

USER MANUAL WWW.FOREST-MASTE STUMP GRINDER FM13SG

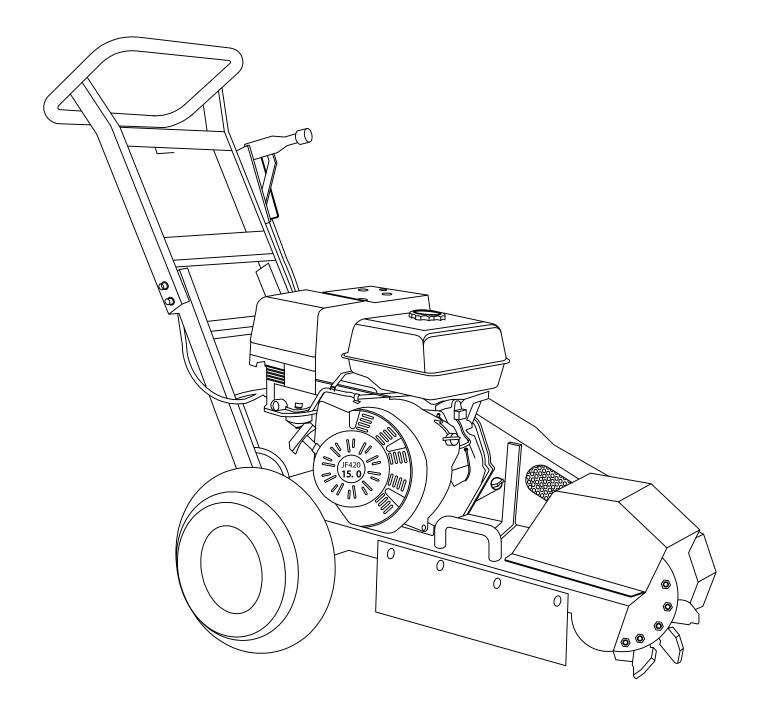


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PREFACE

Thank you for buying the Forest Master FM13SG Stump Grinder, another high-quality machine from our company.

To get the most out of your purchase, please read this manual before using the stump grinder.

We ask you to please read this manual carefully beforehand in order to familiarise yourself with this product and after reading, please store this instructional manual for future reference. Failure to follow the proper protocols listed in the manual may cause personal injury to the operator or damage to equipment.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

 $\cdot\,$ Keep the working area clean and well lit.

 \cdot Do not operate the stump grinder in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust.

 \cdot Keep children and bystanders away while operating the stump grinder. Keep the area free of all distractions.

· Only responsible, properly instructed indivuals should operate this machine.

· Inexperienced operators must always be carefully supervised.

 \cdot Do not expose stump grinders to rain or wet conditions.

 \cdot Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a stump grinder. Do not use a stump grinder while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication. A moment of inattention while operating any stump grinders may result in serious personal injury.

 \cdot Use safety equipment. Always wear eye protection. Safety equipment such as dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.

 \cdot Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewelry. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts. Loose clothes, jewelry or long hair can be caught in moving parts.

- \cdot Always wear earplugs to protect your ears.
- \cdot Do not start the engine until the machine is in the cutting position next to the stump.

 \cdot Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times. This enables better control of the stump grinder in unexpected situations.

 \cdot If devices are provided for the extraction and collection of dust, ensure these are connected and properly used. Use of these devices can reduce dust related hazards.

 \cdot Check stumps to be removed for embedded nails, wire, metal fence posts and other metallic objects and for rocks or other buried impediments which may become dangerously thrown or cause unexpected machine movements when hit by the cutting wheel.

 \cdot Make sure that all shields and guards are in place and are in good condition prior to operating the machine. Check cutting wheel for damage or missing teeth and replace as necessary.

 \cdot Ensure that everyone is in the vicinty is aware of the danger zone associated with this machine(see diagram). You must avoid the danger zone at all times when the machine is in operation.



 \cdot Make sure that no-one is working on underneath or close to the machine before starting the engine or beginning to move the machine. Make sure that the area is free of personnel.

• Don't make any alterations or modifications to your stump grinder.

 \cdot Check with your local council and utility providers for the locations of buried pipes and cables where applicable, before operating the machine.

