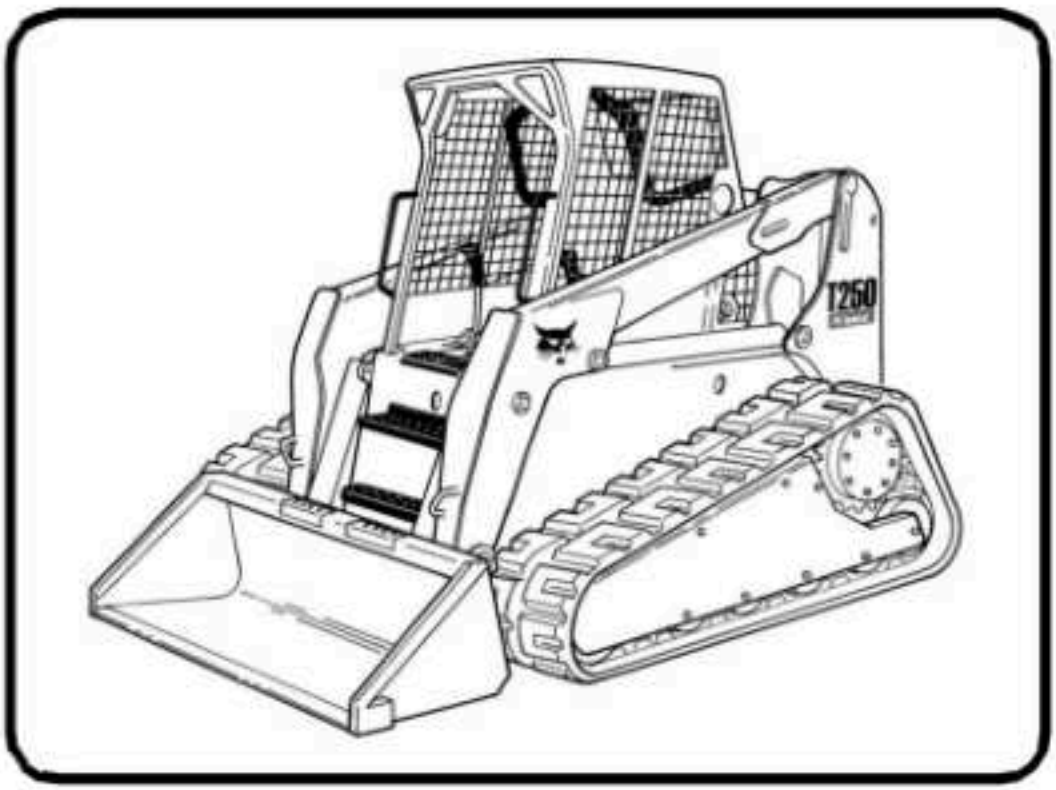
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REFERENCE INFORMATION

Write the correct information for YOUR Bobcat loader in the spaces below. Always use these numbers when referring to your Bobcat loader.

Loader Serial Number _____

Engine Serial Number _____

_____

NOTES:

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YOUR BOBCAT DEALER:

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FOREWORD

This Operation & Maintenance Manual was written to give the owner / operator instructions on the safe operation and maintenance of the Bobcat loader. READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS OPERATION & MAINTENANCE MANUAL BEFORE OPERATING YOUR BOBCAT LOADER. If you have any questions, see your Bobcat dealer. This manual may illustrate options and accessories not installed on your loader.

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ENGINE SPEED CONTROL

Operation

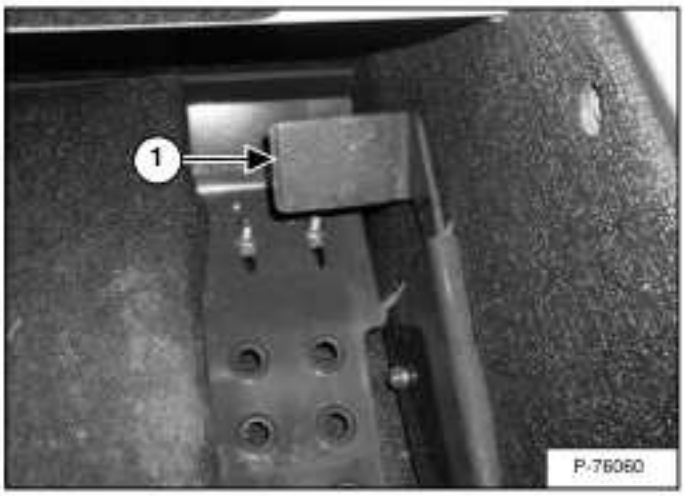
Figure OI-27



The engine speed control lever is at the right side of the operator's seat (Item 1) **[Figure OI-27]**.

