

# **Operator's Manual**

SKID STEER BRUSH CUTTERS

## **Open Front/Standard-Duty Series**

SD6000 LF | SD6000 SD7200 LF | SD7200

#### WHY READ THIS MANUAL?

Before operating your new Brush Wolf brush cutter, read this entire manual to understand 1) safety precautions, 2) operating instructions, and 3) maintenance schedule to help keep you safe and your equipment running smoothly for years to come.



TAKE A MINUTE TO WRITE DOWN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR FUTURE SERVICE, REPAIR, AND WARRANTY INQUIRIES.

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## THANK YOU

#### Welcome to the Brush Wolf family!

You've made a smart choice! We hope you love your brush cutter as much as we love making it. If you have any issues, please contact us at any time. We're here to help.

#### **Brush Wolf**

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# **SAFETY FIRST!**

FOR YOUR SAFETY, READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

The following safety instructions are provided to alert you to precautions that, if not followed, may cause serious injury to yourself or to others. Please read these instructions completely. Brush Wolf/Cross-Tech Manufacturing cannot cover every incident that might be a hazard. Extreme caution should be used at all times. Only use your Brush Wolf brush cutter for the purpose for which it has been designed.

#### **□** SITE INSPECTION

Before operating your brush cutter, carefully inspect the area to be cleared. Remove any items that may be picked up and thrown by the cutting blades, such as wire, pipes, rocks, etc. Mark objects that are too large to move. This is an important step to avoid personal injury, damage to property, the brush cutter, or your skid steer. If an object is struck while operating the brush cutter, immediately shut down power to both the brush cutter and the skid steer. Any damage should be corrected and tested before the continuation of cutting.

# ☐ SKID STEER AUXILIARY HYDRAULIC FLOW

Check the specifications of your brush cutter's rated gallons per minute (GPM) to correctly match the hydraulic flow of your skid steer to ensure proper operation.

#### **□** EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Disconnect the unit from the skid steer. To inspect or to make repairs under the cutter deck, always block the unit securely to prevent accidental release of the lift mechanism.

Inspect all hydraulic connections to ensure they are tight, and hoses and shields are in good condition before applying pressure. Hydraulic fluid can escape under pressure and may cause serious injury or death. If this type of injury occurs, seek medical attention immediately.

#### ☐ SAFETY GEAR

Wear safety goggles, hearing protection, and a hard hat. Only operate the skid steer behind a shatterproof forestry-rated door and cab. **DO NOT** operate near bystanders, vehicles, pets, livestock, or buildings. Objects may discharge while cutting with the brush cutter and has the potential to cause serious injury.

**DO NOT** operate the brush cutter until everyone on your work crew is alerted to the dangers of walking up to the brush cutter while in operation.

**DO NOT** operate the brush cutter in conditions with poor visibility.

**DO NOT** operate while intoxicated or if taking medications that may impair your senses or reactions.

**DO NOT** allow children to operate the brush cutter. Only individuals with skid steer experience who are well acquainted with the rules of safe operation should be allowed to operate the brush cutter.

**DO NOT** operate the skid steer without a shatterproof forestry-rated door and cab.

**DO NOT** place hands, feet, or other objects under the deck while the brush cutter is in operation.

**DO NOT** raise the mower deck while blades are rotating. Operation with the mower raised will expose the cutting blades and may cause serious injury or death to yourself or others.

**DO NOT** allow anyone or any item on top of the mower deck while in operation.

**DO NOT** expose the underside of the blades towards the cab while in operation.

**DO NOT** continue operation if an unexpected object is struck. IMMEDIATELY shut down power to both the brush cutter and the skid steer. Disconnect the hydraulic couplers from the power source. Evaluate the damage, repair, and then test the unit before operation.

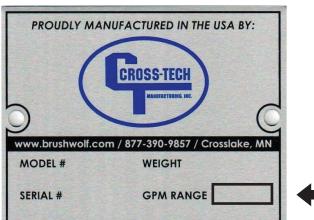
**DO NOT** leave the brush cutter unattended while in a raised position. Always make sure both the runners are placed firmly on the ground and shut down the skid steer.