FUEL SAFETY

• Pay attention while handling fuel. It is flammable and the vapours are highly explosive.

 \cdot Never remove the fuel cap or add fuel with the power running. Stop the engine and allow engine and exhaust components to cool before refueling.

 \cdot Do not smoke while adding fuel.

 \cdot Fill your engine with 10w-30 / 10w-40 / 15w-30 / 15w-40 non-synthetic engine oil before use or serious damage will occur.

 \cdot Use extreme care when handling fuel. Fuel is extremely flammable and the vapors are explosive. Never fuel machine indoors or while the engine is hot or running.

 \cdot Never refuel or store the machine in a place where there is open flame, spark or other ignition objects.

 \cdot Do not attempt to start the engine if fuel is spilled. Wipe away the spillage and ensure all fuel has dried before starting the machine.

· Always make sure the fuel cap is securely tightened and replace before starting.

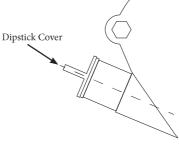
 \cdot If the fuel tank needs to be drained, it should be done outdoors.

OPERATION

ADDING OIL TO THE ENGINE

1. Only fill the fuel tank to a level 15mm lower than the top of the fuel tank. Do not overfill.

2. Use the dipstick to check the oil level. Use 10w-30/10w-40/15w-30/15w-40 non-synthetic engine oil. Fill to the correct level before use.



The engine is shipped without oil. Fill to the correct level before use. Operating the engine with no oil or oil at a low level will destroy the engine- this is not covered under warranty.

STARTING THE ENGINE

1. Lock travel wheel by pulling brake lever fully back.

2. Make sure throttle is in slow position.

3. If the engine is cold, move the choke lever to the closed position.

4. Raise the cutter wheel 4 to 5 inches off the ground by pushing downwards on the handle bar, hold it in that position.

The next step may cause the cutter wheel to rotate, keep everyone away.

5. Pull the starter rope lightly until resistance is felt then pull briskly. Do not allow the rope to snap back, return it by hand to prevent damage to the starter.

6. Move the choke lever to the open position.

The next step causes the cutter wheel to rotate, keep everyone away.

7. Move the throttle to fast. if the engine is cold, allow the engine to idle(throttle set to slow) for a few minutes before cutting.

REMOVING STUMPS

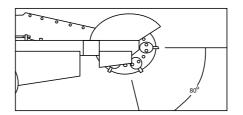
 \cdot Remove all loose pieces of wood, stones, wire and other debris from the area before beginning stump removal.

 \cdot Wind direction should be considered, as it influences the direction in which dust and wood chips are directed.

 \cdot Never operate the grinder after dark. There will be no adequate light for the operator to use the grinder safely.

• Always allow a cold engine time to warm up before cutting a stump.

 \cdot Only the portion of cutting wheel within the 80 degree area shown below should engage the stump. Never undercut the stump or use the bottom of the cutting wheel for cutting purposes.



 \cdot Never leave the controls when the cutting wheel is rotating.

Operating Tips!

 \cdot Use smooth, comfortable side to side movements while operating.

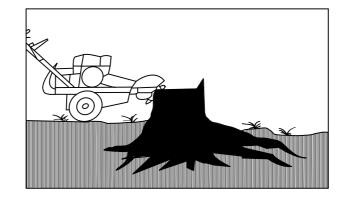
 \cdot When it is desired to cut smaller roots, it may be more effective to do so before rather than after cutting the stump.

 \cdot Should the chip build-up become excessive when cutting, shut off the machine, wait for the cutting wheel to stop rotating, retract the machine from the stump and rake away the chips. It is also possible to use the cutter wheel to push chips off to the side.

 \cdot In order to prevent any of the wheels becoming stuck in the hole. Move the grinder to the other side of the stump to continue removal or by filling the hole with chips before continuing.

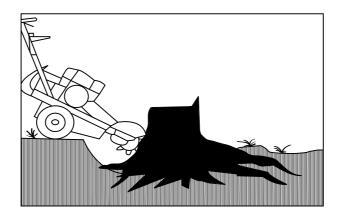
Prepare the grinder at the stump

Place it into position with the cutting wheel near the top edge of the stump.



