

Instruction Sheet

Kit Number: 79404700

60" MULCH KIT



WARNING: FAILURE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS could result in personal injury and/or damage to unit.

Read, understand, and follow all safety practices in Operator's Manual before beginning.

Package Contents

Check the contents of your kit for the parts listed below
Also see Figure 1.

Item	Description	Qty	AriensCo P/N
1	60" Left Baffle	1	09484651
2	60" Right Baffle	1	09484751
3	60" Discharge Baffle	1	09381851
4	5/16"-18 Center Lock Flange Nut	8	06500840
5	60" Mulch Blade	3	04887700

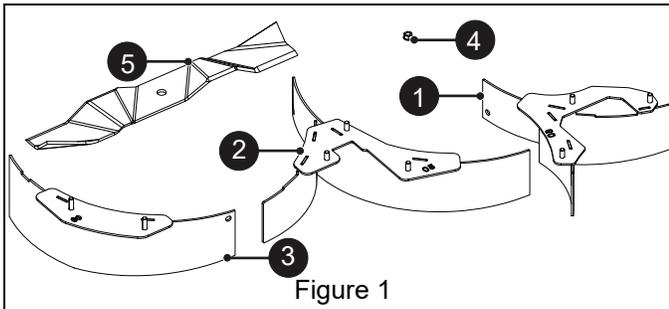


Figure 1

REMOVAL



CAUTION: AVOID INJURY! Use sturdy gloves or padding to protect hands when working with mower blades.

Rotation of one blade rotates the other blades.

1. Park unit on a flat, level surface and engage parking brake.
2. Stop engine, remove key and wait for moving parts to stop and for hot parts to cool.
3. Disconnect spark plug wires.

4. Remove and retain two 3/8" x 1" round head square neck bolts and nylon locking hex nuts retaining discharge chute assembly. Remove discharge chute assembly. Retain all parts for operation without mulch kit. See Figure 2.

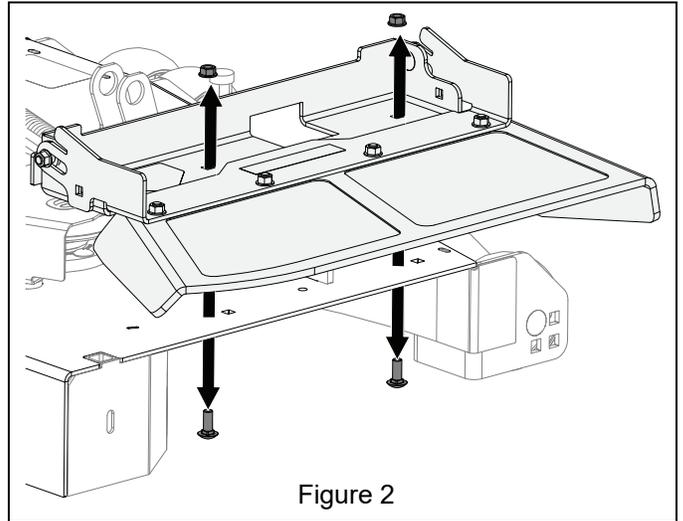


Figure 2

5. Remove and retain three 3/8" x 1/2" tapping screws from left side of deck. Reinstall tapping screws when operating mower without mulch kit. See Figure 3.

