WARNING!
READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS MANUAL AND ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE OPERATING THIS GRADER.
And congratulations on your purchase of a new DR POWER GRADER!

We have done our utmost to ensure that your DR POWER GRADER will be one of the most trouble-free and satisfying pieces of equipment you have ever owned. Please let us know of any questions you may have. We want to answer them as quickly as possible. When you do call, please have your serial number or order number handy. For technical assistance, please call Toll-Free 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637) and one of our Technical Support Representatives will be happy to help you. We also hope to hear from you on how much you like your new helper.

In addition, please tell your friends about your new DR POWER GRADER! Having DR Owners spread the word about our products and our way of doing business is the best advertising we can have, and the best way to help us provide even better service in the years to come.

Thanks once again!

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCING THE DR POWER GRADER

This manual will help you set up and safely operate your new DR POWER GRADER. Careful adherence to the safety and operating instructions in this manual will ensure many years of productive use. Please let us know of any questions you may have. We want to answer them as quickly as possible. When you do call, please have your serial number and/or order number handy. For technical assistance, please call Toll-Free 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637) and one of our Technical Support Representatives will be happy to help you.

Conventions used in this manual

⚠️ WARNING!

THIS INDICATES A HAZARDOUS SITUATION, WHICH, IF NOT AVOIDED, COULD RESULT IN DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY.

⚠️ CAUTION!

THIS INDICATES A HAZARDOUS SITUATION, WHICH, IF NOT AVOIDED, COULD RESULT IN MINOR OR MODERATE INJURY.

⚠️ NOTICE!

THIS INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT IN THE PROPER USE OF YOUR MACHINE. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS INSTRUCTION COULD RESULT IN DAMAGE TO YOUR MACHINE OR PROPERTY.

Tip: This is a helpful hint to guide you in getting the most out of your DR POWER GRADER.

Tools Needed: This indicates you will need a special tool to perform a maintenance function on your Grader.

NOTE: This information may be helpful to you.

If you are ever unsure about an action you are about to take, don’t do it, contact Country Home Products’ toll-free support at 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637) for help or information.
CHAPTER 2

GENERAL SAFETY RULES

⚠️ WARNING!

READ THIS SAFETY AND OPERATING MANUAL BEFORE YOU USE THE DR POWER GRADER. BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE SERVICE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENSURE THE BEST PERFORMANCE FROM YOUR POWER GRADER.

Labels

Your DR POWER GRADER carries prominent labels as reminders for its proper and safe use. Shown below are copies of all the labels that appear on the equipment. Take a moment to study them and make a note of their location on your DR POWER GRADER as you assemble and before you operate the machine. Replace damaged or missing safety and information labels immediately.

**CAUTION**

- Do not exceed 5 mph when grading.
- Do not exceed 15 mph when towing.
- Do not tow on public roads or highways.

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**CAUTION**

- Maximum load capacity is 70 lbs.
- Never allow people to stand on or ride on this machine.

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Protecting Yourself and Those Around You

WARNING!
ALWAYS TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS WHEN OPERATING THIS GRADER:

• ALWAYS WEAR PROTECTIVE GOGGLES OR SAFETY GLASSES WITH SIDE SHIELDS WHILE GRADING TO PROTECT YOUR EYES FROM POSSIBLE THROWN BITS OF DIRT OR GRAVEL.
• WEAR SHOES WITH NON-SLIP TREADS WHEN USING YOUR DR POWER GRADER. IF YOU HAVE SAFETY SHOES, WE RECOMMEND WEARING THEM. DO NOT USE THE GRADER WHILE BAREFOOT OR WEARING OPEN SANDALS.
• WEAR A HELMUT WHEN OPERATING AN ATV.

Operating the Power Grader Safely

WARNING!
THE POWER GRADER MUST BE OPERATED SAFELY. UNSAFE OPERATION CAN CREATE A NUMBER OF HAZARDS FOR YOU. ALWAYS TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS WHEN USING THIS GRADER:

• READ, UNDERSTAND, AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL. BE THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH THE CONTROLS AND THE PROPER USE OF YOUR GRADER BEFORE USING.
• THOROUGHLY INSPECT THE AREA WHERE YOUR GRADER IS TO BE USED, AND REMOVE ALL STONES, STICKS, WIRE, PET SUPPLIES OR LAWN TOYS, AND ANY OTHER FOREIGN OBJECTS THAT YOU COULD RUN OVER. ALSO, NOTE THE LOCATION OF STUMPS, AND OTHER POSSIBLE HAZARDS.
• WATCH FOR TRAFFIC WHEN OPERATING IN OR NEAR ROADWAYS. PAY EXTRA ATTENTION WHEN OPERATING NEAR PUBLIC ROADWAYS.
• WHEN OPERATING IN A ROADWAY, WE SUGGEST THAT YOU PUT OUT OBSTRUCTIONS (MARKER CONES OR PAILS) TO DIVERT ANY TRAFFIC AWAY FROM YOUR WORK AREA.
• BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS WHEN OPERATING THE DR POWER GRADER, E.G., DITCHES, CULVERTS, DROP-OFFS AND HILLS.
• NEVER ALLOW PEOPLE WHO ARE UNFAMILIAR WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO USE THE DR POWER GRADER.
• TO BE SAFE, DO NOT OPERATE THE GRADER NEAR SMALL CHILDREN OR PETS, AND NEVER ALLOW CHILDREN TO OPERATE THE POWER GRADER. STOP THE GRADING ACTION WHEN ANOTHER PERSON OR PET APPROACHES.
• DO NOT ALLOW PEOPLE TO RIDE ON THE GRADER.
• ALWAYS UNPLUG THE CONTROL BOX FROM THE BATTERY BEFORE ADJUSTING OR SERVICING THE POWER GRADER. IF YOU HAVE TO STOP TO REMOVE ANY DEBRIS FROM THE GRADER, ALWAYS SHUT OFF THE TOW VEHICLE’S ENGINE AND SET THE PARKING BRAKE.
• DO NOT, UNDER ANY CONDITIONS, REMOVE, BEND, CUT, FIT, WELD, OR OTHERWISE ALTER STANDARD PARTS ON THE DR POWER GRADER. MODIFICATIONS TO YOUR MACHINE COULD CAUSE PERSONAL INJURIES AND WILL VOID YOUR WARRANTY.
• WHILE USING THE DR POWER GRADER, DON’T HURRY OR TAKE THINGS FOR GRANTED.
• DO NOT OPERATE THE GRADER WHEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR MEDICATION.
• USE THE DR POWER GRADER ONLY IN DAYLIGHT OR GOOD ARTIFICIAL LIGHT.
Safety for Children

