

Safety Guidance



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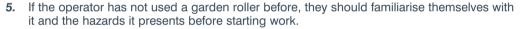
Garden Roller

The rules and procedures in force where people are at work may require the person responsible for this equipment to carry out a specific risk assessment.

This leaflet is not a substitute for a properly executed risk assessment.

Read all of this leaflet and any others issued, BEFORE using the Garden Roller

- This roller is very heavy: take great care to avoid injury by avoiding straining to move it.
- 2. Take care not to crush hands or feet.
- The garden roller is designed to level and flatten, and to gently compact, lawns and other garden surfaces.
- The action of this garden roller can cause injury or damage if not used in a careful and controlled way.



- The worked should be though out and planned ahead to make sure it is always carried out safely.
- 7. The following items of personal protective equipment must be worn as a minimum: Safety Boots to FN345 or BS1870/4972: Gloves.
- This garden roller must not be used by minors, or by anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- This garden roller is designed for operation by an able bodied adult. Anyone with either temporary or permanent disability must seek expert advice before using it.

BEFORE STARTING WORK - WORK AREA

- Make sure that the work area is clear and safe and that no-one is nearby or could cause a distraction.
- 2. Protect other people from injury. Warn others to keep away.
- 3. Check and clear the area of stones and other debris that could be squashed into the ground.















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OPERATORS

- 1. The following items of personal protective equipment (ppe) are the minimum that should be worn whenever the garden roller is used.
- 2. Safety Boots must be worn (En345 or BS1870/4972).
- 3. Anybody who is working nearby will also need to wear appropriate protective equipment.

GARDEN ROLLER

- 1. Check the garden roller. If anything is found damaged, it must not be used contact the hire company.
- 2. This roller will help to level out small undulations in a garden. It will also gently compact the top surface, but not to any depth. It will not level out large lumps and bumps.
- 3. If the roller has to be filled with water before use, a safe convenient place must be identified to both fill and empty it. Clean water must be used.
- 4. Care must be taken; a heavy roller can be difficult to control and stop.
- 5. Before the garden roller is used all operations and controls must be fully understood.

USING THE EQUIPMENT

- 1. Safety boots and gloves must be worn.
- 2. The roller must always be gripped fully with two hands whilst in use.
- 3. On gentle slopes it will be easier to pull the roller up the slope and push it down the slope.
- **4.** Do not try to work up or down steep slopes: control of the roller may be lost. Work should be carried out across these slopes.
- 5. The roller should not be left unattended on a slope: it may start to roll away. A chock must be used to secure it.
- **6.** The roller should not be left standing in one place on tarmac or softer surfaces; it will leave an indentation.
- 7. The water should be emptied from the roller after use.
- 8. If the equipment does not work properly, do not attempt to repair it. Contact the hire company.

Keep this leaflet in a safe place until work is finished as it may need to be referred to again.















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