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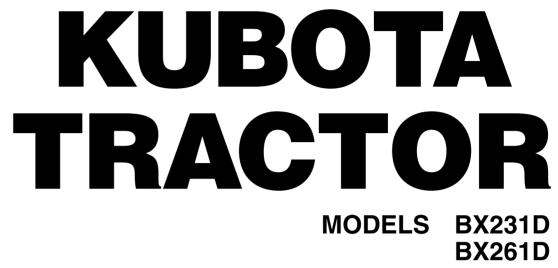
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## **ABBREVIATION LIST**

Abbreviations	Definitions	
2WD	2-Wheel Drive	
4WD	4-Wheel Drive	
API	American Petroleum Institute	
ASTM	American Society of Testing and Materials, USA	
Hi-Lo	High Speed-Low Speed	
HST	Hydrostatic Transmission	
m/s	Meters Per Second	
PTO	Power Take Off	
RH/LH	Right-hand and left-hand sides are determined by facing in the direction of forward travel	
ROPS	Roll-Over Protective Structures	
rpm	Revolutions Per Minute	
r/s	Revolutions Per Second	
SAE	Society of Automotive Engineers, USA	
SMV	Slow Moving Vehicle	

#### Intended use

This machine is designed solely for use in customary grass cutting operations. Use in any other way is considered as contrary to the intended use. Compliance with and strict adherence to the conditions of operation, service, and repair as specified by the manufacturer, also constitute essential elements of the intended use. This machine should be operated, serviced, and repaired only by persons who are familiar with its particular characteristics and who are acquainted with the relevant safety procedures.

Accident prevention regulations, all other generally recognized regulations on safety and occupational medicine, and all road traffic regulations must be observed at all times.

Any arbitrary modifications carried out to this machine may relieve the manufacturer of liability for any resulting damage or injury.

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## **UNIVERSAL SYMBOLS**

As a guide to the operation of your tractor, various universal symbols have been utilized on the instruments and controls. The symbols are shown below with an indication of their meaning.

Safety Alert Symbol	Slow
Read Operator's Manual	Fast
Hour meter/Elapsed Operating Hours	() Brake
Diesel Fuel	Parking Brake
Fuel-Level	← 4-Wheel Drive-On
Empty	్రత్ Speed set-On
Full	⊖ Speed set-Off
Engine-Run	<b>≡⊕</b> Differential Lock
Diesel Preheat/Glow Plugs (Low Temperature Start Aid)	Hydraulic Control-Lowered Position
Starter Control	✓ Hydraulic Control-Raised Position
Engine-Stop	3-Point Lowering Speed Control
⇔(ठ)¢ Engine Oil-Pressure	Remote Cylinder-Retract
Engine Coolant-Temperature	Remote Cylinder-Extend
E → Battery Charging Condition	୍ତିଙ୍ଗି Mid-PTO
Electrical Power-accessories	ആം Mid-Rear-PTO
Hazard Warning Lights	ନ୍ଦ୍ତିିଙ୍କ Rear-PTO
∕⊐` ∕⊐ ⊄ Turn Signal	Power Take-Off Clutch Control-Off Position
≣O Headlight	Power Take-Off Clutch Control-On Position
-Ö- Master Lighting Switch	Tilt Steering Lever
Engine Speed Control	Loader Lock Lever Lock Position
ON (engaged)	Loader Lock Lever Unlock Position
OFF (disengaged)	

## FOREWORD

You are now the proud owner of a KUBOTA Tractor. This tractor is a product of KUBOTA's quality engineering and manufacturing. It is made of the excellent materials and under rigid quality control systems. It will give you long, satisfactory service. To obtain the best use of your tractor, please read this manual carefully. It will help you become familiar with the operation of the tractor and contains many helpful hints about tractor maintenance. It is KUBOTA's policy to utilize, as quick as possible, every advance in our research. The immediate use of new techniques in the manufacturing of products may cause some small parts of this manual to become outdated. KUBOTA distributors and dealers will have the most up-to-date information. Please do not hesitate to consult them.



This symbol, the industry's "Safety Alert Symbol", is used throughout this manual and on labels on the machine itself to warn of the possibility of personal injury. Read these instructions carefully. It is essential that you read the instructions and safety regulations before you attempt to assemble or use this unit.

DANGER :	Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.
WARNING :	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.
CAUTION :	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.
IMPORTANT :	Indicates that equipment or property damage could result if instructions are not followed.
NOTE :	Gives helpful information.

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## SAFE OPERATION

Careful operation is your best insurance against an accident.

Read and understand this manual carefully before operating the tractor.

All operators, no matter how much experience they may have, should read this and other related manuals before operating the tractor or any implement attached to it. It is the owner's obligation to instruct all operators on safe operation.

### PRECAUTIONS BEFORE OPERATING THE TRACTOR

Know your equipment and its limitations.

Read this entire manual before starting and operating the tractor.

#### 1. General precautions

- Pay special attention to the safety labels on the tractor.
- Do not operate the tractor or any implement attached to the tractor while under the influence of alcohol, medication, controlled substances, or while you are fatigued.
- Carefully check the vicinity of the tractor before operating it or any implement attached to it. Do not allow any bystander around or near the tractor during operating it.
- Before allowing other people to use your tractor, explain them how to operate it and have them read this manual before operating it.
- Never wear loose, torn, or bulky clothing around the tractor. Loose, torn, or bulky clothing may catch on moving parts or controls, leading to the risk of an accident. Use additional safety items: hard hat, safety boots or shoes, eye and hearing protection, gloves, and so on, as appropriate or required.
- Do not allow passengers to ride on any part of the tractor at any time. The operator must remain in the operator's seat during operating the tractor.
- Check the brakes, clutch, linkage pins, and other mechanical parts for improper adjustment and wear. Replace worn or damaged parts promptly. Check the tightness of all nuts and bolts regularly. (For further details, see SERVICE INTERVALS on page 82)
- Keep your tractor clean. Accumulations of dirt, grease, and rubbish may contribute to fires and lead to personal injury.
- Use only implements meeting the specifications, or implements approved by KUBOTA.

(For the specifications, see FRONT LOADER on page 26)

- Use proper weights on the front or rear of the tractor to reduce the risk of upsets. When using the front loader, put an implement or ballast on the 3-point hitch to maintain proper balance. Follow the safe operating procedures specified in *the implement or attachment manual*.
- Do not modify the tractor. Unauthorised modification may affect the function of the tractor, which may result in personal injury.

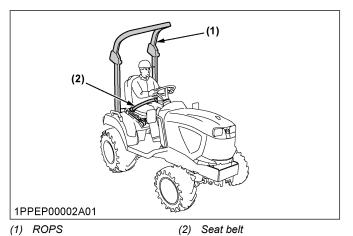
### 2. Precautions for CAB and ROPS

KUBOTA recommends the use of a CAB or roll-overprotective-structures (ROPS), and seat belt in almost all applications. Combination of a CAB or ROPS and seat belt will reduce the risk of serious injury or death if the tractor should be upset.

- Check for overhead clearance which may interfere with a CAB or ROPS. Check carefully for overhead clearances (that is, branches, doorways, and electrical wires) before driving under any objects and do not contact them.
- Set the parking brake and stop the engine. Remove any obstructions which may prevent raising or folding the ROPS. Do not allow any bystander. Always raise or fold the ROPS from a stable position at the rear of the tractor. Hold the top of the ROPS securely when raising or folding it. Make sure that all pins are installed and locked.
- If the CAB or ROPS is loosened or removed for any reason, make sure that all parts are reinstalled correctly before operating the tractor.
- Never modify or repair any structural member of a CAB or ROPS because welding, bending, drilling, grinding, or cutting may weaken the structure.
- If any structural member of the CAB or ROPS is damaged, replace the entire structure at your local KUBOTA Dealer.
- If the tractor is equipped with a foldable ROPS, you
  may fold down it temporarily only when absolutely
  necessary to fold down it for areas with constraints
  on height.
  - There is no protection of operator provided by the ROPS in the folded position. For operator safety, you should place the ROPS in the upright and locked position and fasten the seat belt for all other operations.
- Always use the seat belt if the tractor is equipped with a CAB or ROPS.

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Do not use the seat belt if a foldable ROPS is down or there is no ROPS. Check the seat belt regularly and replace if frayed or damaged.



### PRECAUTIONS FOR OPERATING THE TRACTOR

Operator safety is a priority. Safe operation, specifically with respect to overturning hazards, entails understanding the equipment and environmental conditions at the time of use. Some prohibited uses which can affect overturning hazards include travelling and turning with implements and loads carried too high, and so on.

This manual sets forth some of the obvious risks, but the list of risks is not exhaustive, and the list of risks cannot be exhaustive. It is the operator's responsibility to be alert for any equipment or environmental condition that could compromise safe operation.

## 1. Precautions for starting to operate the tractor

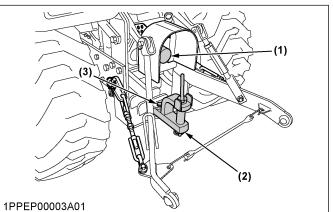
- Always sit in the operator's seat when starting the engine or operating the levers or controls. Adjust the operator's seat according to Operator's seat on page 32. Never start the engine while you are standing on the ground.
- Before starting the engine, make sure that all levers including auxiliary control levers are in their neutral positions, that the parking brake is engaged, and that the power take-off (PTO) is disengaged or off.
   Fasten the seat belt if the tractor is equipped with a CAB, a fixed ROPS, or a foldable ROPS in the upright and locked position.
- Do not start the engine by shorting across starter terminals or bypassing the safety start switch. The tractor may start in gear and move if normal starting circuitry is bypassed.
- Do not operate or idle the engine in a nonventilated area. Carbon monoxide gas is colourless, odourless, and deadly.

 Check that the operator-presence-control-system (OPC) are functioning correctly before each time you use the tractor. Test safety systems.
 (See Checking the engine start system on page 91 and Checking the OPC (operator presence control) system on page 92)

Do not operate unless they are functioning correctly.

## 2. Precautions for working the tractor

• Never pull from the top link, the rear axle, or any point above the drawbar. Pulling from the top link, the rear axle, or any point above the drawbar could cause the tractor to tip over rearward causing personal injury or death.



(1) PTO shaft cap

(2)

Drawbar

Keep all shields and guards in place. Replace any shield or guard that are missing or damaged.

(3) Drawbar pin

- Avoid sudden starts. To avoid upsets, slow down when turning, on uneven ground, and before stopping.
- The tractor cannot turn with the differential locked. Do not turn with the differential locked as it could be dangerous.
- Do not operate the tractor near ditches, holes, embankments, or other ground surface features which may collapse under the weight of the tractor. The risk of tractor upset is even higher when the ground is loose or wet. Tall grass can hide obstacles, so walk the area first to be sure.
- Watch where you are going at all times. Watch for and avoid obstacles. Be alert at row ends, near trees, and other obstructions.
- When working in groups, always let the others know what you are going to perform before you perform it.
- Never try to get on or off a moving tractor.
- Always sit in the operator's seat when you are operating levers or controls.

- Do not stand between the tractor and the implement or trailed vehicle unless parking brake is applied.
- Do not operate or tow the tractor at speeds exceeding the specified travel speed.
   (See TRAVELING SPEEDS TABLE on page 23 and Precautions for transporting the tractor safely on page 57)
- Do not operate the machine when there is a possibility of lightning. Even if the machine is equipped with a cabin, the operator is not protected from lightning.

### 3. Safety for children

Tragedy can occur if the operator is not alert to the presence of children. Children generally are attracted to machines and their work.

- Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them.
- Keep children out of the work area and under the watchful eye of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and shut the tractor down if children enter the work area.
- Never carry children on the tractor. There is no safe place for them to ride. They may fall off and be run over or interfere with your control of the tractor.
- Never allow children to operate the tractor even under adult supervision.
- Never allow children to play on the tractor or on the implement.
- Use extra caution when the tractor is backing up. Before the tractor starts to move, look down and behind to make sure that the working area is clear.

## 4. Precautions for operating the tractor on slopes

Slopes are a major factor related to loss-of-control and tip-over accidents, which can result in severe injury or death.

All slopes require extra caution.

- To avoid upsets of the tractor, always back it up steep slopes. If you cannot back the tractor up the slope or if you feel uneasy to back it up the slope, do not operate the tractor on the slope. Stay off the slopes which is too steep for safe operation.
- Driving forward out of a ditch, mired condition, or up a steep slope increases the risk of the tractor to be upset backward. Always back the tractor out of a ditch, mired condition, or steep slope. The 4wheel drive models require extra caution because their increased traction can give the operator false confidence in the ability of the tractor to climb the slopes.
- Keep all movement of the tractor on slopes slow and gradual. Do not change the speed or

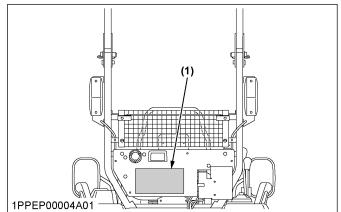
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direction of the tractor suddenly. Do not apply brake suddenly. Do not move the steering wheel suddenly.

- Avoid changing the gears speed when the tractor is climbing or going down a slope. Changing the gears to neutral on a slope could cause loss of control.
- You should pay special attention to the weight and location of implements and loads because they will affect the stability of the tractor.
- To improve stability of the tractor on slope, follow recommendations for proper ballasting as shown in BALLAST on page 75.
- When driving down a slope, make sure that 4-wheel drive is engaged to increase traction if equipped.

## 5. Precautions for driving the tractor on the road

- Check the front wheel engagement. The braking characteristics are different between a 2-wheel drive and 4-wheel drive. Know the difference and use carefully.
- Always slow the tractor down before turning. Turning at high speed may tip the tractor over.
- Follow all local traffic and safety regulations. Use the registration plate as required.

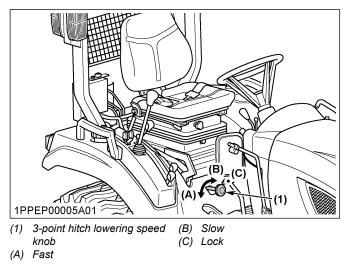


(1) Registration plate

- Check all local traffic and safety regulations.
- Turn the headlights on. Dim the headlights when meeting another vehicle.
- Drive at speeds that allow you to maintain the control at all times.
- Do not apply the differential lock while travelling at road speeds. The tractor may run out of control.
- Avoid sudden motions of the steering wheel because they can lead to a dangerous loss of stability. The risk is especially great when the tractor is travelling at road speeds.
- Keep the ROPS in the up position and wear the seat belt when driving the tractor on the road. Otherwise, you will not be protected in the event of a tractor roll-over.

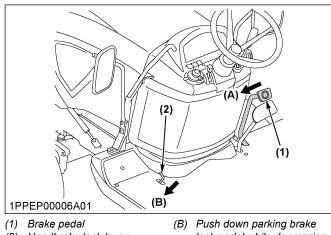
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- Do not operate an implement while the tractor is on the road. Lock the 3-point hitch in the raised position.
- Set the implement-lowering-speed-knob in the lock position to hold the implement in the raised position.



### PRECAUTIONS FOR PARKING THE TRACTOR

• Disengage the PTO, lower all implements to the ground, place all control levers in their neutral positions, set the parking brake, stop the engine, remove the key from the ignition, and lock the cab door if equipped. Leaving the transmission in gear with the engine stopped will not prevent the tractor from rolling.



(2) Handbrake lock lever

(A) Depress

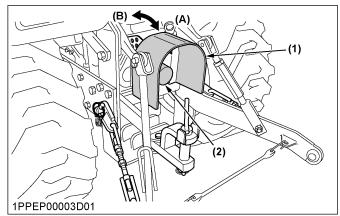
 Push down parking brake lock pedal while depressing brake pedal

- Make sure that the tractor has come to a complete stop before getting off the tractor.
- Avoid parking on steep slopes. If it is at all possible, park on a firm and level surface. If it is not at all possible to park on a firm and level surface, park across a slope and chock the wheels.

Failure to comply with the preceding warning may allow the tractor to move and could cause injury or death.

### PRECAUTIONS FOR OPERATING THE PTO

- Wait until all moving components have completely stopped before getting off the tractor, connecting, disconnecting, adjusting, cleaning, or servicing any PTO driven equipment.
- Keep the PTO-shaft-cover in place at all times. Replace the PTO-shaft-cap when the shaft is not in use.



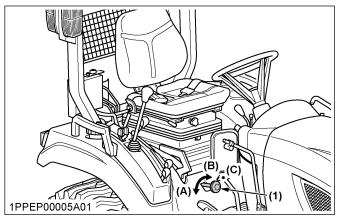
- (1) PTO shaft cover
- (2) PTO shaft cap
- (A) Normal position
- Before installing or using the PTO-drivenequipment, read *the manufacturer's manual* and review the safety labels attached to the equipment.

(B) Raised position

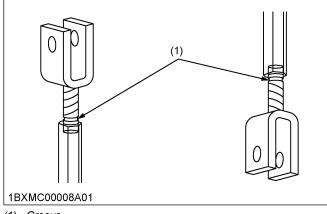
• When operating the stationary PTO-drivenequipment, always apply the parking brake of tractor and place the chocks behind and in front of the rear wheels. Stay clear of all rotating parts. Never step over rotating parts.

### PRECAUTIONS FOR USING 3-POINT HITCH

- Use the 3-point hitch only with equipment designed for the appropriate category of 3-point hitch usage.
- When using an implement mounted to the 3-point hitch, be sure to install the proper counterbalance-weight on the front of the tractor.
- When transporting the loads on the road, set the implement-lowering-speed-knob in the lock position to hold the implement in the raised position.



- (1) 3-point hitch lowering speed
   (B) Slow
   (C) Lock
   (A) Fast
- To avoid injury from separation, do not extend the lift rod beyond the groove on the threaded rod.



(1) Groove

### PRECAUTIONS FOR SERVICING THE TRACTOR

Before servicing the tractor, follow the following procedure.

- 1. park the tractor on a firm, flat, and level surface.
- 2. Set the parking brake.
- 3. Lower all implements to the ground.
- 4. Place the gear-shift-lever in the neutral position.
- 5. Stop the engine.
- 6. Remove the starter key.
- Allow the tractor time to cool off before working on or near the engine, muffler, radiator, and so on.
- Do not remove the radiator cap while the coolant is hot. When coolant is cool, slowly rotate the radiator cap to the first stop and allow sufficient time for excess pressure to escape before removing the radiator cap completely. If the tractor equips a coolant-recovery-tank, add coolant or water to the coolant-recovery-tank. Do not add coolant to the radiator.

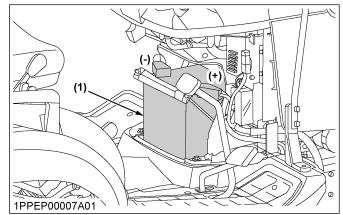
(See Checking the coolant level on page 88)

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- Always stop the engine before refuelling. Avoid spills and overfilling. Always use properly grounded fuelling systems and make sure that no static discharge occurs during fuelling.
- Do not smoke or no fire when working around the battery or when the tractor is refuelling. Keep all sparks and flames away from the battery and fuel tank. The battery presents an explosive hazard, because it gives off hydrogen and oxygen especially when you are recharging it. After refuelling, make sure to close the tank cap securely.
- Before jump starting a dead battery, read and follow all of the instructions.

(See JUMP STARTING THE ENGINE on page 43)

- Keep first-aid-kit and fire extinguisher handy at all times.
- Disconnect the earth cable of battery before working on or near electric components.
- To avoid the possibility of battery explosion, do not use or charge the refillable type battery if the fluid level is below the lower (lower limit level) mark. Check the fluid level regularly and add distilled water as required so that the fluid level is between the upper and lower levels.
- To avoid sparks from an accidental short circuit, always disconnect the earth cable (-) of battery first and reconnect it last.



(1) Battery

- Do not mount a tyre on a rim. A qualified person should mount a tyre on a rim with the proper equipment.
- Always maintain the correct tyre pressure. Do not inflate the tyres above the recommended pressure. (For the recommended pressure, see Inflation pressure of tyres on page 73)

## SAFE OPERATION

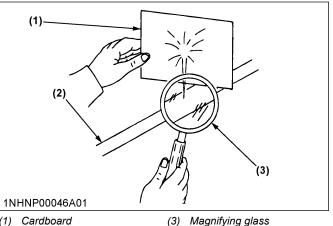


- Securely support the tractor when either changing wheels or adjusting the width of wheel tread.
- Make sure that the wheel bolts have been tightened to the specified torque.
  - (See WHEEL TREAD on page 73)
- Do not work under any hydraulically supported devices. They can settle, suddenly leak down, or be accidentally lowered. If it is necessary to work under the tractor or any machine elements for servicing or adjustment, securely support them with stands or suitable blocking beforehand.
- Escaping hydraulic fluid under pressure obtains sufficient force to penetrate skin, so escaping hydraulic fluid under pressure can cause serious personal injury. Before disconnecting the hydraulic lines, be sure to release all residual pressure. Before applying pressure to the hydraulic system, make sure that all connections are tight and that all lines, pipes, and hoses are free of damage.



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Hydraulic fluid escaping from pinholes may be invisible. Do not use hands to search for suspected leaks. Use a piece of cardboard or wood to search for suspected leaks. You should use safety goggles or other eye protection. If injured by escaping fluid, see a medical doctor at once. Hydraulic fluid will produce gangrene or severe allergic reaction.



Cardboard (1)

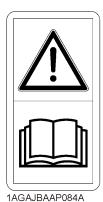
(2) Hydraulic line

Waste products such as used oil, fuel, hydraulic fluid, and batteries, can harm the environment, people, pets, and wildlife. Please dispose properly. See your local recycling centre or KUBOTA Dealer to learn how to recycle or get rid of waste products.



## PICTORIAL SAFETY LABELS

 Part No. K2683-6529-1
 Carefully read operator's manual before handling the machine.
 Observe instructions and safety rules when operating.

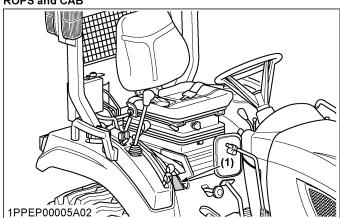


(2) Part No. K2683-6528-1 Do not put hands under the rear fender

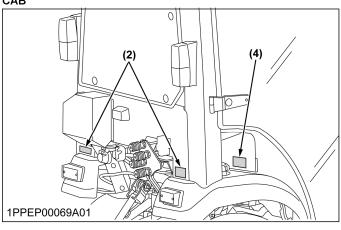


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#### **ROPS and CAB**



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(3) Part No. K2883-6514-1 Always use seat belt with ROPS.

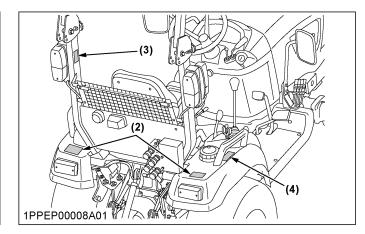
(4) Part No. K2683-6523-1 Diesel fuel No fire only



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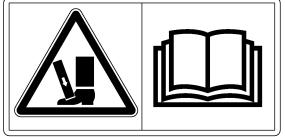
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(1) Part No. K2883-6511-1 Don't extend lift rod beyond the groove on the threaded rod.



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- (2) Part No. K2883-6519-1
  - Stay clear of the PTO shaft.
  - Keep PTO shaft cover in place at all times.
  - Attach the PTO shaft cap when the PTO shaft is not in use.



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(3) Part No. K2054-6545-2

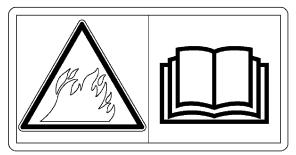
#### TO AVOID FIRE HAZARD:

Before operating the machine, clean inside of the bonnet and around the mower belt.

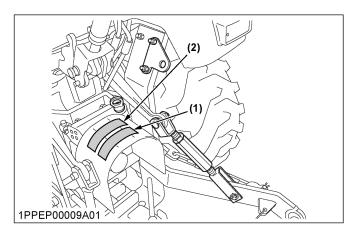
Especially, dry grass and leaves around the exhaust manifold, the muffler or around the mower belt may ignite.

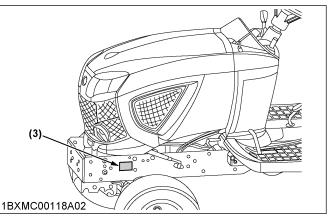
After using, air-blowing and pressure-washing, make sure there is nothing flammable around the exhaust manifold, the muffler or around the mower belt.

Grass, twigs, dirt or chaff in the bonnet may cause fire.



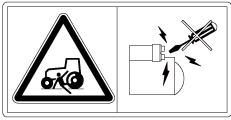
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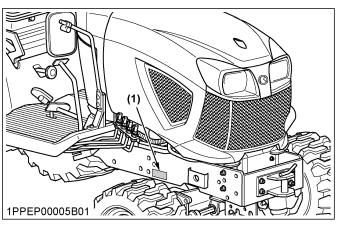


## SAFE OPERATION

(1) Part No. K2883-6515-1 Start engine from operator's seat only.



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(2) Part No. K2883-6521-1 Stay clear of engine fan and fanbelt.



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(3) Part No. K2883-6527-1 Do not touch hot surface like muffler, etc.

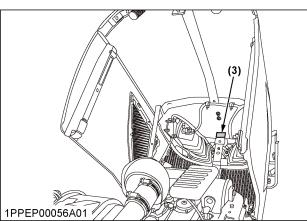


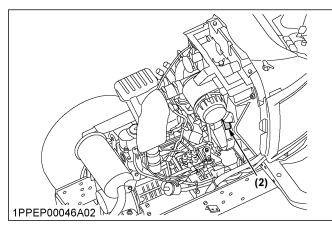
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(4) Part No. K2883-6522-1 Stay clear of engine fan and fanbelt.

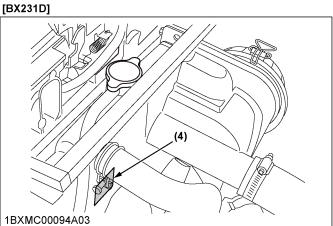


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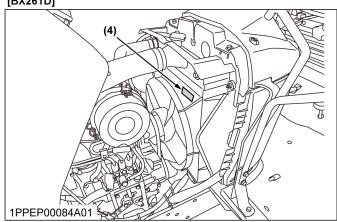




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## A SAFE OPERATION

#### (1) Part No. K7591-6114-3

			DANGER EXPLOSIVE GASES CIGARETTES, FLAMES OR SPARKS COULD CAUSE BATTERY FROM BATTERY. DO NOT CHARGE OR USE BOOSTER CABLE PROPER INSTRUCTION AND TRAINING.	TO EXPLODE. ALWAYS SHIELD EYES AND ES OR ADJUST POST CONNECTIONS WITH	FACE OUT	PAR	F 26R-560	
FLAMMABLES	SHIELD EYES	KEEP OUT OF THE	POISON CAUSES SEVERE BURNS			NOMINAL V	OLTAGE	12V
		REACH OF CHILDREN	CONTAINS SULFURIC ACID. AVOID CONTACT WITH SKIN, EYI FLUSH WITH WATER AND CALL A PHYSICIAN IMMEDIATELY.	ES OR CLOTHING. IN EVENT OF ACCIDENT		COLD CRAN	IKING AMPS	560
			KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN			CRANKING	AMPS	690
CAUTIOUS OF SULFURIC ACID	READ INSTRUCTION MANUAL CAREFULLY	EXPLOSIVE	California Proposition 65 WARNING : This product which is known to the State of California to cause ca harm. For more information go to www.P65Warning	t can expose you to chemicals including ancer and birth defects or other reprodu- s.ca.gov.	lead, ctive	RESERVE CA	PACITY(MINUTES)	86
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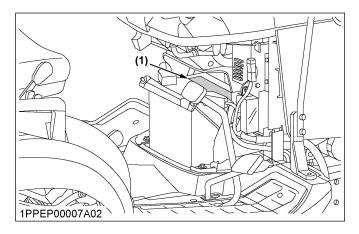
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#### TO AVOID INJURY FROM BATTERY GASES AND ACIDES

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- Keep away cigarettes, flames or sparks.
- Always shield eyes and face from battery.
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- Keep out of reach of children.
- Poison causes severe burns.
- Contains sulfuric acid.
- Read and understand operator's manual.
- Danger explosive gases.

