

## **WARNING BACKPACK BLOWERS**

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. **YOU** are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. If any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced, or rendered inoperable, **DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!**

**⚠️ WARNING:** Operating, servicing, and maintaining this equipment can expose you to chemicals including engine exhaust, carbon monoxide and lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize your exposure, avoid breathing exhaust, do not idle the engine except as necessary, operate and service your equipment in a well-ventilated area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently when servicing your equipment. For more information go to [www.P65warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65warnings.ca.gov)

Use extreme caution whenever operating, moving, loading, or unloading this equipment. During & after operation the Muffler & other components are Extremely Hot & will cause Serious Burns.

Never operate power equipment of any kind if you are tired or if you are under the influence of alcohol, drugs, medication, or any substance that could affect your ability or judgment. Be alert! If you get tired while operating this equipment, take a break. Tiredness may result in loss of control.

Provide adequate ventilation when operating this equipment. Internal combustion engines consume oxygen and give off deadly carbon monoxide gas.

### **IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES TO FOLLOW**

1. Always wear proper clothing while operating. Avoid loose fitting clothing and shorts. When blowing in dusty conditions, always wear a dust mask. Protect your eyes and ears by wearing safety glasses and ear plugs.
2. Do not refuel engine while machine is running. Always stop engine and allow it to cool. Do not run or refuel indoors. Failure to follow these instructions could result in fire.
3. Avoid touching hot parts of the engine such as the muffler. A Hot muffler can cause very serious burns.
4. Only operate in daylight hours with good visibility.
5. Never point or face blower at people. High pressure of air flow could injure eyes and could blow small objects at great speed.
6. To avoid fire or explosion, do not blow hot or burning substances such as ashes, cigarettes, or combustible materials.

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. If there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment, **DO NOT USE!!! CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!! FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH**