed and clippings removed prior to aerating. Water the ground as necessary. This will soften up the soil for the aerator to penetrate the ground easier.

Your spike aerator should be attached to your rider or tractor on a level surface and the wheels should be in the lowered position. (handle in the locked position) Once you are ready to use your aerator, use a low gear and then disengage the wheels by moving the handle out of the locked position.

Once you start moving, the spikes will be forced into the ground. Speed should only be increased only as ground conditions permit. Recommended speed is approx. 3-5 m.p.h.. Aeration should be done in a straight line.

# Caution

Do not turn sharply, as this may damage the ground. The top tray provides a place for you to put weights. More weight will allow the tines to penetrate the ground deeper. Maximum weight is approx. 175 lbs..

Do not pull your aerator over hard surfaces with the wheels disengaged! This will damage the spikes.



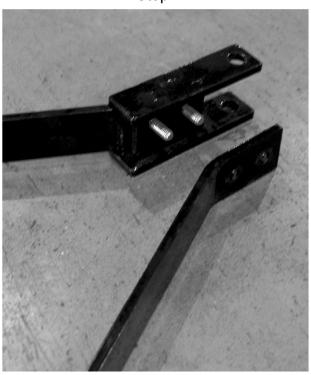
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# 4 Easy Steps to Attach Tongue to Unit

Step 1



Tongue Whiz Nuts Removed

Step 3



Mounting Hardware Orientation

Step 2

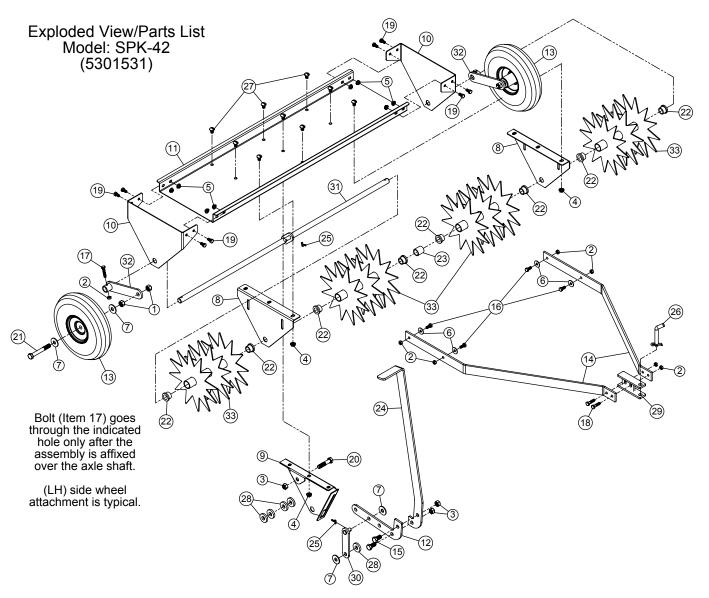


Tongue Assembled to Hitch Clevis

Step 4



Tongue Getting Assembled to Unit



Item No	Part Number	Qty	Description	List Price
1	5006011	4	1/2"-13 Hex Nut	.25
2	5006035	8	5/16"-18 Hex Locknut	.50
3	5006091	3	1/2"-13 Hex Locknut	.25
4	5006259	9	3/8"-16 Hex Whiz (Flange) Locknut	.25
5	5006307	8	5/16"-18 Hex Whiz (Flange) Locknut	.25
6	5016020	4	Flatwasher, 5/16"	.25
7	5016031	6	Flatwasher, 1/2"	.25
8	5017973	2	Center Plate	3.50
9	5017974	1	Center Lock Plate	3.50
10	5017975	2	End Plate	2.95
11	5017976	1	Top Plate	18.59
12	5017977	1	Handle Mount Plate	4.20
13	5021030	2	4.10/3.50 x 4" Wheel (White) w/2 1/4" Offset Hub	16.26
14	5028308	2	Tongue Bar (Half)	6.25
15	5034018	2	H.H.C.S., 1/2"-13 x 1"	.40
16	5034038	4	H.H.C.S., 5/16"-18 x 3/4"	.55
17	5034069	2	H.H.C.S., 5/16"-18 x 1 1/2" (Full Thread)	.25
18	5034076	2	H.H.C.S., 5/16"-18 x 1 1/4"	.25
19	5034154	8	H.H.C.S., 5/16"-18 x 5/8"	.25
20	5034308	1	H.H.C.S., 1/2"-13 x 2 1/4"	.68
21	5034569	2	H.H.C.S., 1/2"-13 x 3 3/4"	
22	5041156	8	Bronze Bushing	2.70
23	5041157	1	Take-Up Bushing	1.00
24	5078202	1	Aerator Handle	10.71
25	5101077	2	Cotter Pin, 1/8" x 1"	.25
26	5101202	1	Bent Clevis Pin (1/2" Dia.)	2.07
27	5117311	9	3/8"-16 Slotted Round Head Machine Screw x 5/8"	1.00
28	5127188	5	Handle Spacer	.91
29	5275285	1	Bolt-On Hitch Weldment	4.70
30	5275432	1	Link-to-Clevis Pin Weldment	5.25
31	5275472	1	Axle Shaft-to-Pivot Link Weldment	19.99
32	5275473	2	Wheel Mount Weldment	8.50
33	5275475	4	Tine Weldment	26.95

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