Removing roots

- 1. Make sure the throttle is set to fast, the cutter wheel will accelerate to cutting speed.
- 2. Swing the cutting wheel to one side, then lower it into the nearest roots that are buried at the foot of the stump.
- 3. Swing the cutting wheel before each sweep, until the roots are sufficiently removed.



4. Raise the cutting wheel until the centre of the cutting wheel is just above the top of the stump.

5. Allow the cutter wheel to stop, release the brake and reposition the machine.

6. Lock the brake again.

Cutting the full stump

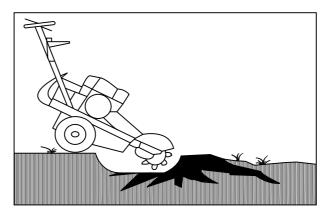
1. Make sure the throttle is set to fast. The cutter wheel will accelerate to cutting speed.

2. Direct the cutter wheel against the stump, beginning with the nearest top corner of the stump, and steadily sweep it across the stump left and right, cutting away 1/2 inch of wood with each sweep.

3. Raise and lower the cutter wheel between sweeps by lowering and raising the control handle.

4. Roll the machine forward and back, by pushing and pulling on the control handle. To do this, release the brake. Relock it when the machine has been repositioned and continue cutting.

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Continue with final roots removal

Cut the remaining roots as described in STEP 2 until satisfactorily removed

SHUTTING OFF THE GRINDER

1. When stopping the machine after normal operation, lower engine speed to slow, and push the emergency switch.

- 2. Set park brake before leaving the controls.
- 3. Shut off the engine by pushing the on/off switch.

NORMAL SHUTDOWN PROCEDURE

In consideration of your own safety and that of others, you should always use the following normal shutdown procedures before departing from the controls for any reason including cleaning, servicing, tranporting or inspecting the stump grinder. Never deviate from this procedure unless so instructed in this manual or in an emergency that requires it.



A rotating cutting wheel is very dangerous. Stand at controls and ensure that the cutting wheel comes to a complete stop before doing anything else.

- 1. Move the engine throttle to the slow position.
- 2. Push the emergency (on/off) switch to stop the engine.
- 3. Set park brake before leaving controls.

EMERGENCY SHUT DOWN PROCEDURE

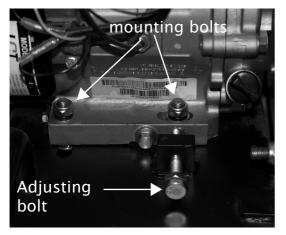
- 1. Immediately push the emergency (on/off) switch for the engine will be shut off.
- 2. Be sure to allow all moving parts to come to a complete stop.
- 3. Pull the brake lever to engage the brake.
- 4. Rectify the emergency situation and return to normal operation.

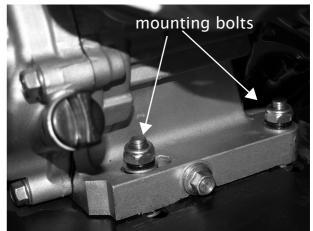
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MAINTENANCE

 \cdot Make sure all nuts, bolts and screws are tightened.

Check the condition and tension of the belts before each use. Additionally when the machine is used for the first time and when the new belts have been fitted, you must check the tension of the belts after 15 minutes of use. This is because new belts stretch when first used.





Before adjusting the tension, mark a reference line parallel to one side of the base plate. This is to check the alignment after adjusting the tension. To adjust the tension, loosen the four mounting bolts (two at the front of the engine plate and two at the back). The bolts should be loosened just enough for the plate to move. Use the adjusting bolt to move the plate back or forward. Check that the plate is still parallel to the reference line then tighten the mounting bolts.

 \cdot Never store the equipment with petrol in the tank inside a building where fumes can reach an open flame or spark. Allow the engine to cool before moving the grinder.

 \cdot To reduce fire hazards, keep the engine and petrol storage area free of grass, dirt and excessive grease.

 \cdot Replace worn or damaged parts for safety. If the fuel tank has to be drained, this should be done outdoors.

 \cdot Regularly check the oil level and add some oil or replace it if necessary.

 \cdot Frequently check the grinder and ensure that all bark and dirt deposits are removed from beneath the deck.

 \cdot Lubricate the wheel axle and the bearings with grease regularly.

 \cdot Check the cutting wheel often. In order to achieve clean work the blade should always be sharp and well balanced.

