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Operator's Manual

MRBC Series Rotary Brush Cutters



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INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your purchase of a new Martatch MRBC Series Rotary Brush Cutter. You or any other person, who will be assembling, operating, maintaining or working with this product are required to read and completely understand the information and instructions contained in this manual. Contact Martatch Attachments at **1-800-698-5510** with any questions about this product. Keep this manual available for reference whenever this product is being handled or used. Provide this manual to any new owners and/or operators. This manual covers model(s):

- All MRBC Series Rotary Brush Cutters

GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of this manual is to assist in mounting, operating, and maintaining your MRBC Series Rotary Brush Cutter. Read this manual carefully to obtain valuable information and instructions that will help you achieve years of safe and dependable service. The illustrations and data used in this manual were current at the time of printing, but due to possible engineering and/or production changes, this product may vary slightly in detail. Martatch Attachments reserves the right to redesign and/or change components as may be necessary without notification to anyone.

Throughout this manual, references may be made to:

Power source - The engine-driven machine to which this product is attached.

Right, Left Front, Rear - Directions are determined in relation to the operator of the equipment when seated in the normal operation position.

Important - Precautions that must be followed to prevent substandard performance.

Owner and Operator Safety Information

THINK SAFE, BE SAFE !



This symbol by itself or with a warning word throughout this manual is used to call your attention to instructions involving your personal safety or the safety of others. Failure to follow these instructions can result in injury or death



DANGER - This signal word is used where serious injury or death will result if the instructions are not followed properly.



WARNING - This signal word is used where serious injury or death could result if the instructions are not followed properly.



CAUTION - This signal word is used where minor injury could result if the instructions are not followed properly.



NOTICE - Notice indicates a property damage message

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



WARNING! Read Manual Prior to Installation

Improper installation, operation, or maintenance of this equipment could result in serious injury or death. Operators and maintenance personnel should read this manual, as well as all manuals related to the Power Source before beginning installation, operation, or maintenance.



WARNING! Read and Understand All Safety Statements

Read all safety decals and safety statements in all manuals prior to operating or working on this equipment. Know and obey all O.S.H.A. regulations, local laws, and other professional guidelines for your operation. Know and follow safe work practices when assembling, maintaining, repairing, mounting, removing, or operating this product.



WARNING! Know Your Equipment

Know your equipment's capabilities, controls and operations before operating. Visually inspect your equipment before you start, and never operate equipment that is not in proper working order with all safety devices intact. Check all hardware to ensure it is tight. Make certain that all locking pins, latches, and connection devices are properly installed and secured. Remove and replace any damaged, fatigued, or excessively worn parts. Make certain all safety decals are in place and are legible. Keep decals clean, and replace them if they are hard to read.



WARNING! Protect Against Flying Debris

Always wear proper safety glasses, goggles or a face shield when driving pins in or out, or when any operation causes dust, flying debris, or any other hazardous material.



WARNING! Lower or Support Raised Equipment

Lower attachment to the ground before leaving operator's station. Do not work under raised booms without taking the proper action to support them, or lower booms to ground level.



WARNING! Use Care When Working With Hydraulic Fluid Pressure

Hydraulic fluid under pressure can penetrate the skin and cause serious injury or death. Hydraulic leaks under pressure may not be visible. Before connecting or disconnecting hydraulic hoses, read your Power Source operator's manual for detailed instructions on connecting and disconnecting hydraulic hoses or fittings.

- Keep unprotected body parts, such as face, eyes, and arms as far away as possible from a suspected leak. Flesh injected with hydraulic fluid may develop gangrene or other permanent disabilities.
- If injured by fluid, see a doctor at once.
- Wear safety glasses, protective clothing when searching for hydraulic leaks. **DO NOT USE YOUR HANDS!**

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



WARNING! DO NOT MODIFY MACHINE OR ATTACHMENTS

Modifications may weaken the integrity of the attachment and may impair the function, safety, life, and performance of the attachment. When making repairs, use only the manufacturer's genuine parts, following authorized instructions. Other parts may be substandard in fit and quality. Contact Martatch Attachments before modifications are made.