Move the lever forward to increase engine speed. Move backward to decrease engine speed.

Figure OI-28



There is a foot operated engine speed control pedal (Item 1) **[Figure OI-28]** in addition to the engine speed control lever on SJC equipped machines. It is located on the right side floor above the footrest.

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COUNTERWEIGHTS

Description

Counterweights can be installed on the loader. See your Bobcat dealer for information about approved loader counterweights and configurations for your job application and attachment.

Effect On The Loader And Loader Operation

Proper operation of the loader and attachment does not change if counterweights are installed on this loader. Always follow the instructions provided in this manual when operating your loader with counterweights installed.

Counterweights installed on your loader can affect the loader and its operation in some applications. Some examples are:

- Increased machine weight.
- Increased Rated Operating Capacity (ROC).
- Harder steering.
- Accelerated or uneven track wear.
- Increased power consumption.

When To Consider Using Counterweights

Install counterweights to increase the loader Rated Operating Capacity (ROC) which could improve attachment performance in some applications. Some examples are:

- Using pallet forks with palletized loads.
- Using grapples or bale forks.
- Using buckets to handle loose material without digging.

When To Consider Removing Counterweights

Remove counterweights to increase the downward force of the attachment for better attachment performance in some applications. Some examples are:

- Digging with buckets.
- Using Hydraulic Breakers, Scrapers or Landplanes.

Accessories That Affect Machine Weight

If your loader is already equipped with accessories like Water Tanks or Rear Stabilizers, installing counterweights may not be necessary.

See your Bobcat dealer for more information about the proper use of counterweights with your attachments and accessories.

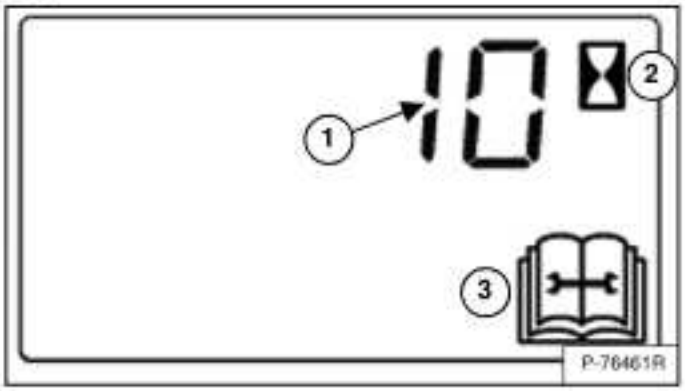
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MAINTENANCE CLOCK

Description

The Maintenance Clock alerts the operator when the next service interval is due. *EXAMPLE:* The Maintenance Clock can be set to a 250 hour interval as a reminder for the next 250 hour planned maintenance.

Figure SA-12



During machine operation, a two beep alarm will sound when there are less than 10 hours until the next planned maintenance.

The remaining hours before maintenance is required will appear in the data display (Item 1) for five seconds while the service icon (Item 3) and hourmeter icon (Item 2) **[Figure SA-12]** flash.

NOTE: The display will show negative numbers after counting down to zero.

The display will then revert back to the previous display and will appear for five seconds every time the machine is started until the maintenance clock is reset.

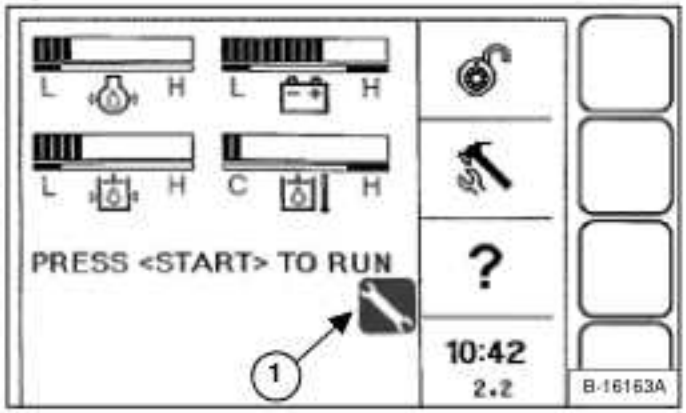
Figure SA-13



The Deluxe Instrumentation Panel, if equipped, will display a message (Item 1) **[Figure SA-13]** alerting the operator to service the machine.

