

# Original Instruction manual

# Asparagus cultivator DACHS

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## 1. Introduction

This instruction manual is valid for the asparagus cultivator DACHS. It is made for the persons who work with this machine and gives you advices for the use, the adjusting and the operation of the asparagus cultivator DACHS.

Make this instruction manual available to all persons who work with the machine. Texts and pictures are kept neutral as far as possible. Attention is drawn to differences by means of picture headings or text notes.

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## 2. Content

Read this instruction manual carefully and completely before working with the asparagus cultivator. Follow the advice for the correct care and maintenance of your machine and you will achieve constant operational readiness and a long service life for your machine.

# 3. General remarks

## 3.1 Special attention

All people who would use, care or control the DACHS have to read, comprehend and pay attention to the instructions of this instruction manual to avoid danger. Especially pay attention to the "Security and accident prevention instructions". The use of spare parts, accessories and additional devices which do not come original from HMF and are not checked and released from HMF, constructively given qualities of the HMF machine or her functional ability negatively change and thereby affect the active and/or passive safe driving as well as working security (accident protection), is not permitted.

For damages, in this respect by the use of Non-HMF-Original-Spare Parts, accessories and additional devices every liability is excluded from HMF.

Technical designations, measures and weights are non-binding. We reserve ourselves changes in the course of the technical development and mistakes. In front, behind, right and left is valid always in direction of the traffic.

## **3.2 Description of the type plate**

The serial number of the machine, the type and the year of manufacture are stamped on the type plate. This type plate is normally located on the front right of the machine. Front, rear, right and left always apply in the direction of travel.

In the event of a spare parts order, please provide us with the following information:

- 1. Type
- 2. Year of manufacture
- 3. Serial number



# 4. Safety instructions

Please read and observe these operating instructions and the safety instructions before you start working with the machine.

#### Labelling of warnings and hazards

In these operating instructions we have marked all passages concerning your safety and the safety of the machine with the following symbols. Pass on all safety instructions to other users as well!



#### Danger!

Marking of instructions which, if not followed, pose a risk to the life and limb of the operator or his fellow human beings and measures to avoid the danger



### Attention!

Marking of instructions which, if not followed, may cause damage to the machine and measures to avoid danger to the machine.



#### Note!

Marking of indications that enable a more effective and economical use of the machine



#### **Environment!**

Labelling of instructions which, if not followed, pose a risk to the environment.

There is an environmental hazard if environmentally hazardous substances (e.g. oils, foils, etc.) are not handled properly and/or disposed of.

The warning and information signs attached to the machine provide important information for safe operation. Observance of this information is for your own safety. In general:

- a) Strictly follow warning signs and information signs!
- b) Pass on all safety instructions to other users as well!
- c) Keep warning signs and information signs in good condition, replace if necessary!

Before commissioning, read the operating instructions and observe the safety instructions! For maintenance and repair work, switch off the engine and remove the ignition key.!
When operating the power lift, do not stand in the lifting range stop! It is forbidden to stand between the tractor and the implement during operation.!
Do not touch machine parts until they have come to a complete standstill During operation and when the engine is running do not open or remove the guard. Never reach into the rotating parts. Do not stand near the rotating parts or touch moving machine parts! Wait until they have come to a complete standstill!

	There is a risk of crushing!
	Caution! Danger from ejecting parts when the machine is running. Keep a safe distance!
Image: second se	Do not stay within the swivel range of the implements!

# 4.1. Safety and accident prevention regulations

- 1. In addition to the information in this instruction manual, observe the general safety and accident prevention regulations.
- 2. When using public traffic routes, observe the respective regulations!
- 3. Before starting work, familiarise yourself with all the actuating devices and their function before starting work. It is too late to do this while driving!
- 4. Before starting the engine, make sure that no gear is engaged and that all guards are in place and in protective position.
- 5. Before starting, check the immediate area (children!). Ensure sufficient visibility. Sound the horn for safety!
- 6. The rider's clothing should be tight-fitting. Loose clothing should be avoid!
- 7. When mounting and dismounting the machine, it is forbidden to stand between the tractor and the machine while the diesel engine is running, as danger of crushing.
- 8. When hitching and unhitching the hydraulic connections, switch off the tractor's diesel engine. Switch off the diesel engine of the tractor.
- 9. Only mount and dismount the asparagus cultivator on level, solid ground, and park it.

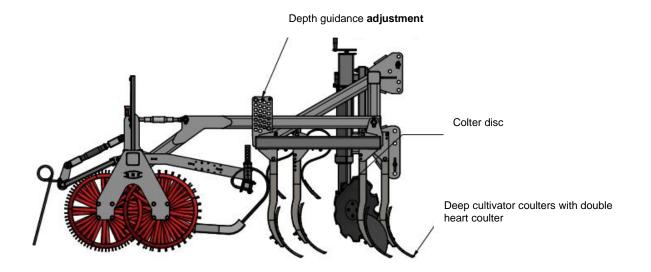
## 4.2. Notes on road safety

- The permissible axle loads of the tractor and the permissible tyre load capacity of the tractor must not be exceeded by the attachment of the asparagus cultivator.
- When hitching to the tractor's three-point linkage, the lower links must be locked according to the tractor manufacturer in order to prevent the tractor-implement combination from rocking during road travel.
- The requirements and instructions of the information sheet for attachments from the road traffic regulations must be observed.
- Before driving on public roads, especially after a field operation, it is necessary to prevent dirt or adhering soil from falling onto the roads. In the event of the road is contaminated with dirt or soil, the danger area must be marked and marked and cleaned immediately.

# 5. Before commissioning

To take full advantage of your new machine, please read and follow this instruction manual before using your machine. Before using the machine, check that it has been delivered complete. Remove the packaging carefully and completely. Familiarise yourself with the technical instruments. Lubricate all grease nipples and grease all moving parts with grease or oil. Please always observe the safety instructions. We must reject warranty claims resulting from improper handling!

# 6. Working and setting



#### Colter discs:

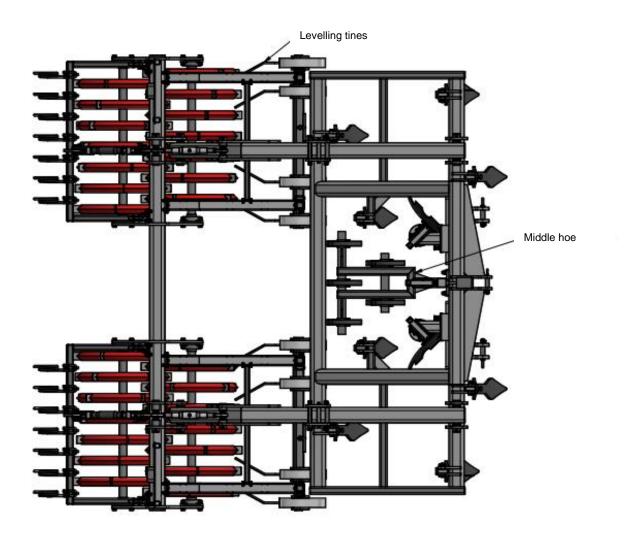
- Two colter discs were installed per asparagus dam.
- This removes the soil evenly from both sides of the asparagus dam and throws it into the centre of the tramline.
- By using the colter disc, the soil is distributed more evenly between the asparagus dams across the entire width.

#### Deep cultivator coulters with double heart coulter:

- The height of the cultivator stalks, which are positioned directly next to the asparagus dam, can be adjusted to prevent damage to the roots of old plants, for example.
- A high passage is ensured by the long cultivator stalks, so there is hardly any risk of blockage by wild herbs and other plant residues.

#### Depth guidance adjustment:

- The working depth is adjusted via a bolt-hole pattern system.
- Depth guidance takes place via the double roof ring roller.



#### Levelling tines:

- for even levelling of the soil between the asparagus rows Advantage:
  - > no formation of a water channel between two asparagus rows.
  - smoother driving with the narrow-track tractor in the tramlines.

#### Middle hoe:

- The middle hoe enables mechanical cultivation of the top of the asparagus dam. This aerates the asparagus dam and promotes the rotting of plant residues, which thus ensuring better dam hygiene.
- The asparagus dam flanks are also broken/rounded off. This means that the asparagus dams cannot break away during the summer and the spray film is not interrupted.

Result: less wild herb pressure

The tractor and the asparagus cultivator DACHS should stand, if possible, horizontally.

#### Attention!

Working max. 3-4 cm about the asparagus plants crown.

#### Important:

The working depth is to be controlled and to correct if necessary.

- > The rolls on the harrow may be clogged by wild herbs or stones.
- The inclination of the roller is changed by turning the rear top link higher or lower. The working speed on dry ground is approx. up to 12 km/h. Slowing down the travelling speed also prevents the rollers from clogging.

### 7. Notes on misuse of the machine

No persons may be carried on the machine.

### 8. Volume level

DACHS asparagus cultivator itself does not generate any significant noise. Noise is only emitted by the tractor.

#### 9. Maintenance and care

All rotating parts must be greased regularly (every 20 operating hours).

As displaced lubricant can get into the feed, soil or groundwater during relubrication, we generally recommend the use of biodegradable lubricants!