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## A SAFE OPERATION

#### 1. Care for pictorial safety labels

- Keep the pictorial safety labels clean and free from obstructing material.
- Clean the pictorial safety labels with soap and water, and dry with a soft cloth.
- Replace damaged or missing pictorial safety labels with new pictorial safety labels from your local KUBOTA Dealer.
- If a component with pictorial safety label(s) attached is replaced with new component, make sure that new pictorial safety label(s) is (are) attached in the same location(s) as the replaced component.
- Attach new pictorial safety labels by applying on a clean, dry surface and pressing any bubbles to outside edge.

## SERVICING OF THE TRACTOR

## DEALER SERVICE

Your dealer has knowledge of your new machine and is happy to help you get the most value from it.

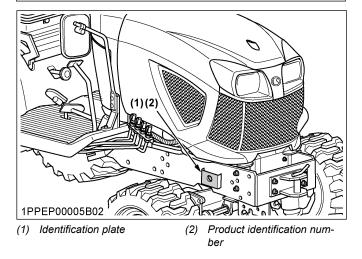
After reading this manual thoroughly, you will find that you can perform some of the regular maintenance yourself.

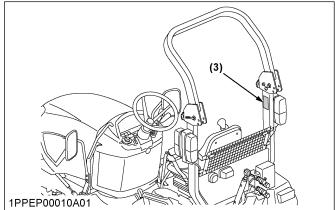
However, when your machine needs parts or major service, be sure to see your KUBOTA Dealer.

For service, contact the KUBOTA Dealership from which you purchased your machine or your local KUBOTA Dealer. When in need of parts, be prepared to give your dealer the product identification number (PIN), and the CAB/ROPS and engine serial numbers.

Locate the PIN and serial numbers now and record them in the space provided.

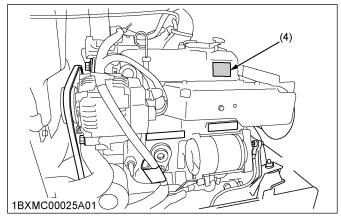
	Туре	PIN/Serial No.		
Tractor				
CAB/ROPS				
Engine				
Date of Purchase				
Name of Dealer				
(To be filled in by purchaser)				



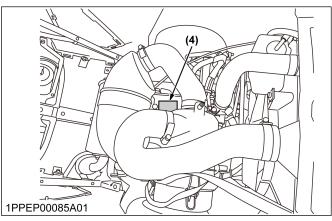


(3) ROPS identification plate (ROPS Serial Number)

#### BX231D



BX261D



(4) Engine serial number

## WARRANTY OF THE TRACTOR

This tractor is warranted under the KUBOTA Limited Express Warranty, a copy of which may be obtained from your selling dealer.

No warranty shall, however, apply if the tractor has not been used according to the instruction given in the operator's manual even if it is within the warranty period.

### SCRAPPING THE TRACTOR AND ITS PROCEDURE

To put the tractor out of service, correctly follow the local rules and regulations of the country or territory where you scrap it.

If you have questions, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

## SPECIFICATION TABLE

	Model		BX231D	BX261D		
PTO power <sup>*1</sup>		13.2 kW (17.9 PS)	14.5 kW (19.7 PS)			
	Manufacturer		KUB	KUBOTA		
Engine	Model		D902	D1005		
	Туре		Liquid-cooled,	4-cycle diesel		
	Number of cylinders	3	:	3		
	Bore and stroke		72 × 73.6 mm	76 × 73.6 mm		
	Total displacement		898 cm <sup>3</sup>	1001 cm <sup>3</sup>		
	Engine gross powe	*2	17.1 kW (23.3 PS)	18.8 kW (25.5 PS)		
	Rated revolution		3200	3200 rpm		
	Low idling revolution	n	1350 rpm t	o 1550 rpm		
	Maximum torque		56.1 N · m	60.2 N · m		
	Battery		12 V, CCA: 560	) A, RC: 86 min		
	Fuel		Diesel fuel No. Diesel fuel No.	Diesel fuel No.1 [below -10 °C] Diesel fuel No.2 [above -10 °C]		
	CO2 emission <sup>*3</sup> (NRSC) <sup>*4</sup>		1047.4 g/kWh	1018.0 g/kWh		
	Fuel tank		25.0 L			
	Engine crankcase (with filter)		3.3 L	4.0 L		
Capacities	Engine coolant		3.1 L	3.3 L		
	Recovery tank		0.4	0.4 L		
	Transmission case		11.	11.3 L		
	Overall length (with 3P)		2425	2425 mm		
	Overall width (min. tread)		1145	1145 mm		
	Overall height		2155 mm (Top of ROPS)	2155 mm (Top of ROPS), 1975 mm (Top of CAB)		
Dimensions	Wheel base		1400	1400 mm		
	Min. ground clearance		166	166 mm		
	Transi	Front	930	mm		
	Tread	Rear	820	mm		
Weight		710 kg (ROPS), 835 kg (CAB)	740 kg (ROPS), 865 kg (CAB)			
Clutch			N	/ A		
	Time	Front	18 × 8	18 × 8.50-10		
	Tyre	Rear	26 × 12	26 × 12.00-12		
Travelling system	Steering		Hydrostatic type	Hydrostatic type power steering		
	Transmission		Main: Hydrostatic transmission, High	Main: Hydrostatic transmission, High-Low gear shift (2 forward, 2 reverse)		

#### SPECIFICATIONS

Model		BX231D	BX261D		
Brake			Wet disk type		
Travelling system	Min. turning radius		2.3 m		
	Hydraulic control system		Directional control, auto-return lever system		
	Pump capacity		23.5 L/min.		
	System pressure		12.3 MPa to 12.8 MPa (126 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> to 130 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> )		
	3-point hitch		SAE Ca	tegory 1	
Ludroulie unit	Max. lift force <sup>*5</sup> At lift points 600 mm beh lift points		5120 N t	o 5390 N	
Hydraulic unit			3040 N		
	Remote control valve coupler (rear: Option)	System	2 valves		
		Coupler	ISO 7241-1 series A		
	Remote control valve coupler (front: Option)	System	2 valves		
		Coupler (fitting)	ISO 7241-1 series B		
	Rear PTO	Туре	SAE 1-3/8, 6 splines		
РТО	Real FTO	Revolution	STD (540 rpm)		
FIO	Mid PTO	Туре	USA No. 5 (KUBOTA 10-tooth) involute spline		
		Revolution	STD (2500 rpm)		
Noise at the operator's ear <sup>*6</sup>		84.2 dB (A) (ROPS) 85.9 dB (A) (CAB)	83.7 dB (A) (ROPS) 84.7 dB (A) (CAB)		
Noise of the tractor in motion <sup>*7</sup>		Stationary ROPS 78.8 dB (A) Moving ROPS 78.4 dB (A) Stationary CAB 75.9 dB (A) Moving CAB 77.3 dB (A)	Stationary ROPS 75.9 dB (A) Moving ROPS 80.4 dB (A) Stationary CAB 75.9 dB (A) Moving CAB 79.5 dB (A)		
Value of the vibration level <sup>*8</sup>		COBO SC74-M91 Light Driver 1.13 m/s <sup>2</sup> , Heavy Driver 0.75 m/s <sup>2</sup> SEARS 807: Light Driver 1.24 m/s <sup>2</sup> , Heavy Driver 1.06 m/s <sup>2</sup> SEARS 830: Light Driver 1.14 m/s <sup>2</sup> , Heavy Driver 1.00 m/s <sup>2</sup>			

The company reserves the right to change the specifications without notice.

\*1 Manufacturer's estimate

\*2 SAE J1995

- \*3 Measured according to Regulation (EU) 2017/654. The CO<sub>2</sub> measurement is obtained from testing a(n) (parent) engine representative of the engine type (engine family) over a fixed test cycle under laboratory conditions. The CO<sub>2</sub> measurement shall not imply or express any guarantee of the performance of a particular engine.
- \*4 Non-road steady-state test cycle
- \*5 See and check IMPLEMENT LIMITATION TABLES on page 24.
- \*6 Measured according to Regulation (EU) No. 167/2013 RVCR annex 13
- \*7 Measured according to Regulation (EU) No. 167/2013 REPPR annex 3
- \*8 Measured according to Regulation (EU) No. 167/2013 RVCR annex 14

## TRAVELING SPEEDS TABLE

Model		BX231D	BX261D
Tyre size (Rear)		26×12.00-12	
Speed control pedal	Range gear shift lever	(At max engine rpm)	
Forward	Low	0 km/h to 6.5 km/h	
Forward	High	0 km/h to 14.0 km/h	
Daviana	Low	0 km/h to 5.0 km/h	
Reverse	High	0 km/h to 10.5 km/h	

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## **IMPLEMENT LIMITATIONS**

### **IMPLEMENT LIMITATION TABLES**

#### **IMPORTANT**:

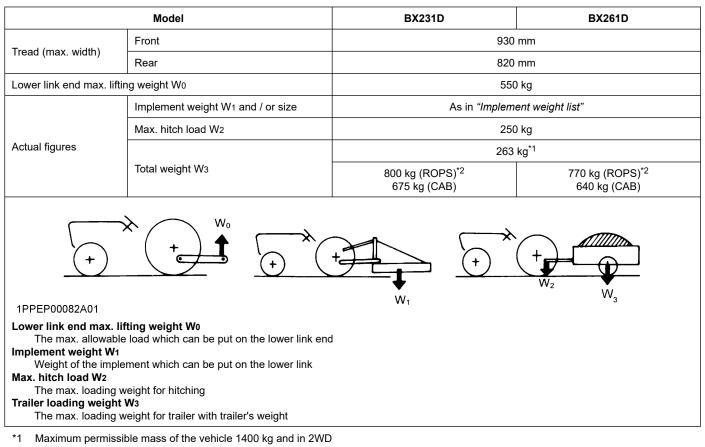
The KUBOTA Tractor has been thoroughly tested for proper performance with implements sold or approved by KUBOTA. Do not use the following implements:

- Implements which are not sold or approved by KUBOTA
- · Implements which exceed the maximum specifications listed in the following table
- · Implements which are otherwise unfit for use with the KUBOTA Tractor
- · Implements which are not of the appropriate category

Preceding implements may result in malfunctions or failures of the tractor, damage to other property, and injury to the operator or others.

#### NOTE :

KUBOTA does not cover any malfunctions or failures of the tractor resulting from use with improper implements by the warranty.



\*2 Unit mass of vehicle and in 4WD (Public road travelling is not allowed)

#### NOTE :

- Implement size may vary depending on soil conditions where you operate the machine.
- Strictly follow the instructions outlined in the operator's manual of the mounted or trailed machinery or trailer, and do not operate the combination tractor-machine or tractor-trailer unless all instructions have been followed.
- When you use the forestry application, there are following hazards:
  - toppling trees, primarily in case a rear-mounted-tree-grab-crane is mounted at the rear of the tractor

 penetrating objects in the operator's enclosure, primarily in case a winch is mounted at the rear of the tractor

To deal with these hazards and other related hazards, the tractor requires optional equipments such as OPS (operator-protective-structure), FOPS (falling-object-protective-structure), and so on. Optional equipments such as OPS, FOPS, however, are not available for this tractor. Without optional equipments such as OPS and FOPS, the use of the tractor is limited to tractor-specific-applications like transport and stationary work.

#### Implement weight list

Implement		Remarks	BX231D	BX261D		
Mid-mount		Max. cutting width	152 cm			
	Mia-mount	Max. weight	134 kg			
	Determs Outtern (4 Die de)	Max. cutting width	122 cm			
	Rotary-Cutter (1 Blade)	Max. weight	181 kg			
Mower	Rear-mount (2 or 3 Blade)	Max. cutting width	152 cm			
		Max. weight	262 kg			
	Flail-mower	Max. cutting width	107 cm			
	Sickle bar	Max. cutting width	122 cm			
Deten tille		Max. tilling width	127 cm			
Rotary tille		Max. weight	197 kg			
Bottom plo	ough	Max. size	356 m	m x 1		
Disc ploug	ŋh	Max. size	559 m	m x 1		
Cultivator		Max. size	122 cm 1 Row			
Disc harro		Max. harrowing width	122 cm			
DISC HAITO	w	Max. weight	249 kg			
Sprayer		Max. tank capacity	150 L			
Front blade		Max. cutting width	152 cm			
FIOII Diau	c	Sub frame	Necessary			
Rear blade		Max. cutting width	152 cm			
		Max. weight	112 kg			
Front loader		bader Max. lifting capacity (Bucket pivot pin, Max. height) 335 kg		kg		
		Max. width	122 cm			
Box blado		Max. cutting width	152 cm			
Box blade		Max. weight	170 kg			
Snow blower (Front)		Max. working width	127 cm			
		Max. weight	160 kg			
		Sub frame	Necessary			
Post hole digger		Digging depth	114 cm			
Rotary broom		Cleaning width	119 cm			

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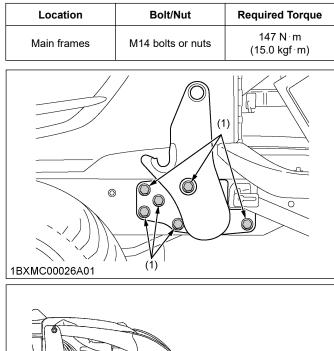
• You cannot attach the backhoes to the tractor.

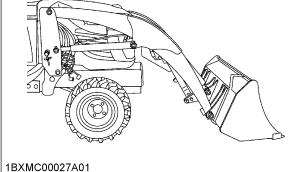
• Implement size may vary depending on soil conditions where you operate the machine.

### **FRONT LOADER**

Check the fixed points on the body of the tractor where the front loader must be installed.

Install the frame of front loader to the frame of tractor as shown in the following figures.





(1) 6-M14 bolts

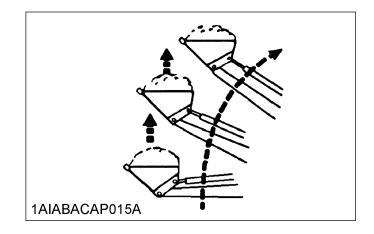
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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Pay special attention when lifting the load. Keep the bucket correctly positioned to prevent spillages.

**IMPORTANT**:

- Not all risks are listed.
- Refer to the front loader operator's manual.



### WEIGHT OF THE IMPLEMENTS AS THE REAR BALLAST



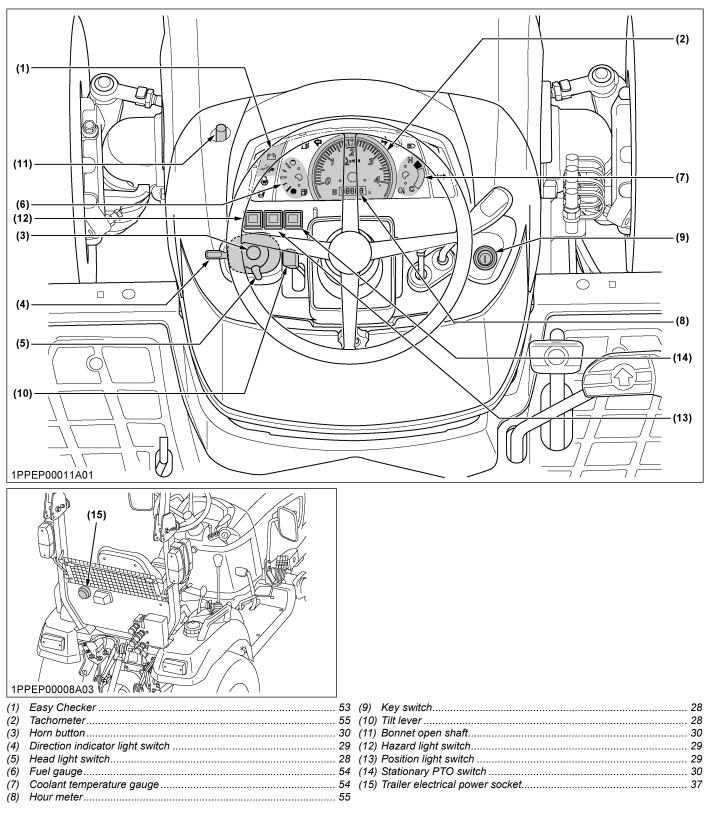
To avoid serious injury or death:

• For tractor stability and operator safety, add the rear ballast to the rear of the tractor in the form of 3-point counter weight and the rear wheel ballast. The amount of the rear ballast will depend on the application.

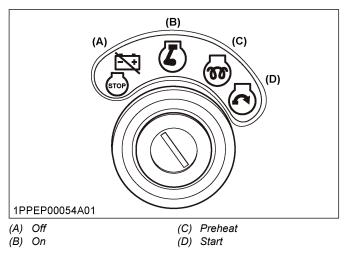
Implement as Counter Weight			
Box Blade			
Rear Blade			
Rotary Tiller	Approx. 190 kg		
Ballast Box			

## **INSTRUMENT PANEL AND CONTROLS**

## **INSTRUMENT PANEL, SWITCHES AND HAND CONTROLS**

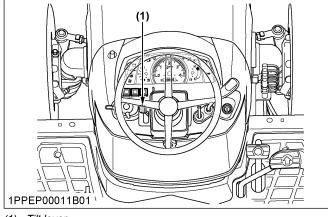


#### 1. Key switch



### 2. Tilt lever

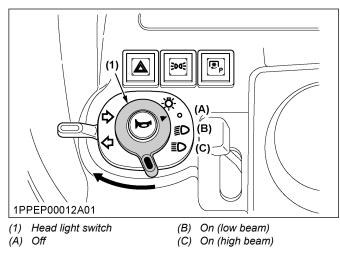
Adjust the steering wheel to the proper position. To adjust the steering wheel, pull the tilt lever.



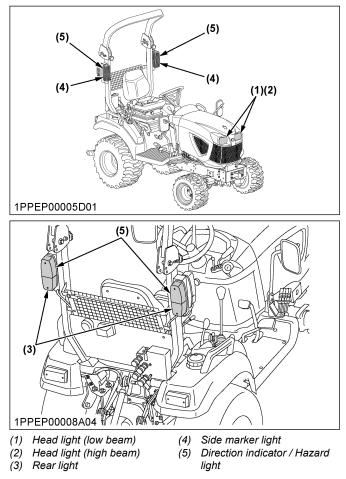
(1) Tilt lever

### 3. Head light switch

Turn the head-light-switch clockwise, and the following lights are activated on the position of the head-light-switch.



Lizht nome	Switch position		
Light name	(A)	(B)	(C)
Head light (low beam)	OFF	ON	
Head light (high beam)	OFF		ON
High beam indicator	OFF	OFF	ON
Rear light	OFF	ON	ON
Registration plate light	OFF	ON	ON
Side marker light	OFF	ON	ON



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#### NOTE :

• High-beam-indicator will be on when the headlight-switch is in the high beam position.

#### 4. Direction indicator light switch

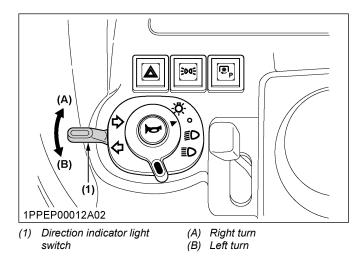
To indicate a right turn, turn the direction indicator light switch clockwise.

To indicate a left turn, turn the direction indicator light switch anticlockwise.

When the left or right direction indicator light switch is activated in combination with the hazard lights, the indicated turning light will flash and the other light will stay on.

#### NOTE :

• Be sure to return the direction indicator light switch to centre position after turning.

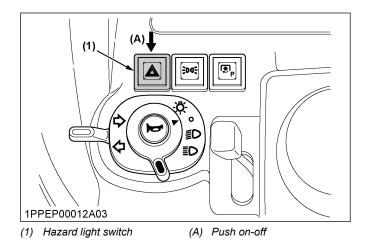


#### 5. Hazard light switch

- 1. When pressing the hazard-light-switch, the hazard lights flash along with the indicator on the instrument panel.
- 2. When pressing the hazard-light-switch again, the hazard lights turn off.

#### NOTE :

• The hazard-light-switch is operative when the key switch is in either on and off position.



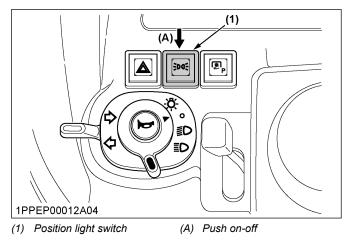
### 6. Position light switch

- 1. To activate the position lights, press the positionlight-switch.
- 2. To deactivate the position lights, press the positionlight-switch again.

The position-light-switch is operative when the key switch is at the on position.

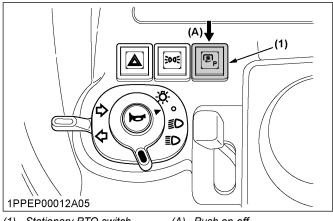
#### **Position lights:**

- Rear light (rear position light)
- Side marker light (front position light)



### 7. Stationary PTO switch

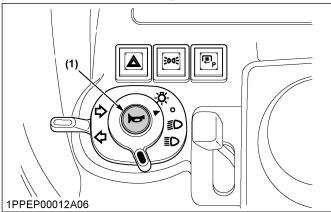
When you wish to get off the seat and operate the PTO, push the stationary-PTO-switch.



#### (1) Stationary PTO switch (A) Push on-off

### 8. Horn button

The horn will sound when the key switch is in the on position and the horn button pressed.

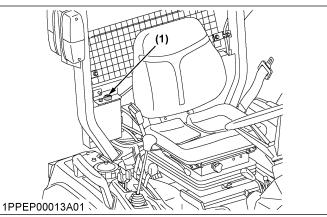


(1) Horn button

#### 9. Beacon light switch [If equipped with the beacon light and if not equipped with the CAB]

- 1. To activate the beacon light, press the beacon-lightswitch.
- 2. To deactivate the beacon light, press the beaconlight-switch again.

The beacon-light-switch is only operative, when the key switch is at the on position.



(1) Beacon light switch

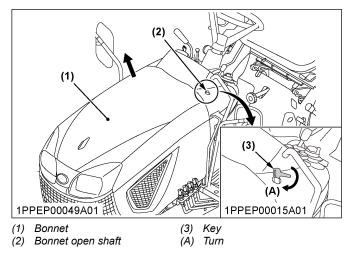
#### 10. Bonnet open shaft

Bonnet-open-shaft is the shaft to open the bonnet.

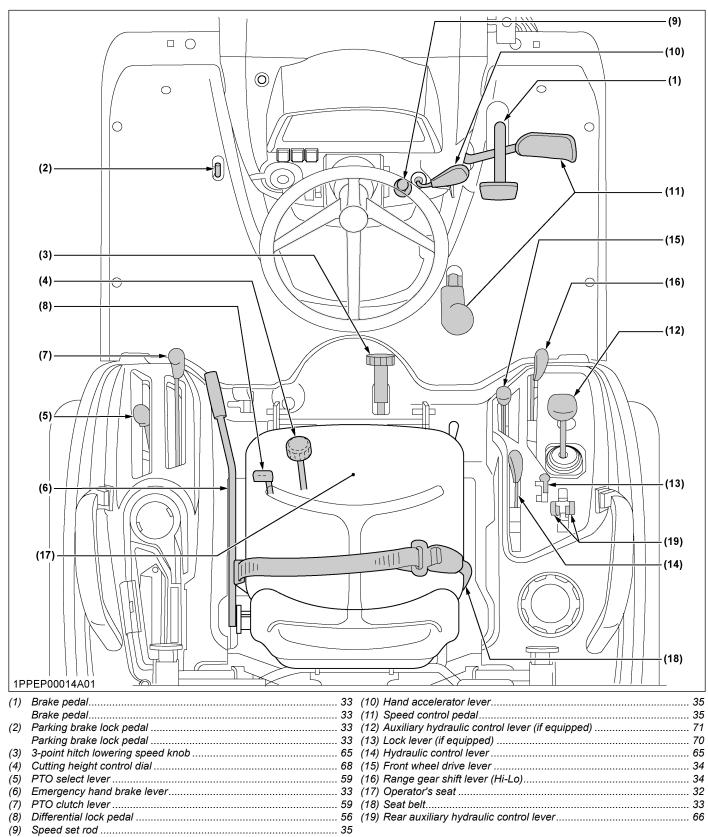
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To avoid serious injury or death from contact with moving parts:

- Never open the bonnet or engine side cover while the engine is running.
- Do not touch the muffler or the exhaust pipes while they are hot. Touching the hot muffler or exhaust pipes could cause severe burns.
- 1. Turn the shaft with your key or tool to release the latch to open the bonnet, and open the bonnet.



### FOOT AND HAND CONTROLS



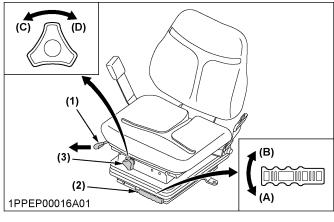
#### 1. Operator's seat

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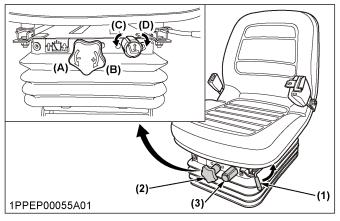
To avoid serious injury or death:

- Adjust the operator's seat only while the tractor is stopped.
- Make sure that the operator's seat is completely secured after each adjustment.
- Do not allow any person other than the operator to ride on the tractor.

#### [Standard]



#### [Deluxe (Mechanical suspension)]



- (1) Travel adjust lever
- (B) To increase tension(C) Raise
- Suspension adjust lever (C) Raise Height adjust knob (D) Lower
- (3) Height adjust knob(A) To decrease tension

#### Travel adjustment

Pull up the travel-adjust-lever and slide the operator's seat backward or forward, as required. The operator's seat will lock in position when the travel-adjust-lever is released.

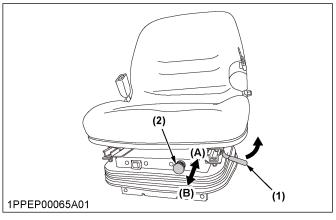
#### Suspension adjustment

- To increase tension, turn the suspension-adjustlever clockwise.
- To decrease tension, turn the suspension-adjustlever anticlockwise.

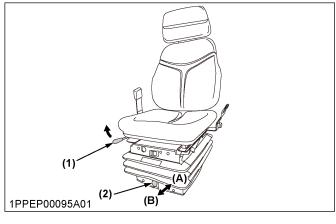
#### Height adjustment

- To lower the seat position, turn the height-adjustknob clockwise.
- To raise the seat position, turn the height-adjustknob anticlockwise.

#### [Deluxe (Air suspension)]



## [Deluxe (Air suspension + Headrest)] (Cabin model only)



(1)	Travel adjust lever	(A)	Raise
(2)	Height adjust knob	(B)	Lower

#### **Travel adjustment**

Pull up the travel-adjust-lever and slide the operator's seat backward or forward, as required. The operator's seat will lock in position when the travel-adjust-lever is released.