 \cdot Check the tightening of all bolts and screws at regularly intervals. Nuts and bolts that are worn out or badly tightened can damage the engine or the frame.

 $\cdot\,$ If the grinder hits an obstacle violently, stop the grinder and take it to a specialist for inspection.

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SPECIFICATIONS

Engine	LCT Maxx Series 13hp Four Stroke	
Brake	Drum Brake	
Belt	2PCS v Belt	
Clutch	Centrifugal Clutch	
Blades	12 Blades w Tungsten (4x left, 4x right, 4x middle)	
Cutting Depth	12inch	
Packing Size	1040*780*580mm	
Gross Weight	130kgs	
Net Weight	110kgs	

Additional Information and Potential Changes

We reserve the right to discontinue, change, and improve this products at any time without notice or obligation to the purchaser. The descriptions and specifications contained in this manual were in effect at printing. Equipment described within this manual may be optional. Some illustrations may not be applicable to your machine.

TRANSPORTATION

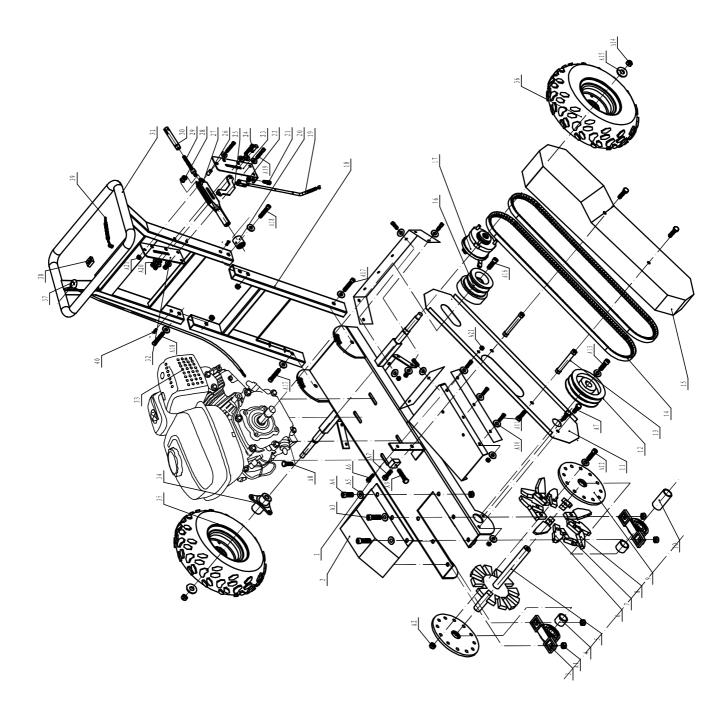
The stump grinder is designed to be transported via a van or small trailer. The machine is equipped with grab bars that are to be used for both lifting the machine, and strapping it down. This machine weighs approximately 110kg and should only be lifted using correct apparatus or an adequate number of people working as a team.

There are legal road requirements for towing equipment and trailers (such as lighting and licensing), it is the owner's responsibility to be aware of these laws and to adhere to them.

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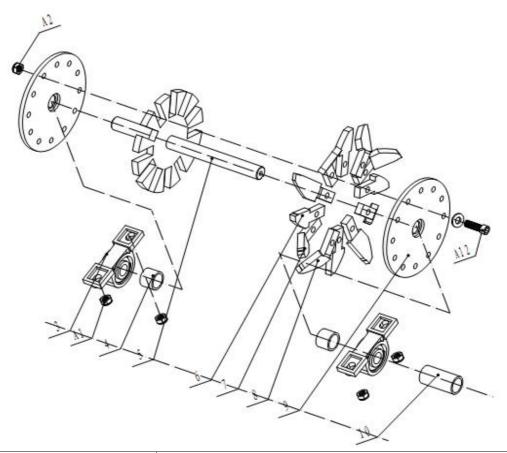
PARTS LIST