**WARNING!**

TRAGIC ACCIDENTS CAN OCCUR IF THE OPERATOR IS NOT ALERT TO THE PRESENCE OF CHILDREN. CHILDREN ARE OFTEN ATTRACTED TO THE GRADING ACTIVITY. *NEVER* ASSUME THAT CHILDREN WILL REMAIN WHERE YOU LAST SAW THEM.

- KEEP CHILDREN OUT OF THE GRADING AREA AND UNDER THE WATCHFUL CARE OF A RESPONSIBLE ADULT.
- BE ALERT, STOP AND TURN THE TOW VEHICLE OFF IF CHILDREN ENTER THE WORK AREA.
- NEVER ALLOW CHILDREN TO OPERATE THE DR POWER GRADER.
- NEVER ALLOW CHILDREN TO RIDE ON THE TOW VEHICLE OR THE DR POWER GRADER.

Safety with Electric-Powered Machines

**WARNING!**

NEVER OVERLOOK THE HAZARDS OF ELECTRICITY. ALWAYS FOLLOW THESE PRECAUTIONS:

- NEVER ATTEMPT TO OPEN THE CONTROL BOX OR MOTOR ASSEMBLY. NEVER ATTEMPT ANY ELECTRICAL REPAIRS YOURSELF. IF IN DOUBT, CONSULT A QUALIFIED ELECTRICIAN OR CONTACT COUNTRY HOME PRODUCTS’ TOLL-FREE SUPPORT AT 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637) FOR HELP OR INFORMATION.
- NEVER OPERATE YOUR GRADER IN THE RAIN OR IN WET CONDITIONS. REMEMBER, THIS IS AN ELECTRIC GRADER.
- NEVER OPERATE THE DR POWER GRADER WITH A DAMAGED CONTROL CABLE.
- NEVER PULL ON THE CONTROL POWER CORD TO MOVE THE GRADER.
- ALWAYS GRASP THE CONTROL POWER CORD PLUG WHEN UNPLUGGING THE CORD; NEVER PULL THE PLUG OUT BY THE CORD.
- NEVER TAMPER WITH SAFETY DEVICES. CHECK THEIR PROPER OPERATION REGULARLY.
- ALWAYS KEEP THE CONTROL POWER CORD AWAY FROM EXCESSIVE HEAT, OIL AND SHARP OBJECTS.

Tip: Reference page 29 for Troubleshooting Tips.
Handling the Battery Safely

WARNING!

- USE ONLY THE 12-VOLT, LEAD-ACID, RECHARGEABLE BATTERY AND THE 12-VOLT BATTERY CHARGER THAT SHIPPED WITH YOUR GRADER, OR THEIR COUNTRY HOME PRODUCTS REPLACEMENT. USING THE WRONG TYPE OF BATTERY OR CHARGER COULD CAUSE A FIRE OR EXPLOSION RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY.
- NEVER LIFT OR CARRY THE BATTERY BY THE WIRES OR CONNECTORS. THIS CAN DAMAGE THE BATTERY AND POSSIBLY CAUSE A FIRE RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY. LIFT AND CARRY THE BATTERY BY THE CASE ONLY.

Read the safety instructions on the battery. Only adults should handle the battery. The battery is heavy and contains sulfuric acid (electrolyte). Dropping the battery could result in serious injury. Get a firm grip and use caution when removing or changing the battery.

- Examine the charger and the connectors for excessive wear or damage each time you charge the battery. If you determine there is a problem, do not use the charger or the battery until you have replaced the worn or damaged part.
- Batteries contain sulfuric acid. To prevent burns, avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. To prevent fire or explosion keep sparks and open flames away from the battery.
- Exercise care in handling the battery in order not to short-circuit it with conducting materials such as rings, bracelets, and keys. When short-circuited, the battery or conductor may overheat and cause burns.
- Never throw away used batteries in your household trash. Bring them to a recycling center or household hazardous waste depot for proper disposal. Please refer to “Recycling a Used Battery” for more information.

NOTICE!

PLEASE DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES RESPONSIBLY, ACCORDING TO YOUR LOCAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATIONS.

Safely Charging the Battery

- Charge the battery before using your DR POWER GRADER. See Charging and Caring for the Battery.
- Never allow the battery to completely discharge; charge the battery before this happens.
- Charge the battery before storing your DR POWER GRADER. Do not leave the battery discharged, as this can ruin it.
- Never allow children to charge the battery. The electricity involved in charging the battery could injure a child.
- NEVER charge the battery in the rain or in wet locations.


