

# OPERATOR'S MANUAL

## SPIN / RELIEF REEL MOWER GRINDER

RG5000



**FRONTIER**  
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This book consists of three manuals:

The OPERATORS MANUAL in ENGLISH which contains all the information on operating and doing routine daily maintenance on this equipment.

The ASSEMBLY and SERVICE MANUAL which is used by the maintenance department to install the equipment and to do all maintenance except routine daily maintenance.

The OPERATORS MANUAL in FRENCH which is the same as the English version only translated into French.

## DEALER PREPARATION/INSTALLATION CHECK LIST

### Frontier RG5000 Spin/Relief Reel Mower Grinder

THIS CHECKLIST IS TO REMAIN IN OWNER'S MANUAL

It is the responsibility of the dealer to complete the procedures listed below, then review this checklist with the customer upon the delivery or the sale of this equipment. The installation training goes over the basic operational functions of the equipment. To ensure adequate training, we require that the following items are reviewed by your John Deere Dealer. Please check off to ensure that you understand the following items before the installation training is complete:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Equipment is completely assembled  | <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Review proper positioning of reel            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. All shields are in place and in good condition.  | <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Explain use of reel grinder relief mechanism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. All decals in place and readable.  | <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Review traverse proximity switch positioning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Overall condition good (i.e. paint, welds, electrical)   | <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Explain use of reel grinder alignment gage  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Verify there is sufficient electrical power to operate the machine.                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Explain reel grinder spin speed vs. quality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Review Operators, Assembly & Service Manuals, and any additional training material if available. | <input type="checkbox"/> 12. Discuss reel grinder set-up chart in manual |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> 13. Review General Maintenance                  |

Dealer's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser's Signature \_\_\_\_\_



### Safety



#### IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE FOR OWNERS/OPERATORS OF REEL GRINDERS

Safety is a primary concern in the design, manufacture, sale, and use of reel grinders. As manufacturers of reel grinders, we want to confirm to you, our customers, our concern for safety. We also want to remind you about the simple, basic, and common sense rules of safety when using a reel grinder. Failure to follow these rules can result in severe injury or death to operators or bystanders.

It is essential that everyone involved in the assembly, operation, transport, maintenance, and storage of this equipment be aware, concerned, prudent, and properly trained in safety. Always use proper shielding as specified by the manufacturer.

Our current production machines include, as standard equipment, guards or shields for the grinding wheel, safety signs and an operators manuals. Never bypass or operate the machine with any of the guards or safety device removed.

**Read and fully understand all the safety practices discussed on pages 4 and 5 of this manual. All safety rules must be understood and followed by anyone who works with reel grinders.**

Before operating a reel grinder, an operator must read and understand all of the information in the owner's manual and in the safety signs attached to the product. A person who has not read or understood the owner's manual and safety signs is not qualified to operate the unit. Accidents occur often on machines that are used by someone who has not read the owner's manual and is not familiar with the equipment. If you do not have an owner's manual or current production safety signs, contact the manufacturer or your dealer immediately.

Reel grinders are designed for one-man operation. Never operate the grinder with anyone near, or in contact with, any part of the grinder. Be sure no one else, including bystanders, is near you when you operate this product.

Following these simple, basic safety rules, as well as others identified in the owner's manual and in product safety signs, will help minimize the possibility of accidents and increase your productivity in using this product. Be careful and make sure that everyone who operates the grinder knows and understands that it is a very powerful piece of machinery, and if used improperly, serious injury or death may result. The final responsibility for safety rests with the operator of this machine.

**TO THE DEALER:**

Assembly and proper installation of this product is the responsibility of the John Deere dealer. Read manual instructions and safety rules. Make sure all items on the Preparation Check List in the Operator's Manual are completed before releasing equipment to the owner.

**TO THE OWNER:**

Read this manual before operating your Frontier equipment. Keep this manual handy for ready reference. Require all operators to read this manual carefully and become acquainted with all adjustments and operating procedures before attempting to operate the equipment. Replacement manuals can be obtained from your selling dealer.

The equipment you have purchased has been carefully engineered and manufactured to provide dependable and satisfactory use. Like all mechanical products, it will require cleaning and upkeep. Lubricate the unit as specified. Please observe all safety information in this manual and safety decals on the equipment.

For service, your authorized John Deere dealer has trained mechanics, genuine Frontier service parts, and the necessary tools and equipment to handle all of your service needs.

Use only genuine Frontier service parts.

# SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



**Safety Awareness Symbols** are inserted into this manual to alert you to possible **Safety Hazards**. Whenever you see these symbols, follow their instructions.



The **Warning Symbol** identifies special instructions or procedures which, if not correctly followed, could result in personal injury.

The **Caution Symbol** identifies special instructions or procedures which, if not strictly observed, could result in damage to or destruction of equipment.

