**Task:** OPERATING A GASOLINE POWERED GRASS / WEED TRIMMER

**Modification to Daily Attire Requirements:** Long Pants or Equivalent Protection such as Chaps or Coveralls

**Required PPE:**

1. Safety Glasses or Face Shield  
2. Safety Shoes  
3. N95 Dust Mask  
4. Long Pants  
5. Hearing Protection  
6. Leather Gloves or other suitable glove

**Required Training:**

- Read, understand, and follow manufacturer’s safety instructions.  
- Training with a competent person  
- Lockout/Tagout Training (LOTO)

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| Preparing / Fueling Equipment | Skin or Eye Exposure to Fuel / Oils | • Per MSDS/SDS: Wear appropriate gloves for fuel  
• Wear safety glasses |
| Fire | | • Never add fuel to hot or running equipment  
• Always add fuel outdoors, ensure fuel cap is secure before use of equipment  
• Do not add fuel near open flame, sparks or other ignition sources  
• Clean fuel spills immediately; do not start engine until fumes have dispersed |
| Eye Injury | | • Wear safety glasses or full face shield as needed to prevent injury from flying objects |
| Hearing Damage | | • Wear hearing protection: ear plugs or ear muff |
| Operating Trimmer | Bodily Injury: Cuts, Scrapes, Burns, etc. | • Remain aware of your surroundings and be aware of changing conditions  
• Watch for loose materials that can become airborne  
• Maintain control of equipment at all times  
• Keep hands and fingers away from moving parts  
• Avoid contact with hot engine parts |
| Muscle strain | • Use proper ergonomics; maintain balance, avoid overreaching and twisting  
• Never bend and twist at the same time |
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| Operating Trimmer | Injury to others | • Use signs, cones, barricades to warn others of work activities  
• Maintain a reasonable safety zone from others - do not allow debris to fly towards pedestrians  
• Suspend use if heavy pedestrian traffic is present  
• Be aware of changing conditions |
| Site Safety | Bodily Injury from vehicles, bicyclists, etc. | • Place signs, cones, barricades, caution tape, and lookouts as needed  
• Wear reflective safety vests |
| Procedure for malfunctioning or broken equipment | Bodily Injury | • Obtain Accident Prevention Tag-mark equipment “Do Not Use” – specify problem or hazard  
• Whenever possible isolate power source so equipment cannot be used. (Lock Out-Tag Out)  
• Notify shop and/or take equipment to shop |