WARNING! SAFELY MAINTAIN AND REPAIR EQUIPMENT

- Do not wear loose clothing, or any accessories that can catch in moving parts.
- If you have long hair, cover or secure it so that it does not become entangled in the equipment.
- Work on a level surface in a well-lit area.
- Use the correct tool for the job at hand. Make sure they are in good condition for the task required.
- Wear the protective equipment specified by the tool manufacturer. (i.e. safety glasses, work gloves, protective shoes, hardhat etc.).



WARNING! SAFELY OPERATE EQUIPMENT

Do not operate equipment until you are completely trained by a qualified operator in how to use the controls, know its capabilities, and all safety requirements. See Power Source manual for these instructions.

- Keep all step plates, grab bars, pedals, controls, etc. free of dirt, grease, debris, and oil.
- Never allow anyone to be around the equipment when it is operating..
- Do not allow riders on the attachment or the Power Source.
- Do not operate the equipment from anywhere other than the correct operators position.
- Never leave equipment unattended with the engine running or with attachment in a raised position.
- Do not alter or remove any safety feature from the Power Source or this attachment.
- Know your work site safety rules as well as traffic rules and flow. When in doubt on any safety issue, contact your supervisor or safety coordinator for an explanation.

SAFETY DECALS AND LOCATION

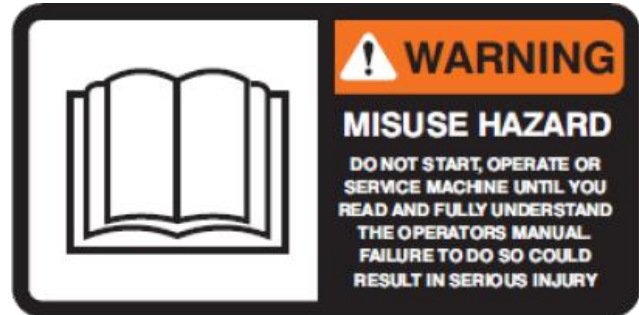
The diagram on this page shows the location of the decals. The decals are identified by their part numbers, with reductions of the actual decals located on the next page. Use this information to order replacements for lost or damaged decals. Be sure to read all decals before operating the attachment. They contain information you need to know for both safety and product longevity.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Keep all safety decals clean and legible.
- Replace all missing or damaged safety decals.
- When replacing parts with safety decals attached, new parts must also have safety decals attached.
- Safety decals are available from Martatch Attachments.



MRBC SERIES - SAFETY DECALS



POWER SOURCE SPECIFICATIONS



IMPORTANT - Exceeding any of the maximum recommended power source specifications can result in damage to this product and void all warranties.

Recommended HP on Power Source

- MRBC-Series Rotary Brush Cutter are recommended for use with 50 - 150 HP Machines

Hydraulic specifications

- Hydraulic Flow Rating of Motor 12 to 22 GPM
- **Maximum** Hydraulic Pressure 4,000 psi

To maintain required Power Source stability add Rear Counterweights.
Note: - See Power Source manuals for correct weight needed.
DO NOT EXCEED MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT.

MRBC ROTARY BRUSH CUTTER SPECIFICATIONS

Model	Overall Width	Overall Length	Replacement Blades (Qty.)	Shipping Weight	Recommended HP Rating
MRBC60	60.5"	92"	3	1062Lbs.	50 - 150
MRBC66	66.5"	92"	3	1144Lbs.	50 - 150
MRBC72	72.5"	104"	3	1338Lbs.	50 - 150
MRBC84	84.5"	115"	3	1573Lbs.	50 - 150

BOLT TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

Diameter (Inches)	Wrench Size	MARKING ON BOLT HEAD					
		SAE 2		SAE 5		SAE 8	
		lbs-ft	N-m	lbs-ft	N-m	lbs-ft	N-m
1/4"	7/16"	6	8	10	13	14	18
5/16"	1/2"	12	17	19	26	27	37
3/8"	9/16"	23	31	35	47	49	67
7/16"	5/8"	36	48	55	75	78	106
1/2"	3/4"	55	75	85	115	120	163
9/16"	13/16"	78	106	121	164	171	232
5/8"	15/16"	110	149	170	230	240	325
3/4"	1-1/8"	192	261	297	403	420	569
7/8"	1-5/16"	306	416	474	642	669	907
1"	1-1/2"	467	634	722	979	1020	1383

