1 Safety Information

1.1 Signal Words Used in this Manual

This manual contains DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION, *NOTICE,* and NOTE signal words which must be followed to reduce the possibility of personal injury, damage to the equipment, or improper service.

This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal hazards.

► Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol.

DANGER

DANGER indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

► To avoid death or serious injury from this type of hazard, obey all safety messages that follow this signal word.

WARNING

WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

► To avoid possible death or serious injury from this type of hazard, obey all safety messages that follow this signal word.

CAUTION

CAUTION indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

► To avoid possible minor or moderate injury from this type of hazard, obey all safety messages that follow this signal word.

NOTICE: Used without the safety alert symbol, NOTICE indicates a situation which, if not avoided, could result in property damage.

Note: *A Note contains additional information important to a procedure.*

1.2 Machine Description and Intended Use

This machine is a remote-controlled trench roller. The Wacker Neuson Trench Roller consists of two distinct machine halves (front and rear) joined by an articulated joint. Each machine half includes an exciter assembly and two drums. The front half also includes a diesel engine and pumps for the hydraulic system. The rear half includes the hydraulic oil reservoir and the fuel tank. The diesel engine powers the hydraulic systems that provide machine movement and drum vibration. The operator controls all machine functions (steering, vibration, and engine start/stop) using an infra-red control system.

This machine is intended to be used for compacting sub-bases, backfill, and cohesive type soils.

This machine has been designed and built strictly for the intended use(s) described above. Using the machine for any other purpose could permanently damage the machine or seriously injure the operator or other persons in the area. Machine damage caused by misuse is not covered under warranty.

The following are some examples of misuse:

- Using the machine as a ladder, support, or work surface
- Using the machine to carry or transport passengers or equipment
- Using the machine to tow other machines
- Operating the machine outside of factory specifications
- Operating the machine in a manner inconsistent with all warnings found on the machine and in the Operator’s Manual

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This machine has been designed and built in accordance with the latest global safety standards. It has been carefully engineered to eliminate hazards as far as practicable and to increase operator safety through protective guards and labeling. However, some risks may remain even after protective measures have been taken. They are called residual risks. On this machine, they may include exposure to:

- Heat, noise, exhaust, and carbon monoxide from the engine
- Burns from hot hydraulic fluid
- Fire hazards from improper refueling techniques
- Fuel and its fumes
- Personal injury from improper lifting techniques
- Crushing hazards from improper operation and for other persons in the work zone

To protect yourself and others, make sure you thoroughly read and understand the safety information presented in this manual before operating the machine.

1.3 Safety Guidelines for Operating the Machine

Operator training

Before operating the machine:

- Read and understand the operating instructions contained in all manuals delivered with the machine.
- Familiarize yourself with the location and proper use of all controls and safety devices.
- Contact Wacker Neuson for additional training if necessary.

When operating this machine:

- Do not allow improperly trained people to operate the machine. People operating the machine must be familiar with the potential risks and hazards associated with it.

Operator qualifications

Only trained personnel are permitted to start, operate, and shut down the machine. They also must meet the following qualifications:

- have received instruction on how to properly use the machine
- are familiar with required safety devices

The machine must not be accessed or operated by:

- children
- people impaired by alcohol or drugs

Application area

Be aware of the application area.

- Keep unauthorized personnel, children, and pets away from the machine.
- Remain aware of changing positions and the movement of other equipment and personnel in the application area/job site.
- Identify whether special hazards exist in the application area, such as toxic gases, or unstable ground conditions, and take appropriate action to eliminate the special hazards before using the machine.

Be aware of the application area.

- Do not operate the machine in areas that contain flammable objects, fuels, or products that produce flammable vapors.
- Always use the SmartControl™ transmitter neck strap provided by Wacker Neuson while operating with the control cable connected. This neck strap is designed to break away so that the operator will not be dragged by the machine should the machine slide, tip, or fall.
- Always remain in visual contact with the machine at all times while operating the controls.
- Never operate multiple rollers within 20 meters (65 feet) of one another, unless you are certain that each roller and its accompanying transmitter have been set to a different control channel than the other rollers/transmitters being used within the area. Refer to section *Setting Control Channels* for additional information.