#### Height adjustment

- To lower the seat position, pull the height-adjust-knob.
- To raise the seat position, push the height-adjust-knob.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- After adjusting the operator's seat, be sure to check that the operator's seat is properly locked.
- Be sure that the operator's seat is out of contact with the top link.

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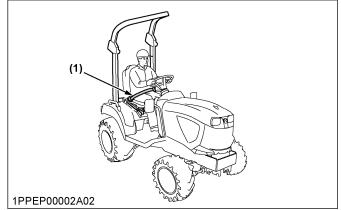
## 2. Seat belt

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Always use the seat belt when the ROPS is installed.
- Do not use the seat belt if the tractor is not equipped with ROPS.

Adjust the seat belt for proper fit and connect it to the buckle. The seat belt is auto-locking retractable type (Deluxe type only).



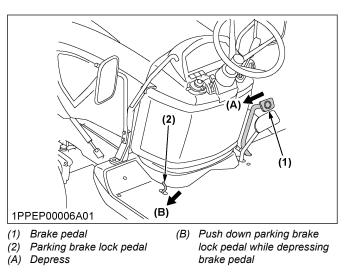
(1) Seat belt

# 3. Brake pedal and parking brake lock pedal

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Do not brake suddenly. An accident may occur as a result of a heavy towed load shifting forward or loss of control.
- To avoid skidding and loss of steering control when driving on icy, wet, or loose surfaces, make sure that the tractor is correctly ballasted, operated at reduced speed, and operated with the front wheel drive engaged (if equipped).
- The braking characteristics are different between a 2-wheel drive and 4-wheel drive. Know the difference between 2-wheel drive and 4-wheel drive and use them carefully.
- Engage the 4-wheel drive when travelling down a slope.



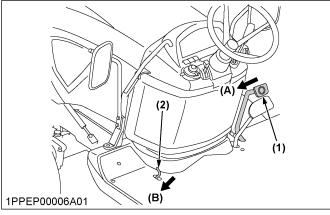
### 3.1 How to use the parking brake

#### NOTE :

• It is recommended that the operator practice engaging and disengaging the parking brake on a flat surface without the engine running before operating the tractor for the first time.

#### To set the parking brake

- 1. Depress the brake pedal.
- 2. Latch the brake pedal on pushing and holding the parking-brake-lock-pedal.
- 3. Release the brake pedal.



- (1) Brake pedal
- (2) Parking brake lock pedal
- (A) Depress

(B) Push down the parking brake lock pedal while depressing the brake pedal

### To release the parking brake

Depress the brake pedal again.

### 4. Emergency hand brake lever

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To avoid serious injury or death:

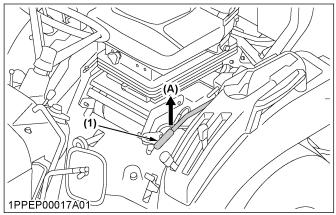
Do not use the emergency-hand-brake during normal operation. If the emergency-hand-brake

is used instead of the foot brake or the parking brake in daily operations, the emergency-handbrake may not function during emergency stops.

• Do not overestimate the braking power of the emergency-hand-brake. Use the emergencyhand-brake in combination with the foot brake and the engine brake.

If the main brake pedal does not function, use the emergency-hand-brake to stop the tractor.

To use the emergency-hand-brake, pull the emergency-hand-brake-lever.



(1) Emergency hand brake lever (A) Pull

## 5. Range gear shift lever (Hi-Lo)

You can shift the range-gear-shift-lever only when tractor is completely stopped.

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To avoid serious injury or death:

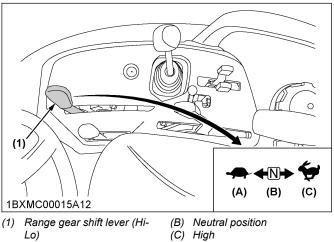
 Make sure that the range-gear-shift-lever is fully engaged into the high position or the low position before climbing or descending a slope.

#### **IMPORTANT :**

Do not force the range-gear-shift-lever.

- If it is difficult to shift the range-gear-shift-lever into the neutral [N] position, you should attempt the following procedure.
  - 1. Depress the brake pedal firmly for several seconds.
  - 2. Without reducing the force to depress the brake pedal, shift the range-gear-shift-lever.
- If it is difficult to shift the range-gear-shift-lever into the low position or the high
   position from the neutral [N] position, you should attempt the following procedure.
  - 1. Slightly depress the speed-control-pedal to rotate the gears inside of transmission.
  - 2. Release the speed-control-pedal to the neutral [N] position.

- 3. Shift the range-gear-shift-lever.
- To avoid damage of transmission, stop the tractor before shifting the range-gear-shift-lever between ranges.



(A) Low

### 6. Front wheel drive lever

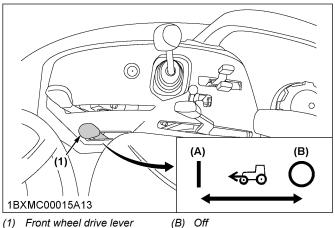
Use the front-wheel-drive-lever to engage the front wheels with the tractor stopped.

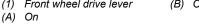
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To avoid personal injury or death:

- Do not engage the front-wheel drive when travelling at road speed.
- When driving on icy, wet, or loose surfaces, make sure that the tractor is correctly ballasted to avoid skidding and loss of steering control. Operate the tractor at reduced speed and engage the front wheel drive.
- Do not brake suddenly. An accident may occur as a result of a heavy towed load shifting forward or loss of control.
- The braking characteristics are different between a 2-wheel drive and 4-wheel drive. Know the difference and use them carefully.

Shift the front-wheel-drive-lever to the on position to engage the front-wheel-drive.





#### **IMPORTANT**:

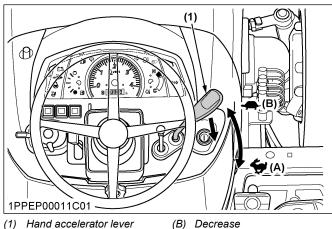
- To avoid damage of transmission, when the front-wheel-drive-lever is not smoothly shifted, slightly depress forward or rearward on the speed-control-pedal.
- Tyres will wear quickly if the front-wheel-drive is engaged on paved roads.

#### Front wheel drive is effective for the following jobs:

- When greater pulling force is needed, such as working in a wet field, when pulling a trailer, or when working with a front-end loader.
- When working in sandy soil.
- When working on a hard soil where a rotary tiller might push the tractor forward.
- Additional braking at reduced speeds.

### 7. Hand accelerator lever

Pulling the hand-accelerator-lever back (the position) increases the engine speed, and pushing it forward (the position) decreases engine speed.



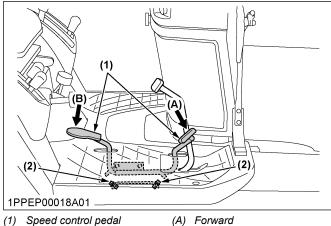
- (I) Hand accelera (A) Increase
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## 8. Speed control pedal

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Do not operate the tractor if it moves on level ground with your foot off the speed-controlpedal.



(1) Speed control pedal (A) Forward (2) Stopper bolts (B) Reverse

#### **IMPORTANT**:

• To prevent serious damage to the HST, do not adjust the stopper bolts.

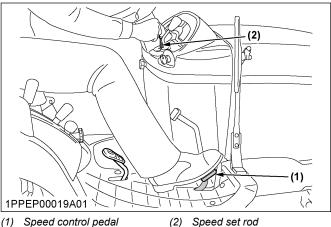
Forward pedal	Depress the forward pedal with the toe of your right foot to move forward.
Reverse pedal	Depress the reverse pedal with the heel of your right foot to move backward.

#### NOTE :

• When you stand up from the seat with the speed-control-pedal stepped on, the engine will stop regardless of whether the machine is moving or not. Engine stopping is because that the tractor is equipped with the operator-presence-control-system (OPC).

### 9. Speed set device

The speed-set-device is designed for tractor-operatingefficiency and operator's comfort. The speed-set-device will provide a constant forward operating speed by mechanically holding the speed-control-pedal at a selected position.



(1) Speed control pedal

#### Speed set rod

### 9.1 How to use the speed set device

#### To engage the speed set device

- 1. Accelerate the engine speed to desired level using the speed-control-pedal.
- 2. Push and hold the speed-set-rod downward to on position.
- 3. Release the speed-control-pedal.
- 4. Release the speed-set-rod. Desired engine speed will be maintained.

#### To disengage the speed set device

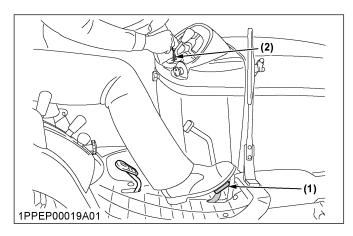
1. Depress the brake pedal.

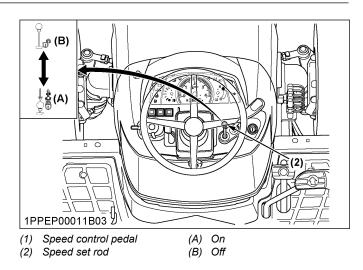
#### **IMPORTANT:**

To prevent the damage of the speed-set-device, do not depress the reverse pedal when the speed-set-device is engaged.

#### NOTE :

- · If you step on the speed-control-pedal on the forward acceleration side, the speed-set-device will disengage.
- The speed-set-device will not operate in reverse.





## ACCESSORY

### 1. 12 V electric power socket

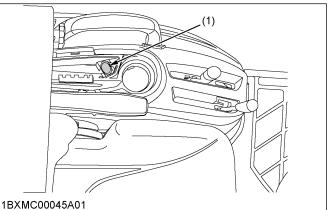
You may use the 12 V electric power socket to connect an auxiliary light or other devices.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- Do not use as a cigarette lighter. •
- Do not use when wet.

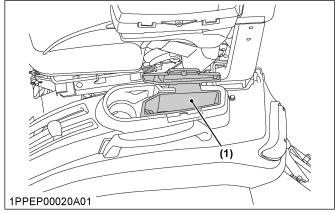
#### NOTE :

· Do not connect a light or other device that draws more than 120 watts to 12 V electric power socket. The battery may discharge very rapidly or the 12 V electric power socket may fail.



- (1) 12V electric power socket

### 2. Accessory box

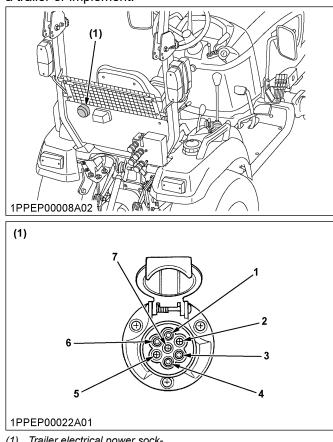


(1) Accessory box

- NOTE :
- The inside of the accessory box is not completely water-proof nor dust-proof. When you keep valuables in the accessory box, be careful not to wet nor dirty it.

## 3. Trailer electrical power socket

A trailer electrical power socket is supplied for use with a trailer or implement.



(1) Trailer electrical power socket

## Function of each terminal in the trailer electrical power socket

Terminal	Function
1	Direction indicator (LH)
2	
3	Ground
4	Direction indicator (RH)
5	Rear (RH)
6	Brake stop
7	Rear (LH)

# **PRE-OPERATION CHECK**

## DAILY CHECK ITEMS BEFORE OPERATION OF THE TRACTOR

To prevent trouble from occurring, it is important to know the condition of the tractor well.

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Be sure to check and service the tractor on a level surface with the engine shut off, the parking brake on, and the implement lowered to the ground.

Check the condition of the tractor before starting it. **Check items** 

- Walk-around inspection
- Checking the engine-oil-level
- Checking the transmission-oil-level
- Checking the coolant level
- Cleaning the grille and the radiator screen
- Checking the air-cleaner-evacuator-valve when using the tractor in a dusty place
- Checking the brake pedal
- Checking the indicators, gauges, and meter
- Checking the lights
- · Checking the wire harness
- Checking the seat belt and ROPS
- Checking the movable parts
- Refuel (See Checking the amount of fuel and refuelling on page 86)
- Care of safety labels
   (See Care for pictorial safety labels on page 17)

# **OPERATING THE ENGINE**

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Read and understand Safe operation in this manual.
- Read and understand the safety labels located on the tractor.
- To avoid the danger of exhaust fume poisoning, do not operate the engine in a closed building without proper ventilation.
- Never start the engine while standing on the ground. Start the engine only from the operator's seat.
- Make it a rule to set all shift levers to the neutral positions and to place the PTO lever in the off position before starting the engine.

(See PRECAUTIONS FOR OPERATING THE TRACTOR on page 8, PRECAUTIONS FOR PARKING THE TRACTOR on page 10, and PRECAUTIONS FOR SERVICING THE TRACTOR on page 11)

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- Do not use starting fluid or ether.
- To protect the battery and the starter, make sure that the starter is not continuously turned for more than 30 seconds.
- Operate, use and maintain the engine, including the emission control system, in accordance with the end user instructions, so that the engine's emission performance is kept within the thresholds applicable to the engine's category.
- Do not deliberately tamper with or misuse the engine emission control system, especially with regard to deactivating or not maintaining an exhaust gas recirculation (EGR) system or a reagent dosing system.
- When a warning lamp lights up, the engine is experiencing a problem, which may also cause problems with the emission control system. Take prompt action and rectify any incorrect operation, use or maintenance of the emissions control system in accordance with the rectification measures. (See ENGINE TROUBLESHOOTING on page 110.)

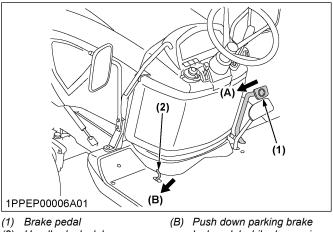
## STARTING THE ENGINE

#### IMPORTANT :

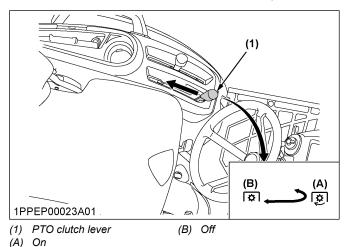
• Because of safety devices, the engine will not start except when the speed-control-pedal is in

the neutral position and the PTO-clutch-lever is in the off a position respectively.

 Make sure that the parking brake is set. See How to use the parking brake on page 33 if the parking brake is not set.

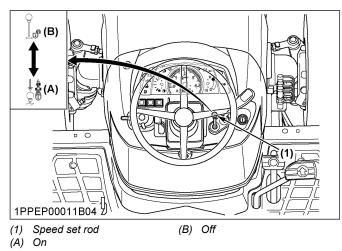


- (2) Handbrake lock lever (A) Depress
- lock pedal while depressing brake pedal
- 2. Place the PTO-clutch-lever in the off 😰 position.

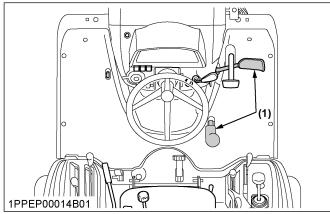


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3. Place the speed-set-rod in the off position.



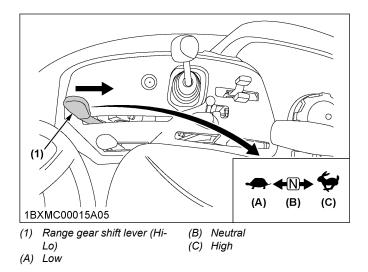
4. Place the speed-control-pedal in the neutral position.



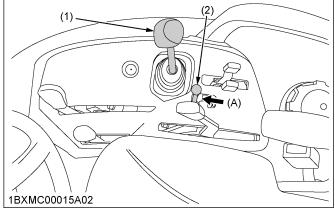
(1) Speed control pedal

#### NOTE :

- The speed-control-pedal automatically returns to the neutral position when the operator's foot is released from the speedcontrol-pedal.
- 5. Place the range-gear-shift-lever (Hi-Lo) in the neutral **[N]** position.

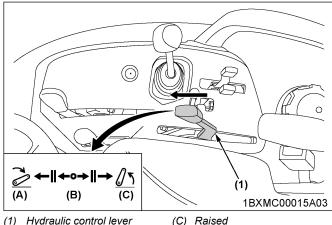


6. Place the lock lever in the lock position to lock the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever if the tractor is equipped with the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever.



(1) Auxiliary hydraulic control
 (A) Lock lever
 (2) Lock lever

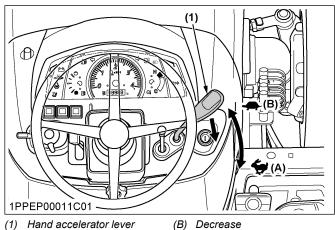
7. Move the hydraulic-control-lever forward (lowered  $(down) \gtrsim position)$  to lower the implement.



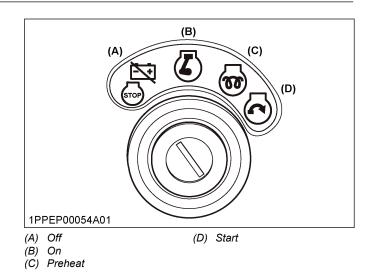
- Hydraulic control lever (1)
- (A) Lowered (B) Neutral position

Check that the implement is down at the lowest position after moving the hydraulic-control-lever forward.

8. Set the hand-accelerator-lever to about 1/2 way.



- (A) Increase
- 9. Insert the starter key into the key switch and turn the starter key to the on  $(\mathbf{I})$  position.



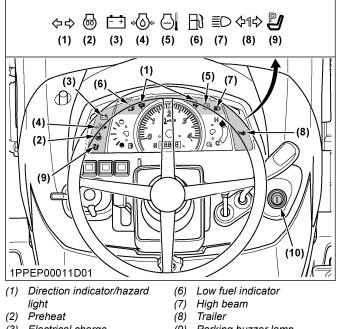
10. Check the warning-indicator-lamps in the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup>.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

Daily checks with the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> only are not sufficient. Never fail to conduct daily checks carefully according to Checking the gauges, the meters, and the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> on page 89.

When the starter key is turned to the on  $( \overline{L} )$  position, the coolant-temperature-indicator-lamp  ${\textcircled{}}$  and the low-fuel-indicator-lamp R only should come on and the needles of the fuel gauge, the coolanttemperature-gauge, and the tachometer move up and return.

(See Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> on page 53)



- Electrical charge (3)
- Engine oil pressure (4) Coolant temperature indica-(5)
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- (9) Parking buzzer lamp
- (10) Key switch

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11. Turn the starter key to the preheat 🐻 position and hold it as follows.

For the appropriate preheating time, see the following table.

Temperature	Preheating time
Over 0 °C	2 sec. to 3 sec.
-5 °C to 0 °C	5 sec.
-15 °C to -5 °C	10 sec.

#### NOTE :

- 12. Turn the starter key to the start 🙆 position and release it when the engine starts.

In cold weather, if the engine fails to start after 10 seconds, turn off the starter key for 30 seconds. Then repeat step 11. and step 12.

(See Cold weather starting of the engine on page 42)

13. Check to see that all warning-indicator-lamps in the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> are off.

# 1. Cold weather starting of the engine

When the ambient temperature is as follows and the engine is very cold, you may fail to start the engine.

Ambient temperature below -5 °C
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To protect the battery and the starter, make sure not to turn the starter continuously for more than following seconds.

Continuous turning limit of the starter 30 seconds

## 2. Block heater (option)

A block heater is available as an option from your dealer.

The block heater will assist you in starting your tractor when the ambient temperature is as follows.

Ambient temperature

below -15 °C

## **STOPPING THE ENGINE**

- 1. After slowing the engine to idle, turn the starter key to the stop ( ) position.
- 2. Remove the starter key.

# 1. Engine stop lever (inside the bonnet)

The engine stops when the key switch is turned "OFF". If the engine does not stop, make sure the speed control pedal is in the "NEUTRAL" position, the PTO lever is "OFF", the mower lowered to the ground and apply the parking brake, then carefully get off the tractor.

Then open the bonnet and turn engine stop lever (red mark) and hold it until the engine stops.

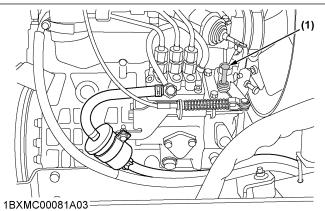
Then contact your local KUBOTA Dealer immediately.

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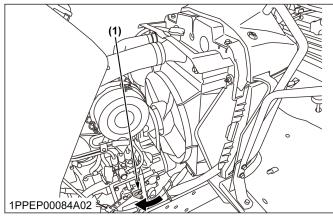
To avoid serious injury or death:

• Do not operate the tractor until the engine stop system is repaired.

#### BX231D



### BX261D



(1) Engine stop lever

## WARMING UP OF THE ENGINE

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Be sure to set the parking brake during warmup of the engine. • Be sure to set all shift levers to the neutral positions and to place the PTO-clutch-lever in the off [ ) position during warm-up of the engine.

For 5 minutes after the engine start-up, warm up the engine without applying any load. The purpose is to allow oil to reach every engine-part.

If the load should be applied to the engine without preceding warm-up period, trouble such as seizure, breakage, or premature wear may develop.

# 1. Warm-up of the engine and transmission oil in the low temperature range

**IMPORTANT**:

• Do not operate the tractor under full load condition until it is sufficiently warmed up.

Hydraulic oil serves as transmission fluid. In cold weather, the hydraulic oil may be cold with increased viscosity. The hydraulic oil with increased viscosity can cause delayed oil circulation or abnormally low hydraulic pressure for some time after engine startup. Delayed oil circulation or abnormally low hydraulic pressure in turn can result in premature wear in the hydraulic system or malfunctions such as resistance in the speed-control-pedal and difficulty engaging the range-gear-shift-lever. To prevent the premature wear in the hydraulic system or malfunctions of controls, check the following instructions.

Warm up the engine at about 50% of rated rpm according to the following table.

Ambient temperature	Warm-up time requirement	
Above 0 °C	At least 5 minutes	
-10 °C to 0 °C	5 minutes to 10 minutes	
-20 °C to -10 °C	10 minutes to 15 minutes	
Below -20 °C	More than 15 minutes	

## JUMP STARTING THE ENGINE

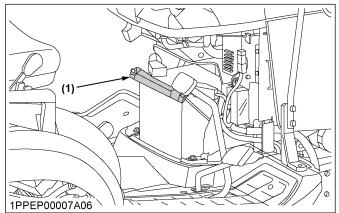
Follow the instructions of jump starting of the engine to safely start the engine.



To avoid serious injury or death:

- Battery gases can explode. Keep cigarettes, sparks, and flames away from the battery.
- If the tractor battery is frozen, do not jump start the engine.
- Do not connect other end of negative (-) jumper cable to negative (-) terminal of the tractor battery.

- Do not allow the positive (+) terminal of the battery to touch other parts.
- To prevent short circuit, before connecting jumper cables, make sure to remove the metal-battery-holder.

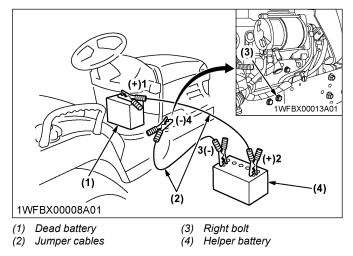


(1) Battery holder

**IMPORTANT**:

- The tractor equips a 12 volt negative (-) ground starting system.
- Use only the same voltage for jump starting.
- Use of a higher voltage source on the electrical system of tractor could result in severe damage to the electrical system of tractor. Use only matching voltage source when jump starting in a low battery condition or a dead battery condition.
- Since the metal-battery-holder can crack, do not tighten it too much.

Connect cables in numerical order. Disconnect in reverse order after use.



1. Bring the helper vehicle with a battery of the same voltage as the disabled tractor within easy cable reach.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- The helper vehicle must not touch the disabled tractor.
- 2. Engage the parking brakes of both vehicles and put the shift levers in the neutral position. Shut both engines off.
- 3. Put on safety goggles and rubber gloves.
- 4. Remove the panel screen and battery holder.
- 5. Make sure that the vent caps are securely in place if equipped.
- 6. Attach the red clamp to the positive (red, (+) or pos.) terminal of the dead battery, and clamp the other end of the same cable to the positive (red, (+) or pos.) terminal of the helper battery.
- 7. Clamp the other cable to the negative (black, (-) or negative) terminal of the helper battery.
- 8. Clamp the other end of the cable, which is clamped to the negative terminal of the helper battery, to the right bolt (3) as far from the dead battery as possible.
- 9. Start the helper vehicle and let its engine run for a few moments. Start the disabled tractor.
- Disconnect the jumper cables in the exact reverse order of attachment. See the steps in order of step 8., step 7., and step 6.
- 11. Install back the panel screen and battery holder.

# **OPERATING THE TRACTOR**

## **OPERATION OF NEW TRACTOR**

How a new tractor is used and maintained determines the life of the tractor.

A new tractor just off the factory production line has been, of course, tested, but the various parts are not accustomed to each other. So you should take care of the tractor. You should operate the tractor as follows for the first 50 hours until the various parts become broken-in.

- · Operate the tractor at a slower speed
- · Avoid excessive work or operation of the tractor

The manner which the tractor is used during the breaking-in period greatly affects the life of your tractor. Therefore, to obtain the maximum performance and the longest life of the tractor, it is very important to properly break-in your tractor. In using a new tractor, follow the following precautions.

## Do not operate the tractor at full speed for the first 50 hours.

- Do not start the tractor quickly. Do not apply the brakes suddenly.
- In winter, operate the tractor after fully warming up the engine.
- Do not run the engine at speeds faster than necessary.
- On rough roads, slow down to suitable speeds. Do not operate the tractor at fast speed.

The preceding precautions are not limited only to new tractors, but to all tractors. But you should especially follow the preceding precautions in the case of new tractors.

#### Changing the lubricating oil for new tractors

The lubricating oil is especially important in the case of a new tractor. If the various parts are not broken-in and are not accustomed to each other, small metal grit may develop during the operation of the tractor. Small metal grit may wear out or damage the parts. Therefore, you should take care of the lubricating oil to change a little earlier than would ordinarily be required.

(For further details of change interval hours, see SERVICE INTERVALS on page 82)

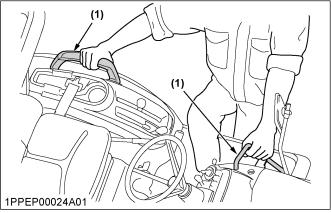
## PRECAUTIONS FOR GETTING ON AND OFF THE TRACTOR

- Never try to get on or off a moving tractor or to jump off the tractor to exit.
- Face the tractor when getting into or out of the tractor. Do not use the controls as hand-holds to prevent inadvertent machine movements.

• Be sure to hold the handrails when getting on and off the tractor.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- Use the handrails only for getting on and off the tractor.
- Do not use the handrails for lifting and towing the tractor.



(1) Handrail

• Always keep steps and floor clean to avoid slippery conditions.

## OPERATION OF THE FOLDABLE ROPS

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• When raising or folding the ROPS, apply the parking brake, stop the engine, and remove the key.

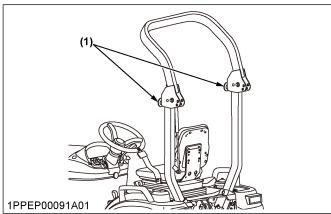
Always raise or fold the ROPS from a stable position at the rear of the tractor.

- Fold the ROPS down only when absolutely necessary and fold it up and lock it again as soon as possible.
- Before proceeding to fold the ROPS, check for any possible interference with installed implements and attachments. If interference occurs, contact your KUBOTA Dealer.