**DO NOT** attempt to straighten blades. Order replacement blades if blades are bent, cracked, or damaged.

# OPERATING YOUR BRUSH CUTTER

## **START HERE**

Verify your skid steer's hydraulic flow to ensure it is within the brush cutter's rating range. The brush cutter's gallons per minute (GPM) rating is located on the serial tag of the brush cutter.



**FIGURE 1: SERIAL TAG** 

## ▶ IMPORTANT: CHECK THESE ITEMS PRIOR TO OPERATING

☐ CHECK BLADES

Inspect blades to ensure they are sharp, tightened correctly, and intact. Look for damage, dullness, and cracks. See page 9 for details.

☐ CHECK HYDRAULIC FLUID

A low level could indicate a leak and require a closer inspection of your unit. See page 9 for details.

☐ CHECK NUTS & BOLTS

Tighten the 1) blade carrier to the gearbox, 2) blade bolts/nuts, and 3) hydraulic motor mount nuts to torque specification listed on page 10.

☐ INSPECT THE DRIVE COMPONENTS

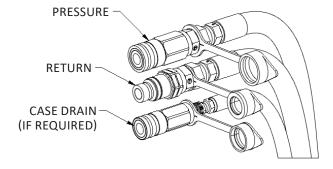
Remove any foreign material.

### **▶** CONNECTING THE BRUSH CUTTER

- 1) Connect the brush cutter to your skid steer with the universal Quick Tach Mount Plate.
- 2) Once connected, visually check the lock pins to make sure the brush cutter is securely locked into place. Raise the brush cutter to 12" above ground level. Loop the lift limit chain through the chain ring on your skid steer and back to the chain bracket on your brush cutter.

**NOTE:** All Brush Wolf brush cutters come from the factory with the female flat faced coupler on the pressure line and the male coupler on the return line.

**FIGURE 2: HOSE ENDS** 

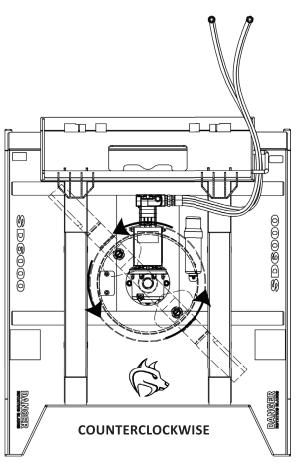


- 3) Inspect the hydraulic couplers and wipe off water, dust, or any debris which can damage hydraulic components. Once cleaned, connect the couplers from the cutter to the auxiliary hydraulic system on the skid steer.
- 4) Make sure the hoses are routed in a way that allows the head to make a full range of motion. If hoses are too long and pinching or binding, they can be made shorter by loosening the hose bracket and feeding additional hose length back to the cutter deck.
- 5) Confirm all safety measures have been completed per the Safety First! section (pages 2-3). Most importantly, make sure the area is clear of people and pets.

#### **▶** OPERATING STEPS

- Enter the shatter-proof cab door, engage the seat belt, release the brake, and start the engine. The runners of the brush cutter should be as close to the ground as possible. Never raise the brush cutter more than seven (7) inches off the ground while in operation.
- Slowly apply hydraulics to the brush cutter and increase the engine speed to high idle.
   Make sure the unit is operating smoothly before moving the skid steer forward.
- 3) Check for proper blade rotation. Blades should spin COUNTERCLOCKWISE as viewed from above (see Figure 3). If rotation is reversed (clockwise), either inverse the flow from your machine or switch the QD couplers on the hose ends.

- When temperatures are below zero, allow additional time for hydraulic fluid to warm up.
- 4) **Maintain skid steer speed** appropriate for the volume of brush to prevent stalling.
- 5) Stay alert for drop-offs, rocks, holes, abandoned wells, and septic tanks. Do not operate or drive across a steep embankment as this may cause a rollover and possible injuries or death.
- 6) To cut large diameter brush and trees, move forward slowly to make the cut.



