

## **Fuel Safety Tips**

Follow all fuel safety precautions outlined in the Operator's Manual. To avoid personal injury or property damage, use extra care when handling gasoline and other fuels. They are flammable and the vapors are explosive. A fire or explosion from gasoline can burn you and others and cause property damage.

- NEVER smoke while filling the fuel tank or handling gasoline.

  Keep mower away from an open flame or where fumes may ignite by a spark.
- NEVER fill the fuel tank indoors, in an enclosed trailer, or while the engine is hot or running. Fill the fuel tank outdoors on level ground, in an open area, when the engine is cool.
- NEVER overfill the tank.

Fill to the bottom of the filler neck. Overfilling may cause fuel leakage or damage to the engine emission system. Wipe up any spilled fuel or allow fuel to dissipate before starting the engine. Avoid prolonged breathing of vapors.

- NEVER operate the machine without the entire exhaust system in place and in proper working condition.
- ALWAYS close the fuel shut-off valve when storing or transporting the machine.
- ALWAYS store fuel in an approved container and keep it out of the reach of children.
- **NEVER siphon gasoline by mouth.**Gasoline is harmful or fatal if swallowed. Keep your face and skin protected and away from the the nozzle and gas tank/container opening.