Safety devices, controls, and attachments

Only operate the machine when:

- All safety devices and guards are in place and in working order.
- All controls operate correctly.
- The machine is set up correctly according to the instructions in the Operator's Manual.
- The machine is clean.
- The machine's labels are legible.

To ensure safe operation of the machine:

- Do not operate the machine if any safety devices or guards are missing or inoperative.
- Do not modify or defeat the safety devices.
- Only use accessories or attachments that are approved by Wacker Neuson.

- Use caution when operating near the edges of pits, trenches or platforms. Check to be sure that the ground surface is stable enough to support the weight of the machine with the operator and that there is no danger of the roller sliding, falling, or tipping.
- Position yourself safely when operating machine in reverse or on hills. Leave enough space between yourself and the machine so you will not be placed in a hazardous position should the machine slide or tip.
- Do not use a cellphone or send text messages while operating this machine.
- Stay clear of the articulated steering joint and the area between the front and rear frames.
- Do not consume the operating fluids used in this machine. Depending on your machine model, these operating fluids may include water, wetting agents, fuel (gasoline, diesel, kerosene, propane, or natural gas), oil, coolant, hydraulic fluid, heat transfer fluid (propylene glycol with additives), battery acid, or grease.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Wear the following Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) while operating this machine:

- Close-fitting work clothes that do not hinder movement
- Safety glasses with side shields
- Hearing protection
- Safety-toed footwear

1.4 Service Safety

Service training

Before servicing or maintaining the machine:

- Read and understand the instructions contained in all manuals delivered with the machine.
- Familiarize yourself with the location and proper use of all controls and safety devices.
- Only trained personnel shall troubleshoot or repair problems occurring with the machine.
- Contact Wacker Neuson for additional training if necessary.

When servicing or maintaining this machine:

- Do not allow improperly trained people to service or maintain the machine. Personnel servicing or maintaining the machine must be familiar with the associated potential risks and hazards.

Precautions

Follow the precautions below when servicing or maintaining the machine.

- Read and understand the service procedures before performing any service to the machine.
- All adjustments and repairs must be completed before operating the machine. Do not operate the machine with a known problem or deficiency.
- All repairs and adjustments shall be completed by a qualified technician.
- Turn off the machine before performing maintenance or making repairs.
- Remain aware of the machine's moving parts. Keep hands, feet, and loose clothing away from the machine's moving parts.
- Re-install the safety devices and guards after repair and maintenance procedures are complete.
- Always secure the articulated steering joint using the locking bar before lifting, jacking, and servicing the machine. The machine halves could swing together unexpectedly and cause a serious injury.
- Do not remove the radiator cap when the engine is running or hot. The radiator fluid is hot and under pressure and may cause severe burns!
- Do not remove air cleaner cover, paper element, or precleaner while engine is running.
- Do not leave SmartControl™ transmitter unattended while servicing machine.

Machine modifications

When servicing or maintaining the machine:

- Use only accessories/attachments that are approved by Wacker Neuson.

When servicing or maintaining the machine:

- Do not defeat safety devices.
- Do not modify the machine without the express written approval of Wacker Neuson.

Replacing parts and labels

- Replace worn or damaged components.
- Replace all missing and hard-to-read labels.
- When replacing electrical components, use components that are identical in rating and performance to the original components.
- When replacement parts are required for this machine, use only Wacker Neuson replacement parts or those parts equivalent to the original in all types of specifications, such as physical dimensions, type, strength, and material.

Cleaning

When cleaning and servicing the machine:

- Keep the machine clean and free of debris such as leaves, paper, cartons, etc.
- Keep the labels legible.

