

Deutz-Allis introduces new garden tractor

MILWAUKEE, WI — Deutz-Allis recently announced introduction of the new 1900 series "Ultima" garden tractors. The 18 HP 1918 and the 20 HP 1920 are new from the ground up, according to Sam Smith, Manager of Lawn & Garden Operations.

"The 'Ultima' tractors combine automotive and agricultural technologies to set unprecedented performance and reliability standards," said Smith. "One example of that is our ducted airflow design that draws cool

clean air through screens at the top and rear of the hood, allowing these tractors to operate up to 15% cooler than other similar units for longer engine life."

"Kohler Magnum engines are the heart of these units and deliver more power and more torque at lower RPM," Smith continued. "The Magnum has more powerful electronic ignition, dual filtering, improved piston design that reduced oil consumption, noise and vibration, automotive style full pressure lubrication, automotive

type oil filter and an Oil Sentry lube system monitor.

"A heavy-duty tractor type drive shaft delivers power from engine to the hydrostatic transmission. No clutch/no shift hydrostatic drive means the operator enjoys smooth, effortless speed control both forward and reverse," Smith pointed out.

"The 'Ultima' tractor has a heavy-duty differential axle with massive automotive-type steel bevel gears that mean extra-long life. It is a single range on the 1918 and dual-range with a differential lock on the 1920," Smith said.

"Another big tractor feature is 'shaft drive' for front, center and rear mounted implements, eliminating slippage and tension problems associated with belts," stated Smith. "PTO power is available at the flip of a dash-mounted electric switch. Implements are hydraulically controlled with finger tip ease using a single lever."

The "Ultima" garden tractors give you compact farm tractor performance at garden tractor prices and are perfect for any job where there's more than just a little yardwork to do.



The 1920 "Ultima" garden tractor from Deutz-Allis.

Buy quality seed for spring planting

HARRISBURG — With thoughts of spring planting coming into bloom, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture reminds farmers and gardeners to buy only properly tested and labeled seeds.

Analysis tags on agricultural seed bags must list percentages of pure seed and other matter, germination rate and test date. The test date should not be more than nine months old.

"Seed expenses are less than five percent of crop planting costs, yet seed quality can be the dif-

ference between a good and bad harvest," according to Agriculture Secretary Richard E. Grubb.

He cautioned gardeners to buy only vegetables and flower seeds, "packed for 1986" or whose package labels state the germination rate and test date.

Consumers also are protected, Grubb said, under new lawn seed labeling regulations that require disclosure of undesirable seeds, such as orchard grass, meadow fescue, timothy and annual bluegrass. Their presence must be noted by name and number per pound.

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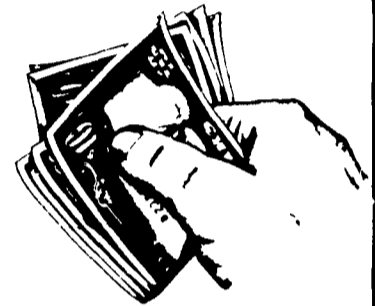
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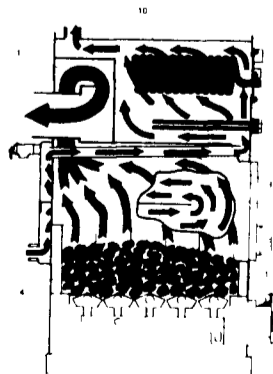
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