**FIGURE 3: BLADE ROTATION** 

## **▶** WHEN DONE CUTTING

When done, lower lift arms, make sure the cutter is placed flat on the ground, throttle down on the skid steer, and shut off the hydraulic flow to the brush cutter. Stop the engine and engage the parking brake before leaving the cab. **Noise at shut down is normal.** 

#### **DISCONNECTING HOSES:**

To disconnect hoses, use proper hand protection as the couplers may be hot. Always replace caps on hoses once removed to prevent contamination.

# **MAINTENANCE**

BRUSH WOLF BRUSH CUTTERS ARE BUILT TO STRICT STANDARDS AND WILL DELIVER YEARS OF DEPENDABLE SERVICE WHEN YOU FOLLOW THESE MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES...

## ► MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

See pages 9-10 for details.

ITEM	BEFORE EACH USE	DAILY OR EVERY 8 HOURS	AS NEEDED
Blades	Inspect		
Gearbox Lubricant	Check Oil		
Blade Bolt/Nuts		Torque to 775 ft-lbs	
Gearbox Castle Nut		Torque to 450 ft-lbs	
Gear Mounting Bolts		Torque to 275 ft-lbs	
Hydraulic Motor Mount Bolts		Torque to 75 ft-lbs	
Block (high flow units only)		Torque to 35 ft-lbs	
Shear Bolt Grade 2		Torque to 75 ft-lbs	
Hoses & Hose Safety Shield	Inspect		
Gearbox Shaft	Inspect		
Brush Cutter			Clean

**CAUTION:** Perform maintenance on a level surface with the unit firmly on the ground and blocked. Shut down the skid steer and remove hydraulic hoses from the power source.

**DO NOT** loan your brush cutter to another skid steer owner. The potential exists for hydraulic contamination and could shorten the life of your skid steer or the hydraulic motor on your brush cutter. Contamination of the hydraulic motor voids the warranty.

#### **▶** BEFORE EVERY OPERATION

#### **☐** INSPECT BLADES

Inspect blades before each use to ensure they are sharp, tightened correctly, and intact. Look for damage, dullness, and cracks. Blades should rotate freely and be clear of obstructions. Replace the entire set of blades if damaged.

**CAUTION:** Always replace the entire set of blades. Never weld or straighten damaged blades, as loss of blade integrity may result.

## ☐ CHECK HYDRAULIC HOSES AND HOSE SAFETY SHIELD

Check for wear, damage, or leaks. Replace if damaged.

#### ☐ INSPECT THE DRIVE COMPONENTS

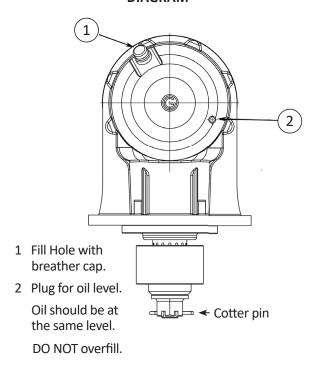
Inspect before each use and remove foreign material.

## ☐ CHECK THE GEARBOX FOR PROPER LUBRICANT

To check the lubricant level, remove the pipe plug from the side of the gearbox. The lubricant should be the same level as the plug (see Figure 4.) If low, add 85W-140 gear lube.

**IMPORTANT: DO NOT** overfill as too much lubricant may rupture the gearbox seals.

## FIGURE 4: GEARBOX LUBRICATION DIAGRAM



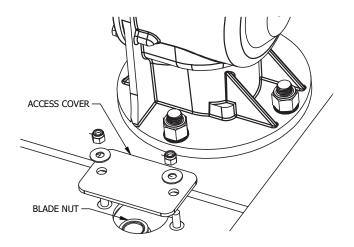
#### ▶ BEFORE EVERY OPERATION

#### ☐ CHECK NUTS & BOLTS

Every Brush Wolf brush cutter is tested at the factory and all nuts and bolts have been tightened to specifications. We recommend you check the nuts and bolts after the first 4 to 6 hours of operation; then daily or every eight (8) hours.