This message will remain for 10 seconds before reverting back to the previous screen and will appear for 10 seconds every time the machine is started until the maintenance clock is reset.

Figure SA-14



The Deluxe Instrumentation Panel, if equipped, will display a wrench icon (Item 1) **[Figure SA-14]** alerting the operator to service the machine. This icon will remain on the display until the maintenance clock is reset.

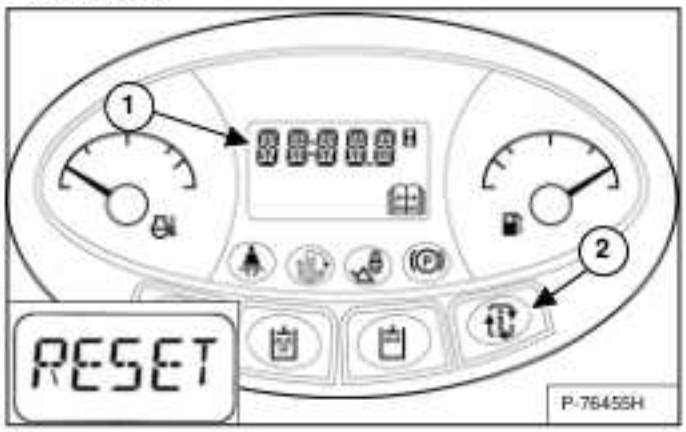
NOTE: Loaders equipped with a Standard Key Panel or Keyless Start Panel will not display the BobCARE℠ PM message or wrench icon on the right panel.

Setup

See your Bobcat dealer about installation of this feature.

Reset

Figure SA-15



Press the information button (Item 2) until the display screen (Item 1) **[Figure SA-15]** shows the maintenance clock.

Press and hold the information button (Item 2) for seven seconds until **[RESET]** (Inset) appears in the display screen (Item 1) **[Figure SA-15]**.

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Safe Operation Is The Operator's Responsibility

Safety Alert Symbol

This symbol with a warning statement means: "Warning, be alert! Your safety is involved!" Carefully read the message that follows.

WARNING

Operator must have instructions before running the machine. Untrained operators can cause injury or death.

W-2001-1285

IMPORTANT

This notice identifies procedures which must be followed to avoid damage to the machine.

I-2019-0284

DANGER

The signal word DANGER on the machine and in the manuals indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

D-1002-1107

WARNING

The signal word WARNING on the machine and in the manuals indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

W-2044-1107

The Bobcat loader and attachment must be in good operating condition before use.

Check all of the items on the Bobcat Service Schedule Decal under the 8-10 hour column or as shown in the Operation & Maintenance Manual.

Safe Operation Needs A Qualified Operator

For an operator to be qualified, he or she must not use drugs or alcoholic drinks which impair alertness or coordination while working. An operator who is taking prescription drugs must get medical advice to determine if he or she can safely operate a machine.

A Qualified Operator Must Do The Following:

Understand the Written Instructions, Rules and Regulations

- The written instructions from Bobcat Company include the Delivery Report, Operation & Maintenance Manual, Operator's Handbook, Safety Manual and machine signs (decals).
- Check the rules and regulations at your location. The rules may include an employer's work safety requirements. Regulations may apply to local driving requirements or use of a Slow Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem. Regulations may identify a hazard such as a utility line.

Have Training with Actual Operation

- Operator training must consist of a demonstration and verbal instruction. This training is given by your Bobcat dealer before the product is delivered.
- The new operator must start in an area without bystanders and use all the controls until he or she can operate the machine and attachment safely under all conditions of the work area. Always fasten seat belt before operating.
- Operator Training Courses are available from your Bobcat dealer in English and Spanish. They provide information for safe and efficient equipment operation. Safety videos are also available.
- Service Safety Training Courses are available from your Bobcat dealer. They provide information for safe and correct service procedures.

Know the Work Conditions

- Know the weight of the materials being handled. Avoid exceeding the Rated Operating Capacity (ROC) of the machine. Material which is very dense will be heavier than the same volume of less dense material. Reduce the size of the load if handling dense material.
- The operator must know any prohibited uses or work areas, for example, he or she needs to know about excessive slopes.
- Know the location of any underground lines. Call local utilities or the TOLL FREE phone number found in the *Before Operation* Section of this manual.
- Wear tight fitting clothing. Always wear safety glasses when doing maintenance or service. Safety glasses, respiratory equipment, hearing protection or Special Applications Kits are required for some work. See your Bobcat dealer about Bobcat Safety Equipment for your model.

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