1. **KEEP GUARDS IN PLACE** and in working order.
2. **REMOVE WRENCHES AND OTHER TOOLS.**
3. **KEEP WORK AREA CLEAN.**
4. **DON'T USE IN DANGEROUS ENVIRONMENT.** Don't use Grinder in damp or wet locations. Machine is for indoor use only. Keep work area well lit.
5. **KEEP ALL VISITORS AWAY.** All visitors should be kept a safe distance from work area.
6. **MAKE WORK AREA CHILD-PROOF** with padlocks or master switches.
7. **DON'T FORCE THE GRINDER.** It will do the job better and safer if used as specified in this manual.
8. **USE THE RIGHT TOOL.** Don't force the grinder or an attachment to do a job for which it was not designed.
9. **WEAR PROPER APPAREL.** Wear no loose clothing, gloves, neckties, or jewelry which may get caught in moving parts. Nonslip footwear is recommended. Wear protective hair covering to contain long hair.
10. **ALWAYS USE SAFETY GLASSES.**
11. **SECURE YOUR WORK.** Make certain that the cutting unit is securely fastened with the clamps provided before operating.
12. **DON'T OVERREACH.** Keep proper footing and balance at all times.
13. **MAINTAIN GRINDER WITH CARE.** Follow instructions in Service Manual for lubrication and preventive maintenance.
14. **DISCONNECT POWER BEFORE SERVICING,** or when changing the grinding wheel.
15. **REDUCE THE RISK OF UNINTENTIONAL STARTING.** Make sure all switches are **OFF** before plugging in the grinder.
16. **USE RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES.** Consult the manual for recommended accessories. Using improper accessories may cause risk of personal injury.
17. **CHECK DAMAGED PARTS.** A guard or other part that is damaged or will not perform its intended function should be properly repaired or replaced.
18. **KNOW YOUR EQUIPMENT.** Read this manual carefully. Learn its application and limitations as well as specific potential hazards.
19. **KEEP ALL SAFETY DECALS CLEAN AND LEGIBLE.** If safety decals become damaged or illegible for any reason, replace immediately. Refer to replacement parts illustrations in Service Manual for the proper location and part numbers of safety decals.
20. **DO NOT OPERATE THE GRINDER WHEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS, ALCOHOL, OR MEDICATION.**

# SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



**IMPROPER USE OF GRINDING WHEEL MAY CAUSE  
BREAKAGE AND SERIOUS INJURY.**



Grinding is a safe operation if the few basic rules listed below are followed. These rules are based on material contained in the ANSI B7.1 Safety Code for "Use, Care and Protection of Abrasive Wheels". For your safety, we suggest you benefit from the experience of others and follow these rules.

## DO

1. **DO** always **HANDLE AND STORE** wheels in a careful manner.
2. **DO VISUALLY INSPECT** all wheels before mounting for possible damage.
3. **DO CHECK MACHINE SPEED** against the established maximum safe operating speed marked on wheel.
4. **DO CHECK MOUNTING FLANGES** for equal and correct diameter.
5. **DO USE MOUNTING BLOTTERS** when supplied with wheels.
6. **DO** be sure **WORK REST** is properly adjusted.
7. **DO** always **USE A SAFETY GUARD COVERING** at least one-half of the grinding wheel.
8. **DO** allow **NEWLY MOUNTED WHEELS** to run at operating speed, with guard in place, for at least one minute before grinding.
9. **DO** always **WEAR SAFETY GLASSES** or some type of eye protection when grinding.

## DON'T

1. **DON'T** use a cracked wheel or one that **HAS BEEN DROPPED** or has become damaged.
2. **DON'T FORCE** a wheel onto the machine **OR ALTER** the size of the mounting hole--if the wheel won't fit the machine, get one that will.
3. **DON'T** ever **EXCEED MAXIMUM OPERATING SPEED** established for the wheel.
4. **DON'T** use mounting flanges on which the bearing surfaces **ARE NOT CLEAN, FLAT AND FREE OF BURRS.**
5. **DON'T TIGHTEN** the mounting nut **EXCESSIVELY.**
6. **DON'T** grind on the **SIDE OF THE WHEEL** (see Safety Code B7.2 for exception).
7. **DON'T** start the machine until the **WHEEL GUARD IS IN PLACE.**
8. **DON'T JAM** work into the wheel.
9. **DON'T STAND DIRECTLY IN FRONT** of a grinding wheel whenever a grinder is started.
10. **DON'T FORCE GRINDING** so that motor slows noticeably or work gets hot.



**AVOID INHALATION OF DUST** generated by grinding and cutting operations. Exposure to dust may cause respiratory ailments. Use approved NIOSH or MSHA respirators, safety glasses or face shields, and protective clothing. Provide adequate ventilation to eliminate dust, or to maintain dust level below the Threshold Limit Value for nuisance dust as classified by OSHA.

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