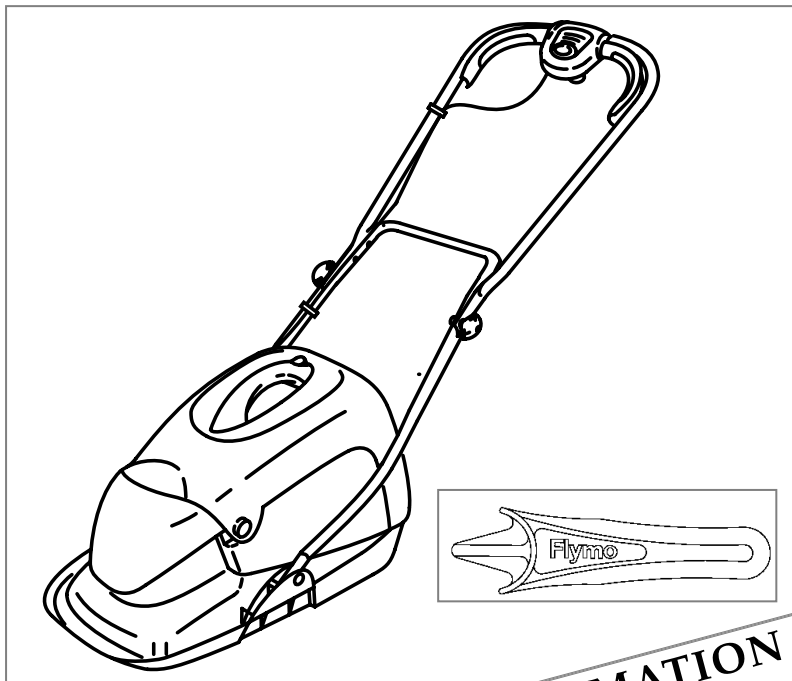


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 Electrolux

## Micro Compact 30



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**  
Read before use  
& retain for future reference



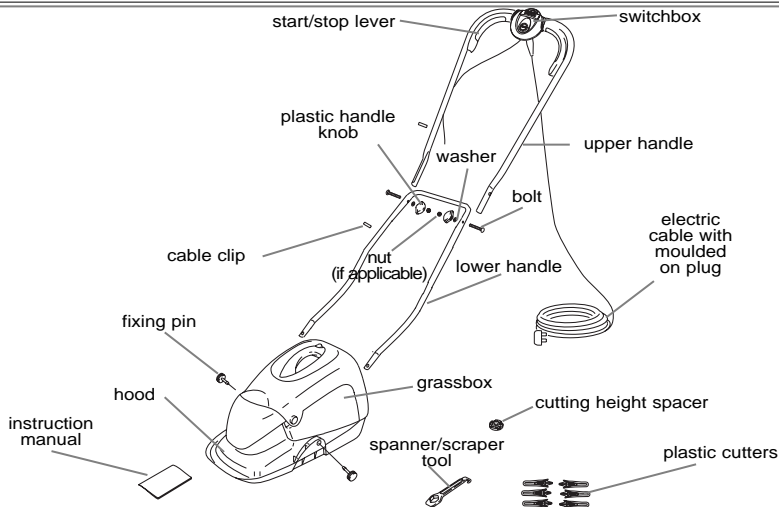
For all customer enquiries or for replacement parts, contact:-

 01325 300303

 [www.flymo.com](http://www.flymo.com)

 [eop.customer.services@electrolux.co.uk](mailto:eop.customer.services@electrolux.co.uk)

## Carton Contents



### IMPORTANT !

Please check the contents of the carton are correct **BEFORE** assembling your new Flymo product.

#### IF ANY PARTS ARE MISSING CONTACT:-

Electrolux Outdoor Products Customer Service Department direct

Telephone : 01325 300303

Fax : 01325 318193

## Safety

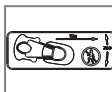


If not used properly this lawnmower can be dangerous! This lawnmower can cause serious injury to the operator and others, the warnings and safety instructions must be followed to ensure reasonable safety and efficiency in using this lawnmower. The operator is responsible for following the warning and safety instructions in this manual and on the lawnmower.

