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# **Plate Compactor**

### **Pre Start Up Procedure**

- Check all bolts and screws for tightness. Loose bolts and screws may cause damage to the unit
- Make sure all dirt, mud, etc are thoroughly removed from areas such as cooling air inlet of engine, carburettor & air
- cleaner.
- Check V-Belt tightness. The normal slack should be approx. 10-15mm (1/2") when the belts are forcibly depressed in the middle position between the two pulleys.
- Check fuel and refuel as required
- Check engine oil level if low, please contact Northern Hire Group for instruction. Use of incorrect oil may cause damage.

CAUTION – Ensure to maintain an exclusion zone around machine when starting the engine as unit may move suddenly with force.

### **Starting (Petrol Units)**

- **Step 1** Open engine fuel cock
- **Step 2** Set throttle lever to starting position
- **Step 3** for cold engine starting, close carburettor choke lever
- Step 5 Pull recoil starter

Important – Do not pull recoil starter rope to the end as it may cause damage. When the rope is pulled out, release the rope slowly. Do not let the rope snap back.

**Step 6** – After engine starts, open choke halfway and warm up the engine for 2-3 minutes with low speed position. The warm up procedure should particularly be followed during cold weather.

# **Starting (Diesel Units)**

- Step 1 Set speed control to low speed
- **Step 2** Pull recoil starter rope until resistance is felt

Important – Do not pull recoil starter rope to the end as it may cause damage. When the rope is pulled out, release the rope slowly. Do not let the rope snap back.

**Step 3** – Bracing foot against engine, pull recoil starter rope with both hands