Tighten the nuts that secure the blades to the blade carrier every eight (8) hours. Torque the nuts to 775 ft-lbs with a 1-11/16" socket wrench. The nuts are located under the access plate on the top of the blade carrier (see Figure 5).

FIGURE 5: ACCESS COVER



Also, tighten the castle nut holding the blade carrier to the output shaft of the gearbox. Torque to 450 ft-lbs with a 1-1/2" socket wrench. Insert cotter pin through hole on gearbox output shaft (see Figure 4).

Tighten gear mounting bolts daily or every eight (8) hours. Torque the bolts to 275 ft-lbs.

Tighten hydraulic motor mount bolts daily or every eight (8) hours. Torque the bolts to 75 ft-lbs.

Tighten block (high flow units only) daily or every eight (8) hours. Torque to 420 ft-lbs.

Tighten shear bolt grade 2 daily or every eight (8) hours. Torque to 75 ft-lbs.

Shear bolt protection (also known as butter bolt) at the motor coupler. It is recommended to carry additional shear bolts (½-13 x 3" GRD 2) obtained at most hardware stores. Only use grade 2 when replacing.

## **▶** AS NEEDED

- ☐ CLEAN THE BRUSH CUTTER as needed and look for potential damage or obstruction that could result in poor performance.
- ☐ Make sure all **SAFETY DECALS** are visible.

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

# CONSULT YOUR DEALER OR CONTACT BRUSH WOLF FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR ADDITIONAL HELP.

ISSUE	POTENTIAL CAUSES	
Loss of Power	<ul> <li>Low hydraulic fluid level</li> <li>Overheated hydraulic fluid*</li> <li>Contaminated hydraulic fluid*</li> <li>Low gearbox lubricant level</li> <li>Broken gearbox/motor shear pin</li> <li>Missing input shaft key</li> </ul>	
Excessive Unit Vibration	<ul> <li>Dull, broken, or damaged blades</li> <li>Bent gearbox shaft</li> <li>Blade carrier out of balance</li> <li>Loose nuts and bolts</li> <li>New blade or bolts matched with worn blade or bolts</li> <li>Wire or rope wrapped around blades</li> </ul>	
Leaking Oil	Loose hydraulic connections     Ruptured hydraulic motor seals     Bent gearbox shaft     Loose or missing motor drain plug	

<sup>\*</sup>May damage hydraulic motor and void warranty.

# **HOW TO REPLACE BLADES**

Perform replacement on a level surface with the brush cutter blocked off the ground. Shut off the hydraulic power supply and disconnect hydraulic couplers.

- Take off the access cover (see Figure 5 on page 10) by removing the nuts and washers.
- Through the exposed access hole, rotate the blade carrier to line up the nut of the blade for access.
- Insert a 1-11/16" socket through the access hole and remove the nut and drop the bolts. Caution: once nuts are removed, blades will fall to the ground if not supported.
- Clean new bolts, lock-nuts, and washer with cleaner/degreaser. Prior to assembly, ensure all hardware is dry and free of any contaminants including the carrier assembly.