### Explanation of Symbols on the Micro Compact 30



Warning



Keep bystanders away. Do not mow whilst people especially children or pets are in the mowing area



Read the user instructions carefully to make sure you understand all the controls and what they do.



Do not mow in the rain or leave the lawnmower outdoors while raining



Switch off! Remove plug from mains before adjusting, cleaning or if cable is entangled or damaged. Keep the cable away from the plastic cutters.



The use of eye protection is recommended to protect against objects thrown by the nylon line.

### General

1. Never allow children or people unfamiliar with these instructions to use the mower. Local regulations may restrict the age of the operator.
2. Only use the lawnmower in the manner and for the functions described in these instructions.
3. Never operate the lawnmower when you are tired, ill or under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medicine.
4. The operator or user is responsible for accidents or hazards occurring to other people or their property.

### Electrical

1. The British Standards Institute recommend the use of a Residual Current Device (R.C.D.) with a tripping current of not more than 30mA. Even with a R.C.D.

installed 100% safety cannot be guaranteed and safe working practice must be followed at all times. Check your R.C.D. every time you use it.

2. Before use, examine cable for damage, replace it if there are signs of damage or ageing.
3. Do not use the lawnmower if the electric cables are damaged or worn
4. Immediately disconnect from the mains electricity supply if the cable is cut, or the insulation is damaged. Do not touch the electric cable until the electrical supply has been disconnected. Do not repair a cut or damaged cable. Replace it with a new one.
5. Your cable must be uncoiled, coiled cables can over-heat and reduce the efficiency of your mower.

6. Keep cable away from lawnmower, always work away from the power point mowing up and down, never in circles.
  7. Do not pull cable around sharp objects.
  8. Always switch off at the mains before disconnecting any plug, cable connector or extension cable.
  9. Switch off, remove plug from mains and examine electric supply cable for damage or ageing **before** winding cable for storage. Do not repair a damaged cable, replace it with a new one. Use only Flymo replacement cable.
  10. Always wind cable carefully, avoiding kinking.
  11. Never carry the product by the cable.
  12. Never pull on the cable to disconnect any of the plugs.
  13. Use only on AC mains supply voltage shown on the product rating label.
  14. Our products are double insulated to EN60335. Under no circumstance should an earth be connected to any part of the product.
- Preparation**
1. While using your product always wear substantial footwear and long trousers.
  2. Make sure the lawn is clear of sticks, stones, bones, wire and debris; they could be thrown by the plastic cutters.
  3. Before using the machine and after any impact, check for signs of wear or damage and repair as necessary.
  4. Replace worn or damaged plastic cutters together with their fixings in sets to preserve balance.
- Use**
1. Use the lawnmower only in daylight or good artificial light.
  2. Avoid operating your lawnmower in wet grass, where feasible.
  3. Take care in wet grass, you may lose your footing.
  4. On slopes, be extra careful of your footing and wear non-slip footwear.
  5. Mow across the face of slopes, never up and down.
  6. Exercise extreme caution when changing direction on slopes. Walk never run.
  7. Mowing on banks and slopes can be dangerous. Do not mow on **banks** or **steep** slopes.
  8. Do not walk backwards when mowing, you could trip.
  9. Never cut grass by pulling the mower towards you.
  10. Switch off before pushing the mower over surfaces other than grass.
  11. Never operate the lawnmower with damaged guards or without guards in place.
  12. Keep hands and feet away from the cutting means at all times and especially when switching on the motor.
  13. Do not tilt lawnmower when the motor is running, except when starting and stopping. In this case, do not tilt more than absolutely necessary and lift only the part which is away from the operator. Always ensure that both hands are in the operating position before returning the appliance to the ground.
  14. Never pick up or carry a mower when it is operating or still connected to the mains supply.
  15. Remove the plug from the mains :
    - before leaving the mower unattended for any period;
    - before clearing a blockage;
    - before checking, cleaning or working on the appliance;
    - if you hit an object. Do not use your lawnmower until you are sure that the entire lawnmower is in a safe operating condition.;
    - if the lawnmower starts to vibrate abnormally. Check immediately. Excessive vibration can cause injury.