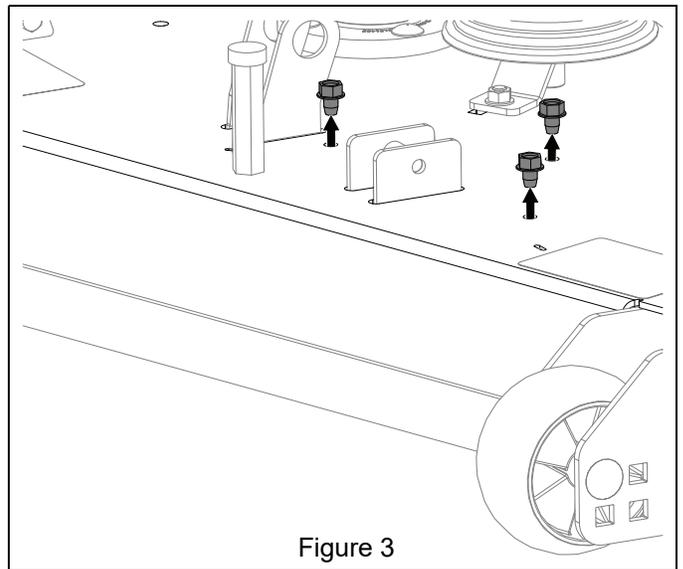
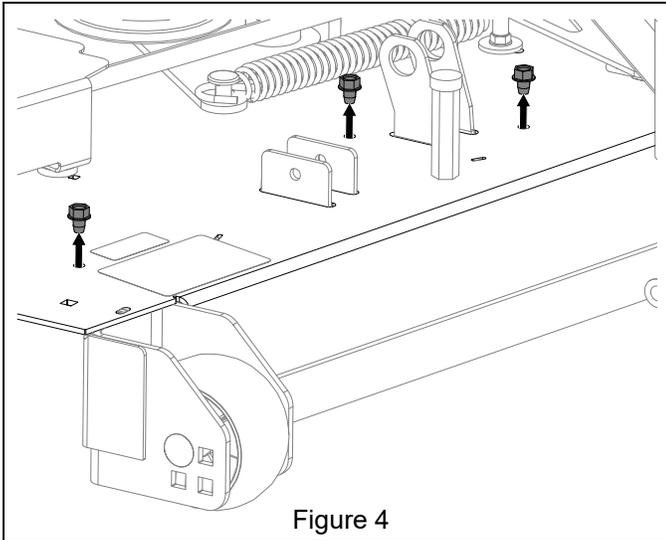
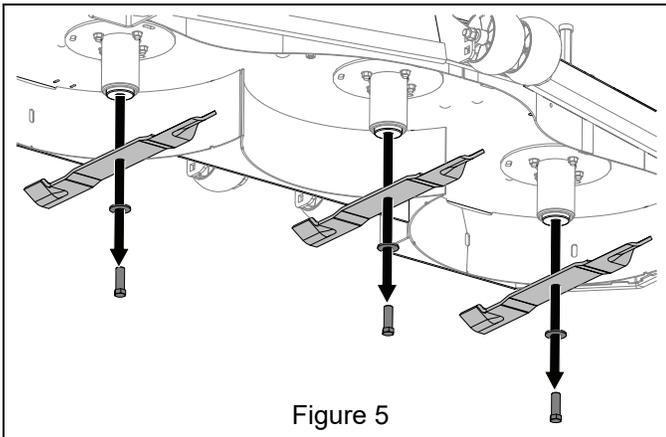


Figure 3

6. Remove and retain three 3/8" x 1/2" tapping screws from right side of deck. Reinstall tapping screws when operating mower without mulch kit. See Figure 4.

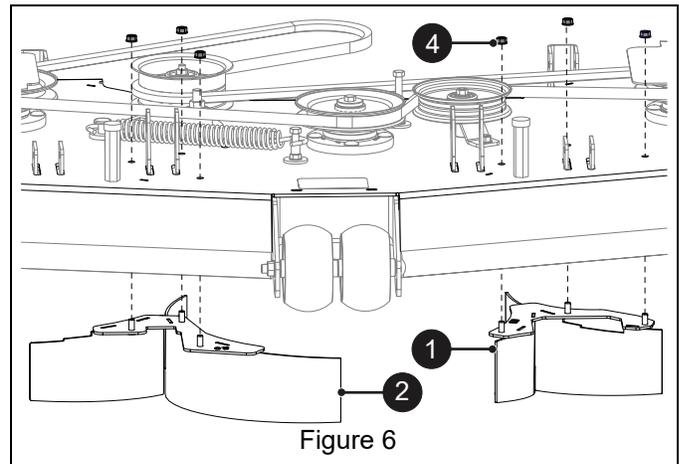


7. Remove and retain three 5/8" x 1 3/4" hex bolts and washers retaining mower blades and remove mower blades. Note bevel washer orientation for reinstallation. Retain hardware for reinstallation and blades for operation without mulch kit. See Figure 5.