**CAUTION!**

THE POWER GRADER MUST BE OPERATED SAFELY TO PREVENT OR MINIMIZE THE RISK OF MINOR OR MODERATE INJURY. UNSAFE OPERATION CAN CREATE A NUMBER OF HAZARDS FOR YOU. ALWAYS TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS WHEN OPERATING THIS POWER GRADER:

- KEEP IN MIND THAT THE OPERATOR OR USER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS OR HAZARDS OCCURRING TO OTHER PEOPLE, THEIR PROPERTY, AND THEMSELVES.
- DO NOT USE THE DR POWER GRADER TO DRAG, TOW OR CARRY ITEMS.
- NEVER LEAVE THE POWER GRADER UNATTENDED. IF YOU LEAVE THE AREA, SHUT OFF THE TOW VEHICLE, REMOVE THE KEY AND UNPLUG THE POWER GRADER CONTROL BOX. IF YOU'RE THROUGH GRADING FOR THE DAY, REMOVE THE CONTROL BOX AND BRING IT INSIDE.
- ALWAYS CHECK THE ALIGNMENT OF MOVING PARTS AND FOR DAMAGED OR WORN PARTS.
- KEEP ALL NUTS AND BOLTS TIGHT AND KEEP THE EQUIPMENT AND ATTACHMENTS IN GOOD OPERATING CONDITION.
- ALWAYS CHECK THE CONTROL POWER CABLE FOR DAMAGE PRIOR TO EVERY USE AND THAT IT IS FULLY PROTECTED FROM DAMAGE FROM THE EQUIPMENT OR MATERIALS WHILE OPERATING THE GRADER.
- USE ONLY MANUFACTURER-RECOMMENDED REPLACEMENT PARTS.
- SEE MANUFACTURER’S INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROPER OPERATION AND INSTALLATION OF ACCESSORIES. ONLY USE ACCESSORIES APPROVED BY COUNTRY HOME PRODUCTS, INC.
- DO NOT USE THE DR POWER GRADER IN A MANNER NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS.
- NO LIST OF WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS CAN BE ALL-INCLUSIVE. IF SITUATIONS OCCUR THAT ARE NOT COVERED BY THIS MANUAL, THE OPERATOR MUST APPLY COMMON SENSE AND OPERATE THIS POWER GRADER IN A SAFE MANNER. CALL 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637) FOR ASSISTANCE.

*Additional Information and Potential Changes*

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CHAPTER 3

SETTING UP YOUR DR POWER GRADER

This chapter outlines a few simple steps you will need to follow to set up your new machine before you use it. It may be helpful to familiarize yourself with the controls and features on your new DR POWER GRADER by reviewing Figure 1 before beginning the steps outlined in this chapter. If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact our Customer Service Representatives at our toll free number: 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637).

DR POWER GRADER Controls and Features

NOTE: The model shown in Figure 1 may look slightly different from your machine.

Figure 1

*There are two (2) extra Shear Bolts provided. Keep one with you while grading.
Unpacking the DR POWER GRADER

**NOTE:** Unpacking the DR POWER GRADER is a two-person job. We recommend you have an extra set of hands available before you begin, as the DR POWER GRADER weighs about 230 lbs.

**Tools Required:**
- Metal Shears (Side Cutters)
- Knife
- Eye Protection
- 9/16” Wrench

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**CAUTION!**
WEAR EYE PROTECTION WHEN CUTTING THE BANDING. THE BANDING MAY HAVE A LOT OF TENSION ON IT AND MAY SNAP AND CUT YOU. ALWAYS STAND TO ONE SIDE WHEN CUTTING THE BAND.

1. Place the carton near a flat surface large enough to hold the uncrated DR POWER GRADER.
2. Stand to one side and cut the banding around the shipping carton, and then remove the top of the carton.
3. Cut the ties on the Yoke Assembly and remove the Yoke with the Control Cable attached.
   **NOTE:** The excess Control Cable is coiled and tied in the Weight Tray ready for connection to the Battery and Linear Actuator.
4. Cut the ties and remove the Tow Bar and Linear Actuator.
5. Remove the Small Parts Box and the Battery Assembly from the Weight Tray.
6. For now, leave the DR POWER GRADER on the shipping pallet for ease of assembly.
7. Check the parts supplied against the Parts Checklist on the next page. Most of the assembly hardware is loosely assembled to the frame and major components.

**NOTE:** Do not discard the packaging material until you are fully satisfied with your new machine.

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![Figure 2](image-url)
Parts Checklist

Country Home Products ships the following items with your new DR POWER GRADER. Please check to make sure you have everything listed below. If you are missing any of these items, please call Customer Service Toll-Free 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637) for assistance.

Parts in carton:

• DR POWER GRADER
• Yoke Assembly w/Control Cable attached
• Tow Bar
• Linear Actuator
• Battery Assembly w/Pin, Spacers and Hitch Clip
• Small Parts Box containing:
  - Product Pak
  - Control Cord
  - Battery Charger Kit (Adapter w/Alligator Clips)
  - 8’ Hook and Loop Strap
  - Hook and Loop Strap, w/Adhesive
  - Keyhole Hitch
  - Tow Hitch
  - Safety Snap Pin
  - (2) Shear Bolt, 3/8"-16
  - (2) Nylon Lock Nut, 3/8"-16
  - (4) Wire Ties, 7", Black
  - Safety & Operation Manual
Assembly Hardware  *(Not shown to Scale)*

= Included in Parts Box

**Nuts**

- **110731 1/4-20 Nylon Lock Nut**
- **110761 5/16-18 Nylon Lock Nut**
- **110751 3/8-16 Nylon Lock Nut**
- **160071 5/8-18 Nylon Lock Nut**