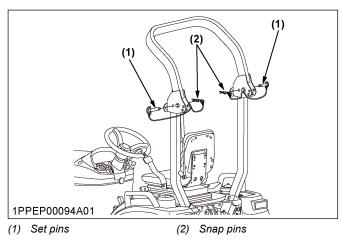
## 1. Model of the ROPS with damper

### 1.1 Folding the ROPS with damper

1. Loosen the holding-knob-bolts.



- (1) Holding knob bolts
- 2. Remove both set pins.

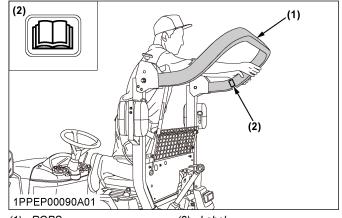


3. Fold the ROPS.

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To avoid personal injury:

• Hold the ROPS tightly with both hands and fold the ROPS slowly and carefully.



(1) ROPS

#### (2) Label

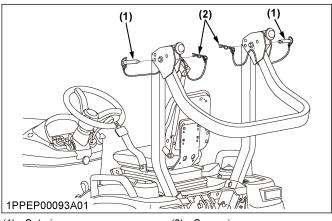
#### **IMPORTANT**:

- When operating the ROPS, hold the position higher than the label.
- 4. Align the set-pin-holes and insert both set pins. Secure the set pins with the snap pins.

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To avoid personal injury:

• Make sure that both set pins are properly installed and secured with the snap pins.

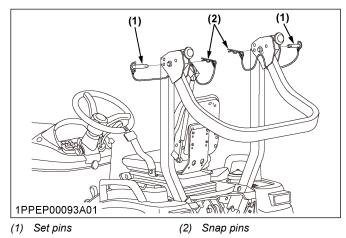


(1) Set pins

(2) Snap pins

# 1.2 Raising the ROPS with damper to the upright position

1. Remove both snap pins and set pins.



2. Raise the ROPS to the upright position.

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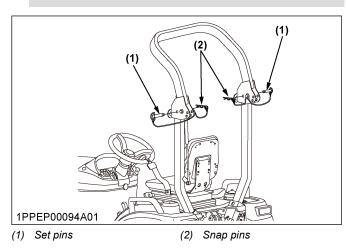
To avoid personal injury:

- Hold the ROPS tightly with both hands and raise the ROPS slowly and carefully.
- 3. Align the set-pin-holes and insert both set pins. Secure the set pins with the snap pins.

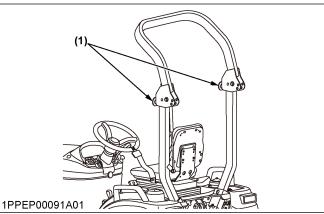
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To avoid personal injury:

• Make sure that both set pins are properly installed as soon as the ROPS is in the upright position and secured with the snap pins.



4. Tighten the holding-knob-bolts.

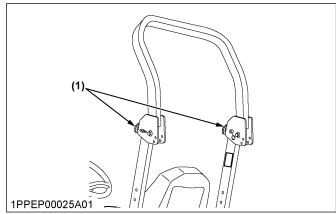


(1) Holding knob bolts

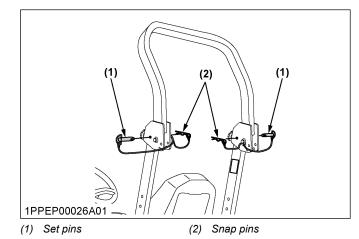
# 2. Model of the ROPS without damper

### 2.1 Folding the ROPS without damper

1. Loosen the holding-knob-bolts.



- (1) Holding knob bolts
- 2. Remove both set pins.

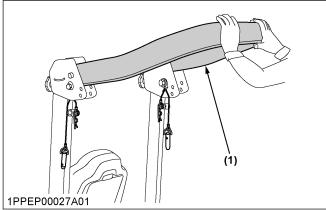


3. Fold the ROPS.



To avoid personal injury:

Hold the ROPS tightly with both hands and fold the ROPS slowly and carefully.



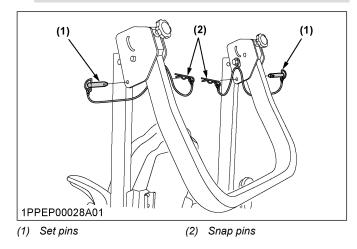
(1) ROPS

4. Align the set-pin-holes and insert both set pins. Secure the set pins with the snap pins.

## CAUTION

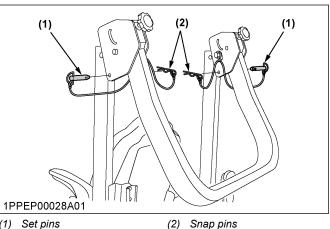
To avoid personal injury:

• Make sure that both set pins are properly installed and secured with the snap pins.



### 2.2 Raising the ROPS without damper to the upright position

1. Remove both snap pins and set pins.



(1) Set pins

2. Raise the ROPS to the upright position.

## CAUTION

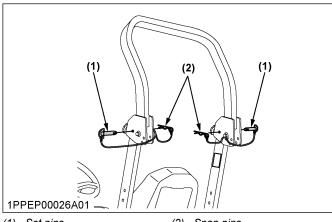
To avoid personal injury:

- Hold the ROPS tightly with both hands and raise the ROPS slowly and carefully.
- 3. Align the set-pin-holes and insert both set pins. Secure the set pins with the snap pins.

## CAUTION

To avoid personal injury:

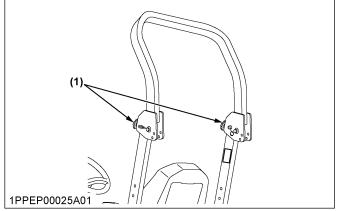
• Make sure that both set pins are properly installed as soon as the ROPS is in the upright position and secured with the snap pins.



(1) Set pins

(2) Snap pins

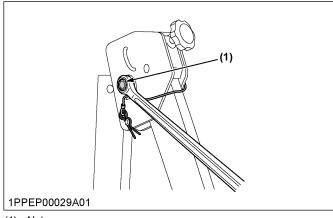
#### 4. Tighten the holding-knob-bolts.



(1) Holding knob bolts

### 2.3 Adjusting the foldable ROPS

- 1. Adjust free fall of the ROPS upper frame regularly.
- 2. If you feel less friction in folding the ROPS, tighten the nut until you feel the right friction in the movement.



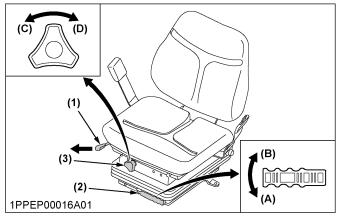
(1) Nut

## STARTING THE TRACTOR

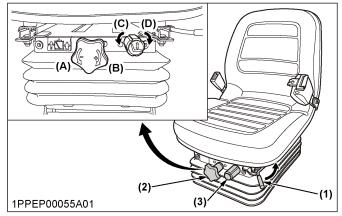
1. Adjust the operator's position and engage the seat belt.

(See Operator's seat on page 32 and Seat belt on page 33)

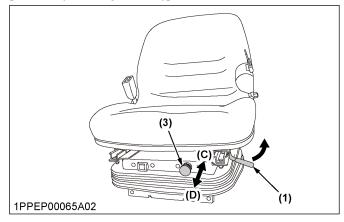
#### [Standard]



#### [Deluxe (Mechanical suspension)]

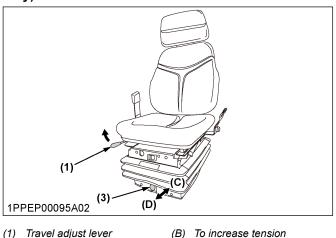


#### [Deluxe (Air suspension)]



#### **OPERATING THE TRACTOR**

#### [Deluxe (Air suspension + Headrest)] (Cabin model only)



- (1) Travel adjust lever
- Suspension adjust lever (2)
- (3) Height adjust knob (A) To decrease tension
- (D) Lower
- 2. Adjust the steering wheel to the proper position.

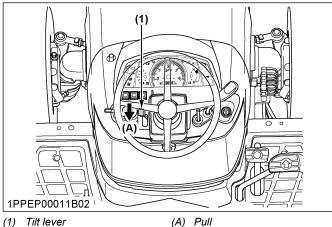
## CAUTION

### To avoid personal injury:

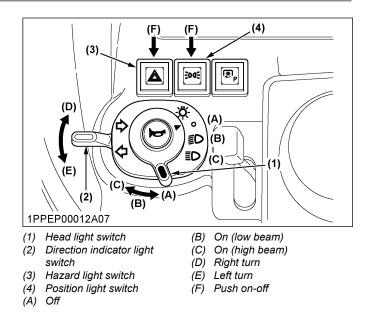
• Do not adjust the steering wheel while the tractor is in motion.

(C) Raise

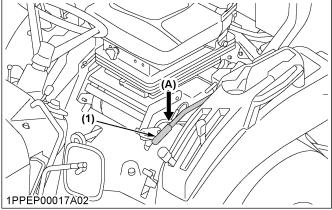
Pull the tilt lever to adjust the steering wheel.



- (1) Tilt lever
- 3. Select the positions of the light switches. (See Head light switch on page 28, Direction indicator light switch on page 29, Hazard light switch on page 29, and Position light switch on page 29)



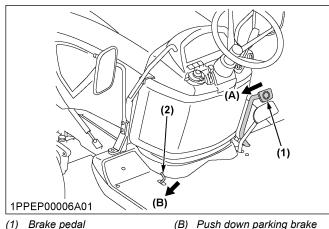
- 4. Check the brake pedal.
  - a. Depress the brake pedal.
  - b. Depress the parking-brake-lock-pedal.
  - c. Release the brake pedal.
  - d. Check that the emergency-hand-brake-lever is released.



(1) Emergency hand brake lever (A) Release

Make sure to latch the brake pedal with the parkingbrake-lock-pedal. Use both right and left feet for the procedure.

(See Brake pedal and parking brake lock pedal on page 33 and *"To set the parking brake"* in How to use the parking brake on page 33)



- (1) Brake pedal(2) Parking brake lock pedal
- (A) Depress

lock pedal while depressing brake pedal

5. Start the engine. (See STARTING THE ENGINE on page 39)

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Read and understand *Safe operation* in this manual.
- Read and understand the safety labels located on the tractor.
- To avoid the danger of exhaust fume poisoning, do not operate the engine in a closed building without proper ventilation.

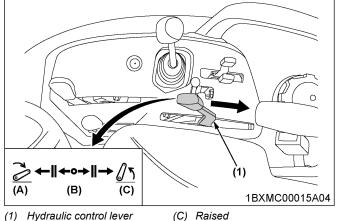
- Never start the engine while standing on the ground. Start the engine only from the operator's seat.
- Make it a rule to set all shift levers to the neutral positions and to place the PTO lever in the off position before starting the engine.

(See PRECAUTIONS FOR OPERATING THE TRACTOR on page 8, PRECAUTIONS FOR PARKING THE TRACTOR on page 10, and PRECAUTIONS FOR SERVICING THE TRACTOR on page 11)

6. Raise the Implement.

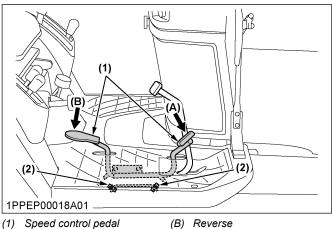
Move the hydraulic control lever rearward (the raised (up)  $\sqrt[n]{r}$  position).

(See Hydraulic control on page 65)



- (1) Hydraulic control lever (A) Lowered
- (B) Neutral position
- Select the travel speed. (See Range gear shift lever (Hi-Lo) on page 34 and Front wheel drive lever on page 34)
- Accelerate the engine. (See Hand accelerator lever on page 35)
- Unlock the parking brake. (See *"To release the parking brake"* in How to use the parking brake on page 33)

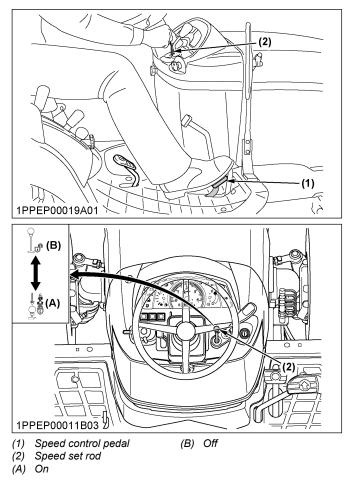
10. Depress the speed control pedal. (See Speed control pedal on page 35)



- Speed control pedal (1)
- (2) Stopper bolts

(Á) Forward

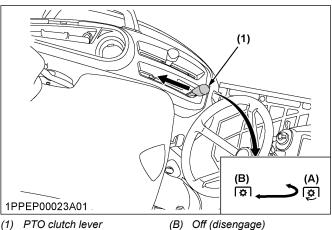
> In addition to the preceding section, see Speed set device on page 35 and How to use the speed set device on page 36.



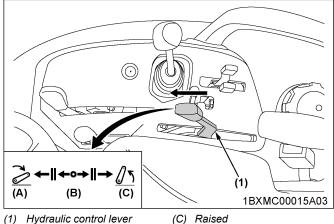
## STOPPING THE TRACTOR

- 1. Slow the engine down.
- 2. Depress the brake pedal.

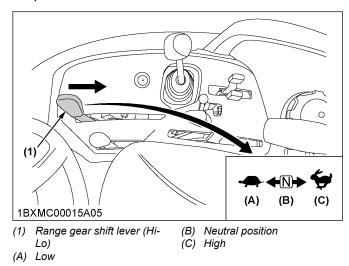
3. After the tractor has stopped, disengage the PTO clutch.



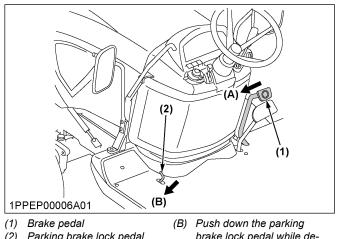
- (A) On (engage)
- 4. Lower the implement to the ground.



- Hydraulic control lever (1) (Å) Lowered
- (B) Neutral position
- Shift the range-gear-shift-lever to the neutral [N] 5. position.



6. Set the parking brake. (See To set the parking brake in How to use the parking brake on page 33)



(2) Parking brake lock pedal (A) Depress

brake lock pedal while depressing the brake pedal

## CHECK DURING DRIVING

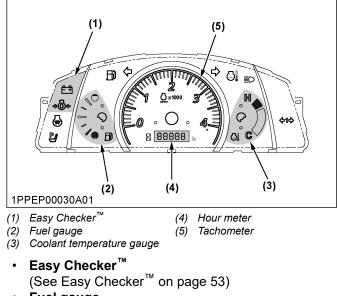
### 1. Cases to stop the engine immediately

Immediately stop the engine if:

- The engine suddenly slows down or accelerates.
- Unusual noises suddenly are heard.
- Exhaust fumes suddenly become very dark.

## 2. Check items during driving

While driving the tractor, check the following items to see that all the parts are functioning normally.



- **Fuel gauge** (See Fuel gauge on page 54)
- **Coolant temperature gauge** (See Coolant temperature gauge on page 54)

Hour meter

(See Hour meter on page 55)

**Tachometer** (See Tachometer on page 55)

### 2.1 Easy Checker<sup>™</sup>

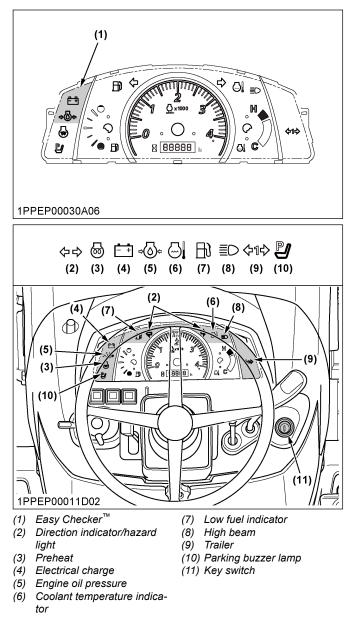
If trouble should occur at any location while the engine is running, the warning-indicator-lamp in the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> corresponding to that location comes on. If the warning-indicator-lamps in the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup>

come on during operation of the tractor, immediately stop the engine, and find the cause as the following table.

Never operate the tractor while the warning-indicatorlamp in the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> is on.

### NOTE :

· For checking and servicing of your tractor, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for instructions.



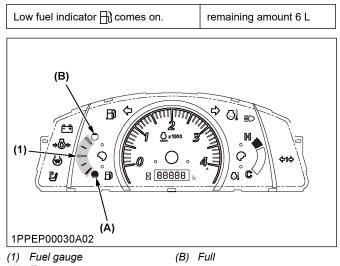
#### Warning-indicator-lamps in Easy Checker<sup>™</sup>

Electrical charge	If the alternator is not charging the battery, the electrical charge indicator in the Easy Checker <sup>™</sup> will come on. If this warning lamp should come on during operation of the tractor, check the electrical charging system or consult your local KU- BOTA Dealer.
⇔⊘o Engine oil pressure	If the oil pressure in the engine goes below the prescribed level, the engine oil pres- sure indicator in the Easy Checker <sup>™</sup> will come on. If this warning lamp should come on during operation of the tractor, and this warning lamp does not go off when the engine is accelerated to more than 1000 rpm, check level of engine oil. (See Checking the engine oil level on page 87)

### 2.2 Fuel gauge

The fuel gauge is for the check if the gauge is working. When the key switch is the on  $\langle \overline{\mathcal{L}} \rangle$  position, the fuel gauge indicates the fuel level.

When the fuel is close to empty level as shown in the following figure, the low-fuel-indicator-lamp  $\square$  in the Easy Checker<sup>TM</sup> comes on.



(A) Empty

Be careful not to empty the fuel tank. Otherwise air may enter the fuel system.

If air should enter the fuel system, you should bleed it. (See Bleeding the fuel system on page 106)

#### NOTE :

• In case the fuel-gauge-system becomes disconnected, the needle will return to the most bottom position. If the needle of the fuel gauge returns to the most bottom position, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.

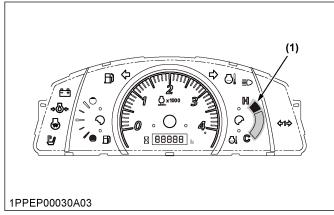
Once you turn off the key switch and the fuelgauge-system returns to normal, the needle should point to the normal position again.

### 2.3 Coolant temperature gauge

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Do not remove radiator cap until coolant temperature is well below its boiling point. Then loosen cap slightly to the stop to relieve any pressure before removing cap completely.



(1) Coolant temperature gauge

#### NOTE :

 In case the coolant-temperature-gauge system becomes short, the needle will return to the most bottom position. If the needle of the coolant-temperature-gauge returns to the most bottom position, consult your KUBOTA Dealer.

## 2.4 Dealing with the overheated coolant temperature

When the coolant temperature is nearly or more than the boiling point, this temperature is what is called *"overheating"*.

#### **Overheat indication**

1. When the coolant temperature stays over 123 °C, the coolant-temperature-indicator-lamp ⊡ in the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> comes on.

#### Reference

Red zone range123 °C to 130 °C
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 When the coolant temperature stays below 118 °C, the coolant-temperature-indicator-lamp ⊕ turns off.

# If the coolant-temperature-indicator-lamp . in the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> comes on, take the following actions.

- 1. Stop operating the tractor in a safe place and keep the engine unloaded idling. Do not stop the engine suddenly.
  - a. Place the PTO-clutch-lever in the off (disengage) [\*] position.
  - b. Move the tractor to the level surface, and apply the parking brake.
  - c. Place the hand-accelerator-lever in the engine idle position, and operate the engine for about 5 minutes.
- 2. Keep yourself well away from the tractor for the following minutes or while the steam blows out.

Keeping yourself away from the tractor further 10 minutes

3. Check the cooling system after it has sufficient time to cool down.

Check that there is no danger such as burn. Get rid of the causes of overheating according to ENGINE TROUBLESHOOTING on page 110. Check the following items:

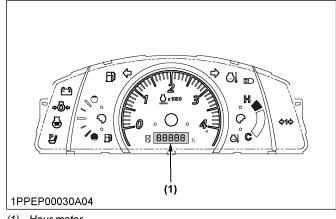
• Shortage or leakage of the coolant

- Foreign matter on the radiator net
- dust and dirt between the radiator fins
- Looseness of fan belt
- Blockage in the radiator tube (See Checking the radiator hoses and the hose clamps on page 104)

### 2.5 Hour meter

The hour meter indicates in 5 digits the hours the tractor has been used as the following table.

Tractor operated hours	The step that the display operates
From 0.0 Hr to 9999.9 Hr	every 0.1 Hr step
10000 Hr to 99999 Hr	every 1 Hr step
After 99999 Hr	99999 Hr stays on



(1) Hour meter

### 2.6 Tachometer

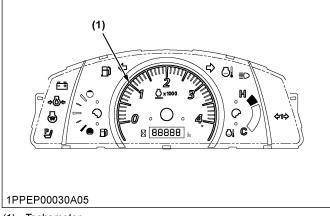
When the key switch is the on  $(\mathbb{Z})$  position and the engine is on, the tachometer indicates the engine revolution per minute.

#### NOTE :

• When the key is turned on, the tachometer should indicate as follows for just a moment.

Indication of the tachometer	4000 rpm
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#### **OPERATING THE TRACTOR**



(1) Tachometer

## PARKING THE TRACTOR

When parking the tractor, be sure to set the parking brake.

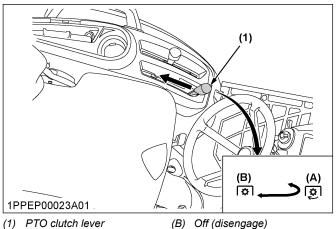
## WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death: Before getting off the tractor

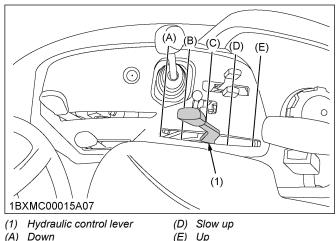
- · Always set the parking brake and lower all implements to the ground. Leaving the transmission in gear with the engine stopped will not prevent the tractor from accidental rolling.
- Stop the engine and remove the key.

#### Before getting off the tractor, follow the following procedure

1. Disengage the PTO. (See PTO clutch lever on page 59)

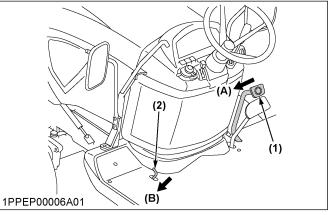


- PTO clutch lever (1)
- (A) On (engage)
- 2. Lower all implements to the ground. (See Hydraulic control on page 65)



(A) Down

- Slow down (B)
- (C) Neutral
- 3. Place all control levers in their neutral positions.
- 4. Set the parking brake. (See To set the parking brake in How to use the parking brake on page 33)



Brake pedal (1) (2) Parking brake lock pedal

(A) Depress

- Push down parking brake (B) lock pedal while depressing brake pedal
- 5. Stop the engine.

(See STOPPING THE ENGINE on page 42)

- 6. Remove the starter key.
- 7. If it is necessary to park the tractor on an incline, be sure to chock the wheels to prevent accidental rolling of the tractor.

## TECHNIQUES FOR OPERATING THE TRACTOR

1. Differential lock

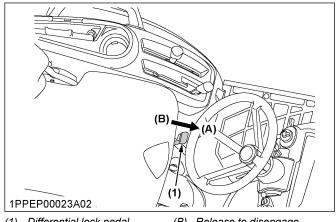
## WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death due to loss of steering control:

- Do not operate the tractor at high speed with the differential lock engaged.
- Do not turn with the differential lock engaged.

#### Be sure to release the differential lock before turning the machine in field conditions.

If one of the rear wheels should slip, depress the differential-lock-pedal. Both wheels will then turn together, which reduce slippage of the rear wheels. The differential lock is maintained only while the differential-lock-pedal is depressed.



(1) Differential lock pedal (A) Press to engage

(B) Release to disengage

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- When using the differential lock, always slow the engine down.
- To prevent damage to power train, do not engage the differential lock when 1 wheel is spinning and the other is completely stopped.
- If the differential lock cannot be released in the preceding manner, alternately press the speedcontrol-pedal forward and backward slightly.

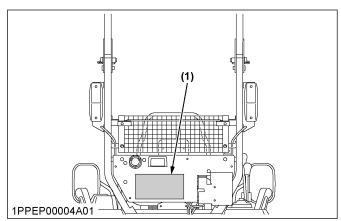
### 2. Precautions for operating the tractor on a road

## WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

• When travelling on road with 3-point hitch mounted implement attached, be sure to have sufficient front weight on the tractor to maintain steering ability.

Follow all local traffic and safety regulations. Use the registration plate as required.



(1) Registration plate

### 3. Precautions for operating the tractor on a slopes and rough terrain

## WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

- Always reverse the tractor when the tractor is going up to a steep slope. Driving forward could cause the tractor to tip over backward. Stay off hills and slopes too steep for safe operation of the tractor.
- Avoid changing gears when the tractor is climbing or descending a slope.
- If operating the tractor on a slope, never disengage the shift levers to neutral. Disengaging the shift levers to neutral could cause loss of control.
- Do not drive the tractor close to the edges of ditches or banks which may collapse under the weight of the tractor, especially when the ground is loose or wet.
- Slow down for slopes, rough ground, and sharp turns, especially when transporting heavy, rear mounted equipment.
- · Before descending a slope, shift to a gear low enough to control the speed without using the brakes.

### 4. Precautions for transporting the tractor safely

- The tractor, if damaged, must be carried on a truck. Secure the tractor tightly with ropes.
- · Follow the instruction as follows when towing the tractor. Otherwise, the powertrain of the tractor may get damaged.
  - Set the all shift levers to their neutral position.
  - If possible, start the engine and select 2WD.
  - Tow the tractor using its front hitch or drawbar.
  - Never tow the tractor faster than following speed.

Towing speed	10 km/h (6.2 mph)	
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# 5. Directions for use of the power steering

- The power steering is activated only while the engine is running. While the engine is stopped, the tractor functions in the same manner as tractors without power steering.
- Turning the steering wheel all the way to the stop activates the relief valve. Do not hold the steering wheel in the stop for a long period of time.
- Avoid turning the steering wheel while the tractor is stopped, or tyres may wear out sooner.
- The power-steering-mechanism makes the steering easier. Be careful when driving on a road at high speeds.

# **POWER TAKE-OFF (PTO)**

## PTO OPERATION

## WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

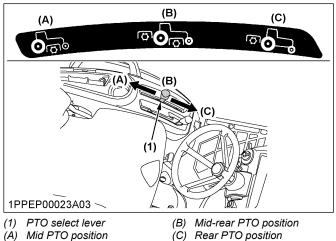
- · Before operation of PTO, be sure to select the position of the PTO-select-lever (mid 5, mid/ rear 🖏, rear 👞).
- Disengage PTO, stop the engine, and allow all rotating components to come to a complete stop before connecting, disconnecting, adjusting, or cleaning any PTO driven equipment.

## 1. PTO select lever

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- To avoid shock when loading to the PTO, reduce the engine accelerator from full to half speed by pushing up on the engine accelerator when engaging the PTO. Then open the accelerator to the full speed.
- · To avoid damage of transmission, when the PTO-select-lever is not smoothly shifted, slightly shift the PTO-clutch-lever.

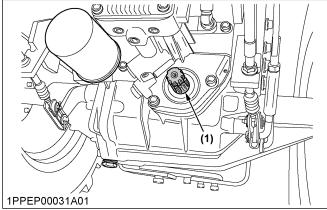
The tractor has a 540 rpm rear PTO speed and a 2500 rpm mid PTO speed.