#### Maintenance and storage

1. Keep all nuts, bolts and screws tight to be sure the lawnmower is in safe working condition.
2. Check the grassbox/grassbag frequently for wear or deterioration
3. Replace worn or damaged parts for safety.
4. Only use the replacement plastic cutters, cutting head fixing bolts, spacer and impeller specified for this product.
5. Be careful during adjustment of the lawnmower to prevent entrapment of the fingers between moving blades and fixed parts of the machine.

#### CABLES

##### IMPORTANT

- Use only 1.00mm<sup>2</sup> size cable up to 30 metres length maximum for trimmers and 60 metres length maximum for lawnmowers.

##### Maximum rating :

1.00mm<sup>2</sup> size cable, 10 amps 250 volts AC.

##### THE MICRO COMPACT IS SUPPLIED WITH CABLE WIRED DIRECTLY INTO THE PRODUCT

1. Flymo Mains Cables and Extension Cables are available from your local Electrolux Outdoor Products Approved Service Centre.
2. Do not wire an extension cable directly to your product yourself. Please contact your local Electrolux Outdoor Products Approved Service Centre for further information on the connectors and kits available.
3. Only use extension cables specifically designed for outdoor use.

#### CONNECTORS

##### IMPORTANT

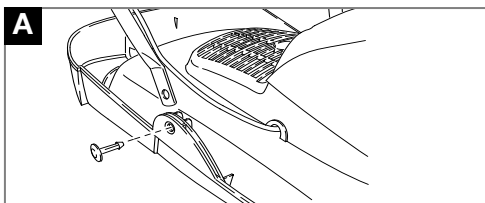
- Flymo connectors are suitable for use with 2 core cable only. Under no circumstances should these connectors be used for earthed products.
- All Flymo connectors and cables are of splashproof construction. They are not waterproof and must not be left outside permanently nor should they be submerged or immersed in water. Do not let cable lay or trail through pools of water or splashed with water from hose pipes.

#### MAINS PLUG REPLACEMENT

- **If the plug supplied is cut off it should be destroyed. There is an electric shock hazard if a cut off plug is inserted into a 13 amp socket.**
1. **No earth required.** Our products are double insulated to EN60335 and under no circumstances should an earth be connected to any part of the product.
  2. **Ensure the mains voltage suits your product**
  3. **IMPORTANT!**  
The wires in the mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:  
BLUE - NEUTRAL  
BROWN - LIVE  
The wire which is coloured BLUE must be connected to the Terminal which is marked with the letter 'N' or coloured BLACK. The wire which is coloured BROWN must be connected to the Terminal which is marked with the letter 'L' or coloured RED.
  4. It is important that the outer sheath is clamped correctly into the 3-pin plug.
  5. If in doubt consult your local Service Repairer or qualified electrician before the machine is used.
  6. **A 13 Amp fuse must be fitted to the Mains Plug.**
  7. The normal plug fuse and household fuse only protect the electrical equipment and are not a safeguard against electrocution.

**If your product is hard wired i.e. non detachable mains electric cable, a conversion kit and extension cable is available from all Electrolux Outdoor Products Approved Service Centres which can be found in your local yellow pages.**

## Assembly Instructions

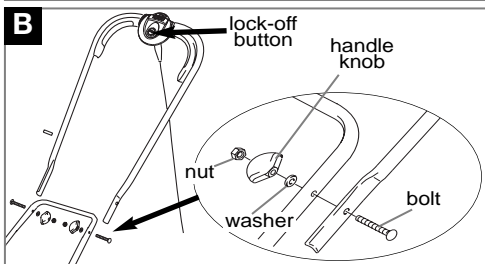


### Fitting the Lower Handles to Your Lawnmower (A)

1. Place the end of the lower handle into the slots.
2. Secure lower handles to hood by firmly pushing fixing pin through holes in hood and handle.
3. Repeat on the other side.