**Bolts**

- **191871 3/8-16 Shear Bolt**
- **111491 1/4-20 x 1” Bolt**
- **157291 5/16-18 x 2-1/5” Bolt**
- **180851 1/4-20 x 2-3/4” Bolt**
- **119851 3/8-16 x 1-1/2 bolts**
- **191741 5/8-18 x 6” Bolts**

**Washers**

- **1123811/4” Flat Washer**
- **101811 1/4-20 Split Lock Washer**
- **112411 5/16” Flat Washer**
- **112391 3/8” Flat Washer**

**Plns**

- **211551 Safety Snap Pin**
- **211541 1/2 x 3-1/2” Clevis Pin**
- **160031 Hitch Clip for 1/2” Shaft**
Assembling the DR POWER GRADER

Tools Needed:

- (2) 9/16" Wrench or Socket
- (2) 5/16" Wrench or Socket

Installing the Battery

1. Locate the Battery Assembly.

2. Using two (2) 9/16" Wrenches, bolt the Clevis Base/Battery Holder to the left side rail with the three (3) 3/8"-16 x 1-1/2" Bolts, 3/8" Flat Washers and 3/8" Nylon Lock Nuts (Figure 3).
Attaching the Yoke

Tool Needed:

- 9/16" Wrench

1. Position the Yoke in front of the DR POWER GRADER with the Receptacle Box facing up (Figure 4).

2. Attach each side of the Yoke in the upper hole on the outside of the Frame using a 3/8"-16 x 1-1/2" Bolt, 3/8" Flat Washer and 3/8" Lock Nut (Figure 5).

**NOTE:** To allow the Yoke to pivot up and down, DO NOT fully tighten the Lock Nut against the Flat Washer. Back the Lock Nut off 1/4-1/2 turn after contact with the Flat Washer.

3. Run the Control Cable, from the Receptacle Box, along the left side arm of the Yoke and secure the Control Cable to the Yoke arm using three (3) Cable Ties through the pre-drilled holes in the Yoke (Figure 6).

**NOTE:** Tie the Control Cable below the pre-drilled holes and do not over tighten the Cable Ties as the Control Cable is subject to movement during use.
Installing the Linear Actuator

1. Remove the Hitch Clip, Clevis Pin, and the two (2) Spacers from the Clevis/Battery Holder.

2. Locate the Linear Actuator and place it between the Clevis/Battery Holder and the Axle Clevis with the Actuator Arm facing the forward and Motor facing up (Figure 7).

3. Reinsert the Spacers, Clevis Pin, and Hitch Pin in the Clevis/Battery Holder (Figure 8).

**NOTE:** The Spacers go on either side of the Actuator (Figure 8).

4. Route the Control Cable between the Fork of the Axle Clevis under the Clevis Pin (Figure 7).

5. Connect the Control Cable to the Linear Actuator and Battery Cables (Figure 9).

6. Using a Wire Tie around the exposed portion of the Battery Clamp Bolt between the Clamp and Frame, secure the wire harness as shown in Figure 9. Clip off access Wire Tie material.

7. Connect the Control Box w/Quick Disconnect to the Receptacle Box (Figure 1 on page 9) and push the Rocker Switch to the Lower position to extend the Linear Actuator Arm out to the maximum length.

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**CAUTION!**

AT THIS TIME, DISCONNECT THE CONTROL BOX TO PREVENT ACCIDENTAL MOTOR ACTUATION.

8. Remove the Hitch Clip, Clevis Pin, and the two (2) Spacers from the Axle Clevis (Figure 7).

9. Pickup the Caster Wheel Axle Assembly to rotate the Clevis Arm Fork forward (Figure 7) so that the hole in the Linear Actuator Arm aligns with the holes in the Axle Clevis Fork and reinsert the Spacers, Clevis Pin, and Hitch Clip (Figure 10 on the next page).

**NOTE:** The Spacers go on either side of the Actuator Arm (Figure 10 on the next page).

**Tip:** Insert the Spacers from the top down as you insert the Clevis Pin. You may have to slightly spread the Fork with your fingers to ease the last Spacer into place.
10. Reconnect the Control Cable to the Receptacle Box in the Yoke and raise the DR POWER GRADER (lower the wheels) with the Control Box Rocker Switch in the Raise position.

11. With the help of another person, you can now roll the DR POWER GRADER off the shipping pallet.

**NOTE:** You must now fully charge the battery of your new DR POWER GRADER before using the machine. See the next page.

![Diagram of a hitch clip, clevis pin, axle clevis, and linear actuator arm.](image)

*Figure 10*
Charging the Battery

**WARNING!** ELECTRICAL HAZARD: PREVENT FIRE

- NEVER MODIFY YOUR GRADER’S ELECTRICAL SYSTEM. MODIFICATIONS COULD RUIN THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM AS WELL AS CAUSE A FIRE, RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY.
- USING ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS OTHER THAN THOSE SUPPLIED WITH YOUR GRADER COULD CAUSE THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM TO OVERHEAT, EXPLODE, OR START A FIRE.
- ONLY ADULTS SHOULD HANDLE THE BATTERY, IT CONTAINS SULFURIC ACID (AN ELECTROLYTE). THE BATTERY IS HEAVY; DROPPING IT COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY.
- NEVER LIFT OR CARRY THE BATTERY BY THE CABLES OR TERMINALS. THIS CAN DAMAGE THE BATTERY AND POSSIBLY START A FIRE, RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY. LIFT AND CARRY THE BATTERY ONLY BY ITS CASE.
- DO NOT SHORT CIRCUIT THE BATTERY.
- READ THE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS ON THE BATTERY.

About the Battery

The DR POWER GRADER comes with a 12-Volt, maintenance-free, rechargeable, sealed lead acid battery. A fully charged battery runs about 20 hours or 800 up/down cycles. Properly maintained and charged, the battery provides years of dependable service.