(A) Mid PTO position

### Mid PTO

To use the mid PTO, shift the PTO-select-lever to the mid PTO and the PTO-clutch-lever to the on position. The mid PTO is available for KUBOTA approved implements.



(1) Mid PTO

### Mid-Rear PTO

To use the mid PTO and the rear PTO at the same time, shift the PTO-select-lever to the mid-rear PTO position and the PTO-clutch-lever to the on position.

### **Rear PTO**

To use the rear PTO, shift the PTO-select-lever to the rear PTO m position and the PTO-clutch-lever to the on 😰 position.

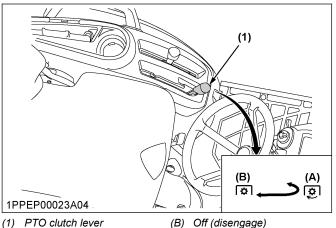
## 2. PTO clutch lever

The PTO-clutch-lever engages or disengages the PTO clutch which gives the PTO independent control.

### **IMPORTANT:**

- To avoid shock when loading to the PTO, reduce the engine accelerator from full to half speed by pushing up on the engine accelerator when engaging the PTO. Then open the accelerator to the full speed.
- When you engage the PTO clutch, shift the PTO-clutch-lever slowly to avoid damage to the PTO clutch and implement. Do not keep the PTO-clutch-lever half way.

Shift the PTO-clutch-lever to the on 😰 position to engage the PTO clutch. Shift the PTO-clutch-lever to the off position to disengage the PTO clutch. See the following figure.



(A) On (engage)

#### NOTE :

- The tractor engine will not start if the PTOclutch-lever is in the engaged (on [2]) position.
- When you stand up from the seat with the PTOclutch-lever at the engaged (on (2)) position, the engine will stop regardless of the position of the PTO select lever. This is because that the tractor is equipped with operator-presencecontrol-system (OPC).

## 3. PTO shaft cover and PTO shaft cap

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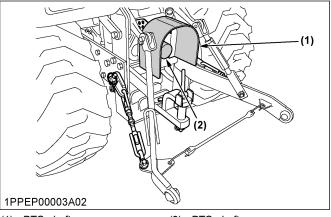
To avoid serious injury or death:

 Before connecting or disconnecting a drive shaft to PTO shaft, be sure that the engine is off and raise up the PTO-shaft-cover.
 Afterward be sure to return the PTO shaft cover to the normal position.

#### **IMPORTANT :**

• The universal joint of the PTO-drive-shaft is technically limited in its moving angle. Refer to the PTO Drive Shaft Instructions for proper use.

Keep the PTO-shaft-cover in place at all times. Keep the PTO-shaft-cap when the PTO is not in use.

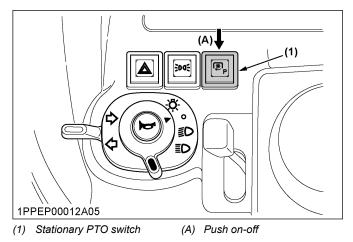


(1) PTO shaft cover (2) PTO shaft cap

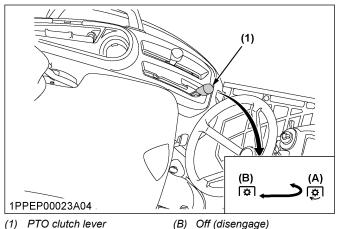
### 4. Using stationary PTO

To park the tractor and use the PTO system for chipper or pump, for example, start the PTO system in the following steps.

- 1. Apply the parking brake and place blocks at the tyres.
- 2. Make sure that all shift levers are in their neutral position, and start the engine.
- Set the PTO-select-lever to the Rear-PTO (Rear only) 
   <sup>™</sup> position.
- 4. Push the stationary-PTO-switch.



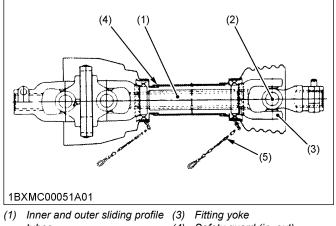
5. Set the PTO-clutch-lever to the on (engage) position.



- (A) On (engage)
- 6. Set the engine speed appropriately to provide recommend rear PTO speed.
- NOTE :
- · If the PTO-clutch-lever is shifted to the on (engage) position under the following condition, the engine will stop itself.
  - The speed-control-pedal is not in the neutral position.
  - The PTO-select-lever is not in the rear PTO n position.

### 5. PTO drive shaft

The PTO-drive-shafts are designed for specific machines and power requirement.

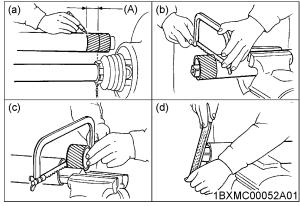


- tubes (4) Safety guard (in, out) (5) Chain
- (2) Journal cross assy
- · When using a PTO-drive-shaft, read the operator's manual of the implement before operating the implement.
- · If it is necessary for using the PTO-drive-shaft, adjust the length of it. (See Adjusting the length of PTO drive shaft on page 61)
- Make sure that the PTO-drive-shaft is securely connected at both ends before operating it.

### 5.1 Adjusting the length of PTO drive shaft

To adjust the length of the PTO-drive-shaft, take the following instructions.

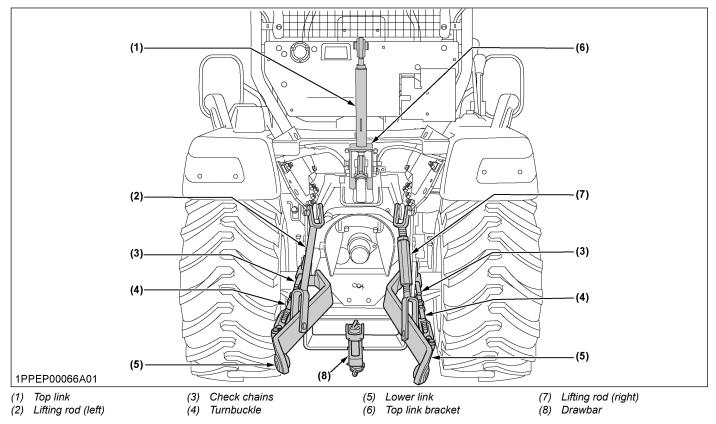
- 1. To adjust the inner-and-outer-guard-tubes, hold the half shafts next to each other in the shortest working position, and mark the half shafts in the shortest working position of the inner-and-outerguard-tubes.
- 2. Shorten the inner-and-outer-guard-tubes to the marked position equally.
- 3. Shorten the inner-and-outer-sliding-profile-tubes by the same length as the inner-and-outer-guardtubes.
- 4. Round all sharp edges off, remove burrs, and grease sliding profiles.



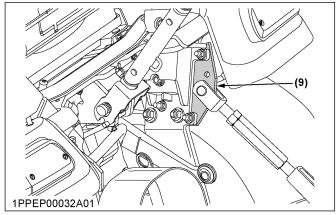
- Reference image for step 1. (a)
  - Reference image for step 2.
- (b) (C)
- (d) (A)
- Reference image for step 3.
- Reference image for step 4. 40 mm

# **3-POINT HITCH AND DRAWBAR**

## **OVERVIEW OF 3-POINT HITCH AND DRAWBAR**



Use the holder plate to hold the lower link higher while mowing with mid-mount mower only over uneven terrain.



<sup>(9)</sup> Holder plate

## **3-POINT HITCH**

# 1. Precautions for attaching and detaching the implements to the 3-point hitch

## 

To avoid serious injury or death:

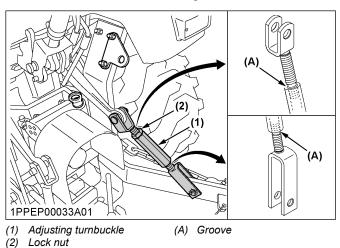
- Be sure to stop the engine and remove the starter key.
- Do not stand between the tractor and the implement unless the parking brake is applied.
- Before attaching or detaching the implement to the 3-point-hitch, locate the tractor and the implement on a firm, flat, and level surface.
- Whenever an implement or other attachment is connected to the tractor by the 3-point-hitch, slowly move the 3-point-hitch through the full range of operation and check for interference, binding, or PTO separation before operating the machine.

## 2. Adjusting the lifting rod (right)

## 

To avoid serious injury or death:

- Do not extend the lifting rod beyond the groove on the thread rod.
- 1. Level a 3-point-mounted implement from side to side by turning the adjusting turnbuckle to shorten or lengthen the adjustable lifting rod with the implement on the ground.
- 2. After adjustment, tighten the lock nut securely. Do not extend the lifting rod beyond the groove on the threaded rod when extending it.



## 3. Adjusting the top link

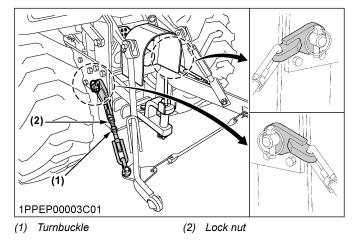
The proper length of the top link varies according to the type of implement being used.

### NOTE :

- When not using the top link, shorten it to the shortest length and fix it to the top-link-bracket.
- 1. Adjust the angle of the implement to the desired position by shortening or lengthening the top link.

## 4. Adjusting the check chains

- 1. Make sure that the check chains are installed as the following figure.
- 2. Adjust the turnbuckle to control horizontal sway of the implement.
- 3. After adjustment, retighten the lock nut.



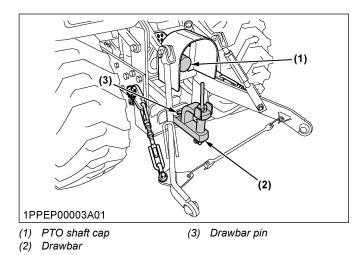
## DRAWBAR

## 

To avoid serious injury or death:

• Never pull from the top link, the rear axle, or any point above the drawbar. Pulling from the top link, the rear axle, or any point above the drawbar could cause the tractor to tip over rearward causing personal injury or death.

#### **3-POINT HITCH AND DRAWBAR**



# **HYDRAULIC UNIT**

## 3-POINT HITCH CONTROL SYSTEM

## WARNING

To avoid personal injury or death:

- · Before using the 3-point hitch controls, make sure that no person or object is in the area of the implement or 3-point hitch.
- Do not stand on or near the implement or between the implement and tractor when operating the 3-point hitch controls.

## 1. Hydraulic control

### **IMPORTANT**:

- Do not operate until the engine is warmed up. If operation is attempted when the engine is still cold, the hydraulic system may be damaged.
- If noises are heard when the implement is lifting after the hydraulic control lever has been activated, the hydraulic mechanism is not adjusted properly.

If you do not correct the hydraulic control unit, it will be damaged.

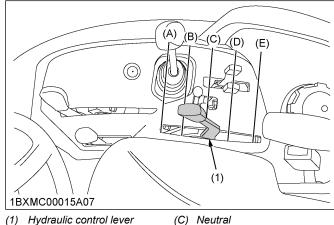
### Contact your KUBOTA Dealer for adjustment.

Operating the hydraulic control lever actuates the hydraulic lift arm, which controls the elevation of the 3-point-hitch-mounted implement.

To lower the implement, move the hydraulic control lever forward (the 🍃 position). To raise the implement, move the hydraulic control lever rearward (the  $\sqrt[]{5}$ position).

In the slow-down position and the slow-up position of the hydraulic control lever in contact with the inner stopper, you can control the valve with ease in the following increments at the lower link end.

approximately 6.4 mm Increments at the lower link end



Hydraulic control lever (1)

(A) Down (B) Slow down (D) Slow up (E) Up

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- If the 3-point-hitch can not be raised by setting the hydraulic control lever to the up (raised)  $\sqrt[n]{\eta}$  position after long term storage or when changing the transmission oil, follow the following air bleeding procedures.
  - 1. Stop the engine.
  - Set the hydraulic control lever to the down 2 (lowered)  $\gtrsim$  position and start the engine.
  - 3. Operate the engine at low idle speed for the following seconds to bleed air from the system.

Operating the engine at low idle speed

at least 30 seconds

## 2. Lowering speed of 3-point hitch

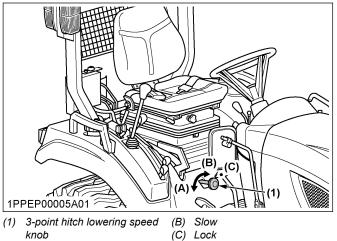
The lowering speed of the 3-point hitch can be controlled or locked in similar fashion to a water tap.

## WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

• A fast lowering speed may cause damage or injury. The lowering speed of the implement should be adjusted to 2 or more seconds.

Turn toward the fast position to increase, the slow position to reduce, and the lock position firmly to the stop for lock.



(A) Fast

## **AUXILIARY HYDRAULIC CONTROL SYSTEM**

### 1. How to use the auxiliary hydraulic control valve coupler

## 

To avoid serious injury or death:

- Stop the engine and relieve the pressure before connecting or disconnecting the lines of the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-valve-coupler.
- Do not use your hands to check for leaks.

### Connecting

- 1. Clean both implement couplers and tractorhvdraulic-couplers.
- 2. Remove the dust plugs.
- 3. Insert the implement couplers to the tractorhvdraulic-couplers.
- 4. Pull the implement couplers slightly to make sure that the implement couplers and the tractorhydraulic-couplers are firmly connected.

#### NOTE :

Your local KUBOTA Dealer can supply parts for adapting couplers to hydraulic hoses.

#### Disconnecting

- 1. Lower the implement first to the ground to release the hydraulic pressure in the hoses.
- 2. Clean the implement couplers and tractor-hydrauliccouplers.
- 3. Relieve the pressure by moving the hydrauliccontrol-levers with engine shut off.
- 4. Pull the hydraulic hose straight from the tractorhvdraulic-couplers to release them.
- 5. Clean the oil and dust from the implement couplers and the tractor-hydraulic-couplers.
- 6. Then replace the dust plugs.

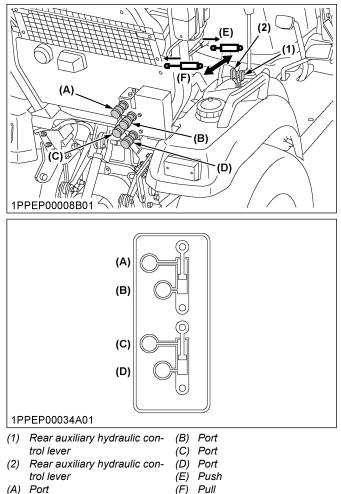
### 2. Rear auxiliary hydraulic control lever

- To raise the implement, move the rear-auxiliaryhydraulic-control-lever to the push position and hold.
- To lower the implement, move the rear-auxiliaryhydraulic-control-lever to the pull position and hold.

Rear-auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever will return to the neutral position when released.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- Do not hold the rear-auxiliary-hydraulic-controllever in the push or pull position once the remote cylinder has reached the end of the stroke, because it will cause oil to flow through the relief valve. Forcing oil through the relief valve for extended periods will overheat the oil.
- When using the tractor hydraulic system to power the front loader, do not operate the boom and bucket cylinders simultaneously.



(F)

(A) Port

Rear auxiliary hydraulic control lever (1)	Push (E)	Pull (F)
Port (C)	In 🔶	Out —>>
Port (D)	Out ——>	In 🔶

-> Pressure, -> Returning

Rear auxiliary hydraulic control lever (2)	Push (E)	Pull (F)
Port (A)	In 🔶	Out —>>
Port (B)	Out ——>	In 🔶

-> Pressure, - Returning

	Coupler size
Port (A), (B), (C), (D)	3/8 BSPP

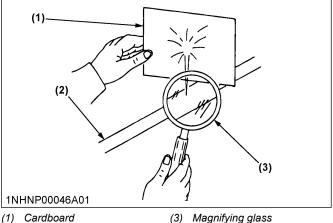
## AUXILIARY HYDRAULICS

On the tractor, hydraulic outlet is provided.

## WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

- Hydraulic fluid leaks under pressure can reach sufficient force to penetrate skin, causing serious personal injury. Before disconnecting the lines, be sure to relieve all pressure.
- Before applying pressure to the hydraulic system, be sure that all connections are tight and that lines, tubes, and hoses are not damaged.
- Hydraulic fluid escaping from a very small hole can be almost invisible. Use a piece of cardboard or wood, rather than hands to search for suspected leaks.
- If someone gets injured because of leaked hydraulic fluid, see a doctor at once. Serious infection or allergic reaction will develop if proper medical treatment is not administered immediately.



(2) Hydraulic line

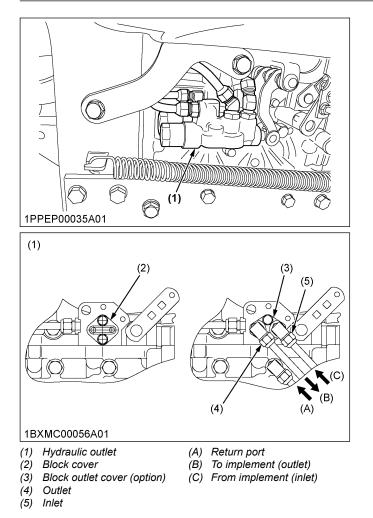
(3) Magnifying glass

## 1. Hydraulic outlet

Hydraulic outlet is useful when adding the hydraulically operated equipment such as front end loader, front blade, and so on.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

• For the hydraulic outlet, be sure to use the control valve of the power-beyond-type with the relief valve. The third line returns to tank for the operation of the hydraulic block.



Max. flow of outlet	14 L/min
No relief valve in the hydraulic block.	

When implement is attached, follow the following procedure.

- 1. Remove the block cover.
- 2. Attach the block outlet cover (option).
- The block outlet cover is standard part for KUBOTA Implements
- 3. Route the implement inlet, outlet, and return pipes as shown in the figures.

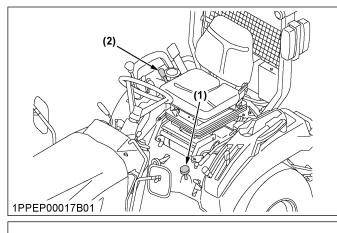
## MOWER LIFT LINKAGE SYSTEM

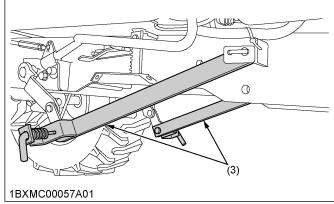
## 1. Cutting height control dial

When mounting the Mid-mount mower, turn the cuttingheight-control-dial to the desired height.

For further details, refer to the following operator's manuals of rotary mower.

- RCK60B-23BX-EU
- RCK54-23BX-EU
- RCK48-18BX-EU
- RCK60D-26BX-EU
- RCK54D-26BX-EU





- (1) Cutting height control dial (3) Mower rear link
- (2) Hydraulic control lever

#### **IMPORTANT**:

When operating the tractor without Mid-mount mower, follow the following procedure.

- 1. Move the hydraulic lever rearward (the <u>∂</u>↑ position) to raise the mower-rear-links to the highest position.
- 2. Set the cutting-height-control-dial to the top position.

If you do not follow the preceding procedure, damage of the mower-rear-link can result.

### 2. Hydraulic control unit use reference chart

In order to use the hydraulics properly, the operator must know the following chart. Though this information may not be applicable to all types of implements and soil conditions, it is useful for general conditions.

Implement	1AGAIAZAP122A Soil condition	1) Hydraulic control lever	1AGAIAZAP070A Gauge wheel	(1) 1PPEP00003B01 (1) Check chains
Mouldboard plough	Light soil, medi- um soil, heavy soil			Loose Adjust the check chains so that the
Disc plough Harrower (spike type, springtooth type, and disc type)			YES/NO	implement can move 5 cm to 6 cm laterally. The check chains should be tight enough to prevent excessive imple- ment movement when implement is in raised position.
Sub-soiler		Hydraulic control		
Weeder, ridger			YES	
Earthmove, digger scraper, and manure fork rear carrier			YES/NO For implements with gauge wheels, set the hydraulic	Tighten
Mower (mid-and rear- mount type), hayrake, and tedder			control lever to the lowered (down) $\geq$ position all way.	

### **AUXILIARY HYDRAULIC CONTROL VALVE (IF** EQUIPPED)

### WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

- Hydraulic fluid leaks under pressure can reach sufficient force to penetrate skin, causing serious personal injury. Before disconnecting the lines, be sure to
- relieve all pressure. Before applying pressure to the hydraulic
- system, be sure that all connections are tight and that lines, tubes, and hoses are not damaged.
- · Hydraulic fluid escaping from a very small hole can be almost invisible. Use a piece of cardboard or wood, rather than hands to search for suspected leaks.
- · If someone gets injured because of leaked hydraulic fluid, see a doctor at once. Serious infection or allergic reaction will develop if proper medical treatment is not administered immediately.

### 1. Valve lock

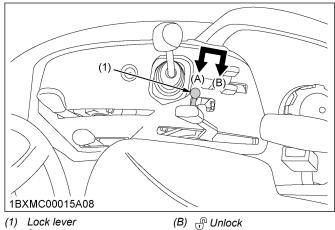
The control valve is equipped with a feature of the valve lock

### WARNING

To avoid personal injury or death from crushing:

- Do not utilise the valve lock for machine maintenance or repair.
- The valve lock is to prevent accidental actuation when implement is not in use or during transport.

The control value is locked in the lock  $\bigcirc$  position. The lock is not intended and will not prevent a leak down of the implement during the period of storage.

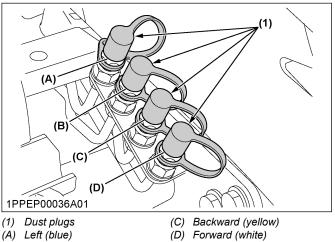


(A) ALock

### 2. Auxiliary hydraulic ports

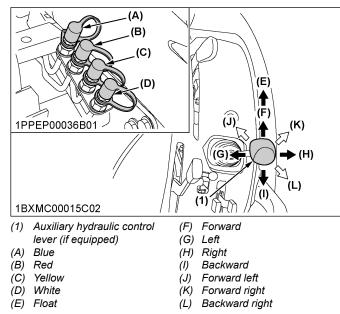
The auxiliary hydraulic ports are equipped with quick couplers.

If you do not use the auxiliary hydraulic ports, place the dust plugs on the quick couplers ends.



(B) Right (red)

### 3. Connecting the auxiliary hydraulic control lever and hydraulic hose to the auxiliary hydraulic port



#### Hydraulic outlet ports of first segment

Le	ver	Back	ward	Forward					
Dort	White In	←	Out	$\rightarrow$					
Port	Yellow	Out	$\rightarrow$	ln	←				

Pressure, Returning

#### Hydraulic outlet ports of second segment

Le	ver	Riç	ght	Left					
Dart	Blue In		←	Out	$\rightarrow$				
Port	Red	Out	$\rightarrow$	In	←				

-> Pressure, ---- Returning

- 1. Connect the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever in its specified direction and the hydraulic hoses to their specified ports.
- 2. Before moving the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever, make sure that the hydraulic hoses for attachments are connected.
- 3. Move the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever diagonally (forward left, forward right, and backward right as shown in the figure).

The first and second segments can be controlled at once.

#### NOTE :

• If you move the auxiliary-hydraulic-controllever to the float position, it will be held there by the detent mechanism. To use the valve as a floating valve with detents,

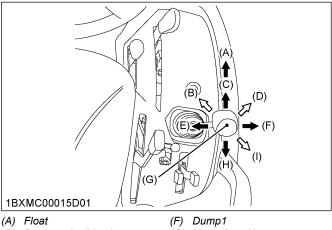
connect the hydraulic hoses to the white port and the yellow port.

Make the following connections when using this control valve to take off hydraulic power for the hydraulic cylinder.

Coloured Coupler	Hydraulic Cylinder port
Blue and yellow	Head-End side
White and red	Rod-End side

### 4. Controlling loader (only if equipped with loader)

- · When moving the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever forward, the loader will go down.
- When moving the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever backward, the loader will go up.
- · When moving the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever to the left, the bucket will roll back.
- · When moving the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever to the right, the bucket will dump.
- When moving the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever diagonally, the loader and bucket will work in the same time.



Down and roll back (B)

(G) Normal position

- Down
- (D) Dump and down

(H) Up Up and dump (1)

(E) Roll back

#### Lower

(C)

When lowering the loader, there are 2 stages that operate the loader differently.

Down

When shifting the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever forward, the loader will go down with hydraulic pressure. This lever position is the first stage for lowering the loader.

Float

When shifting the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever further forward until feeling the bump, pressure in the connector lines is released so the loader will go down by its own weight. This lever position after the bump is the second stage. When the operator lets

the hand off from the auxiliary-hydraulic-controllever, it will stay in the second stage position. Shift the auxiliary-hydraulic-control-lever backward to place it to the normal position.

# **TYRES, WHEELS AND BALLAST**

### TYRES

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Do not attempt to mount a tyre on a rim. Only a qualified person with the proper equipment should mount a tyre on a rim.
- Always maintain the correct tyre pressure. Do not inflate the tyres above the recommended pressure shown in the *Inflation pressure* section.

(See Inflation pressure of tyres on page 73)

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- Do not use tyres other than those approved by KUBOTA.
- When you intend to mount different size of tyres from equipped ones, consult your dealer about front drive gear ratio for details.

Excessive wear of tyres may occur due to improper gear ratio.

### 1. Inflation pressure of tyres

Although the tyre pressure is factory-set to the prescribed level, it naturally drops slowly in the course of time. Thus, check the tyre pressure everyday and inflate as necessary.

	Tyre sizes	Inflation pressure
	26x12.00-12 Turf	100 kPa (1.0 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> ) [14 psi]
Rear	26x12.00-12 Bar	120 kPa (1.2 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> ) [17 psi]
	26x12.00-12 Ind.	120 kPa (1.2 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> ) [17 psi]
	18x8.50-10 Turf	120 kPa (1.2 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> ) [17 psi]
Front	18x8.50-10 Bar	150 kPa (1.5 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> ) [22 psi]
	18x8.50-10 Ind.	150 kPa (1.5 kgf/cm <sup>2</sup> ) [22 psi]

#### NOTE :

 Maintain the maximum pressure in front tyres if using a front loader or when equipped with a full load of front weights.

### 2. Dual tyres

You can not use the dual tyres. Dual tyres are not approved.

### WHEEL TREAD

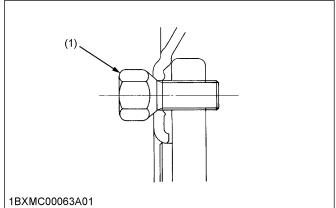
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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Support the tractor securely on stands before removing a wheel.
- Never operate the tractor with a loose rim, wheel, or axle.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- When re-fitting or adjusting a wheel, follow the procedure.
  - 1. tighten the bolts to the torques as shown in the following table.



(1) Bolt

	Tightening torques
Front	149.2 N ⋅ m to 179.0 N ⋅ m (15.2 kgf ⋅ m to 18.3 kgf ⋅ m)
Rear	108.5 N ⋅ m to 130.2 N ⋅ m (11.1 kgf ⋅ m to 13.3 kgf ⋅ m)

2. Then recheck as the following table. (See SERVICE INTERVALS on page 82)

Timing to recheck	After driving the tractor 200 m, after 1 day	
the bolts	(8 hours), and thereafter every 50 hours	

#### NOTE :

• Use the tapered bolts for wheels with bevelled or tapered holes.