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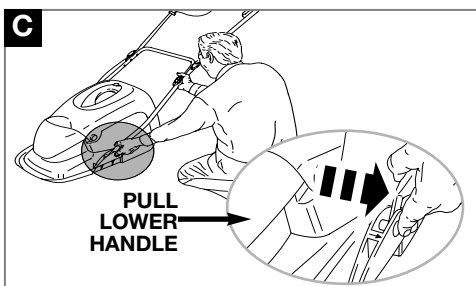
Should a problem occur when securing handle to hood with the fixing pin, carefully lever fixing pin out of location and repeat steps 1 to 3 above.



### Fitting Upper Handles to Lower Handles (B)

1. Ensure the upper handle is located correctly with the lock-off button on the switchbox uppermost.
2. Ensure the upper handle and the lower handle are aligned correctly.
3. Insert the nut into the handle knob. (if applicable)
4. Fit the bolts, washers and handle knobs.
5. Fit the cable to the handles with the clips provided making sure the cable is not trapped between the upper and lower handles.

## Handle Adjustment



- **WARNING! STOP THE LAWNMOWER AND WAIT UNTIL THE CUTTING HEAD HAS STOPPED ROTATING BEFORE ADJUSTING THE HANDLE.**
- **NOTE! REMOVAL OF LOWER HANDLE FIXING PINS IS NOT REQUIRED TO ADJUST THE HANDLE**

### TO ADJUST THE HANDLE (C)

1. Hold handle as illustrated.
2. Take the weight of the handle with your right hand...
3. ...then grip the lower part of the handle with your left hand...
4. ...and **pull** the lower handle towards you with your left hand.
5. Move to forward or down position as required.

### HANDLE IN FORWARD POSITION

Follow procedure described in "TO ADJUST THE HANDLE" and push handle forward until it stops.

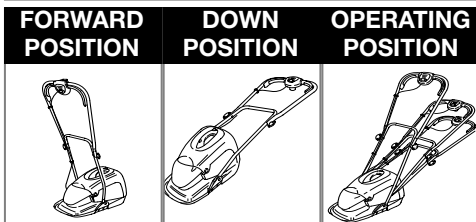
### HANDLE IN DOWN POSITION

Follow procedure described in "TO ADJUST THE HANDLE" and move handle downward until it stops. **NOTE - The handle does not rest flat on the ground.**

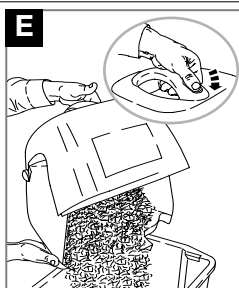
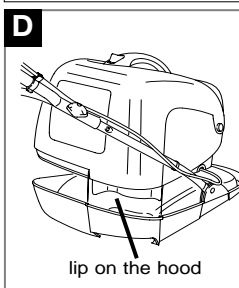
### HANDLE IN OPERATING POSITION

**Adjustment is not required to move the handle to the operating position**

Simply pull down from the forward position **or** lift up from the down position until the handle is in the most comfortable operating position.



## Grassbox



### Fitting the grassbox

- **IMPORTANT!**

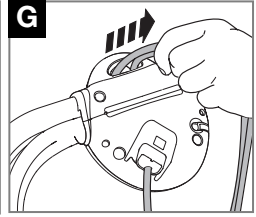
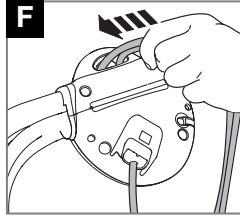
Before using your lawnmower - make sure the grassbox is securely located inside the lip on the hood indicated in figure D.