REF. NO.	PART DESCRIPTION	REF. NO.	PART DESCRIPTION
1	frame	32	inner brake clamp plate
2	blade cover	33	engine
3	bearing	34	wheel flange
4	short axle sleeve	35	wheel (right)
5	blade adapter	36	wheel (left)
6	straight blade	37	throttle
7	right blade	38	emergency stop switch
8	left blade	39	emergency stall switch
9	blade clamp plate	40	pin
10	long axle sleeve	A1	M12 self-lock nut
11	belt (inner) cover	A2	M10 self-lock nut
12	belt wheel	A3	M12*45 inner hex bolt(8.8)
13	belt cover fitting rod	A4	M12*30 inner hex bolt
14	V-belt	A5	φ12*φ24*T1.5 flat gasket
15	belt (outer) cover	A6	M8*20 hex bolt
16	brake assembly	Α7	M10*20 hex bolt
17	drum brake	A8	M10*45 hex bolt(engine)
18	handle connector	A9	M10*80 hex bolt
19	cable	A10	φ8*φ16 flat gasket
20	brake lever top cover	A11	M8*20 hex bolt
21	brake cable fitting screw rod	A12	M10*45 inner hex bolt(8.8)
22	brake cable fitting screw nut	A13	M8*20 inner hex bolt
23	brake clamp plate(outer)	A14	M14*1.5 self-lock nut
24	brake pin	A15	$\phi 14 * \phi 28 * T2$ flat gasket
25	brake connect plate	A16	M8*25 hex bolt
26	inner spacer	A17	M12*25 inner hex bolt
27	brake handle	A18	M12 *6 5 inner hex bolt
28	outer sleeve	A19	M8*45 inner hex bolt
29	brake adjust screw rod	A20	φ7 jump ring
30	brake rod cover	A21	M8 self-lock nut
31	handrail		

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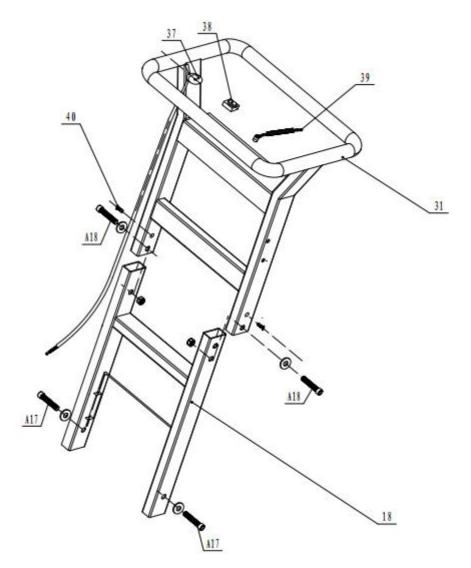
BLADE ASSEMBLY



REF.NO.	DESCR IPTION
3	Bearing
A1	M 12 self-lock nut
4	Short axle sleeve
5	Blade adapter
6	Straight blade
7	Right blade
8	L eft blade
9	Blade clamp plate
10	L ong axle sleeve
A 2	M 10 self-lock nut
A12	M 10*45 inner hex bolt(8.8)

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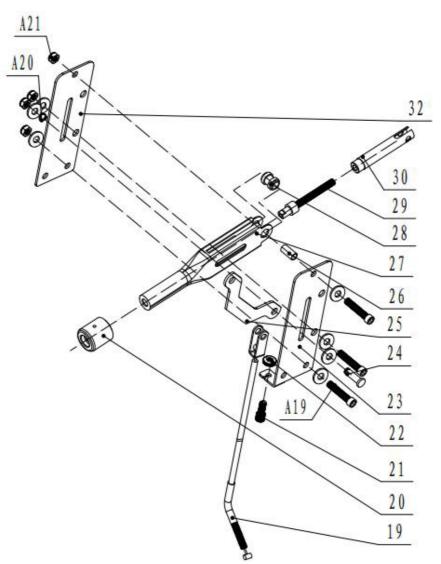
HANDRAIL ASSEMBLY



REF.NO.	DES CR IPTION	REF.NO.	DES CR IPTION
18	Handle connector	40	pin
31	handrail	A 17	M12* 25 inner hex bolt
37	Throttle	A 18	M12* 65 inner hex bolt
38	E mergency stop switch		
39	E mergency stall switch		