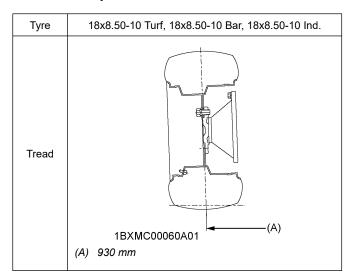
#### 1. Front wheels

**IMPORTANT :** 

- Do not turn the front discs to obtain a wider tread.
- Always attach tyres as shown in the figures in the following table.

If you do not attach the front wheel as illustrated in the table, transmission parts may be damaged.

You can not adjust width of the front tread.

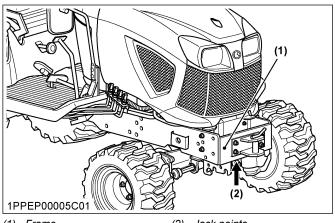


How to jack up the front axle

### 

To avoid serious injury or death:

- Before jacking up the tractor, park it on a firm and level ground and chock the rear wheels.
- Fix the front axle to keep it from pivoting.
- Select jacks that withstand the machine weight and set them up as shown in the following figure.



#### (1) Frame

(2) Jack points

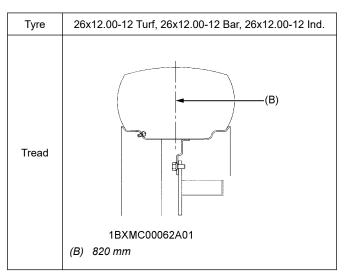
#### 2. Rear wheels

**IMPORTANT :** 

- Do not turn the rear discs to obtain wider tread.
- Always attach tyres as shown in the figures in the following table.

If you do not attach the rear wheel as illustrated in the table, transmission parts may be damaged.

You can not adjust width of the rear tread.

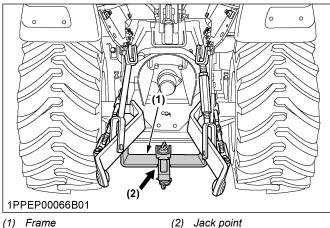


How to jack up rear part of the tractor

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Before jacking up the tractor, park it on a firm and level ground and chock the front wheels.
- Fix the front axle to keep it from pivoting.
- Select jacks that withstand the machine weight and set them up as shown in the following figure.



(1) Frame

### BALLAST

### WARNING

To avoid personal injury or death:

- · You will need the additional ballast for transporting the heavy implements. When the implement is raised, drive slowly over rough ground, regardless of how much ballast is used.
- Do not fill the front wheels with liquid to maintain steering control.

### 1. Front ballast

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- Do not overload tyres.
- Add no more weight than indicated in the following table.

Maximum weight	100 kg
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Add weights if needed to improve traction or for stability. Heavy pulling and heavy rear mounted implements tend to lift front wheels. Add enough ballast to maintain steering control and prevent tip over.

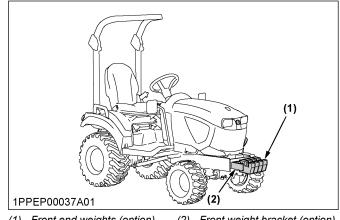
Remove weight when no longer needed.

#### Front end weights (option)

Front end weights can be attached to the bumper. Refer to your implement operator's manual for required number of weights or consult your local KUBOTA Dealer to use it.

#### NOTE :

Besides the weight, a front weight bracket and mounting bolt kit(s) are required for mounting the weight.



(1) Front end weights (option) (2) Front weight bracket (option)

### 2. Rear ballast

Add weight to rear wheels if needed to improve traction or for stability. The amount of rear ballast should be matched to job and the ballast should be removed when it is not needed.

#### Liquid ballast in rear tyres

The weight should be added to the tractor in the form of liquid ballast.

Water and calcium chloride solution provides safe economical ballast. Using the liquid ballast properly will prevent tyres, tubes, or rims from being damaged. The addition of calcium chloride is recommended to prevent the water from freezing. The addition of calcium chloride for weighting the wheels has the full approval of the tyre companies. Consult your tyre dealer for addition of calcium chloride.

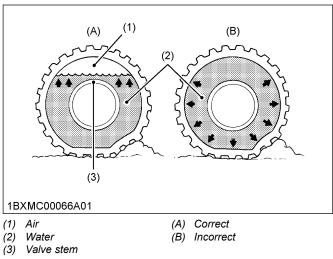
#### Liquid weight per tyre (75 percent filled)

Tyre sizes	26x12.00-12
Slush free at -10 °C Solid at -30 °C [Approx. 1 kg CaCl2 per 4 L of water]	45 kg
Slush free at -24 °C Solid at -47 °C [Approx. 1.5 kg CaCl2 per 4 L of water]	50 kg
Slush free at -47 °C Solid at -52 °C [Approx. 2.25 kg CaCl2 per 4 L of water]	56 kg

**IMPORTANT:** 

· Do not fill tyres with water or solution more than the correct percentage of full capacity as shown in the following table to the level of valve stem at 12 o'clock position.

#### TYRES, WHEELS AND BALLAST



	Correct	Incorrect					
Amount of water	75% of full capacity of tyre	100% of full capacity of tyre					
Characteristic	Air compresses like a cushion	Water can not be compressed					

To avoid damage to the transmission, do not • use rear wheel weights and liquid ballast at the same time.

# CAB OPERATION

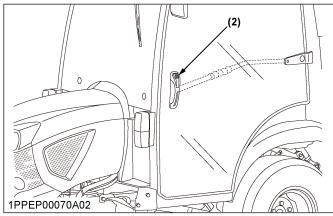
### DOOR AND WINDOW

### 1. Locking and unlocking the door

#### From the outside

- 1. Insert the key into the door lock.
- 2. Lock or Unlock the door
  - To unlock the door, turn the key anticlockwise. •
  - To lock the door, turn the key in the opposite direction.

You can remove the key when it is either in horizontal or vertical direction.



(1) Door lock

#### From the inside

1. You can not lock from inside.

### 2. Opening the door

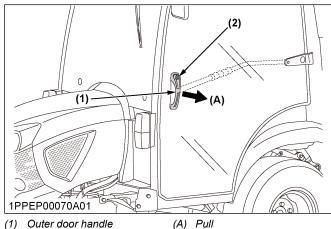
#### **IMPORTANT:**

· Be careful with the mirrors when opening the doors.

#### From the outside

1. To open the door, push the door lock and pull the outer-door-handle.

A gas cylinder pushes the door from the closed position to the opened position.

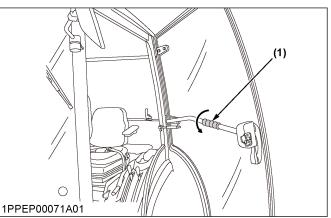


(1) Outer door handle

(2)Door lock

#### From the inside

1. To open the door, turn the door handle in the inside direction and push the door.



(1) Door handle

### 3. Closing the door

#### **IMPORTANT**:

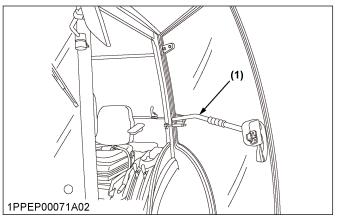
- Be careful with the mirrors when closing the doors.
- After closing the doors, make sure that the doors are fully closed.

#### From the outside

1. Push the door and close the door.

#### From the inside

1. Pull the door handle and close the door.



(1) Door handle

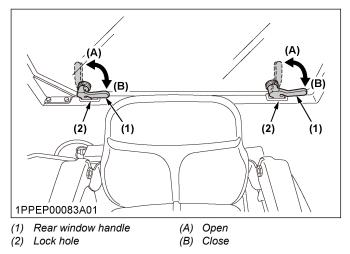
# 4. Opening and closing the rear window

#### To open

- 1. Turn both the rear-window-handles anticlockwise to the vertical position (turn 90 deg.).
- Push the rear window a little. The rear window will be opened by the gas-springcylinder.

#### To close

- 1. Pull the rear window a little and turn both the rearwindow-handles clockwise (90 deg.).
- 2. Insert both the rear-window-handles inside the lock holes.



# 5. Opening and closing the windscreen

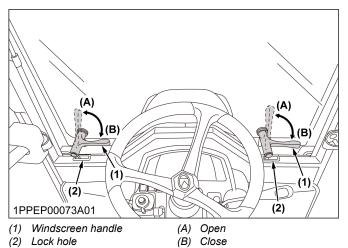
#### To open

- 1. Turn both the windscreen-handles anticlockwise to the vertical position (turn 90 deg.).
- 2. Push the windscreen a little.

The windscreen will be opened by the gas-springcylinder. Insert both the windscreen-handles inside the lock holes.

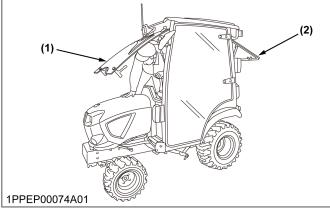
#### To close

- 1. Pull the windscreen a little and turn both the windscreen-handles clockwise (90 deg.).
- 2. Insert both the windscreen-handles inside the lock holes.



### 6. How to use the emergency exit

- 1. Open the right door of the CAB if the left door is blocked, and the opposite is also true in an emergency situation.
- 2. Exit through the rear window or windscreen if the CAB doors are blocked in an emergency situation.



(1) Windscreen

(2) Rear window

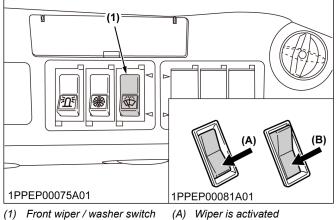
### WIPER

#### 1. Front wiper / washer switch

- 1. Turn on the key switch and press the bottom half of the front wiper / washer switch to the first step. The wiper is activated.
- When the bottom half of the front wiper / washer switch is pressed further to the second step, washer liquid jets out.

The jetting continues while the front wiper / washer switch is pressed and the wiper is activated continuously.

The front wiper / washer switch lights up when the wiper is activated and washer liquid jets out too.



(1) Front wiper / washer switch

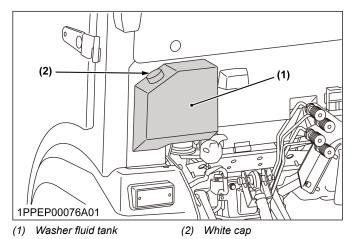
(B) Washer liquid jets out

**IMPORTANT:** 

Do not activate the wipers when the windows are dry. Windows may be scratched. Be sure to jet the washer liquid first and then activate the wipers.

### 2. Washer fluid tank

When it is necessary, remove the white cap and fill up the washer-fluid-tank. Use a fluid recommended by your local Kubota dealer. Use a liquid which can stand the frost.



#### 3. Precautions for using the wipers in cold season

**IMPORTANT**:

· In the cold season, the wiper blades and the wiper motor may become overloaded, and cause damage. To avoid overloading of the

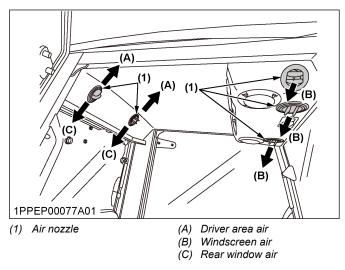
wiper blades and the wiper motor, be sure to take the following precautions.

- While not in use during the cold season, keep the wiper blades off the windscreen to prevent them from being frozen to the windscreen.
- If the windscreen is covered with snow, scrape it off the windscreen before using the wipers.
- If the wiper blades are frozen to the windscreen and fail to move, be sure to turn the main key switch to off and remove the ice from the blades. Then place the main key switch back to on.
- When you use the wiper blades which is commercially available in cold-season, make sure that their size is the same as or smaller than that of the standard ones.

### HEATER

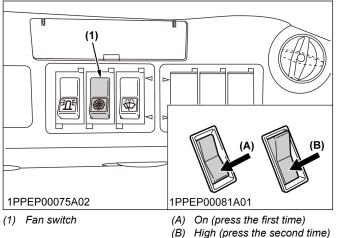
#### 1. Airflow

Air in the CAB and fresh air introduced into the CAB flows as shown in the following figures. Adjust the air nozzles to obtain the desired condition.



#### 2. Fan switch

- 1. Pressing the fan switch engages the fan of the heating.
- 2. Pressing the fan switch a second time engages the highest or second speed of the fan.



### 3. Air control vent

### CAUTION

To avoid personal injury:

- Replace the water hoses every 2 years.
- **Daily inspection**

Have the tractor repaired immediately if any of the following defects are discovered. Such defects may cause burns or injury. Such defects may also cause engine seizure or other serious failure.

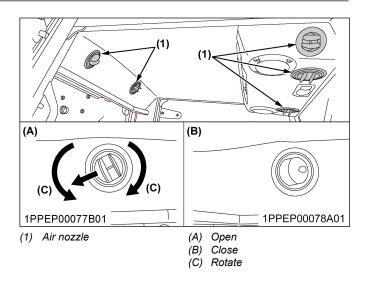
- Scratches, cracks, or swelling in water hoses.
- Water leakage at water hose joints.
- Missing or damaged water hose protective wrap or grommets.
- Loose mountina bolts and damaged brackets
- Do not touch the water hoses and the heater with your hand. You may get burned.
- If the window fails to defrost in extreme becomes conditions or cloudv when dehumidifying the CAB, wipe off moisture with a soft cloth.
- Do not block all the air nozzles of the air conditioner. A problem could occur.

To obtain warm air inside the CAB, engine coolant has to be hot. Run the tractor a little before operating the heater.

#### Air nozzles adjustment

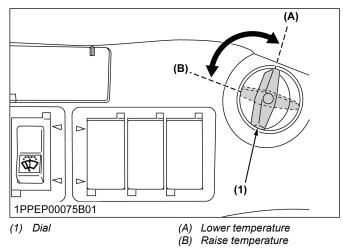
The air nozzles are located at the front top and rear inside the CAB as shown in the figure.

The air nozzles can be fully opened or fully closed. The air nozzles can be turned left or right depending on the desired air directions on the windows or on the operator. The air nozzles can be rotated (360 deg.) to change the air directions.



#### 4. Operating the heater to adjust the temperature

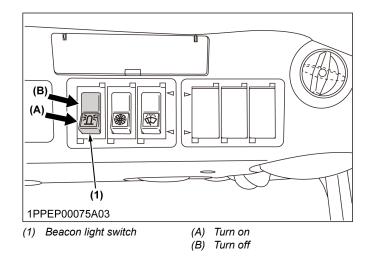
- 1. If you require warmer temperature, put the dial at the position (A).
- 2. If you want to lower the temperature, turn the dial from the position (B) to the position (A).



### **BEACON (IF EQUIPPED)**

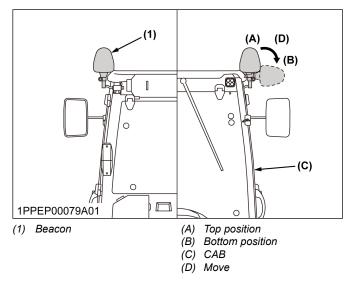
### 1. Beacon light switch (if equipped)

- 1. To light the beacon, press the beacon-light-switch where the yellow label is applied.
- 2. To stop the turning light (beacon), press the upper part of the beacon-light-switch.



### 2. Beacon position (if equipped)

- In order to see the beacon in all directions by the other road users, put the beacon at the top position as shown in the figure.
- In order not to damage the turning light, when the height is limited (under a building for example) or when there are some obstacles (branches for example), move the beacon to the bottom position as shown in the figure.



# MAINTENANCE

### SERVICE INTERVALS

							In	dicat	ion o	n hou	ır met	ter					<b>a</b>	Ref.	
No.	Items		50	100	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	500	550	600	650	700	Since then	page	
1	Engine oil	Change	0			•				•				•			every 200 Hr	98	*1
2	Engine oil filter	Replace	0			•				•				•			every 200 Hr	97	*1
3	Transmission oil filer	Replace	0			•				•				•			every 200 Hr	98	*1
4	Transmission fluid	Change								•							every 400 Hr	100	
5	Transmission strainer	Clean								•							every 400 Hr	101	
6	Engine start system	Check	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	every 50 Hr	91	
7	OPC system	Check	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	every 50 Hr	92	
8	Greasing		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	every 50 Hr	90	
9	Wheel bolt torque	Check	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	every 50 Hr	92	
10	Lock lever	Clean	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	every 50 Hr	93	
11	Battery condition	Check		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	every 100 Hr	93	*В
		Clean		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	every 100 Hr	94	*2
12	Air cleaner element	Replace															every 1000 Hr or 1 year	102	*3
		Check		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	every 100 Hr	95	
13	Fuel filter element	Replace								•							every 400 Hr	101	*K
14	Fan belt	Adjust		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	every 100 Hr	96	
15	HST neutral spring	Adjust		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	every 100 Hr	96	*K
16	Brake pedal	Adjust		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	every 100 Hr	97	
17	Emergency hand brake	Adjust		•		•		•		•		•		•		•	every 100 Hr	97	
18	Toe-in	Check				•				•				•			every 200 Hr	99	
19	Front axle case oil	Change								•							every 400 Hr	101	
20	Front axle pivot	Adjust								•							every 400 Hr	99	
21	Engine valve clearance	Adjust															every 800 Hr	101	*K
22	Injection pressure of the fuel injection nozzle	Check															every 1500 Hr	102	*K
23	Cooling system	Flush															every 2000 Hr or 2 years	102	*4
24	Coolant	Change															every 2000 Hr or 2 years	102	*4
25	Injection pump	Check															every 3000 Hr	104	*K
00	De distantes ser de la ser	Check															every 1 year	104	*R
26	Radiator hose and clamp	Replace															every 4 years	106	*K
	6	Check															every 1 year	105	*R
27	Power steering oil line	Replace															every 4 years	106	*K
	<b>-</b>	Check															every 1 year	105	*R
28	Fuel line	Replace															every 4 years	106	*K
		Check															every 1 year	104	*R
29	Intake air line	Replace															every 4 years	106	*K
30	Engine breather hose	Check															every 1 year	106	*R *K
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No.	Items		50	100	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	500	550	600	650	700	Since then	page	
30	Engine breather hose	Replace															every 4 years	106	*K
31	Fuel system	Bleed																106	
32	Fuse	Replace															Service as re- quired	107	
33	Light bulb	Replace																108	

#### IMPORTANT :

• You must perform the jobs indicated by © after the first 50 hours of operation.

- \*1 The initial 50 hours should not be a replacement (changing) cycle.
- \*B When the battery is used for less than 100 hours per year, check the battery condition by reading the indicator annually.
- \*2 You should clean the air cleaner more often in dusty conditions than in normal conditions.
- \*3 Every 1000 hours or every 1 year whichever comes faster.
- \*K Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for this service.
- \*4 Every 2000 hours or every 2 years whichever comes faster.
- \*R Replace if any deterioration (crack, hardening, scar, or deformation) or damage occurred.

### LUBRICANTS, FUEL AND COOLANT

Na	Lasting	Capacities			Orada	
No.	Locations	BX231D	BX261D		Grade	
1	Fuel	25 L		No. 2-D diesel fuel No. 1-D diesel fuel if the temperature is below -10 °C		
2	Coolant with recovery tank	3.1 L	3.3 L	Fresh clean soft water with antifreeze		
	Engine crankcase 3.3 L*1		1 4.0 L	Engine oil     API Service Cla     See the followir	nssification ng <i>Engine oil</i> section.	
3		3.3 L <sup>*1</sup>		Above 25 °C	SAE30, SAE10W-30 or 15W-40	
				-10 °C to 25 °C	SAE20, SAE10W-30, or 15W-40	
				Below -10 °C	SAE10W-30	
4	Transmission case	11.3 L		KUBOTA SUPE	KUBOTA SUPER UDT-2 fluid <sup>*2</sup>	
5	Front axle case	3.6 L		<ul> <li>KUBOTA SUPE gear oil</li> </ul>	ER UDT-2 fluid <sup>*2</sup> or SAE 80-SAE90	
	Greasing	No. of greasing points		Capacity	Type of grease	
	Speed control pedal	1		until grease over- flow		
6	Rear link	4		moderate amount	Multipurpose EP2 Grease (NLGI Grade No.2)	
	Bonnet lock	1		moderate amount		
	Bonnet guide	1		moderate amount	1	

\*1 Oil amount when the oil level is at the upper level of the oil level gauge.

\*2 The product name of KUBOTA genuine UDT fluid may be different from that in the operator's manual depending on countries or territories. Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for further detail.

#### Fuel

• Cetane number of 45 is minimum. Cetane number greater than 50 is preferred, especially for the following temperatures or the following elevations.

Temperatures	Below -20 °C
Elevations	Above 1500 m

- Diesel fuels specified to EN 590 or ASTM D975 are recommended.
- No.2-D is a distillate fuel of lower volatility for engines in industrial and heavy mobile service (SAE J313 JUN87).
- If the engine is to be operated within the European Union on diesel or non-road gas-oil, a fuel with sulphur content lower than 10 mg/kg (20 mg/kg at point of final distribution), a cetane number greater than 45 and a fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) content lower than 7% volume per volume (v/v) shall be used.

#### Engine oil

- Oil used in the engine should have an American Petroleum Institute (API) service classification and proper SAE engine oil according to the ambient temperatures as shown in the preceding table.
- See the following table for the suitable API classification engine oil according to the engine type with internal EGR, external EGR, or non-EGR, and the fuel.

Evel wood	Engine oil classification (API classification)		
Fuel used	Oil class of engines except external EGR	Oil class of engines with external EGR	
Ultra low sulphur fuel [<0.0015% (15 ppm)]	CF, CF-4, CG-4, CH-4, or Cl-4	CF, or CI-4 You cannot use the class CF-4, CG-4, and CH-4 engine oils on EGR-type-engines.	

EGR

Exhaust gas re-circulation

• The CJ-4 engine oil is intended for DPF (diesel-particulate-filter) type engines, and cannot be used on this tractor.

	except external EGR	with external EGR
Models	BX231D, BX261D	

#### **Transmission oil**

#### • KUBOTA Super UDT-2

For an enhanced ownership experience, we recommend Super UDT-2 to be used instead of standard hydraulic/ transmission fluid.

Super UDT-2 is a proprietary KUBOTA formulation that delivers superior performance and protection in all operating conditions.

Regular UDT is also permitted for use in this machine.

• Indicated capacities of water and oil are manufacturer's estimate.

# **PERIODIC SERVICE**

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Do not work under any hydraulically supported devices. Hydraulically supported devices can settle, suddenly leak down, or be accidentally lowered.
- If necessary to work under the tractor or any machine elements for servicing or adjustment, securely support the tractor or any machine elements with stands or suitable blocking beforehand.

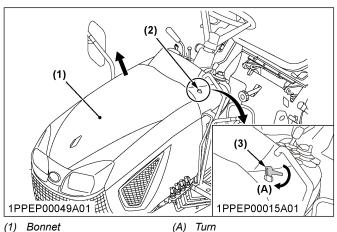
### HOW TO OPEN THE BONNET

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To avoid serious injury or death from contact with moving parts:

- Never open the bonnet or engine side cover while the engine is running.
- Do not touch the muffler or the exhaust pipes while they are hot. Touching the hot muffler or exhaust pipes could cause severe burns.

1. To open the bonnet, turn the bonnet-open-shaft with your key or tool.



Bonnet
 Bonnet open shaft

(2) Bonnet (3) Key

### DAILY CHECK

### WARNING To avoid serious injury or death:

Take the following precautions when checking the tractor.

- Park the machine on firm and level ground.
- Set the parking brake.
- Lower the implement to the ground.
- Release all residual pressure of the hydraulic system.
- Stop the engine and remove the key.

For your own safety and maximum service life of the machine, make a thorough daily inspection before operating the machine or starting the engine.

### 1. Walk around inspection

Before checking the tractor, inspect surroundings of it. Look around and under the tractor for such items as loose bolts, rubbish build-up, oil or coolant leaks, or broken or worn parts.

# 2. Checking the amount of fuel and refuelling

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Never use fire.
- Do not smoke while refuelling.
- Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before refuelling.
- Use properly grounded fueling systems. Make sure that there is no static discharge.
- Be sure to close the fuel tank cap after refuelling.

To avoid allergic skin reaction:

• Wash hands immediately after contact with diesel fuel.

**IMPORTANT**:

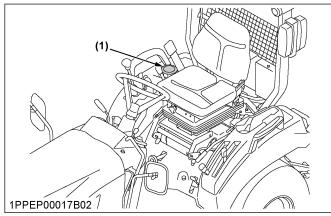
- Do not permit dirt, rubbish, or water to get into the fuel system.
- Be careful not to empty the fuel tank otherwise air will enter the fuel system, necessitating bleeding before the next engine start.
- Be careful not to spill the fuel during refuelling. If you should spill, wipe it off at once, or it may cause a fire.
- To prevent water condensation and water accumulation in the fuel tank, fill the tank before parking overnight.

#### Using fuel

Temperature	fuel
Above -10 °C	Grade No.2-Diesel fuel
Below -10 °C	Grade No.1-Diesel fuel

- 1. Turn the key switch to the on ( position and check the amount of fuel by the fuel gauge.
- 2. Fill the fuel tank with fuel when the fuel gauge shows as follows.

Amount of fuel for refuelling	1/4 or less in the fuel tank
Fuel tank capacity	25 L



(1) Fuel tank cap

### 3. Checking the engine oil level

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Be sure to stop the engine before checking the engine-oil-level.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

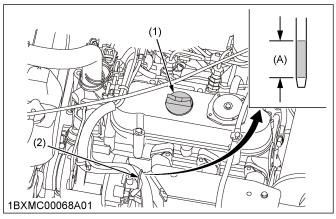
- When using an oil of a different manufacturer or viscosity from the previous one, remove all of the old oil. Never mix 2 different types of engine oil.
- If the engine-oil-level is low, do not run the engine.

Check the engine oil before starting the engine or 5 minutes or more after the engine has stopped.

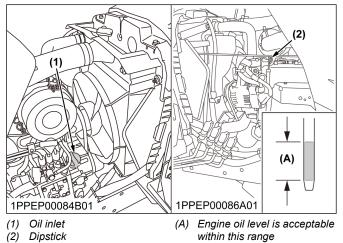
- 1. Park the machine on a firm, flat, and level surface.
- 2. To check the engine-oil-level, draw out the dipstick.
- 3. Wipe the dipstick clean.
- 4. Replace the dipstick.
- 5. Draw the dipstick out again.
- 6. Check to see that the engine-oil-level lies between the 2 notches.

 If the engine-oil-level is too low, add new engine oil to the prescribed level at the oil inlet. (See LUBRICANTS, FUEL AND COOLANT on page 84)

#### BX231D



BX261D



# 4. Checking the transmission fluid level

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Park the tractor on a firm, flat, and level surface, lower the implement to the ground, and shut off the engine.

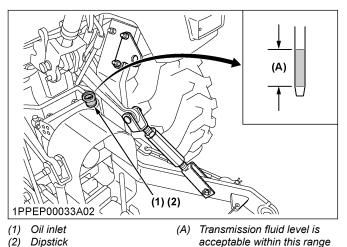
#### **IMPORTANT**:

- If the transmission-fluid-level is low, do not run the engine.
- 1. To check the transmission-fluid-level, draw out the dipstick.
- 2. Wipe the dipstick clean.
- 3. Replace the dipstick.
- 4. Draw the dipstick out again.

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- 5. Check to see that the transmission-fluid-level lies between the 2 notches.
- 6. If the transmission-fluid-level is too low, add new transmission fluid to the prescribed level at the oil inlet.