### Removing and Emptying the Grassbox

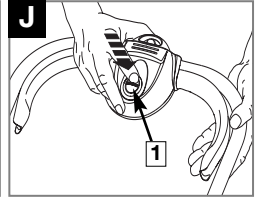
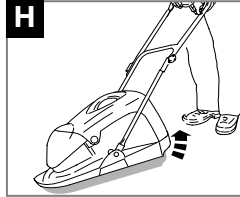
- Stop the lawnmower and wait until the blade has stopped rotating **BEFORE** removing the grassbox.
1. Hold the grassbox by the moulded handle recess and support grassbox base with the other hand.
  2. Move grassbox to emptying site and press release button to open grassbox as in figure E.
  3. Ensure the grassbox is clean **BEFORE** closing and refitting the grassbox.

## Starting and Stopping

1. Form loop in mains cable and push the loop through the slot as illustrated in picture (F).
2. To secure, position loop over the hook and pull the cable back through the slot as illustrated in picture (G).
3. Connect plug to mains.
4. Move handle to the mowing position. See Fig. C.
5. To prevent a ring being cut in your lawn and to clear any residual grass in the collection chute, tilt your lawnmower slightly (H).



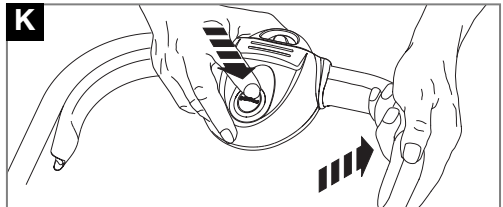
- **The switchbox is provided with a lock-off button (J1) to prevent accidental starting.**
6. Press and hold the lock-off button (J) on the switchbox, then squeeze one of the Start/Stop levers towards the upper handle (K).
  7. Continue to squeeze the start/stop lever towards the upper handle and release the lock-off button.
  8. When the lawnmower has reached full speed gently lower it onto the lawn.



- **NOTE** There are two start/stop levers fitted. Either one can be used for starting the lawnmower.
- **IMPORTANT** Do not use the start/stop levers intermittently

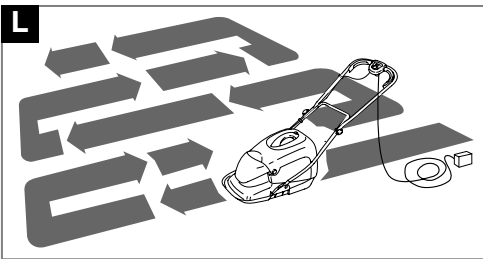
### To Stop your Lawnmower

1. To prevent a ring being cut in your lawn, tilt your lawnmower slightly (H).
2. Release the pressure on the Start/Stop lever.



The Flymo Micro Compact uses an advanced belt drive system, between the motor and the blade which improves cutting power and flotation in all conditions. Due to the high turning force (Torque) which this motor develops a light squeak may be heard when the machine is started, this is quite normal and will not effect the performance of the product.

## How to Mow



1. Start mowing the edge of the lawn nearest to the power point so the cable is laid out on the lawn you have already cut. (L)
2. Cut your grass twice a week during the growing season, your lawn will suffer if more than a third of its length is cut at one time.

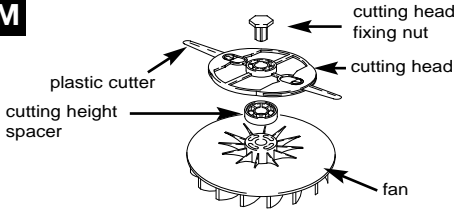
### Do Not Overload Your Mower

Mowing long thick grass may cause the motor speed to drop, you will hear a change in the motor sound. If the motor speed drops you may overload your lawnmower which may cause damage. When mowing in long thick grass a first cut with the cutting height set higher will help reduce the load. See Adjusting the Cutting Height.

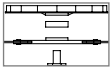
**Remember :** for best grass collection, always mow in a straight line, do not swing the lawnmower from side to side  
**Note :** If a trail of grass is left by your lawnmower this indicates that your cutting height needs to be raised or the grassbox is full. If the grassbox is full, empty it as described in "Removing and emptying the grassbox". Fit the grassbox, start the lawnmower and mow over the grass trail to collect any residual grass.