Charging the Battery

**WARNING!** ELECTRICAL HAZARD: PREVENT FIRE

- USING THE WRONG TYPE OF BATTERY OR CHARGER COULD CAUSE A FIRE OR EXPLOSION, RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY.
- NEVER ALLOW CHILDREN TO CHARGE THE BATTERY. THE ELECTRICITY INVOLVED IN CHARGING THE BATTERY COULD INJURE A CHILD.
- EXAMINE THE CHARGER, ITS CONNECTORS, AND THE BATTERY FOR EXCESSIVE WEAR OR DAMAGE EACH TIME YOU CHARGE THE BATTERY. IF YOU SEE ANY EXCESSIVE WEAR OR DAMAGE, DO NOT USE THE CHARGER OR THE BATTERY, REPLACE THEM.
- USE ONLY THE 12-VOLT CHARGER SUPPLIED WITH YOUR GRADER TO CHARGE THE BATTERY.
- USE THE CHARGER ONLY IN DRY LOCATIONS. AVOID CONTACT WITH WATER.
Charging the battery is a simple process. Leave the battery in your DR POWER GRADER when you charge it.

1. Attach the Black (-) alligator clipped wire from the Charger Adapter to the (-) terminal of the Battery, then attach the Red (+) alligator clipped wire to the (+) Battery terminal.

2. Plug the Charger into a standard wall outlet.

- Every time you finish using your DR POWER GRADER, recharge the battery. The time it takes to recharge the battery depends on how drained it is when you start. Typically, the battery takes between 6 and 8 hours to fully charge. The battery does not have a “memory”; so don’t worry about overcharging the battery or charging it too often.

- You can charge the battery hundreds of times. The battery lasts longer if you charge it before it is fully drained. Keep it fully charged and at room temperature when not using your Grader.

- Once the battery is charged, pull the plug from the wall outlet and then remove the Charger from your Battery. You can, however, leave your battery plugged in and charging for an extended period of time.

- Store the Charger in its self-locking plastic shipping bag. Keep the charger in a dry location.

- If the battery does not hold its charge for very long under normal conditions or it simply won’t hold a charge, then replace it. You can purchase replacement batteries directly from us. To install your new battery, remove the battery hold down clamp, detach the cables and remove the dead battery, install the new battery and attach the cables, then replace the battery hold down clamp. Refer to the assembly instructions for more details.

⚠️ **NOTICE!**

WHEN THE BATTERY GETS OLD AND NO LONGER ACCEPTS A CHARGE, REMOVE IT FROM YOUR GRADER. NEVER LEAVE A DEAD BATTERY IN YOUR GRADER.
Connecting the DR POWER GRADER to your Tow Vehicle

The following procedure is for connecting the DR POWER GRADER to your tow vehicle using the Adjustable Tow Bar with the Hitch Pin configuration (Lawn Tractor) or Ball Hitch configuration (ATV).

Tools Needed:
- (2) 1/2” Wrench
- (2) 9/16” Wrench

1. Select the appropriate hitch configuration and using two (2) 1/2" Wrenches, attach the hitch to the Adjustable Tow Bar with two (2) 5/16”-18 x 2-1/2” Bolts, 5/16” Flat Washers and 5/16”-18 Lock Nuts (Figure 11).

**NOTICE!**
- **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN THE SHEAR BOLT.**
- **USE ONLY THE SHEAR BOLT PROVIDED; USE OF ANY OTHER BOLT MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO YOUR DR POWER GRADER. SEE FIGURE 11.**
- **THERE ARE TWO (2) EXTRA SHEAR BOLTS PROVIDED. STORE THEM WITH YOUR OPERATORS MANUAL OR IN A SAFE LOCATION. KEEP ONE WITH YOU WHEN GRADING.**

2. Insert the Adjustable Tow Bar into the front of the Yoke and align the holes between the Yoke and Tow Bar to suit the correct towing distance from your vehicle (Figure 11). Using two (2) 9/16” Wrenches, bolt the Tow Bar in place using the 3/8”-16 Shear Bolt and 3/8” Locknut supplied.

**Lawn Tractor:**

1. Set the parking brake on your Lawn Tractor, lift the Tow Bar, and position the Tow Bar Hitch so that the Hitch Plate on your Lawn Tractor is in the opening in the Tow Bar Hitch (Figure 12).

2. Align the hole in the center of the Hitch Plate on your Lawn Tractor with the holes in the Tow Bar Hitch. Insert the Clevis Pin and attach the Safety Hitch Clip (Figure 12).

**ATV:**

1. Put the transmission in 1st gear. Set the parking brake on your ATV (if you have one), lift the Tow Bar on the DR POWER GRADER and slip the Keyhole Hitch over the Hitch Ball on the ATV (Figure 13); pulling back on the Tow Bar so the slot in the Keyhole Hitch fits around the Hitch Ball Shaft.
**Attaching the DR POWER GRADER Control Box w/Switch**

The following procedure includes the steps necessary for attaching the DR POWER GRADER Control Box w/Rocker Switch to your Tow Vehicle. There are two (2) options for attaching the Control Box:

1. Hang the Control Box by the attached U-Bolt (*Figure 14*) in an accessible and comfortable position on your Tow Vehicle from which you can operate the Height Adjustment Control Box Rocker Switch.

or,

2. Attach the Control Box on a clean flat surface using the self-adhesive Hook and Loop strips provided with the DR POWER GRADER.