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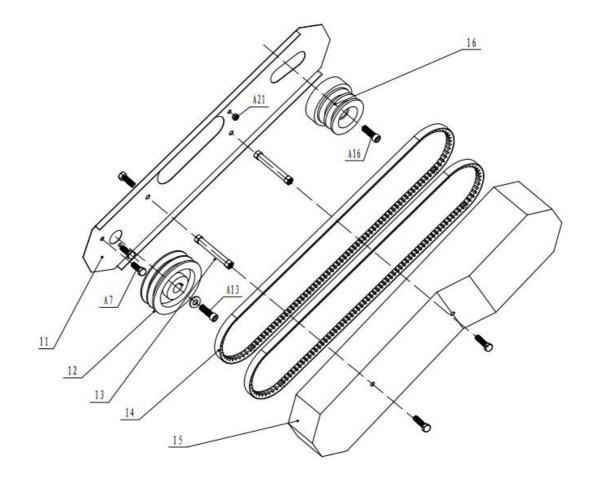
HANDBRAKE ASSEMBLY



REF.NO.	DES CR IPTION	REF.NO.	DES CR IPTION
19	Cable	27	B ra ke handle
20	Brake lever top cover	28	Outer sleeve
21	Brake cable fitting screw rod	29	B ra ke adjust screw rod
22	Brake cable fitting screw nut	30	B ra ke r od cover
23	Brake clamp plate(outer)	32	Inner brake clamp plate
24	Brake pin	A 19	M8*4 5 inner hex bolt
25	Brake connect plate	A 20	7 jump ring
26	Inner spacer	A 21	M8 self-lock nut

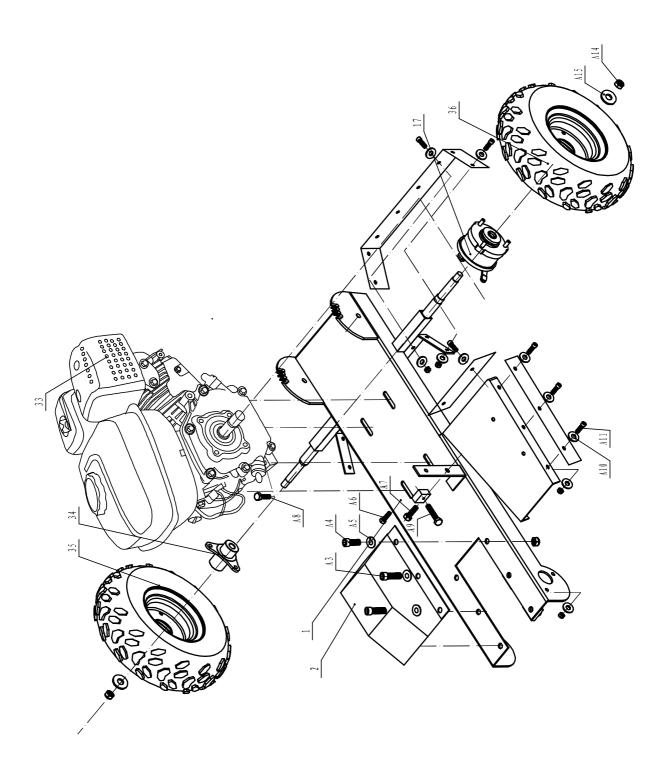
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DRIVE SYSTEM ASSEMBLY



REF.NO.	DES CR IPTION	REF.NO.	DES CR IPTION
11	Belt (inner) cover	16	B rake assembly
12	Belt wheel	Α7	M10*20 hex bolt
13	Belt cover fitting rod	A13	M8*20 inner hex bolt
14	V-belt	A 16	M8*25 hex bolt
15	Belt (outer) cover	A 21	M8 self-lock nut

ENGINE ASSEMBLY



REF.NO.	DES CR IPTION
1	frame
2	bl ade cover
17	dr um br ake
33	engi ne
34	wheel flange
35	wheel! right"
36	wheel! left"
A1	M12 self-lock nut
A2	MI0 self-lock nut
A3	M12*45 inner hex bolt(8.8)
A4	M12*30 inner hex bolt
A5	12* 24*T1. 5 flat gasket
A6	M8*20 hex bol t
A7	M10*20 hex bol t
A8	MI0*45 hex bolt(engine)
A9	MI0*80 hex bol t
A10	8* 16 flat gasket
A11	M8*20 hex bol t
A14	MI4*1.5 self-lock nut
A15	14* 28*T2 flat gasket

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