## Adjusting the Cutting Height

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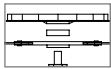


**Cutting height spacer must only be fitted between the cutting head and the fan and NEVER between the cutting head and the cutting head fixing nut**



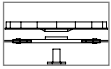
### Cutting Height 1 - Lowest Height of Cut

Fit the cutting height spacer to the fan and the raised side of the cutting head to the spacer.



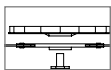
### Cutting Height 2

Fit the cutting height spacer to the fan and the level side of the cutting head to the spacer.



### Cutting Height 3

Fit the raised side of the cutting head to the fan. **Do not fit the cutting height spacer.**



### Cutting Height 4 - Highest Height of Cut

Fit the level side of the cutting head to the fan. **Do not fit the cutting height spacer.**

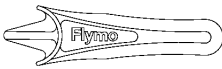
### Adjusting the Cutting Height

#### • THERE ARE 4 CUTTING HEIGHTS

- Always handle the plastic cutters with care - sharp edges could cause injury. **USE GLOVES**
1. Disconnect from the mains electricity supply and wait until the cutting head has stopped rotating
  2. Turn your lawnmower upside down.
  3. **TO REMOVE THE CUTTING HEAD FIXING NUT**  
Hold the cutting head and fan firmly and with the spanner provided loosen the cutting head fixing bolt by turning it anti-clockwise
  4. Remove cutting head fixing nut, cutting head and cutting height spacer (if used).
  5. Adjust the height of cut as required.
  6. If using spacers, place the spacers onto the fan, ensuring the pegs are located in to the holes.
  6. Replace the cutting head fixing nut into the cutting head and cutting height spacer (if used). Ensure the nut is correctly located through the centre hole of the cutting head, cutting height spacer (if used) and fan.
  7. Tighten down clockwise by hand.
  8. Hold the fan firmly and tighten the cutting head fixing nut with the spanner provided. **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.**
- Use only the cutting head fixing nut supplied with the lawnmower - it is insulated for your protection.
  - Never use a cutting head fixing nut if it is damaged or cracked.
  - If a replacement cutting head fixing nut is required - use only the genuine Flymo replacement cutting head fixing nut specified for this product.

## Cutting System Maintenance

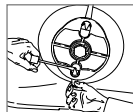
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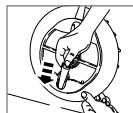
**Use only genuine Flymo replacement plastic cutters specified for this product**



1. Push plastic cutter towards centre of cutting disc. Lift plastic cutter away from cutting disc.



2. If the plastic cutter is broken during use - lever cutter out of the slot, and dispose of carefully.



3. Fit new plastic cutters into the slots at each side of the cutting disc and pull into place.

### Checking your Cutting System

The cutting system must be kept in good condition and inspected before and after use.

1. Turn your lawnmower upside down.
2. Visually check cutting head for wear. Replace if damaged.
3. Visually check plastic cutters for wear and replace when necessary.
4. Plastic cutters should be straight. Replace if bent or twisted.

### Replacing Plastic cutters (N)

- Plastic cutters must be replaced in pairs to retain balance.
- Two plastic cutters of the same type should be fitted.
- Never fit a steel bar blade to this product.
- Always handle the plastic cutters with care - sharp edges could cause injury.
- **IMPORTANT:** Ensure plastic cutters are correctly located.

## Caring for your Lawnmower

- It is very important that you keep your lawnmower clean. Grass clippings left in any of the air intakes or under the hood could become a potential fire hazard.