(See LUBRICANTS, FUEL AND COOLANT on page 84)



### 5. Checking the coolant level

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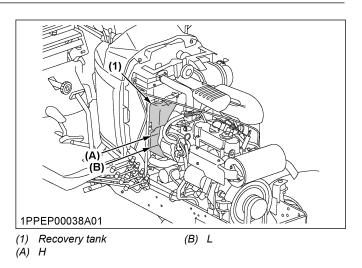
To avoid serious injury or death:

- Make sure to stop the engine and remove the key before checking the coolant level.
- Do not remove the radiator cap while the coolant is hot. When the coolant is cool, slowly rotate the radiator cap to the first stop and allow sufficient time for excess pressure to escape before removing the radiator cap completely.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- If you have to remove the radiator cap, follow the preceding warning and securely re-tighten the radiator cap.
- Use clean, fresh, soft water and antifreeze to fill the recovery tank.
- If water should leak, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.
- 1. Check to see that the coolant level is between the **[H]** and **[L]** marks of the recovery tank.
- 2. When the coolant level drops due to evaporation, add soft water only. In case of leakage, add antifreeze and soft water in the specified mixing ratio up to the **[H]** level.

(See Flushing the cooling system and changing the coolant on page 102)



# 6. Cleaning the panel and the radiator screen

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Make sure to stop the engine and remove the starter key before removing the radiator screen.
- Before checking or cleaning the panel, wait long enough until it cools down.

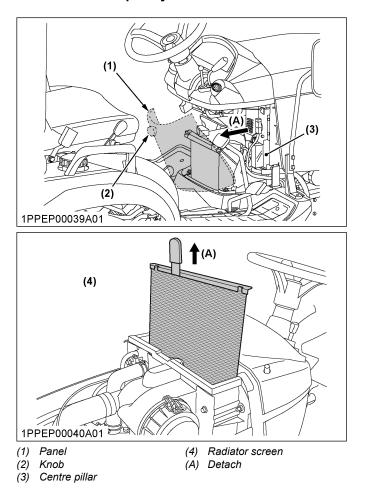
#### **IMPORTANT**:

- Clean the panel and the radiator screen from debris to prevent the engine from overheating and to allow good air intake for the air cleaner.
- Be sure to reinstall the panel on the pillar completely to prevent the invasion of dust.
- Be sure to stop the engine to avoid personal injury and to allow good air intake for air cleaner.
- Make sure that the panel and the radiator screen are clean from debris. See the following figures.

2. Detach the radiator screen, and then remove all the foreign material.

#### NOTE :

• If the dust or chaff is accumulated in the battery compartment, open the panel and clean completely.



### 7. Checking the brake pedal

- 1. Inspect the brake pedal for free travel, and smooth operation.
- 2. Adjust the brake pedal if incorrect measurement is found.

(See Adjusting the brake pedal on page 97)

# 8. Checking the gauges, the meters, and the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup>

- Inspect the instrument panel for broken gauge(s), meter(s), and Easy Checker<sup>™</sup>.
- Replace the gauge(s), the meter(s), or the Easy Checker<sup>™</sup> if they are broken.

# 9. Checking the headlights, hazard lights, and so on

- 1. Inspect the lights such as the head light, hazard light, and so on for broken bulbs and lenses.
- 2. Replace the lights such as the head light, hazard light, and so on if they are broken.

# 10. Checking the seat belt and the ROPS

- 1. Always check condition of the seat belt and the hardware to attach the ROPS before operating the tractor.
- 2. Replace the seat belt or the ROPS if it is damaged.

# 11. Checking and cleaning the electrical wiring and the battery cables

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- A loosened terminal or connector, or damaged wire may affect the performance of the electrical components or cause short circuits. Leakage of electricity could result in a fire hazard, a dead battery, or damage to the electrical components.
- Replace the damaged wires or connections promptly.
- If a fuse blows soon after replacement, do not use the capacity larger than recommended or bypass the fuse system.
- Many wiring connections are protected by waterproof plugs. Plug and unplug these connections carefully and make sure that they are sealed correctly after assembly.
- Accumulation of dust, chaff, and deposits of spilled fuel around the battery, electrical wiring, engine, or exhaust system may cause fire hazards.

Clean around the battery, electrical wiring, engine or exhaust system before starting to work.

• To avoid premature electrical malfunctions, do not apply high pressure water directly to the battery, the wiring, the connectors, the electrical components, or the instrument panel.

#### Inspect the following check items regularly

- Check the wiring for chafed or cracked insulation.
- Check the wiring harness clamps. Replace them if necessary.

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- Check the connectors and the terminals for looseness, contamination, or overheated or discoloured connections.
- Check the instrument panel for correct operation of the switches and the gauges.

Consult your KUBOTA Dealer regarding maintenance, diagnosis, and repair.

# 12. Checking and cleaning inside of the bonnet and around the mower belt to avoid fire hazard

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before checking and cleaning.
- Engine components can get extremely hot from operation. To prevent severe burns, do not touch these areas while the engine is running, or immediately after it is turned off.
- Never operate the engine without heat shields or guards.

Check and clean inside of the bonnet and around the mower belt. Especially, dry grass and leaves around the exhaust manifold, the muffler or around the mower belt may ignite. After using, air-blowing and pressurewashing, make sure there is nothing flammable around the exhaust manifold, the muffler or around the mower belt. Grass, twigs, dirt or chaff in the bonnet may cause fire.

#### 13. Checking the movable parts

 If any of the movable parts, such as levers and pedals, is not smoothly moved because of rust or sticky material, remove the rust or the sticky material, and apply oil or grease on the relevant spot.

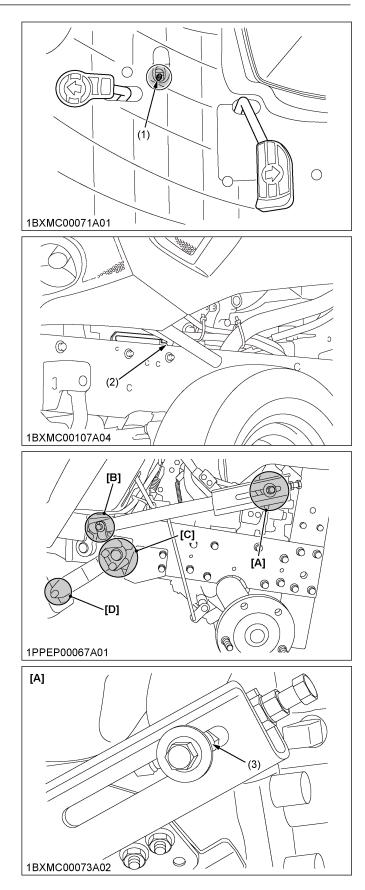
Do not force the movable parts into motion. Otherwise, the machine may get damaged.

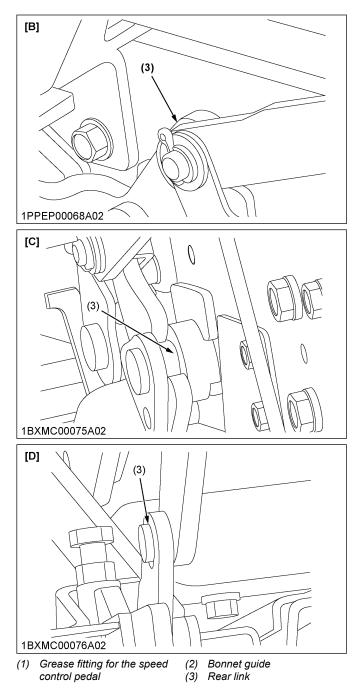
### SERVICE EVERY 50 HOURS

### 1. Lubricating fittings with grease

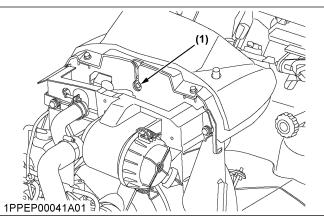
Apply a small amount of multipurpose grease to the following points every 50 hours.

If you operate the machine in extremely wet and muddy conditions, lubricate the grease fittings more frequently. Apply grease between rod and hole.





Apply grease between stays.



(1) Bonnet lock

#### 2. Checking the engine start system

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Do not allow anyone near the tractor while testing.
- If the tractor does not pass the test, do not operate the tractor.

#### Preparation before testing

- 1. Sit on the operator's seat.
- 2. Set the parking brake and stop the engine.
- 3. Shift the range-gear-shift-lever to the neutral [N] position.
- 4. Check whether the speed-control-pedal is in the neutral position.
- 5. Shift the PTO-clutch-lever to the off position.

#### Test of switch for the range gear shift lever

- 1. Make sure that the range-gear-shift-lever is set except the neutral **[N]** position.
- 2. Turn the key to the start position.
- 3. Make sure that the engine does not crank.
- 4. If the engine cranks, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.

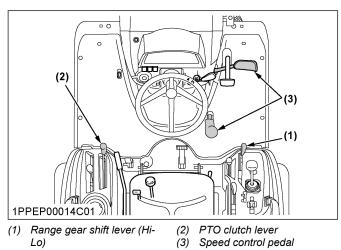
#### Test of switch for the speed control pedal

- 1. Make sure that the range-gear-shift-lever is set in the neutral **[N]** position.
- 2. Depress the speed-control-pedal.
- 3. Turn the key to the start  $\bigcirc$  position.
- 4. Make sure that the engine does not crank.
- 5. If the engine cranks, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.

#### Test of switch for the PTO clutch lever

- 1. Make sure that the range-gear-shift-lever is set in the neutral **[N]** position.
- 2. Make sure that the speed-control-pedal is set in the neutral position.
- 3. Shift the PTO-clutch-lever to the on 😰 position.
- 4. Turn the key to the start  $\bigcirc$  position.

- 5. Make sure that the engine does not crank.
- 6. If the engine cranks, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.



# 3. Checking the OPC (operator presence control) system

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Do not allow anyone near the tractor while testing.
- If the tractor does not pass the test, do not operate the tractor.

#### Preparation before testing

- 1. Sit on the operator's seat.
- 2. Set the parking brake and stop the engine.
- 3. Shift the range-gear-shift-lever to the neutral [N] position.
- 4. Check whether the speed-control-pedal is in the neutral position.
- 5. Shift the PTO-clutch-lever to the off position.

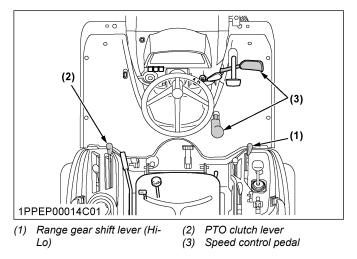
### Test of switches for the operator's seat and the speed control pedal

- 1. Start the engine.
- 2. Depress the speed-control-pedal.
- 3. Stand up.
- Do not get off the machine.
- 4. Make sure that the engine shuts off after approximately 1 second.
- 5. If the engine does not stop, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.

### Test of switches for the operator's seat and the PTO clutch lever

- 1. Start the engine.
- 2. Engage the PTO-clutch-lever.
- 3. Stand up.
  - Do not get off the machine.
- 4. Make sure that the engine shuts off after approximately 1 second.

5. If the engine does not stop, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.



### 4. Checking wheel bolt torque

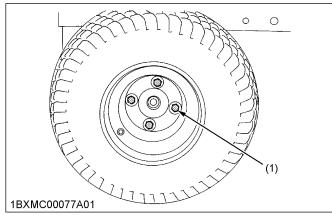
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To avoid serious injury or death:

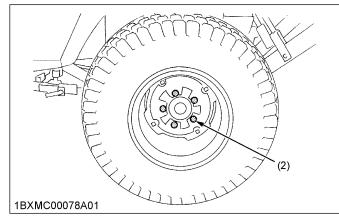
- Never operate the tractor with a loose rim, wheel, or axle.
- Any time bolts are loosened, retighten to the specified torque.
- Check all bolts frequently and keep them tight.
- 1. Check the wheel bolts regularly especially when new.

2. If they are loose, tighten them as follows.

#### Front



#### Rear

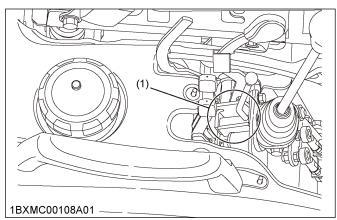


- (1) Front wheel bolt
- (2) Rear wheel bolt

Front wheel bolt	Tightening	149.2 N ⋅ m to 179.0 N ⋅ m (15.2 kgf ⋅ m to 18.3 kgf ⋅ m)
Rear wheel bolt	torque	108.5 N m to 130.2 N m (11.1 kgf m to 13.3 kgf m)

# 5. Cleaning the lock lever shaft (if equipped)

1. Before you use the lock lever, clean the levermovable-area (1).



(1) Lever movable area

### **SERVICE EVERY 100 HOURS**

#### 1. Checking of the battery

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To avoid the possibility of battery explosion:

For the refillable-type-battery, follow the instructions as follows.

- Do not use or charge the refillable-type-battery if the fluid level is below the lower-limitlevel-mark. Otherwise, the battery component parts may prematurely deteriorate, which may shorten the service life of the battery or cause an explosion.
- Check the fluid level regularly and add distilled water as required so that the fluid level is between the upper level and the lower level.

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Never remove the battery cap while the engine is running.
- Keep electrolyte away from eyes, hands, and clothes. If you are spattered with electrolyte, wash it away completely with water immediately and get medical attention.
- Keep open sparks and flames away from the battery at all times. Hydrogen gas mixed with oxygen becomes very explosive.
- Wear eye protection and rubber gloves when working around battery.
- Tighten the battery holder firmly when you reassemble the battery.
- Make sure to put a clamp to the positive cable of the battery.

**IMPORTANT**:

• The factory-installed battery is of non-refillable type. If the battery is weak, charge the battery or replace it with new one.

 Mishandling the battery shortens the service life and adds to maintenance costs.
 The original battery is maintenance free, but needs some servicing.
 If the battery is weak, the engine will be difficult to start and the lights will be dim. It is important

to start and the lights will be dim. It is important to check the battery periodically. When exchanging an old battery for a new one,

• When exchanging an old battery for a new one, use the battery of equal specification in the following table.

Battery type	SMF 26R-560	
Volts	12 V	
Reserve capacity	86 min	
Cold cranking amps	560	
Normal charging rate	8.6 A	

**For non-accessible maintenance-free type batteries** Maintenance-free, non-accessible batteries are designed to eliminate the need to add water. Yet the volume of electrolyte above the plates may eventually become depleted due to abnormal conditions such as high heat or improper regulator settings. Use a voltmeter to check the state of charge. See the following table to determine if charging is necessary.

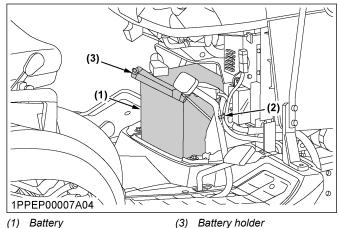
Battery voltage	Reference state of charge	
12.6	100% (Full charge)	
12.4	75%	
12.2	50%	
12.0	25%	
11.8	0%	

#### 1.1 Battery charging

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- When the battery is being activated, hydrogen and oxygen gases in the battery are extremely explosive. Keep open sparks and flames away from the battery at all times, especially when charging the battery.
- When disconnecting the cable from the battery, start with the negative terminal first. When connecting the cable to the battery, start with the positive terminal first.
- To prevent short circuit, before charging, make sure to remove the metal-battery-holder.
- Never check the battery charge by placing a metal object across the posts.
   Use a voltmeter or hydrometer.



Battery
 Clamp

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- Since the metal-battery-holder can crack, do not tighten it too much.
- To slow charge the battery, connect the battery positive terminal to the charger positive terminal and the negative to the negative, then recharge in the standard fashion.
- A boost charge is only for emergencies. It will partially charge the battery at a high rate and in a short time. When using a boost-charged battery, it is necessary to recharge the battery as early as possible.

Failure to recharge the battery will shorten the service life of battery.

• When the specific gravity of electrolyte is shown in the following table, the charging is completed.

Specific gravity of electrolyte Between 1.27 and 1.29

# **1.2 Dealing with the battery when storing the tractor for a long period**

- 1. Remove the battery from the tractor.
- 2. Adjust the electrolyte to the proper level.
- 3. Store the battery in a dry place out of direct sunlight.

The battery self-discharges while it is stored. Recharge the battery once every 3 months in hot seasons and once every 6 months in cold seasons.

### 2. Cleaning the air cleaner element

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before cleaning the air cleaner element.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- The air cleaner uses a dry element. Never apply oil to the air cleaner.
- Do not run the engine with the filter element removed.
- Align the arrow marks when reinstalling the cover. If the cover is improperly fitted, dust passes by the baffle and directly adheres to the air-cleaner-element.
- 1. Remove the air-cleaner-cover and air-cleanerelement.
  - a. Undo the hook.
  - b. Turn the air-cleaner-cover clockwise and detach it.
- 2. Clean the air-cleaner-element.

When dry dust adheres to the air-cleaner-element, blow compressed air from the inside, turning the air-cleaner-element. Pressure of compressed air must be the value shown in the following table.

Pressure of compressed air Below 205 kPa (2.1 kgf/cm<sup>2</sup>, 30 psi)

- 3. When carbon or oil adheres to the air-cleanerelement, follow the following procedure.
  - a. Soak the air-cleaner-element in detergent for the following minutes.

Soaking the air cleaner element in detergent For 15 minutes

- b Then wash it several times in water.
- c. Rinse the air-cleaner-element with clean water.
- d. Dry the air-cleaner-element naturally.
- e. After the air-cleaner-element is fully dried, inspect inside of it with a light and check if it is damaged or not.

Refer to the instructions on the label attached to the case.

4. Replace the air-cleaner-element as the following table

element Every 1000 hours or every 1 year whichever comes faster	Replacing the air cleaner element	Every 1000 hours or every 1 year whichever comes faster
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#### **Evacuator valve**

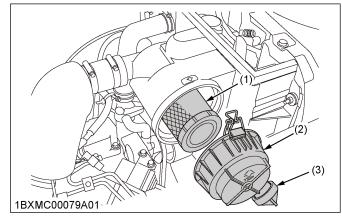
1. Open the evacuator valve once a week under ordinary conditions or daily when used in a dusty place to get rid of large particles of dust and dirt.

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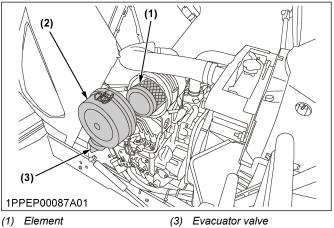
· Check to see if the evacuator valve is blocked with dust.

See the following figures.

#### **BX231D**



**BX261D** 



#### (2) Cover

### 3. Checking the fuel filter

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Stop the engine and remove the key before checking the fuel lines and the fuel filter.
- Check the fuel lines periodically. The fuel lines are subject to wear and ageing. Fuel may leak out onto the running engine, causing a fire.

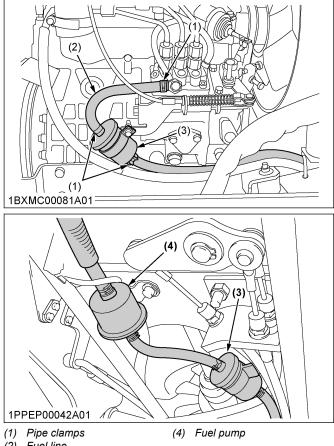
**IMPORTANT:** 

When the fuel line is disconnected for maintenance or repair, plug both ends of the fuel line with a clean plug of suitable size to prevent dust and dirt from entering. Take particular care of the fuel filter in order to avoid dust and dirt getting into the fuel system. Entrance of dust and dirt causes malfunction of the fuel pump.

The fuel line is the rubber product and ages regardless of service period.

1. Inspect the fuel filter.

- 2. After inspection of the fuel filter, if the fuel line and clamps are found damaged or deteriorated, replace them.
- 3. Check the fuel filter. If the fuel filter is clogged by debris or contaminated by water, replace it.



- (2) Fuel line
- (3) Fuel filter

#### NOTE :

 If the fuel line is removed, be sure to properly bleed the fuel system.
 (See Bleeding the fuel system on page 106)

### 4. Adjusting the fan belt tension

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before checking the tension of the fan belt.

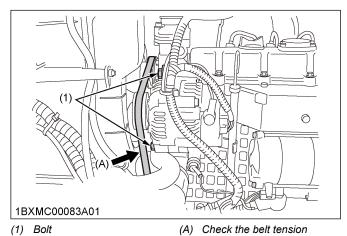
Fan belt tension (deflection)

7 mm to 9 mm when the belt is pressed in the middle of the span.

- 1. Stop the engine and remove the key.
- 2. Apply moderate thumb pressure to the fan belt between pulleys.
- 3. If the tension of the fan belt is incorrect, loosen the alternator mounting bolts and, using a lever placed

between the alternator and the engine block, pull the alternator out until the deflection of the fan belt falls within acceptable limits.

4. Replace the fan belt if it is damaged.



# 5. Adjusting the HST neutral spring for speed control pedal

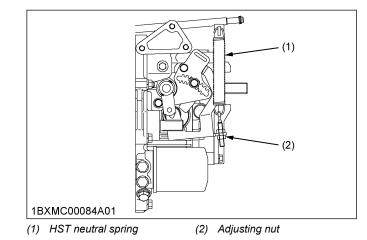
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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Do not operate if the tractor moves on level ground with foot off the speed-control-pedal.
- If the tractor moves on level ground with foot off the speed-control-pedal, or, if the pedal is too slow in returning to the neutral position when removing the foot from the pedal, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.

The HST-neutral-spring located under the front right side of the fender can adjust returning speed of the speed-control-pedal.

• Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for service.

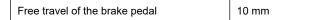


### 6. Adjusting the brake pedal

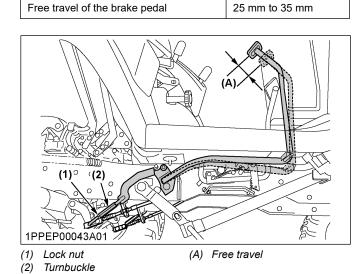
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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Stop the engine, remove the key, lower the implement to the ground, and chock the wheels before checking the brake pedal.
- Even if free travel of the brake pedal is within the limitation, adjust the brake pedal.
- If you are not able to adjust, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.
- 1. Release the parking brake.
- 2. Loosen the lock nut and turn the turnbuckle to adjust the rod length so that free travel of the brake pedal is the length shown in the following table.



- 3. Extend the turnbuckle 1 additional turn.
- 4. Re-tighten the lock nut.
- 5. Depress the brake pedal several times and make sure that free travel of the brake pedal is the length shown in the following table.



# 7. Adjusting the emergency hand brake

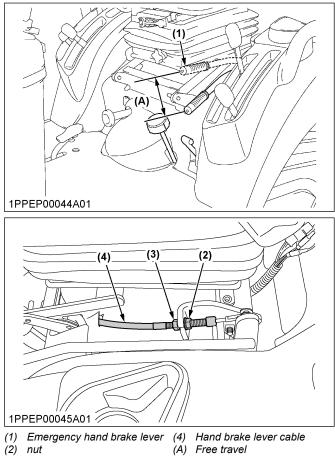
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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Stop the engine, remove the key, lower the implement to the ground, and chock the wheels before checking the brake pedal.
- Even if free travel of the brake pedal is within the limitation, adjust the brake pedal.
- If you are not able to adjust, consult your local KUBOTA Dealer.

Proper free travel of emergency hand brake lever0 mm to 10 mm at the top of emergency hand brake lever
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- 1. Release the parking brake.
- Check if the free travel at the top of the emergencyhand-brake-lever is proper.
   If the free travel of the emergency-hand-brake-lever is not proper, adjust as follows.
  - a. Loosen the nut (2) and tighten the nut (3) of the hand-brake-lever-cable so that the free travel of the emergency-hand-brake-lever is 0 mm.
  - b. Retighten the nut (2).
- 3. Make sure that the free travel at the top of the emergency-hand-brake-lever is proper.



(3) nut

### **SERVICE EVERY 200 HOURS**

#### 1. Replacing the engine oil filter

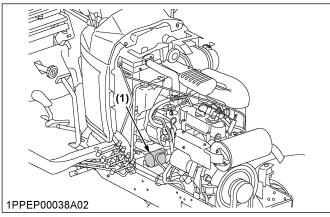
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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Be sure to stop the engine before replacing the oil filter cartridge.
- Oil can be hot and can burn. Allow the engine to cool down sufficiently.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- To prevent serious damage to the engine, use only a KUBOTA genuine filter.
- 1. Remove the oil filter.
- 2. Put a film of the clean engine oil on the rubber seal of the new filter.
- 3. Tighten the filter quickly until it contacts the mounting surface.
- 4. Tighten filter by hand an additional 1/2 turn only.
- 5. After the new filter has been replaced, the engine oil normally decreases slightly. Make sure that the engine oil does not leak through the seal and be sure to check the oil level on the dipstick.
- 6. Fill the engine with the engine oil up to the prescribed level.
- 7. Properly dispose of the used engine oil.



<sup>(1)</sup> Engine oil filter

### 2. Changing the engine oil

### WARNING

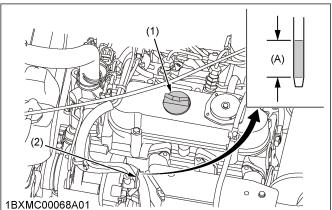
To avoid serious injury or death:

- Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before changing the oil.
- Oil can be hot and can burn. Allow the engine to cool down sufficiently.

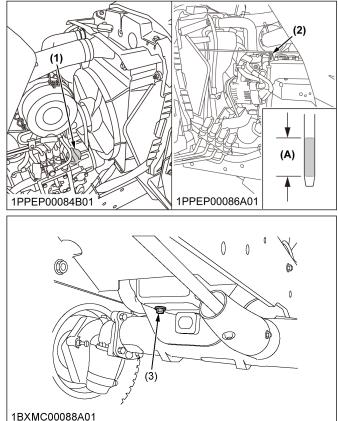
Oil conceit / with filter	BX231D	3.3 L
Oil capacity with filter	BX261D	4.0 L

- 1. To drain the used engine oil, remove the drain plug at the bottom of the engine, and drain the engine oil completely into the oil pan.
- 2. After draining of the used engine oil, reinstall the drain plug.
- 3. Fill the engine with the new engine oil up to the upper notch on the dipstick. (See LUBRICANTS, FUEL AND COOLANT on page 84)
- 4. Properly dispose of the used engine oil.

#### **BX231D**



#### **BX261D**



Oil inlet

- Oil level is acceptable within this range
- Dipstick (2)

(1)

- (A)
- (3) Drain plug

#### 3. Replacing the transmission oil filter

### WARNING

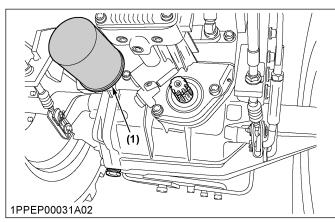
To avoid serious injury or death:

- Be sure to stop the engine before changing the transmission oil filter cartridge.
- Oil can be hot and can burn. Allow the engine to cool down sufficiently.

#### PERIODIC SERVICE

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- To prevent serious damage to the hydraulic system, use only a KUBOTA genuine filter.
- 1. Remove the transmission oil filter.
- 2. Put a film of clean transmission oil on rubber seal of new transmission oil filter.
- 3. Tighten the transmission oil filter quickly until it contacts the mounting surface.
- 4. Tighten the transmission oil filter by hand an additional 1/2 turn only.
- 5. After the new transmission oil filter has been replaced, the transmission fluid level will decrease a little. Make sure that the transmission fluid does not leak through the seal, and check the fluid level. Check the dipstick and refill with oil to prescribed level.
- 6. Properly dispose of used oil.