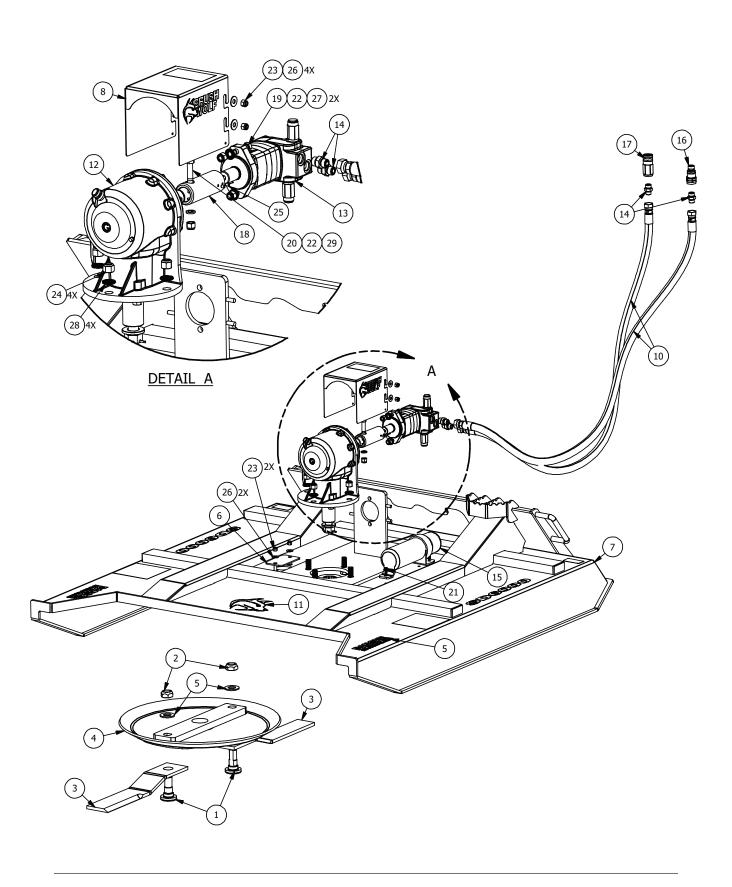
- 5) Use Primer Loctite on the bolts and nuts according to the directions on the label. Apply Loctite #243 to the first 10 bolt threads to ensure coverage.
- 6) Assemble the new blade, the bolt, and the nut to the carrier. The blade carrier cuts in one direction, counterclockwise.
- 7) Torque the blade bolts to 775 ft-lbs. using a 1-11/16" socket.
- 8) Confirm the blade carrier rotates freely and is clear of any obstructions.
- 9) Reinstall the access cover plate.

