Walk-Behind Blade Belt

Tension Adjustment

Details: The tension of the blade drive belt for any Encore Walk-Behind lawnmower may be adjusted simply by adjusting the length of the turnbuckle assembly attached to the tensioner arm.

With the engine shut off, shift the blade engagement lever into the "blades engaged" position. Remove the belt shield cover from the cutting deck. Find the turnbuckle assembly attached to the belt tensioner arm. Loosen the whizlock nut that secures the turnbuckle body in its position on the turnbuckle assembly. Once the whizlock nut is loosened, the turnbuckle body may be turned to adjust the length of the turnbuckle assembly. Lengthen the turnbuckle assembly to add more tension to the blade drive belt or shorten the turnbuckle assembly to decrease the tension on the blade drive belt. Once the proper tension is set, tighten the whizlock nut to secure the turnbuckle body in its position. Disengage the blade engagement lever and re-install the belt shield cover. This completes the blade drive belt tension adjustment.