**NOTE:** Make sure to leave enough slack in the Control Cable to allow for a tight turning radius for your Tow Vehicle.

![Figure 14]

**Adjusting the Scarifying Teeth**

**Tool Needed:**
- 9/16" Wrench

1. Using the Actuator, raise the Scarifying Teeth Plates as far as possible and then disconnect the Control Box.

2. Using a 9/16" Wrench, loosen the bolts holding the Scarifying Teeth in place and lower them to their lowest setting.

3. Tighten the mounting hardware and reconnect the Control Box.

**Tip:** If you have traction problems, adjust the Scarifying Teeth per page 27.
CHAPTER 4

OPERATING YOUR DR POWER GRADER

This chapter covers the procedures for operating your new DR POWER GRADER and discusses basic operation features. You may find it helpful to review the Controls and Features on page 9.

Operating Safety

⚠️ WARNING!

- NEVER ALLOW ANYONE TO OPERATE THE DR POWER GRADER WITHOUT FIRST READING AND UNDERSTANDING ALL INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL. BE THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH THE CONTROLS AND THE PROPER USE OF YOUR GRADER BEFORE USING.
- NEVER LET PEOPLE RIDE ON THE GRADER.
- ALWAYS CHECK FOR OBJECTS IN THE GRADER’S PATH BEFORE MOVING.
- WHEN OPERATING IN A ROADWAY, WE SUGGEST THAT YOU PUT OUT OBSTRUCTIONS (MARKER CONES OR PAILS) TO DIVERT ANY TRAFFIC AWAY FROM YOUR WORK AREA. ALWAYS BE AWARE OF POTENTIAL TRAFFIC HAZARDS.

Understanding the Height Adjustment Control Box

The Height Adjustment Control Box contains a 3-position momentary Rocker Switch. The Raise position raises the Scarifying Teeth. The Lower position lowers the Scarifying Teeth. When you release the Switch, it will return to the center position or OFF position (Figure 15).

U-Bolt* for Hanging the Control

*For alternate attachment using the Hook and Loop, see Figure 14 on page 20.
Operating Parameters

There are four (4) different types of tow vehicles recommended for the DR POWER GRADER. Each vehicle type has specific strengths, weaknesses and operating parameters when used with the DR POWER GRADER.

• Lawn Tractor
  - 14 HP and/or 500 pound tractor minimum
  - 5° slope or less
  - Material loosened during grading increases traction difficulties
  - Very good speed control and turning radius
  - Frequent Scarifying Teeth adjustment is necessary to maintain contact
  - Forward motion of the Grader should be initiated before ground contact

• Garden Tractor
  - 14 HP and/or 500 pound tractor
  - 5° slope or less
  - Material loosened during grading increases traction difficulties
  - Very good speed control and turning radius
  - Frequent Scarifying Teeth adjustment may be necessary to maintain contact
  - Forward motion of the Grader may need to be initiated before ground contact

• 4WD ATV
  - Traction issues are less evident
  - More difficult to maintain consistent speed
  - Turning radius is large (best used for large, straight drives)

• Utility Tractor
  - Traction is excellent
  - Visibility is very good
  - With the increased power, the chance of accidentally damaging the Grader frame is increased
Operating Tips

CAUTION!

- CLEAN OUT THE BOTTOM OF THE BATTERY HOLDER COMPLETELY BEFORE RE-INSTALLING THE BATTERY.
- USING THE 8" HOOK AND LOOP STRAP, HANG THE EXTRA CABLE TO KEEP IT OUT OF THE WHEELS.
- LOWER THE GRADER FRAME COMPLETELY TO THE GROUND SURFACE WHEN TRANSPORTING ON A TRAILER, PARKING ON A HILL, OR SERVICING THE GRADER.

- Use additional weight (≤ 70 pounds) in the Weight Tray when grading hard pack to begin scarification.
- Remove weight when the parent material is loosened or when experiencing traction difficulties.
- Remove the Weight Tray when grading in muddy conditions or sandy soil.
- Extend the Tow Bar to the fullest setting when used with a Utility Tractor.
- Expect to make 4 to 10 passes with the Grader to repair a roadway, depending on the condition.
- Avoid filling Pot Holes when they are filled with water, best done when the holes are dry.
- Work the edges of Pot Holes that are more than 4 feet wide to soften the sides before you begin filling them.
- Avoid large rocks, embedded ledge, cattle guards, or similar obstructions.
- Remove rocks pulled to the surface during grading to provide a better appearance.
  - They can catch under the lawn deck (for lawn tractors).
- Once you have adequately scarified the road surface, raise the Scarifying Teeth Plates to allow the Rear Scraper Blade to create a smooth surface.
  - Raise the Scarifying Teeth Plates out of the ground before turning around or leaving the work area.
- When using a lawn tractor as the tow vehicle, put the lawn mowing deck in the highest setting or just remove the deck to obtain the highest ground clearance.
  - For ease, do your spring grading before re-installing your lawn deck for the summer mowing activity.
- When using the DR POWER GRADER to prepare a seed bed, remove all large debris before grading.
  - If you do a lot of landscaping, set the Scarifying Teeth to the highest setting on their mounting slots.
  - Use the Optional Drag Screen to create the best finish in sand or to incorporate seed.
- Use Low Gear when using an ATV as the tow vehicle – Max speed of 5 MPH while grading.
  - The Max speed is 15 MPH when not grading.

NOTICE!

- BRING THE CONTROL BOX INSIDE WHEN FINISHED GRADING.
- FREQUENTLY CHECK THE TIGHTNESS OF THE BOLTS THAT FASTEN THE SCARIFYING TEETH PLATES TO THE FRAME.
FAQ's

• Can the DR POWER GRADER create a crown in the road?
  Answer: No

• Will the DR POWER GRADER maintain the crown in the road?
  Answer: Yes, you should grade each side separately.

• Can the DR POWER GRADER ruin the crown in the road?
  Answer: Yes, only if you grade down the centerline of the road.

