LX172, LX176, LX178, and LX188 Lawn Tractors

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CLEANING OR REPLACING MOWER DRIVE BELT



CAUTION: Before cleaning or replacing mower drive belt:

- · STOP engine.
- · Remove key.
- · Wait for all moving parts to STOP.

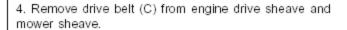
NOTE: Cleaning and replacing drive belt steps are the same for 38-Inch and 48-Inch mower.

- 1. STOP engine. LOCK park brake. Remove key.
- 2. Lower mower to ground.

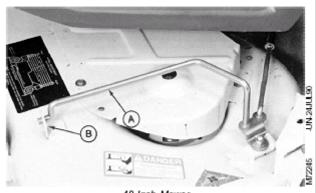


CAUTION: Spring loaded lever. Make sure you have a tight grip on lever and release slowly.

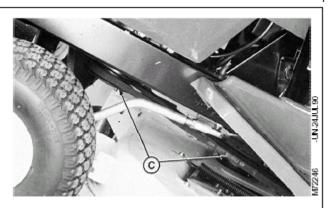
- To release belt tension:
- Disconnect belt tension lever (A) from hook bracket (B) and move lever all the way out toward you as far as it will go.



- Clean belt with a clean cloth. DO NOT use parts cleaning solvents or belt dressing. They soften belt and shorten belt life.
- Inspect belt for wear or damage; replace as necessary.
- 7. Install belt on mower sheave and engine sheave.
- Move belt tension lever in and connect to hook bracket to tighten belt.



48-Inch Mower



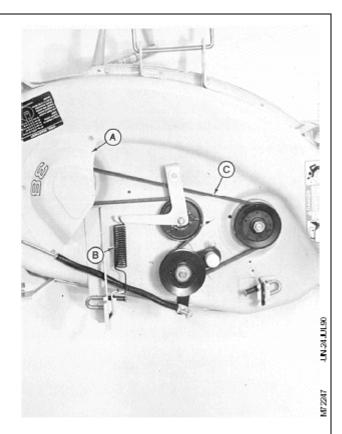
CLEANING OR REPLACING MOWER DECK BELT (38-INCH MOWER)

- Remove mower deck. (See REMOVING MOWER section.)
- 2. Remove belt guard cover (A).



CAUTION: When disconnecting idler spring:

- · Use locking pliers.
- · Wear eye protection.
- 3. Disconnect idler spring (B).
- 4. Remove mower belt (C).
- Clean and inspect belt for damage. DO NOT clean belt using parts cleaning solvent or belt dressing. They soften belt and shorten belt life.
- 6. Clean upper mower deck and sheaves.
- 7. Install mower belt.
- 8. Connect idler spring.
- 9. Install belt guard cover.
- 10. Install mower. (See INSTALLING MOWER section.)



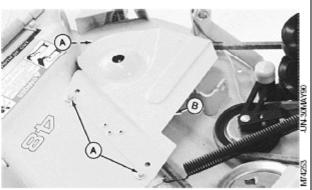
CLEANING OR REPLACING MOWER DECK BELT (48-INCH MOWER)

- Remove mower deck. (See REMOVING MOWER section.)
- Remove belt guard covers (B) by loosening cap screws (A).

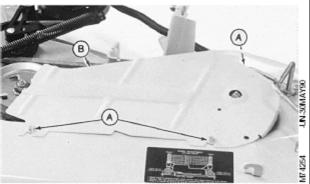


CAUTION: When disconnecting idler spring:

- · Use locking pliers.
- · Wear eye protection.
- 3. Disconnect idler spring (C).
- 4. Remove mower belt (D).
- Clean and inspect belt for damage. DO NOT clean belt using parts cleaning solvent or belt dressing. They soften belt and shorten belt life.
- 6. Clean upper mower deck and sheaves.
- 7. Install mower belt.
- 8. Connect idler spring.
- 9. Install belt guard covers.
- 10. Install mower. (See INSTALLING MOWER section.)



Right-Hand Side



Left-Hand Side