Diameter & Thread Pitch (Inches)	Wrench Size	FINE THREAD			
		MARKING ON HEAD			
		Metric 8.8		Metric 10.9	
		N-m	lbs-ft	N-m	lbs-ft
6 x 1.00	10 mm	8	9	11	8
8 x 1.00	13 mm	21	16	29	22
10 x 1.25	16 mm	41	30	57	42
12 x 1.25	18 mm	75	55	103	76
14 x 1.50	21 mm	118	87	163	120
16 x 1.50	24 mm	181	133	250	184
18 x 1.50	27 mm	263	194	363	268
20 x 1.50	30 mm	367	270	507	374
22 x 1.50	34 mm	495	365	684	505
24 x 2.00	36 mm	623	459	861	635
30 x 2.00	46 mm	1258	928	1740	1285

Diameter & Thread Pitch (Inches)	Wrench Size	COARSE THREAD			
		MARKING ON HEAD			
		Metric 8.8		Metric 10.9	
		N-m	lbs-ft	N-m	lbs-ft
6 x 1.00	10 mm	8	9	11	8
8 x 1.25	13 mm	20	15	27	20
10 x 1.50	16 mm	39	29	54	40
12 x 1.75	18 mm	68	50	94	70
14 x 2.00	21 mm	109	80	151	111
16 x 2.00	24 mm	169	125	234	173
18 x 2.50	27 mm	234	172	323	239
20 x 2.50	30 mm	330	244	457	337
22 x 2.50	34 mm	451	332	623	460
24 x 3.00	36 mm	571	421	790	583
30 x 3.00	46 mm	1175	867	162	1199

BASIC MOWER FEATURES

Back Roller

The MRBC is equipped with a bolt on back roller to help keep the cutter level and true to the cutting surface. The back roller is mounted with bearings and bolted on to the rear of the chassis. The back roller does not require any adjustments.