# PARTS SECTION



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ORDER PARTS DIRECTLY
FROM BRUSH WOLF
BY CALLING 218-692-1050

# PARTS: SD6000 LF | SD6000



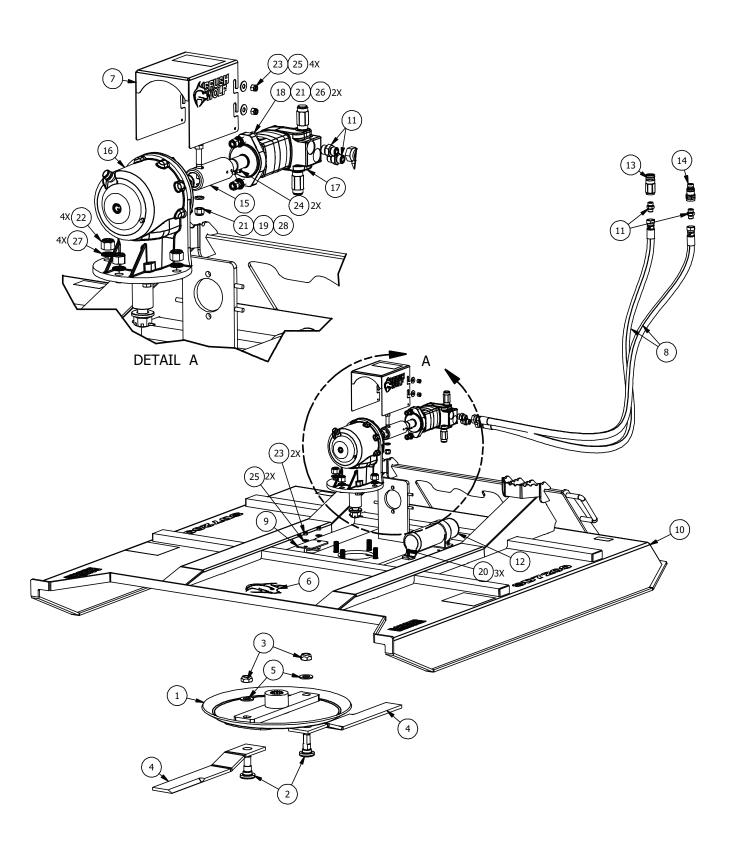
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1	2	15066	BOLT, D-BOLT, 1 1/8-12, BW	
2	2	15148	NUT, TOP LOCK, 1 1/8-12, GRADE C, PLAIN	
3	1	16384	SET OF BLADES, 22.000 X 4.000 X 0.500, NO LIFT	
4	1	15057	WELDMENT, BLADE CARRIER, 25.000 DIA X .313, SPUN FORMED PAN	
5	2	30089	WASHER, FLAT, 1 1/8, F436, ZINC	
6	1	15054	PLATE, ACCESS, 2 HOLE, 5.250 X 3.250 X 0.250	
7	1	16455	WELDMENT, FRAME, SD6000	
8	1	16449	GUARD, COUPLING, SD SERIES	
9	1	16453	DECAL KIT, SD6000	
10	2	15597	HOSE WHIP ASSEMBLY, -8 ORFS, FEMALE SWIVEL COUPLINGS, 0.750 X 78.000 HOSE	
11	1	16453	DECAL KIT, SD6000	
12	1	15092*	STANDARD FLOW BRUSH CUTTER - GEARBOX, 62HP, 1:1.46 RATIO	
12	1	15093*	LOW FLOW BRUSH CUTTER - GEARBOX, 62HP, 1:1.93 RATIO	
13	1	15353	MOTOR, 6.2 CU IN, SAE "A" 2 BOLT, 7/8-14-12 SAE O-RING PORTS, 1.250 DIA X 1.250 KEYED SHAFT, 3500/750 RELIEF, EATON	
14	4	15584	ADAPTER, STRAIGHT, #8 MORFS, #10 MORB	
15	1	15417	CANISTER, OMM, INTERNATIONAL STYLE, 12.500 X 3.500	
16	1	15079	COUPLER, FLAT FACED, 1/2 MALE, 7/8-14, O-RING BOSS	
17	1	15078	COUPLER, FLAT FACED, 1/2 FEMALE, 7/8-14, O-RING BOSS	
18	1	15123	COUPLING, STD, 1.250 MOTOR, 1.375 GB, 5.500	
19	2	30026	BOLT, HH, 1/2-13 X 2 UNC, GRD 5, ZINC	
20	1	30029**	BOLT, HH, 1/2-13 X 3, GRD 2, ZINC	
21	3	30057	BOLT, HH, FLANGED, 1/4-20 X 3/4, GRD 5, ZINC	
22	3	30062	NUT, NYLOCK, 1/2-13, ZINC	
23	6	30065	NUT, NYLOCK, 3/8-16, ZINC	
24	4	30067	NUT, NYLOCK, 5/8-18,GRD 8 ZINC	
25	2	30078	SET SCREW_CP_1_4-20X3_8 UNC	
26	6	30083	WASHER, FLAT, 3/8, ZINC	
27	2	15381	WASHER, NORD-LOCK, 0.500 X 1.000 OD, ZINC	
28	4	15380	WASHER, NORD-LOCK, 0.625 X 1.210 OD, ZINC	
29	1	30093	WASHER, SPRING LOCK, .500, ZINC	

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4	1	16186	SET OF BLADE, 28.000 X 4.000 X .500, NO LIFT	
5	2	30089	WASHER, FLAT, 1 1/8, F436, ZINC	
6	1	16451	DECAL KIT, SD7200	
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# WARRANTY INFORMATION

#### PROTECT YOUR PURCHASE.

Warranties are valid from date of purchase with a warranty registration on file. Scan the QR code below or go to brushwolf.com/warranty to file a claim and view warranty details.



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2-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY



**Hydraulic Motor** 

1.5-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY



Gearbox



**Bearing Housing** 



