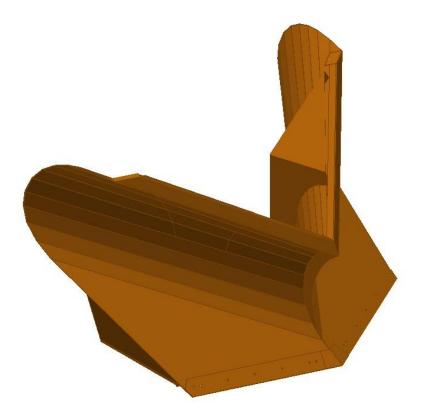


OWNERS MANUAL

VCU VEE PLOW



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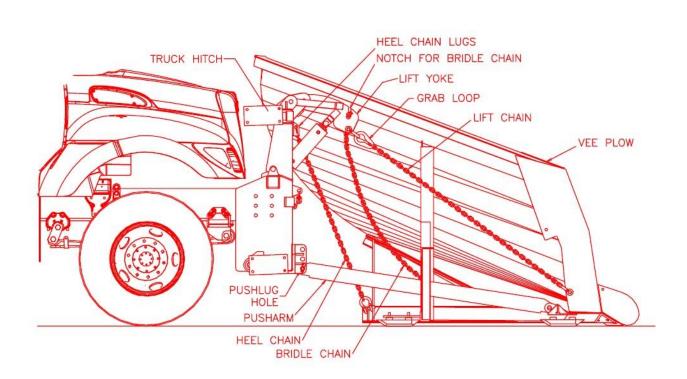
INTRODUCTION- VCU VEE PLOW

CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PURCHASE OF NEW VIKING-CIVES SNOW & ICE CONTROL EQUIPMENT. THIS MANUAL HAS BEEN CREATED TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INSTALLATION, SET-UP, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE INFORMATION FOR THE VIKING-CIVES **VEE PLOWS**. IT HAS BEEN PREPARED TO FAMILIARIZE YOU OR ANY OTHER PERSON WHO WILL BE ASSEMBLING, OPERATING, MAINTAINING, OR WORKING WITH THIS PRODUCT WITH THE DESIGN FEATURES, AND TO INSTRUCT YOU IN THE RECOMMENDED OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE UNIT.

READ THIS MANUAL CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU OPERATE OR SERVICE YOUR **VEE PLOW**. REMEMBER THAT YOU'RE WORKING WITH HEAVY EQUIPMENT THAT CAN INJURE YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE. YOU CAN HELP LESSEN THE CHANCE OF INJURY BY FOLLOWING THE PROCEDURES IN THIS MANUAL, CAREFULLY.

DANGER: IF INCORRECTLY USED, THIS EQUIPMENT CAN CAUSE SEVERE INJURY. YOUR CHANCE OF INJURY CAN BE GREATLY REDUCED BY FOLLOWING ALL SAFETY DECAL NOTIFICATIONS. ALL DECALS MUST BE KEPT CLEAN AND COMPLETE. REPLACE ANY DECALS THAT ARE UNREADABLE. DECALS MAY BE PURCHASED DIRECTLY FROM VIKING-CIVES USA AND/OR YOUR NEAREST AUTHORIZED DEALER. ALL OPERATOR/SERVICE SHOULD REVIEW THIS MANUAL CAREFULLY AND BECOME FAMILIAR WITH ITS CONTENTS. IF ANYONE ELSE BESIDE YOU OPERATES OR SERVICES THIS EQUIPMENT, MAKE SURE THEY READ THIS MANUAL AND ARE INSTRUCTED TO FOLLOW ALL THE SAFETY PROCEDURES RELATED TO THIS EQUIPMENT. KEEP THIS MANUAL AVAILABLE FOR REFERENCE WHENEVER THIS PRODUCT IS BEING HANDLED OR USED. PROVIDE THIS MANUAL TO ANY NEW OWNERS AND/OR OPERATORS.

General Operation Description: The **Vee Plow** is designed to push from a truck attaching point at approximately 18 inches from the ground. Adjustments are built into the plow to allow a small variation in push height.





INSTALLATION

NOTE: THE INITIAL INSTALLATION OF THE PLOW MUST BE PERFORMED ON A REASONABLY SMOOTH AND LEVEL SURFACE TO INSURE PROPER INSTALLATION AND AVOID UNNECESSARY ADJUSTMENT.

ADJUSTING PUSH HEIGHT/PLOW

- 1. PIN THE PLOW TO THE TRUCK USING THE AVAILABLE PUSHLUG HOLES AND PUSHARMS, FINDING THE POINT NEAREST TO 18". NOTE: THE PUSH ARMS ARE THICKER ON ONE END. THIS THICKER END GETS PINNED TO THE A-FRAME ON THE TRUCK. THIS SHOULD POSITION THE PUSH ARM MAIN ANGLE SO THE LEGS TOE TOWARD THE OUTSIDE AND BOTTOM OF THE VEE PLOW.
- 2. INSPECT THE CUTTING EDGE TO SEE IF ALL WEAR POINTS ARE ON THE GROUND.
- 3. IF ALL WEAR POINTS ARE ON THE GROUND, NO ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED. IF ALL WEAR POINTS ARE NOT IN CONTACT WITH THE GROUND, ADJUST THE ATTACH POINT OF THE PUSHARMS AND THE PUSHLUG ON THE A-FRAME BETWEEN THE THREE OPTIONS.
- 4. CONNECT THE LIFT CHAIN TO THE LIFT YOKE GRAB LOOP. THIS SHOULD BE AS TIGHT AS POSSIBLE.
- 5. Loop bridle chain over lift yoke through the bridle chain notch (on top side of lift yoke). This should be done by removing the bolt that holds the chain on the back of the Vee Plow and moving the chain in or out of the key slot. Replace bolt when correct length is reached.
- 6. CONNECT THE HEEL CHAINS TO THE HEEL CHAIN LUGS. MAKE THESE AS TIGHT AS POSSIBLE WHILE THE PLOW IS ON THE GROUND.

OPERATION

When all conditions of installation have been met, the plow is ready to operate. This plow was designed to operate in the forward plowing direction only. Levers for controlling the plow lift are located in the cab of the prime mover.

TO LIFT THE PLOW

THE PLOW LIFT LEVER ACTIVATES A THREE-POSITION VALVE.

- 1. NORMALLY TO RAISE THE PLOW, PULL THE PLOW LIFT LEVER. WHEN YOU RELEASE THE LEVER THE VALVE WILL RETURN TO A NEUTRAL HOLD POSITION AND THE PLOW WILL REMAIN IN THAT POSITION.
- 2. To lower the plow, push the plow lift lever. When you release the lever the valve will return to a neutral hold position and the plow will remain in that position.

NOTE: FOR PLOWS WITH THIS LIFT VALVE ARRANGEMENT, IT IS NECESSARY TO HOLD THE PLOW LIFT LEVER IN THE DOWN POSITION FOR A FEW MOMENTS WHILE PLOWING TO ALLOW THE PLOW TO SEEK ITS LOWEST LEVEL. AFTER THIS HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED YOU CAN RELEASE THE LEVER AND THE PLOW WILL PROPERLY SET TO FOLLOW THE CONTOUR OF THE PLOWING SURFACE. HOWEVER, SOME UNITS ARE EQUIPPED WITH A THREE-POSITION PLOW LIFT VALVE WITH A DETENT IN THE DOWN POSITION. THIS VALVE WILL LOCK IN A FLOAT POSITION WHEN THE PLOW IS LOWERED. THE PLOW WILL THEN AUTOMATICALLY SEEK ITS LOWEST LEVEL ALLOWING IT TO FOLLOW THE CONTOUR OF THE PLOWING SURFACE.



IN PREPARATION FOR THE SNOWPLOWING SEASON AND <u>AFTER EVERY EIGHT (8) HOURS OF OPERATION</u>, A VISUAL EQUIPMENT INSPECTION MUST BE PERFORMED. LOOK FOR ANY DAMAGED COMPONENTS, BENDS, CRACKED WELDS, HYDRAULIC LEAKS, ETC. INSPECT ALL FASTENERS; TIGHTEN ANY THAT HAVE LOOSENED AND REPLACE ANY THAT ARE DAMAGED. CHECK ALL HYDRAULIC HOSES FOR CUTS, CRACKS AND/OR LEAKS. CHECK PLOW LIFT CABLE(S) FOR LOOSE CLAMPS AND FRAYS. IMMEDIATELY REPLACE FRAYED CABLES. ON PLOWS WITH PUSHFRAME MOUNTED SHOES, CHECK ALL SHOE MOUNTING BOLTS FOR TIGHTNESS AND/OR PROPER ADJUSTMENT. CORRECT SHOE HEIGHT SETUP IS CRITICAL FOR PLOW OPERATION AND PERFORMANCE. INSPECT AND GREASE ALL JOINTED AREAS WITH A GREASE PORT ACCESS TO ENSURE LONGEVITY AND PROPER MOVEMENT OF EQUIPMENT.

PERIODICALLY DURING PLOWING, STOP TO INSPECT PLOW CUTTING EDGES AND MOLDBOARD/PUSHFRAME SHOES FOR WEAR. AT THE FIRST SIGN OF EXCESSIVE WEAR, DISCARD AND REPLACE WITH NEW PARTS.

When the plow is disconnected from the prime mover, be sure to couple the hydraulic hoses together, to prevent damage to the quick disconnect hose ends and to help prevent the introduction of foreign material into the hydraulic system.