• How long will the battery last?
  Answer: Approximately 20 hours or 800 up/down cycles.

• Can I use my lawn tractor in sandy soils?
  Answer: Lawn tractors do not perform as well as an ATV or utility tractor in sandy soils.

• Why does the Yoke have a Shear Bolt?
  Answer: The Shear Bolt will absorb the shock by breaking if you hit a large rock, ledge, or other obstruction.
CHAPTER 5
MAINTAINING THE DR POWER GRADER

This chapter covers regular maintenance procedures that will ensure the best performance and long life of your DR POWER GRADER.

⚠️ WARNING!

WHEN PERFORMING ANY MAINTENANCE, YOU MUST FIRST SHUT OFF THE TOW VEHICLE, SET THE PARKING BRAKE AND UNPLUG THE CONTROL CABLE. READ THE "GENERAL SAFETY RULES" (CHAPTER 2) OF THIS MANUAL BEFORE PERFORMING ANY REPAIRS OR MAINTENANCE.

Regular Maintenance Check:

- Keep the Scarifying Teeth Plates aligned – horizontally.
- Keep the battery charged. See page 17.
- Hose down the DR POWER GRADER to keep the Scarifying Teeth Plates clean and clear of debris.

⚠️ NOTICE!

DO NOT USE A POWER WASHER; THIS MAY FORCE WATER THROUGH THE SEALS ON THE HEIGHT ADJUSTING ACTUATOR.

- Verify all that all Nuts and Bolts are tight.
- Check the Shear Bolt for wear by grabbing the end and try to wiggle it. Replace the Shear Bolt if worn or loose. Do not over tighten.
- Lubricate the Caster Wheel bearings every 25 hours of operation. See page 28.
- Check the general condition of the Grader, e.g., nuts, bolts, welds etc.
- Periodically, (50 hours is recommended) remove the Scarifying Teeth Plates and clean between the plates and frame. This will allow for proper securing of the Scarifying Teeth Plates in their set position.
Caring for the Battery

Proper care can lengthen the life of a battery. Follow these recommendations to ensure your DR battery’s best performance and long life:

• Do not continue to operate your DR POWER GRADER with a low battery.

• Try to keep your battery at full charge to maximize its life. If the machine is not used, charge the battery monthly. See “Charging Your Battery” on page 17.

• Before charging the battery, observe its external appearance and keep it clean and dry. Never charge or use a battery that shows cracks, changes shape, leaks, or otherwise is obviously damaged.

• Recharge a battery before it is fully discharged. NEVER allow the battery to run down completely before charging. Leaving the battery discharged damages the battery. Charge the battery at least once per month, even if your Grader has not been used.

• If the battery begins to leak, avoid contact with the leaking acid. Place the damaged battery in a plastic bag, then dispose of it properly.

⚠️ WARNING! ⚠️

IF BATTERY ACID DOES CONTACT YOUR SKIN OR EYES, FLUSH WITH COOL WATER FOR AT LEAST 15 MINUTES AND CALL A PHYSICIAN. IF ACID IS INGESTED, CALL A PHYSICIAN IMMEDIATELY.

Recycling a Used Battery

⚠️ NOTICE! ⚠️

PLEASE DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES RESPONSIBLY, ACCORDING TO YOUR LOCAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATIONS. NEVER THROW AWAY USED BATTERIES IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD TRASH.

Please dispose of your used batteries responsibly by recycling them. Call your local Solid Waste Management District or your local waste handler to locate the collection site nearest you. Some collection sites recycle batteries year-round; others collect them periodically.

You can also visit the Web site of Earth 911 for more information [www.earth911.org]. Once there, click the Municipal HHW link under Hazardous Household Waste, and enter your zip code. The site lists recycling centers located near you.

For a fee, you can recycle your batteries with the International Metals Reclamation Company. Visit them at www.inmetco.com and click Services; or contact them at:

INMETCO
PO Box 720
245 Portersville Road
Ellwood City, PA 16117
(724) 758-2825; fax (724) 758-2845

To learn more about hazardous waste recycling, visit the Web site for Battery Council International [www.batterycouncil.org] or for the Environmental Protection Agency [www.epa.gov].
Adjusting or Replacing the Scarifying Teeth Plates

The following procedure is for replacing or adjusting the three (3) Scarifying Teeth Plates. The optimum setting for the Scarifying Teeth is 1/2" - 9/16" below the Side Rail of your DR POWER GRADER (Figure 16). If you have traction problems, set the Scarifying Teeth to 1/4" - 3/8".

![Image of Side Rail and Scarifying Tooth](image1)

Figure 16

To adjust or replace a Scarifying Teeth Plate:

**Tool Needed:**
- (2) 9/16" Wrench

1. Raise the Scarifying Teeth Plates to the maximum position.

**CAUTION!**

PRIOR TO PERFORMING THIS ADJUSTMENT, DISCONNECT THE CONTROL BOX OR BATTERY TO PREVENT ACCIDENTAL ACTIVATION OF THE SCARIFYING TEETH PLATES.

2. Using two (2) 9/16" Wrenches, loosen the two (2) Bolts retaining each Scarifying Teeth Plate (Figure 17).

3. Reconnect the Control Box and use the Actuator to raise or lower the side rail onto shim stock to the desired dimension and then disconnect the Control Box.

**NOTE:** The Scarifying Teeth Plates should be parallel to the frame when finished (Figure 17).

**Tip:** Use the Slots in the Plate as a guide to determine if the Plate is parallel to the Frame.

4. Tighten the Retaining Bolts on each Scarifying Teeth Plate and then reconnect the Control Box.

![Image of Frame and Teeth Plates](image2)

Figure 17
Lubrication

**WARNING!**
WHEN PERFORMING ANY MAINTENANCE, YOU MUST FIRST SHUT OFF THE TOW VEHICLE, SET THE PARKING BRAKE AND UNPLUG THE CONTROL CABLE.