When cleaning the machine:

- Do not clean the machine while it is running.
- Never use gasoline or other types of fuels or flammable solvents to clean the machine. Fumes from fuels and solvents can become explosive.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Wear the following Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) while servicing or maintaining this machine:

- Close-fitting work clothes that do not hinder movement
- Safety glasses with side shields
- Hearing protection
- Safety-toed footwear

In addition, before servicing or maintaining the machine:

- Tie back long hair.
- Remove all jewelry (including rings).

After use

- Stop the engine when the machine is not being operated.
- Close the fuel valve on engines equipped with one when the machine is not being operated.
- Ensure that the machine will not tip over, roll, slide, or fall when not being operated.
- Store the machine properly when it is not being used. The machine should be stored in a clean, dry location out of the reach of children.

1.5 Operator Safety while Using Internal Combustion Engines

WARNING
Internal combustion engines present special hazards during operation and fueling. Failure to follow the warnings and safety standards could result in severe injury or death.

► Read and follow the warning instructions in the engine owner's manual and the safety guidelines below.

DANGER
Exhaust gas from the engine contains carbon monoxide, a deadly poison. Exposure to carbon monoxide can kill you in minutes.

► NEVER operate the machine inside an enclosed area, such as a tunnel, unless adequate ventilation is provided through such items as exhaust fans or hoses.

Operating safety

When running the engine:

- Keep the area around exhaust pipe free of flammable materials.
- Check the fuel lines and the fuel tank for leaks and cracks before starting the engine. Do not run the machine if fuel leaks are present or the fuel lines are loose.

When running the engine:

- Do not smoke while operating the machine.
- Do not run the engine near sparks or open flames.
- Do not touch the engine or muffler while the engine is running or immediately after it has been turned off.
- Do not operate a machine when its fuel cap is loose or missing.
- Do not start the engine if fuel has spilled or a fuel odor is present. Move the machine away from the spill and wipe the machine dry before starting.

Refueling safety

When refueling the engine:

- Clean up any spilled fuel immediately.
- Refill the fuel tank in a well-ventilated area.
- Re-install the fuel tank cap after refueling.
- Use suitable tools for refueling (for example, a fuel hose or funnel).

When refueling the engine:

- Do not smoke.
- Do not refuel a hot or running engine.
- Do not refuel the engine near sparks or open flames.

1.6 Hydraulic Fluid Safety

WARNING
Possibility of severe injury. Hydraulic fluid is under high pressure and becomes very hot during operation.

► To avoid injury, obey the safety instructions listed below.

Safety instructions

- Inspect the hydraulic system thoroughly before operating the machine.
- Do not touch hydraulic fluid or hydraulic components while the machine is operating. Wait until the machine is cool.
- Before disconnecting hydraulic fittings or hoses, ensure that all pressure has been bled from the circuit. Set all controls in neutral, turn engine off, and allow the fluids to cool before loosening hydraulic fittings or attaching test gauges.
- Hydraulic fluid escaping under high pressure may penetrate the skin, cause burns, blind, or cause other serious injuries or infections. Contact a physician immediately for treatment if your skin has been penetrated by hydraulic fluid, even if the wound seems minor.
- Fluid leaks from small holes are often practically invisible. Do not use your bare hands to check for leaks. Check for leaks using a piece of cardboard or wood.
- Hydraulic fluid is extremely flammable. Stop the engine immediately if a hydraulic leak is detected.
- After servicing the hydraulics, make sure all components are reconnected to the proper fittings. Failure to do so may result in damage to the machine and/or injury to a person on or near the machine.

1.7 Safety Guidelines for Lifting the Machine

When lifting the machine:

- Make sure slings, chains, hooks, ramps, jacks, forklifts, cranes, hoists, and any other type of lifting device used is attached securely and has enough weight-bearing capacity to lift or hold the machine safely. See section *Technical Data* for machine weight.
- Remain aware of the location of other people when lifting the machine.
- Only use the lifting points and tie-downs described in the Operator's Manual.
- Make sure the transporting vehicle has sufficient load capacity and platform size to safely transport the machine.

To reduce the possibility of injury:

- Do not stand under the machine while it is being lifted or moved.
- Do not get onto the machine while it is being lifted or moved.

Notes