

REAL ADVICE · PROPERTY

FALL SERVICE FOR A COMPACT TRACTOR BEFORE IT GOES ON SNOW DUTY

The tractor that mowed all summer is about to change jobs. Service it now, before the shop's busy season and before you need it at six in the morning.



OIL AND FILTERS

- Check the hours against the manual's interval.
- Close? Change oil and filter now, not in spring.
- Use the winter grade the manual lists.



COOLANT

- Test the strength, not just the level.
- Years of top-ups can water down the mix.
- Blow chaff out of the radiator screen and fins.



FUEL AND WATER SEPARATOR

- Switch to winter-blend diesel.
- Drain water from the separator.
- Keep the tank full when it sits.



BATTERY AND BLOCK HEATER

- Load-test the battery; clean the terminals.
- Plug in the block heater. Check it works and the cord is sound.



HYDRAULIC AND TRANSMISSION FLUID

- Check the level and the colour.
- Milky means water got in. Have it looked at before winter.



TIRES, CHAINS AND BALLAST

- Set tire pressures to the manual.
- Turf tires need chains in snow.
- Loader or front blower? Add the rear counterweight your manual lists.



GREASE EVERYTHING

- Loader pins, three-point hitch, front axle pivot, steering.
- Pump each fitting until fresh grease shows.



DECK OFF, SNOW GEAR ON

- Clean the deck; packed grass rusts it.
- Sharpen or replace the blades now.
- Check pins and clips; wipe the couplers clean.



LIGHTS AND CAB

- Check the work lights.
- Cab: heater, defrost and wipers.
- Most snow work happens in the dark.

BEFORE YOU START: WORK SAFE



Lower the loader and any attachment to the ground, set the park brake, shut the engine off and take the key before you service anything.

Never work under a raised loader or implement.

Intervals, fluid types and capacities vary by model, so let your operator's manual set the specs.

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