Tools and Supplies Needed
- Flexible hose grease gun
- Lithium grease

**NOTE:** Pump the grease gun only until you feel slight resistance (2 - 3 pumps).

1. Lubricate the Caster Wheel bearings at the grease fittings every 25 hours of operation (Figure 18).

![Grease Fitting](image)

End of Season and Storage
- Charge the battery and bring it inside to store above freezing temperatures. See page 17.
- Hose down the DR POWER GRADER. Remove the Scarifying Teeth Plates to clean and clear them of debris.

![Grease Fitting](image)

**NOTICE!**
DO NOT USE A POWER WASHER; THIS MAY FORCE WATER THROUGH THE SEALS ON THE HEIGHT ADJUSTING ACTUATOR.

- Lubricate the Wheels and Caster bearings.
- Wipe down the grader to remove any moisture and dirt that may have accumulated.
- Remove the Control Box and store it, and the DR POWER GRADER, in a dry area to prevent moisture from damaging the electrical components of the machine.
CHAPTER 6
TROUBLESHOOTING

Most problems are easy to fix. Consult the Troubleshooting Table below for common problems and their solutions. If you continue to experience problems call Country Home Products, Inc. for support.

Troubleshooting Table

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<td>Frequently have to re-align the Scarifying Teeth Plates.</td>
<td>⇒ Dirt has accumulated between the Scarifying Teeth Plates and Grader Frame. Remove the Scarifying Teeth Plates and wipe down the surfaces between the plates and the frame to remove accumulated dirt. Re-install the plates.</td>
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| The wheels on the tow vehicle spin during the grading operation.        | ⇒ The Scarifying Teeth are set too low, causing too large a section of surface to be removed. Raise the height of the Scarifying Teeth Plates to improve traction.  
  ⇒ There is too much weight in the Weight Tray. Remove some of the weight.  
  ⇒ The Tow Vehicle is not adequate for your application.                  |
| The Scarifying Teeth Plates will not move up or down with Control Box.  | ⇒ The battery charge is low; charge the battery.                                                                                           
  ⇒ Loose wire connection. Check the connection at the Control Box quick release connector and the battery terminal connections.  
  ⇒ If the problem persists, call 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637) for assistance. |
## Parts List - DR POWER GRADER

**NOTE:** Part numbers listed are available through Country Home Products, Inc.

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- 125411 Battery Charger Kit
- 138071 Battery Charging Instructions
- 192391 Label, 5-3/4", Silver, DR
- 193391 Label, Warning, MPH
- 191781 Label, Up/Down
- 193481 Label, Caution, Load Capacity
- 193411 Manual, Safety and Operation
- 112141 Wire Ties
- 210861 Drag Screen Assembly (Optional)
NOTES:
2-Year Limited Warranty

Terms and Conditions

The DR® POWER GRADER™ is warranted for two (2) years against defects in materials or workmanship when put to ordinary and normal consumer use; ninety (90) days for any other use.

For the purposes of all the above warranties, “ordinary and normal consumer use” refers to non-commercial residential use and does not include misuse, accidents or damage due to inadequate maintenance.

Country Home Products, Inc. (home of DR® Power Equipment) certifies that the DR® POWER GRADER™ is fit for ordinary purposes for which a product of this type is used. Country Home Products, Inc. however, limits the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness in duration to a period of two (2) years in consumer use, ninety (90) days for any other use.

The 2-Year Limited Warranty on the DR® POWER GRADER™ starts on the date the machine ships from our factory. The 2-Year Limited Warranty is applicable only to the original owner.

The warranty holder is responsible for the performance of the required maintenance as defined by the owner’s manual. The warranty holder is responsible for replacement of normally wearing parts such as the Scarifying Teeth, Rear Plow Bar, and Battery. Attachments and accessories to the machine are not covered by this warranty.

During the warranty period, the warranty holder is responsible for the machine transportation charges, if required. During the warranty period, warranty parts will be shipped by standard method at no charge to the warranty holder. Expedited shipping of warranty parts is the responsibility of the warranty holder.

SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW LIMITATIONS ON THE LENGTH OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATIONS MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

Country Home Products, Inc. shall not be liable under any circumstances for any incidental or consequential damages or expenses of any kind, including, but not limited to, cost of equipment rentals, loss of profit, or cost of hiring services to perform tasks normally performed by the DR® POWER GRADER™.

SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATIONS MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

Customer Service Hotline

Country Home Products, Inc.’s objective is to have 100% satisfied customers. For that reason, we operate a 6-day-a-week Technical Service Department for our Owners. You can access a Representative by dialing our TOLL-FREE Hotline at 1-800-DR-OWNER (376-9637). The sole job of our well-trained and friendly folks is to ensure that you get any help you need in a timely fashion. They are there to answer all your questions including: (1) inquiries on any of the above warranties, (2) inquiries about replacement parts, or (3) your questions regarding service, maintenance and operation.

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS, WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE.
Daily Checklist for the DR POWER GRADER

To help maintain your DR POWER GRADER for optimum performance, we recommend you follow this checklist each time you use your machine.

[ ] HARDWARE: Check all nuts and bolts to be sure that the components are secure.

[ ] FRAME: Check all welds to be sure that the frame is in tact and secure.

[ ] CLEAN: Make sure that mating surface between the Scarifying Teeth Plates and the Frame is clean and free of debris.

[ ] BATTERY: Make sure the Battery is fully charged.