



Auger - Hand Held Use

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Possible Hazards Present			Personal Protection Required			Additional Training		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moving Parts - Vibration - MSI Injury 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSA Footwear - CSA Safety Glasse - Hearing Protection 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PPE Procedure 		
<p>1. Start engine. Move the choke lever to the "ON" position. Move the throttle control to low. Grasp the starter cord and pull. After the engine has started; slowly move the choke lever to the "OFF" position and pull the starter control again. Once the motor is running slowly increase the throttle.</p> <p>2. Place the auger point in the desired hole location. Make sure that the unit is upright.</p> <p>3. Engage the throttle and start digging at a slow speed. Increase speed as the auger enters the soil.</p> <p>4. For heavier soil, move unit up and down for each foot of depth.</p> <p>5. If an object is encountered that is to large for the auger to move, release the throttle control until the engine idles down. Then pull the auger from the hole and turn the engine off. Remove obstacle if possible and then resume digging.</p>								
<p><u>Documentation/Legislation</u> Workplace Safety and Health Regulation, M.R. 217/2006</p> <p>6 - Personal Protective Equipment 16 - Machines, Tools, and Robots 8 - Musculoskeletal Injuries</p>					<p>This Safe Work Procedure will be reviewed anytime the task, equipment or materials change and at a minimum every three years.</p>			