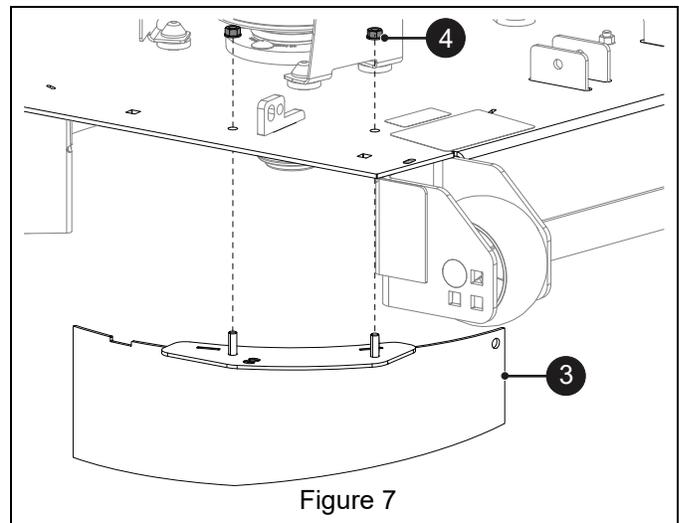


INSTALL Baffles

1. Position left baffle (item 1) and right baffle (item 2) in mower deck and retain with six 5/16" center lock flange nuts (item 4). Torque nuts to 9.1 N•m – 10.2 N•m (80 lb-in – 90 lb-in). See Figure 6.

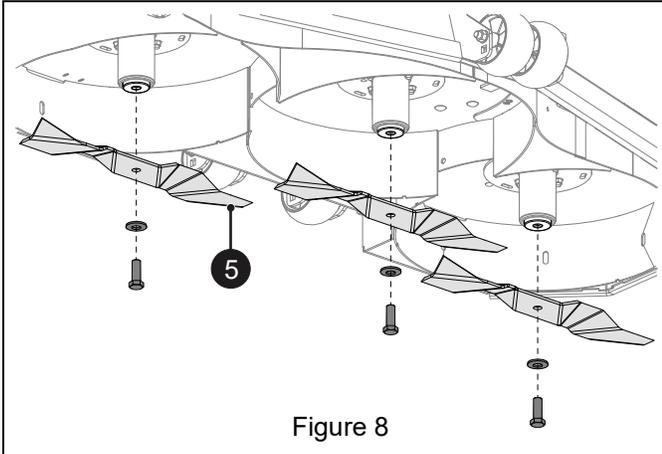


2. Position discharge baffle (item 3) in mower deck and retain with two 5/16" center lock flange nuts (item 4). Torque nuts to 9.1 N•m – 10.2 N•m (80 lb-in – 90 lb-in). See Figure 7.



INSTALL BLADES

1. Mount mulch blades (item 5) to spindles using three 5/8" x 1 3/4" hex bolts and washers removed earlier. Ensure that bevel washers are installed with cupped surface facing blades. Torque to 156 N•m – 217 N•m (115 lb-ft – 160 lb-ft). See Figure 8.



2. Reconnect spark plug wires.

MULCHING TIPS

1. Mow at full throttle and half speed.
2. Mow dry grass only.
3. Keep mower blades sharp.
4. Cut no more than 2.5 cm (1") at a time. For tall grass, mow at a higher cutting height, then make a second or third pass with the deck set to the desired cutting height.
5. Clean the underside of deck after each mowing.
6. DO NOT wash mower with high-pressure sprayer when cleaning deck or mower.