

OPERATOR'S MANUAL

Tigercat 480 MULCHER

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CALIFORNIA

Proposition 65 Warning

Diesel engine exhaust and some of its constituents are known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm.

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480 Available Literature

Operator's Manual (This Manual)	Part No. 33590A
Service Manual	Part No. 33591A
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INTRODUCTION

An Operator's manual, Service manual and a Parts catalog are made available by **Tigercat** to assist the dealer, customer and operator in becoming familiar with the features of the 480 Mulcher serial number 4800101 and up.

The 480 mulcher is designed for land clearing and vegetation management applications such as fire breaks, easements, thinning of unwanted vegetation, forestry and reforestation site preparation, brush/slash pile reduction after logging operations, survey lines, tree removal from insect infestation, pasture reclamation, road side management and land clearing for property development as well as many other land management, maintenance and reclamation operations.

The operator's manual will assist the operator with the techniques of proper and safe operation of the 480 Mulcher. There is also important information regarding the safe operation of the mulching head. The service manual contains safety and servicing procedures and a preventive maintenance schedule to assist in repair and to ensure optimum machine performance. For manual part numbers, see the title page in each manual.

Section 1 in both the operator's manual and the service manual contains safety information that must be followed. As well, throughout the rest of the manuals, WARNING and CAUTION notices are displayed where necessary, drawing attention to possible hazards when performing certain procedures.

Only trained personnel should be allowed to operate or work on the machine.

The information contained in this manual is current at time of printing. Improvements to the machine are on-going and may not be covered, therefore in these cases contact your **Tigercat** dealer for the appropriate information.

The phrase "**and up**" appearing in this manual after the serial number implies that the related information is current for any machine serial number HIGHER than the serial number preceding the "**and up**".

Tigercat reserves the right to make changes to the machine after this manual release date that may not immediately appear in this manual.

Every effort is made to send out updates on a regular basis. If the machine in question was built after the release date of this manual and there is a discrepancy, call Tigercat service department. The release date appears on the first page.

The Company reserves the right to change information contained herein at any time without prior notice.

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S.A.E. STANDARDS**ROLL-OVER PROTECTION STRUCTURES (ROPS)****FALLING OBJECTS PROTECTION STRUCTURES (FOPS)****OPERATOR PROTECTION STRUCTURES (OPS)***** MODIFICATIONS AND REPAIRS:**

The integrity of the ROPS, FOPS, OPS structure and its continued ability to provide the level of protection it was designed for could be seriously affected by any modifications to the structure, its mounting or to the chassis to which it is attached.

Tigercat emphasizes that the certification of approval of the ROPS, FOPS, OPS structure will become void if any such modification(s) take place.

Tigercat may officially grant approval for modifications only by:

- i. Written approval of repairs or modifications signed by the **Tigercat** Engineering Manager; or
- ii. Approved modifications officially released by **Tigercat**.

Both of the above are provided that the work is carried out in the factory approved manner.

Unauthorized modifications and/or repairs made or contributed to by a customer or a **Tigercat** distributor may result in creating a dangerous situation and therefore the customer or **Tigercat** distributor will be considered to have assumed the risk involved or be negligent in creating this situation.

Tigercat will not be held responsible for situations arising from having created unauthorized modifications/changes to the structure.

Operator's cabs are designed to ROPS, FOPS, OPS standards so that they will withstand force and absorb energy during a roll-over (ROPS), when resisting the impact of a falling object (FOPS) and minimize the possibility of operator injury from penetrating objects (OPS). When a permanent deflection of the structure occurs, the structure can no longer provide the original designed level of protection and should be replaced. Attempts to straighten the structure, particularly by the application of heat, can reduce still further the structures remaining capability to protect.

The mounting and the frame or chassis to which the cab is attached is considered an integral part of the ROPS, FOPS, OPS and is included in the design, test and certification of the product.

Contact the **Tigercat** Service department before attempting any modifications or repair to roll-over protective structures.

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NON-APPROVED FIELD PRODUCT CHANGES

The installation of any unauthorized attachment or changes made of any kind to this **Tigercat** product could affect the product's ability to perform as originally intended. The product's integrity, stability and its ability to perform safely could be at serious risk.

IT IS **Tigercat** POLICY THAT NO CHANGES ARE TO BE MADE TO ITS PRODUCTS INCLUDING DELETIONS OR ADDITIONS OTHER THAN A **Tigercat** APPROVED OPTION FITTED IN THE FACTORY APPROVED MANNER.

Official approval to make changes or install options is **only** to be undertaken as follows:

- i) The relevant options for that product must be shown or listed on current **Tigercat** documentation or literature such as a printed specification sheet, price list, parts manual, or product literature issued by **Tigercat**.
- ii) Approved options or product changes authorized in writing by the **Tigercat** Engineering Manager.

AUTHORIZATION BY ANY OTHER PERSON IS UNACCEPTABLE.

Unauthorized changes made or contributed to by a person or organization may result in creating a dangerous situation and therefore the person or organization will be considered to have assumed the risk involved or be negligent in having created this situation.

Weight is an important factor when considering the addition of options or an attachment. Refer to your **Tigercat** distributor for information on maximum permissible operating weight and the effect the addition of various options may have on your machine.

Tigercat will not be held responsible for any situation that may arise resulting from Non-approved Field Product Changes to its product.

Should **Tigercat** become involved in a dispute resulting from changes made to the product without proper authorization by **Tigercat** as stated above, **Tigercat** will take whatever action is appropriate to protect its interests.

The product warranty policy and the certification on any safety items installed on the modified product will become NULL and VOID if the above policy is not adhered to as specified.

Non-approved product changes also nullify warranties given to **Tigercat** by its component manufacturers.

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