

**WAC 296-807-16020 Use the equipment safely.** (1) You must follow the manufacturer's instructions for safe use of the equipment.

(2) You must keep people clear of discharge opening(s).

(3) You must keep people's hands and feet clear of rotating parts.

(4) You must clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, bones, sticks, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade and create a hazard for the operator or other persons.

(5) You must make sure the operator stops the engine before:

(a) Leaving the equipment;

(b) Unclogging the grass discharge chute;

(c) Cleaning the mower.

(6) You must make sure the operator wears safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields when operating the mower.

**Note:** Use the personal protective equipment (PPE) hazard assessment to determine the type of footwear and other PPE the employees need to wear. See WAC 296-800-160, PPE, in the safety and health core rules.

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