(1) Filter

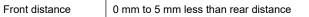
### 4. Checking the toe-in

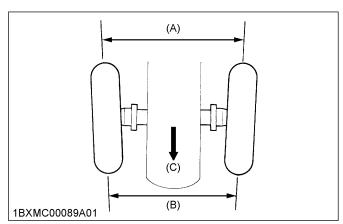
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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Park the tractor on a firm, flat, and level place.
- Lower the implement to the ground, and apply the parking brake.
- Stop the engine and remove the key.
- Turn the steering wheel so that the front wheels are in the straight ahead position. See the following figure.
- Measure the distance between the tyre beads at front of the tyres, and at the hub heights. See the following figure.
- 3. Measure the distance between the tyre beads at rear of the tyres, and at the hub heights.
- 4. Front distance should be the length as shown in the following table. If front distance is not proper length, adjust the length of the tie rod.

(To adjust the tie rod, see Adjusting the toe-in on page 99)





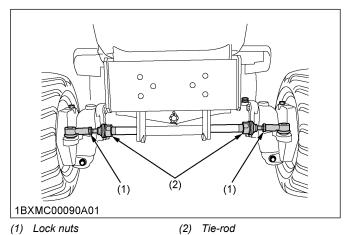
- (A) Wheel-to-wheel distance at (C) Front rear
- (B) Wheel-to-wheel distance at front

#### 4.1 Adjusting the toe-in

1. Loosen the lock nut and turn the tie rod to adjust the rod length until the proper toe-in measurement is obtained.

Front distance 0 mm to 5 mm less than rear distance

2. Re-tighten the lock nut.



### **SERVICE EVERY 400 HOURS**

#### 1. Adjusting the front axle pivot

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before adjusting the front axle pivot.

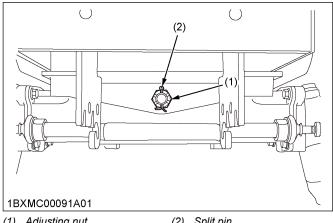
If the front axle pivot pin adjustment is not correct, front wheel vibration can occur, causing vibration in the steering wheel.

#### PERIODIC SERVICE

1. Remove the split pin and tighten the adjusting nut.

Tightening torque	20 N · m (2.0 kgf · m)
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- 2. Make sure that one of the nut slots aligns with the split pin hole.
- 3. Tighten the nut slightly if necessary when aligning the nut slots with the split pin hole.
- 4. Replace the split pin.



(1) Adjusting nut

(2) Split pin

### 2. Changing the transmission fluid

### WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

• Oil can be hot and can burn. Allow the engine to cool down sufficiently.

**IMPORTANT:** 

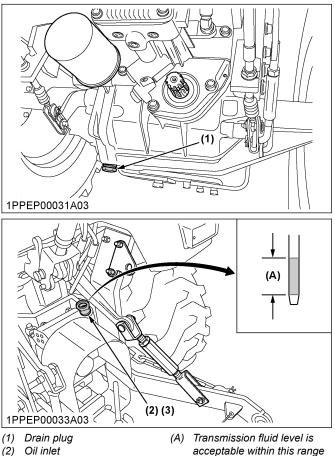
Do not operate the tractor immediately after changing the transmission fluid.

Run the engine at medium speed for a few minutes to prevent damage to the transmission.

Transmission fluid	KUBOTA SUPER UDT 2
Transmission fluid capacity	11.3 L

- 1. To drain the used transmission fluid, remove the drain plug at the bottom of the transmission case and drain the transmission fluid completely into the oil pan.
- 2. After draining the transmission fluid, reinstall the drain plug.
- 3. Clean the transmission strainer.
- 4. Fill with new transmission fluid up to the upper notch on the dipstick. (See LUBRICANTS, FUEL AND COOLANT on page 84 and Checking the transmission fluid level on page 87)
- 5. After running the engine for a few minutes, stop it and check the transmission fluid level again.

- 6. If the transmission fluid level is lower than the prescribed level shown in the following figure, add it to the prescribed level.
- 7. Properly dispose of used transmission fluid.



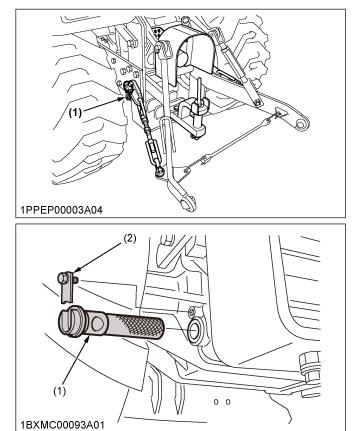
(3)

- acceptable within this range
- Dipstick

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#### 3. Cleaning the transmission strainer

1. When changing the transmission fluid, disassemble and rinse the transmission strainer with nonflammable solvent to completely clean off filings. When reassembling the transmission strainer, be careful not to damage the parts.



(1) Transmission strainer (2) Filter plate

#### NOTE :

Since the fine filings in the oil can damage the precision component parts of the hydraulic system, the end of the suction line is provided with an oil strainer.

#### 4. Changing the front axle case oil

### WARNING

To avoid serious injury or death:

Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before changing the front axle case oil.

Oil capacity	3.6 L
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- 1. Park the tractor on a firm, flat, and level place.
- 2. To drain the used front-axle-case-oil, remove the right and left drain plugs and oil gauge at the front axle case. See the following figure. See the following figure.

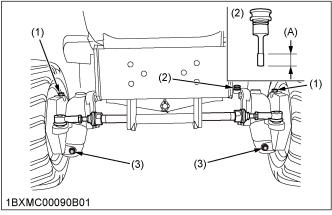
- 3. Drain the front-axle-case-oil completely into the oil pan.
- 4. After draining the front-axle-case-oil, reinstall the drain plugs.
- 5. Remove the right and left breather plugs.
- 6. Fill with new front-axle-case-oil up to the upper notch on the dipstick. (See LUBRICANTS, FUEL AND COOLANT on page 84)

#### **IMPORTANT:**

· After the following minutes, check the frontaxle-case-oil level again. If the front-axlecase-oil level is lower than the prescribed level shown in the following figure, add the front-axle-case-oil to prescribed level.

10 minutes after filling with Checking the front axle case oil level new front axle case oil

7. After filling with front-axle-case-oil, reinstall the oil gauge and breather plugs.



- (1) Breather plug
- Oil gauge with dipstick (2)
- (A) Front axle case oil level is acceptable within this range
- (3) Drain plug

#### 5. Replacing the fuel filter element

Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for replacing the fuel filter element.

### SERVICE EVERY 800 HOURS

#### 1. Adjusting the engine valve clearance

Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for adjusting the clearance of the engine valve.

### SERVICE EVERY 1000 HOURS OR 1 YEAR

# 1. Replacing of the air cleaner element

Replace the air cleaner element every 1000 hours or every 1 year whichever comes faster. (See Cleaning the air cleaner element on page 94)

### **SERVICE EVERY 1500 HOURS**

# **1.** Checking the injection pressure of the fuel injection nozzle

• Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for checking the injection pressure of the fuel-injection-nozzle.

### SERVICE EVERY 2000 HOURS OR 2 YEARS

# 1. Flushing the cooling system and changing the coolant

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To avoid serious injury or death:

• Do not remove the radiator cap while the coolant is hot. When the coolant is cool, slowly rotate the radiator cap to the first stop and allow sufficient time for excess pressure to escape before removing the radiator cap completely.

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- Do not start the engine without coolant.
- Use clean, fresh soft water and the antifreeze to fill the radiator and the recovery tank.
- When mixing the antifreeze with water, the antifreeze mixing ratio is the following percentage.

Antifreeze mixing ratio with water	50%
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• Securely tighten the radiator cap. If the radiator cap is loose or improperly fitted, water may leak out and the engine could overheat.

Be sure to flush the cooling system and to change the coolant once every 2000 hours or every 2 years whichever comes faster.

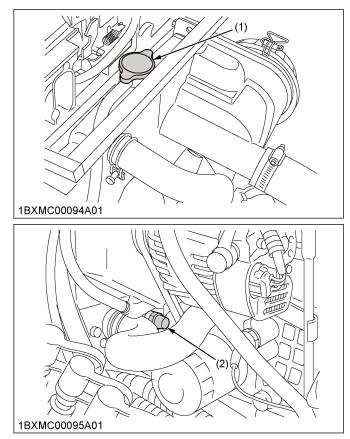
Coolant capacity (with	BX231D	3.1 L
recovery tank)	BX261D	3.3 L

- 1. Stop the engine and let it cool down.
- 2. To drain the coolant, open the radiator-drain-plug or the engine-drain-plug and remove the radiator cap.

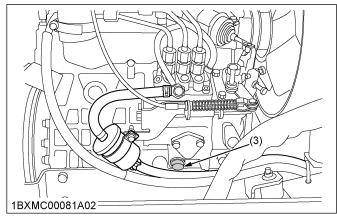
The radiator cap must be removed to completely drain the coolant.

- 3. After all coolant is drained, close the drain plug.
- 4. Fill the radiator with clean soft water and the cooling-system-cleaner.
- 5. Follow directions of the instruction of coolingsystem-cleaner.
- 6. After flushing the radiator, fill it with clean soft water and the antifreeze until the coolant level is just below the radiator cap.
- 7. Install the radiator cap securely.
- 8. Fill the recovery tank with coolant up to the **[H]** mark on the recovery tank.
- 9. Start and operate the engine for few minutes.
- 10. Stop the engine and let it cool.

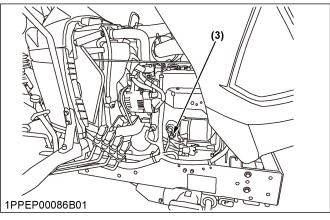
11. Check the coolant level of the recovery tank and add the coolant if necessary.



#### BX231D



#### BX261D



- (1) Radiator cap(2) Radiator drain plug
- (3) Engine drain plug

### 2. Antifreeze

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- When using the antifreeze, put on some protection such as rubber gloves. The antifreeze contains poison.
- If someone drank antifreeze, seek immediate medical help. Do not make the person throw up unless told to throw up by a health care professional. Use standard first aid and CPR for signs of shock or cardiac arrest. Call your local emergency number for further assistance.
- When the antifreeze comes in contact with the skin or clothing, wash it off immediately.
- Do not mix different types of the antifreeze. The mixture can produce a chemical reaction causing harmful substances.
- The antifreeze is extremely flammable and explosive under certain conditions. Keep fire and children away from the antifreeze.
- When draining fluids from the engine, place some container underneath the engine body.
- Do not pour waste onto the ground, down a drain, or into any water source.
- Also, follow the relevant environmental protection regulations when disposing of the antifreeze.

Always use a 50/50 mix of long-life coolant and clean soft water in KUBOTA engines.

Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer concerning coolant for extreme conditions.

#### NOTE :

• The following data represent industry standards that necessitate a minimum glycol content in the concentrated antifreeze.

#### PERIODIC SERVICE

- Long-life coolant (hereafter LLC) comes in several types. Use ethylene glycol (EG) type for this engine.
- Before using LLC-mixed cooling water, fill the radiator with fresh water and empty it again. Repeat this procedure 2 times or 3 times to clean up the inside.
- Mixing the LLC

Premix	50% LLC with 50% clean soft water.
1 TOTTING	

When mixing, stir it up well, and then fill into the radiator.

- Adding the LLC
  - Add only water if the mixture reduces in amount by evaporation.
  - If there is a mixture leak, add the LLC of the same manufacturer and type in the same mixture percentage.
    - Never add any long-life coolant from a different manufacturer. Different brands may have different additive components, and the engine may fail to perform as specified.
- When the LLC is mixed, do not use any radiator cleaning agent. The LLC contains an anti-corrosive agent. If mixed with the cleaning agent, sludge may build up, adversely affecting the engine parts.
- KUBOTA's genuine long-life coolant has a service life of 2 years. Be sure to change the coolant as follows.

Changing the coolant	every 2000 hours or every 2 years whichever comes faster
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• The procedure for the mixing of water and the antifreeze differs according to the make of the antifreeze and the ambient temperature. Refer to SAE J1034 standard, more specifically also to SAE J814c.

Antifreeze	Freezing point	Boiling Point <sup>*1</sup>
50Vol%	-37 °C	108 °C

\*1 At 1.013 x 10<sup>5</sup> Pa (760 mmHg) atmospheric pressure. A higher boiling point is obtained by using a radiator pressure cap which permits the development of pressure within the cooling system.

### SERVICE EVERY 3000 HOURS

### 1. Checking the injection pump

• Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for checking the injection pump.

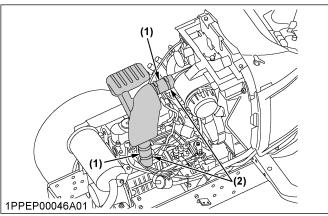
### SERVICE EVERY 1 YEAR

#### 1. Checking the intake air line

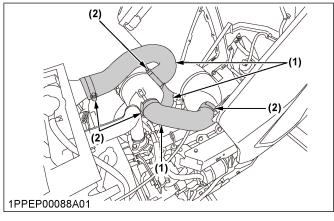
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- To avoid serious injury or death:
- Stop the engine and remove the key before checking the intake air line.
- 1. Check to see that the hose and the hose clamps are tight and not damaged.
- 2. If the hose and the clamps are found worn or damaged, replace or repair them at once.

#### BX231D



#### BX261D



(1) Hose

(2) Hose clamps

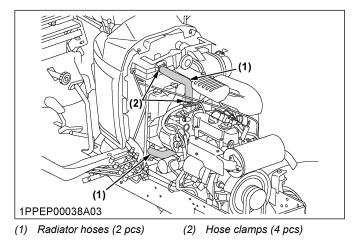
# 2. Checking the radiator hoses and the hose clamps

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before checking the radiator hose and the hose clamps.
- 1. If the hose clamps are loose or water leaks, tighten them securely.

- 2. Replace the radiator hoses and tighten the hose clamps securely if you checked and found that the radiator hoses are swollen, hardened, or cracked.
- 3. Properly dispose of used coolant.



### 2.1 Coping with overheating

### Precaution at overheating

Take the following actions in the event the coolant temperature be nearly or more than the boiling point, what is called *"Overheating"*.

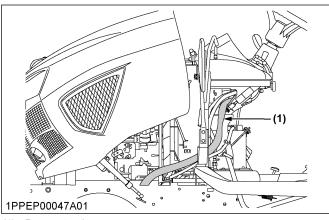
- 1. Stop the machine operation in a safe place and keep the engine unloaded idling.
- 2. Don't stop the engine suddenly, but stop it after about 5 minutes of unloaded idling.
- 3. Keep yourself well away from the machine for further 10 minutes or while the steam blown out.
- 4. Checking that there is no danger such as burn, get rid of the causes of overheating according to the manual, see ENGINE TROUBLESHOOTING on page 110.
- 5. Then, start again the engine.

## 3. Checking the power steering line

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Be sure to stop the engine and remove the key before checking the power steering line.
- 1. Check to see that all power steering lines are tight and not damaged.
- 2. If the power steering pressure hoses are found to be worn or damaged, replace or repair them at once.



(1) Power steering pressure hose

## 4. Checking the fuel lines

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To avoid serious injury or death:

- Stop the engine and remove the key before checking the fuel lines and fuel filter.
- Check the fuel lines periodically. The fuel lines are subject to wear and ageing. Fuel may leak out onto the running engine, causing a fire.

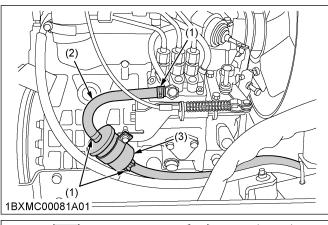
### IMPORTANT :

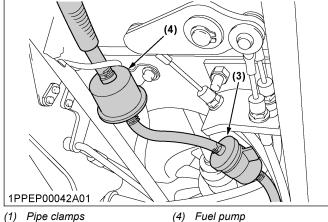
• When the fuel line is disconnected for maintenance or repair, plug both ends of the fuel line with a clean plug of suitable size to prevent dust and dirt from entering. You must take particular care of the fuel lines in order to avoid dust and dirt getting into the fuel system. Entrance of dust and dirt causes malfunction of the fuel pump.

The fuel line is made of rubber and ages regardless of the service period.

- 1. Inspect the fuel lines. See the following figures.
- 2. After inspection, if the fuel lines and clamps are found damaged or deteriorated, replace them.

3. Check the fuel filter. If the fuel filter is clogged by debris or contaminated by water, replace it.





- (1)
- Pipe clamps (2)Fuel line

- (3) Fuel filter

### NOTE :

If the fuel line is removed, be sure to properly bleed the fuel system.

(See Bleeding the fuel system on page 106)

### 5. Checking the engine breather hose

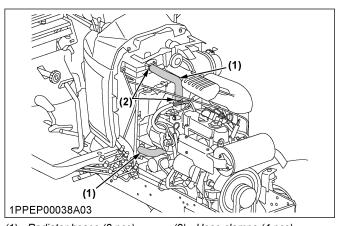
• Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for checking the engine breather hose.

# SERVICE EVERY 4 YEARS

### 1. Replacing radiator hose (water pipes)

See Bleeding the fuel system on page 106.

1. Replace the radiator hoses and tighten the hose clamps securely.



(1) Radiator hoses (2 pcs) (2) Hose clamps (4 pcs)

## 2. Replacing the fuel hose

Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for replacing the fuel hose.

### 3. Replacing the power steering hose

· Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for replacing the power-steering-hose.

## 4. Replacing the intake air line

Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for replacing the intake-air-line.

## 5. Replacing the engine breather hose

Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for replacing the engine breather hose.

# SERVICE AS REQUIRED

## 1. Bleeding the fuel system

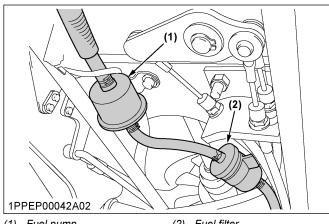
Air must be removed:

- When the fuel filter or lines are removed
- When the tank is completely empty
- After the tractor has not been used for a long period of time

### Bleeding procedure is as follows

1. Fill the fuel tank with fuel.

#### SERVICE AS REQUIRED



(1) Fuel pump

(2) Fuel filter

2. Turn the key switch to the on  $\langle \overline{L} \rangle$  position for the following seconds.

Turning the key to on for the following seconds allows fuel pump to work and pump air out of the fuel system.

About 30 seconds

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3.	Start	the	engine	and	run	it	for	the	following
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Running the engine

# 2. Replacing the fuse

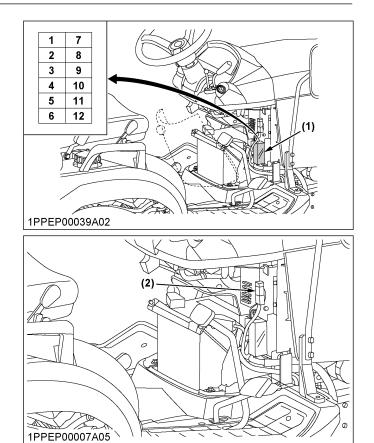
The electrical system of the tractor is protected from potential damage by fuses.

A blown fuse indicates that there is an overload or short somewhere in the electrical system.

1. If any of the fuses should blow, replace with a new one of the same capacity.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Before replacing a blown fuse, determine why the fuse blew and perform any necessary repairs. Failure to follow the repairing procedure may result in serious damage to the electrical system of the tractor. See ENGINE TROUBLESHOOTING on page 110 or contact your local KUBOTA Dealer for specific information dealing with electrical problems.



**Protected circuit** 

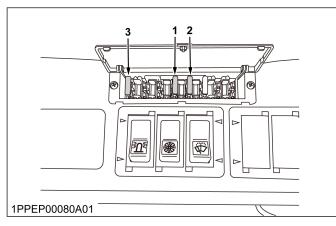
#### Fuse box

(1) Fuse box

FUSE no.	Capacity	Protected circuit
1	10 A	Beacon lamp
2	10 A	Parking lamp
3	15 A	Outlet
4	10 A	Stational PTO, OPC, Buzzer
5	20 A	Horn, Position light
6	5 A	Fuel pump
7	5 A	Glow indicator
8	15 A	Head lights (high beam), Head lights (low beam), Head lights indi- cator, Position lamp
9	20 A	Hazard light
10	15 A	Stop solenoid
11	20 A	Turn light
12	15 A	Option (work light)

(2) Slow blow fuse

#### CAB



#### CAB fuse box

Switch symbol	Capacity (A)	Protected circuit
1	10	Heater fan
2	7.5	Front wiper/washer
3	5	Beacon

### Slow blow fuse

Capacity	Protected circuit
50 A	Check circuit against wrong battery connection

## 3. Replacing the light bulb

Light	Capacity
Head light (low beam)	40 W×2
Head light (high beam)	43 W×2
Direction indicator	21 W
Hazard light	21 W×2
Front position light	5 W×2
Stop light	21 W×2
Rear light	5 W×2
Registration plate light	5 W
Front work light (if equipped)	35 W×2
Rear work light (If equipped)	35 W

### Head light

1. Take the light bulb out of the body of the light and replace with a new one.

### Other lights

1. Detach the lens and replace the light bulb.

# STORAGE OF THE TRACTOR

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To avoid personal injury or death:

- Do not clean the tractor while the engine is running.
- To avoid the danger of exhaust fume poisoning, do not operate the engine in a closed building without proper ventilation.
- When storing the tractor, remove the starter key from the key switch to avoid unauthorised persons from operating the tractor and getting injured.

# STORING THE TRACTOR

#### **IMPORTANT**:

- When washing the tractor, be sure to stop the engine. Allow sufficient time for the engine to cool before washing the tractor.
- Cover the tractor after the muffler and the engine have cooled down.

If you intend to store your tractor for an extended period of time, follow the procedures outlined as follows. These procedures will insure that the tractor is ready to operate with minimum preparation when it is removed from storage.

- 1. Check the bolts and nuts for looseness, and tighten them if necessary.
- 2. Apply grease to the areas of the tractor where bare metal will rust and to pivot areas.
- 3. Detach the weights from the tractor body.
- 4. Inflate the tyres to a pressure a little higher than usual.
- 5. Change the engine oil and run the engine to circulate oil throughout the engine block and internal moving parts for about 5 minutes.
- 6. With all implements lowered to the ground, coat any exposed hydraulic-cylinder-piston-rods with grease.
- Remove the battery from the tractor. Store the battery following the battery-storage-procedures. (See Dealing with the battery when storing the tractor for a long period on page 94)
- 8. Keep the tractor in a dry place, where the tractor is sheltered from the elements. Cover the tractor.
- 9. Store the tractor indoors in a dry area that is protected from sunlight and excessive heat. If the tractor must be stored outdoors, cover it with a waterproof tarpaulin.

Jack the tractor up and place blocks under the front and rear axles so that all 4 tyres are off the ground.

Keep the tyres out of direct sunlight and extreme heat.

## REMOVING THE TRACTOR FROM STORAGE

- 1. Check the tyre air pressure and inflate the tyres if they are low.
- 2. Jack the tractor up and remove the support blocks from under the front and rear axles.
- 3. Before installing the battery, be sure that it is fully charged.
- 4. Install the battery.
- 5. Check the tension of the fan belt.
- 6. Check all fluid levels: engine oil, transmission/ hydraulic oil, engine coolant, and any attached implements.
- 7. Start the engine. Check all gauges.
- 8. If all gauges are functioning properly and reading normal, follow the following procedure.
  - a. Move the tractor outside.
  - b. Once outside, park the tractor.
  - c. Let the engine idle for at least 5 minutes.
- 9. Shut the engine off. Walk around tractor and make a visual inspection looking for evidence of oil or water leaks.
- 10. With the engine fully warmed up, release the parking brake and test the brakes for proper adjustment as you move forward. Adjust the brakes if it is necessary for the brakes to be adjusted.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

# **ENGINE TROUBLESHOOTING**

If something is wrong with the engine, see the following table for the cause of it and its corrective measure.

Trouble		Cause	Corrective measure
		No fuel flow.	Check the fuel tank and the fuel filter.     Replace filter if necessary.
		Air or water is in the fuel system.	<ul> <li>Check to see if the fuel line coupler bolt and nut are tight.</li> <li>Bleed the fuel system. (See Bleeding the fuel system on page 106.)</li> <li>Remove water from the system and replace the fuel filter.</li> </ul>
Engine is difficult to start or w	vill not start.	• In winter, oil viscosity increases, and engine revolution is slow.	<ul> <li>Use oils of different viscosities, depending on ambient temperatures.</li> <li>Use engine block heater (option).</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Battery becomes weak and the engine does not turn over quick enough.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Clean battery cables and terminals.</li> <li>Charge the battery.</li> <li>In cold weather, always remove the battery from the engine, charge and store the battery indoors. Install the battery on the tractor only when the tractor is going to be used.</li> </ul>
Insufficient engine power.		Insufficient or dirty fuel.	Check the fuel system.
		• The air cleaner is clogged.	Clean or replace the air cleaner element.
Engine stops suddenly.		Insufficient fuel.	<ul><li>Refuel.</li><li>Bleed the fuel system if necessary.</li></ul>
	Black	Fuel quality is poor.	Change the fuel and the fuel filter.
		Too much oil.	Check the proper amount of oil.
		• The air cleaner is clogged.	Clean or replace the air cleaner element.
Exhaust fumes are coloured.		• The inside of the exhaust muffler is damp from the fuel.	Heat the muffler by applying load to the engine.
		Injection nozzle trouble.	Check the injection nozzle.
		Fuel quality is poor.	Change the fuel and fuel filter.
		Engine overloaded.	Shift to lower gear or reduce load.
Engine overheats.		Low coolant level.	<ul> <li>Fill cooling system to the correct level. Check the radiator and the hoses for loose connections or leaks.</li> </ul>
		Loose or damaged fan belt.	Adjust or replace the fan belt.
		Dirty radiator core or grille screens.	Remove all rubbish.
		Coolant flow route corroded.	Flush the cooling system.
Engine does not stop when key switch is turned off.		• Fuse blown (15 A).	Replace the fuse.

If you have any questions, contact your local KUBOTA Dealer.

# **OPTIONS**

# **OPTION ITEMS**

Consult your local KUBOTA Dealer for further details of the following options.

- 18×8.5-10 Bar Tyre
- 26×12.0-12 Bar Tyre
- 18×8.5-10 Ind. Tyre
- 26×12.0-12 Ind. Tyre
- 18×8.5-10 Turf Tyre
- 26×12.0-20 Turf Tyre
- Armrest
- Grille guard
- Engine block heater
- For facilitating starting and reducing warm-up-period in cold weather
- Rear work light
   Fare birth usinibility
- For high visibility for night work
- Front end weights
   For front ballast

# APPENDICES

## MAXIMUM MASSES

## 1. Maximum permissible load

### Tyre combination 1. (TURF)

		Front tyre	Rear tyre	Technically permis- sible maximum la- den mass	Tractor payload
Tyre size		18×8.50-10	26×12.00-12		
Maximum permissible load of the tyre	kg	335	710		
Maximum axle load according to the tyre specification	kg	630	960	1400	614-621
Minimum limit percentages	%	25	55		

### Tyre combination 2. (Bar)

		Front tyre	Rear tyre	Technically permis- sible maximum la- den mass	Tractor payload
Tyre size		18×8.50-10	26×12.00-12		
Maximum permissible load of the tyre	kg	375	820		
Maximum axle load according to the tyre specification	kg	630	960	1400	614-621
Minimum limit percentages	%	25	55		

### Tyre combination 3. (Industrial)

		Front tyre	Rear tyre	Technically permis- sible maximum la- den mass	Tractor payload
Tyre size		18×8.50-10	26×12.00-12		
Maximum permissible load of the tyre	kg	375	820		
Maximum axle load	kg	630	960	1400	614-621
Minimum limit percentages	%	25	55		

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