### Cleaning (P)

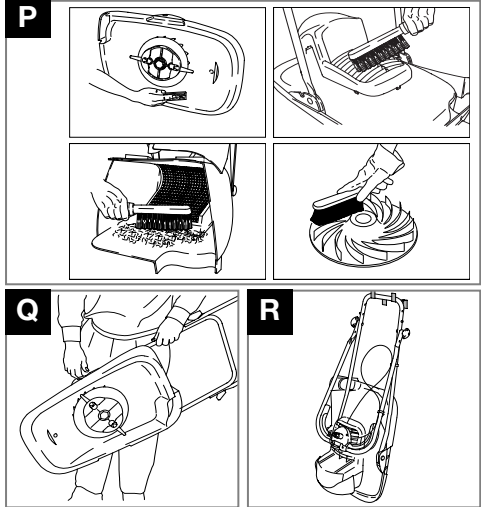
1. Remove grass from under the hood with a piece of wood or similar.
  2. Using a soft brush - remove grass clippings from all air intakes and the grassbox.
  3. Remove the cutting head, see **Figure N**, to gain access to the fan and clean with a soft brush.
  4. Wipe over the surface of your lawnmower with a dry cloth.
- **IMPORTANT**  
Never use water for cleaning your lawnmower. Do not clean with chemicals, including petrol, or solvents - some can destroy critical plastic parts.

### At the End of the Mowing Season

1. Replace plastic cutters, bolts, nuts or screws, if necessary.
2. Clean your lawnmower thoroughly.
3. Ask your local Service Centre to clean the air filter thoroughly and carry out any service or repairs required.
4. Make sure that the electric cable is coiled properly.

**Carrying your Lawnmower** : Hold as illustrated in Figure Q. Ensure the cutting head is facing away from you.

**Storing your Lawnmower (R)** Store in a dry place where your lawnmower is protected from damage.



## Fault Finding Hints

### Fails to Operate

1. Is the Power Turned On?
2. Check the fuse in the plug, if blown replace.
3. Fuse continues to blow?

**Immediately disconnect from the mains electricity supply and consult your local approved Service Centre.**

### Poor Flotation

1. Disconnect from the mains electricity supply.
2. Clean the underside of the hood and the fan blades.
3. Raise to a higher height of cut. See Adjusting the Height of Cut.
4. If poor flotation persists?

**Disconnect from the mains electricity supply and consult your local approved Service Centre.**

### Poor Collection

1. Is the grassbox fitted correctly?
2. Are you mowing in straight lines?
3. Are you cutting more than one third of the grass length?
4. Do you need to raise the cutting height?
5. Follow the procedure described in "Poor Flotation".

### Excessive Vibration

1. Disconnect from the mains electricity supply.
2. Replace broken or missing plastic cutters.
3. Check plastic cutters are fitted correctly.
4. If vibration persists?

**Immediately disconnect from the mains electricity supply and consult your local approved Service Centre.**

## Service Recommendations

1. We strongly recommend that your product is serviced at least every twelve months, more often in a professional application.
2. Always use genuine Flymo Spare Parts.
3. Prepacked spares are available from most Electrolux Outdoor Products stockists.
4. Your product is uniquely identified by a silver and black product rating label
5. If you have a problem with your machine contact your local Approved Service Centre ensuring you have full details of your product as described on the product rating label.

6. **Should it be necessary for work to be carried out by your Service Centre, it is important to take your complete machine including cable and any extension cables used.**

A network of specialist dealers can be found in your local Yellow Pages. To obtain service on your Flymo product simply telephone or visit your local Service Centre. Should you require service under the terms of our guarantee the Service Centre will require proof of purchase.

**All of the centres listed stock genuine Flymo Spare Parts. NOTE: Our Service Repairers act on their own behalf and are not empowered to commit or legally bind Electrolux Outdoor Products in any manner whatsoever.**

## Environmental Information

Electrolux Outdoor Products are manufactured under an Environmental Management System (ISO 14001) using, where practical, components manufactured in the most environmentally responsible manner, according to company procedures, and with the potential for recycling at the end of the products' life.

- Packaging is recyclable and plastic components have been labelled (where practical) for categorised recycling.
- Awareness of the environment must be considered when disposing of 'end-of-life' product.
- If necessary, contact your local authority for disposal information.

## Guarantee & Guarantee Policy

If any part is found to be defective due to faulty manufacture within the guarantee, Electrolux Outdoor Products, through its Authorised Service Repairers will effect the repair or replacement to the customer free of charge providing:

- (a) The fault is reported directly to the Authorised Repairer.
- (b) Proof of purchase is provided.
- (c) The fault is not caused by misuse, neglect or faulty adjustment by the user.
- (d) The failure has not occurred through fair wear and tear.
- (e) The machine has not been serviced or repaired, taken apart or tampered with by any person not authorised by Electrolux Outdoor Products.
- (f) The machine has not been used for hire.
- (g) The machine is owned by the original purchaser.
- (h) The machine has not been used outside of the country for which it was specified.
- (i) The machine has not been used commercially.
- \* This guarantee is additional to, and in no way diminishes the customers statutory rights.

Failures due to the following are not covered, therefore it is important that you read the instructions contained in this Operator's Manual and understand how to operate and maintain your machine:

### Failures not covered by guarantee

- \* Replacing worn or damaged blades
- \* Failures as a result of not reporting an initial fault.
- \* Failures as a result of sudden impact.
- \* Failures as a result of not using the product in accordance with the instructions and recommendations contained in this Operator's Manual.
- \* Machines used for hire are not covered by this guarantee.
- \* The following items listed are considered as wearing parts and their life is dependent on regular maintenance and are, therefore not normally subject to a valid warranty claim: Plastic cutters, Electric Mains cable.
- \* **Caution!**  
Electrolux Outdoor Products does not accept liability under the warranty for defects caused in whole or part, directly or indirectly by the fitting of replacement parts or additional parts that are not either manufactured or approved by Electrolux Outdoor Products, or by the machine having been modified in any way

## EC Declaration of Conformity

I, the undersigned M. Bowden of Electrolux Outdoor Products, Aycliffe Industrial Park, **NEWTON AYCLIFFE**, Co. Durham. DL5 6UP. Certify that the Lawnmower:-  
Category..... **Electric Hover**  
Make..... **Electrolux Outdoor Products**  
Conforms to the specifications of Directive 2000/14/EEC

I, the undersigned M. Bowden of Electrolux Outdoor Products, Aycliffe Industrial Park, **NEWTON AYCLIFFE**, Co. Durham. DL5 6UP. Certify that a sample of the above product has been tested using directive 81/1051/EEC as a guide. The maximum A-weighted sound pressure level recorded at operator position under free field semi anechoic chamber conditions was :-

I, the undersigned M. Bowden of Electrolux Outdoor Products, Aycliffe Industrial Park, **NEWTON AYCLIFFE**, Co. Durham. DL5 6UP. Certify that a sample of the above product has been tested using ISO 5349 as a guide. The maximum weighted root mean square value of vibration recorded at operator's hand position was:-

Type of Cutting Device..... **Plastic Blade**  
Identification of Series.....**See Product Rating Label**  
Conformity Assessment Procedure.....**ANNEX VI**  
Notified Body..... **I.T.S., Cleeve Road, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT22 7SB England**  
Other Directives:-..... **98/37/EEC, 89/336/EEC, 73/23/EEC**  
& applicable standards:-. **EN786:1996, EN786A2:1996, IEC335-1:1991, IEC60335-2-91:1997, EN60555-2:1967, EN60555-3:1967, EN55014:1993, EN55014:1995**

Type.....	<b>A</b>
Width of Cut.....	<b>B</b>
Speed of Rotation of Cutting Device.....	<b>C</b>
Guaranteed sound power level.....	<b>D</b>
Measured Sound Power Level.....	<b>E</b>
Level.....	<b>F</b>
Value.....	<b>G</b>
Weight.....	<b>H</b>

A	<b>Micro Compact 30</b>
B	<b>30 cm</b>
C	<b>5,300 RPM</b>
D	<b>94 dB (A)</b>
E	<b>93 dB (A)</b>
F	<b>81 dB(A)</b>
G	<b>1.94 m/s<sup>2</sup></b>
H	<b>8 kg</b>



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