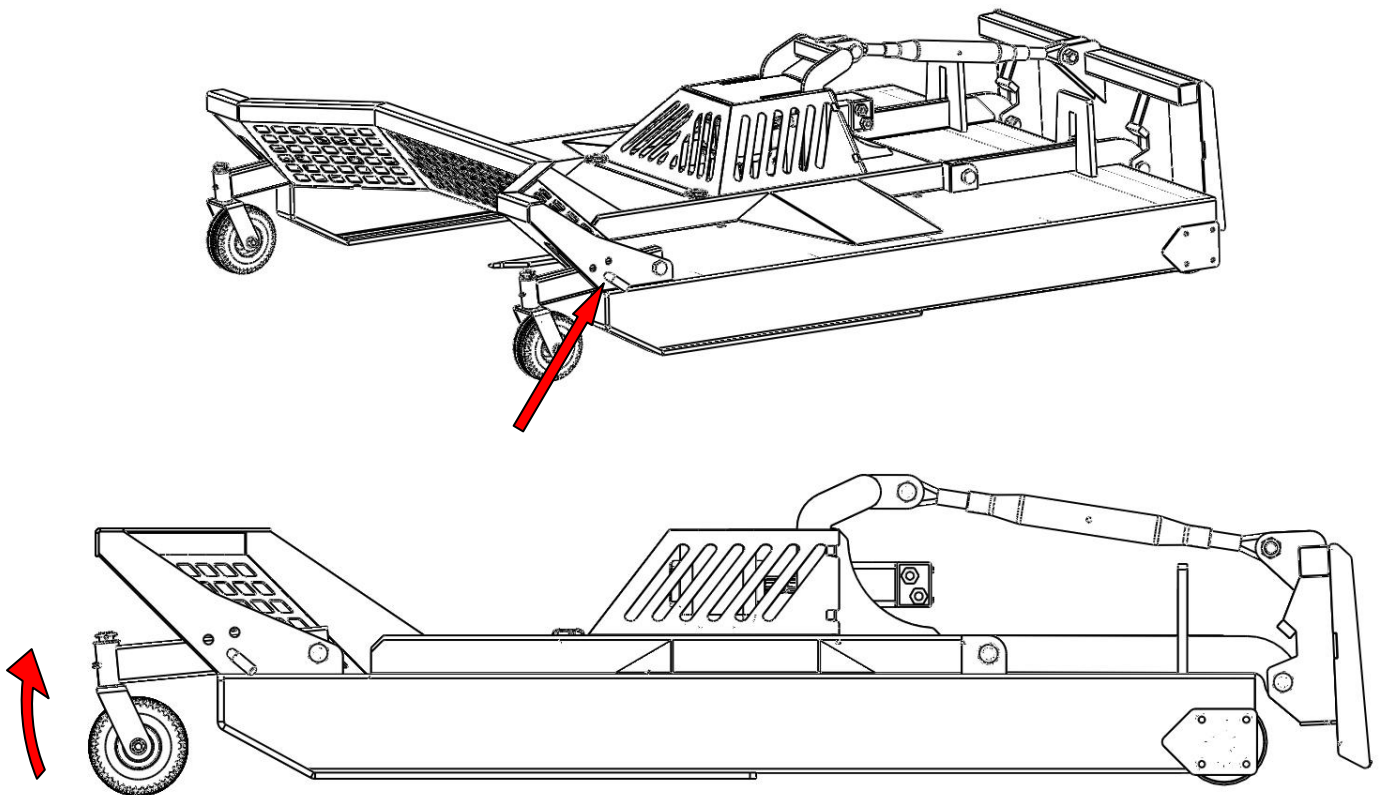


BASIC MOWER FEATURES (Cont.)

Caster adjustments (*Optional)

The MRBC has the option to be equipped with large heavy duty front casters that can be easily adjusted with a quick pin. The casters can be adjusted to keep the mower skid shoes up off the ground or used as guide for going up or down inclines. It can also be stored in the top position when not in use.

*Only required on models equipped with front casters

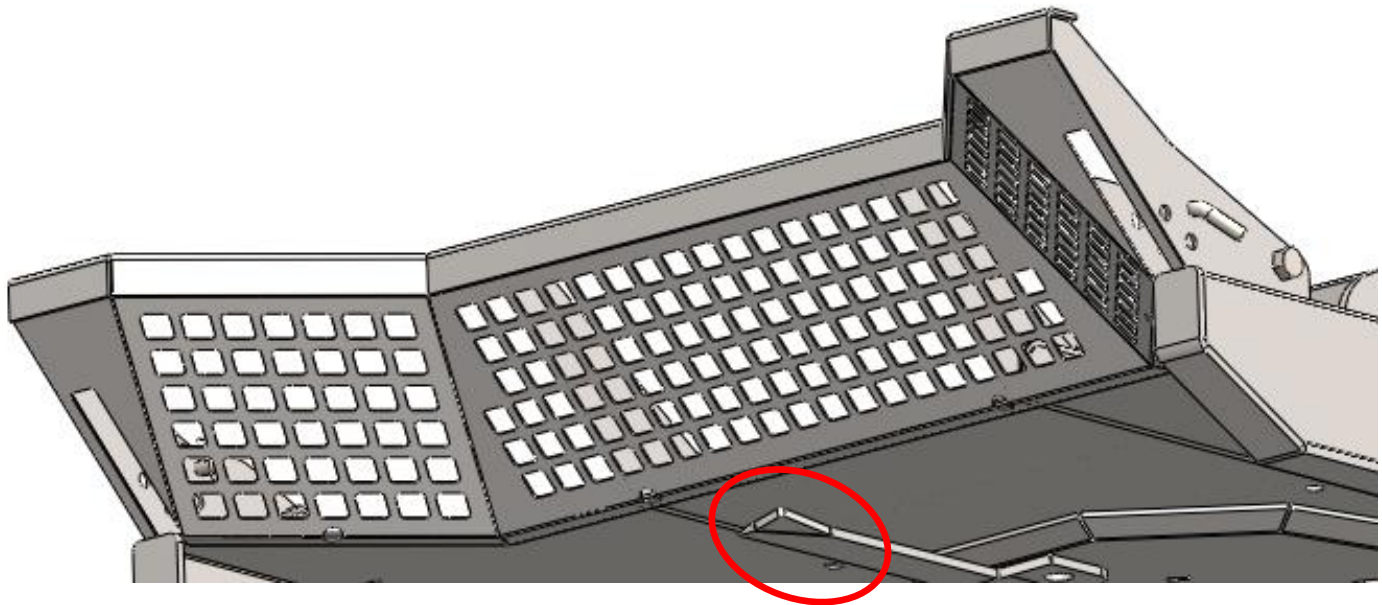


BASIC MOWER FEATURES (Cont.)

Front Bumper & Grill

The MRBC rotary brush cutter is equipped with a front grill & bumper to help push, feed material into the cutting cavity and keep debris contained.

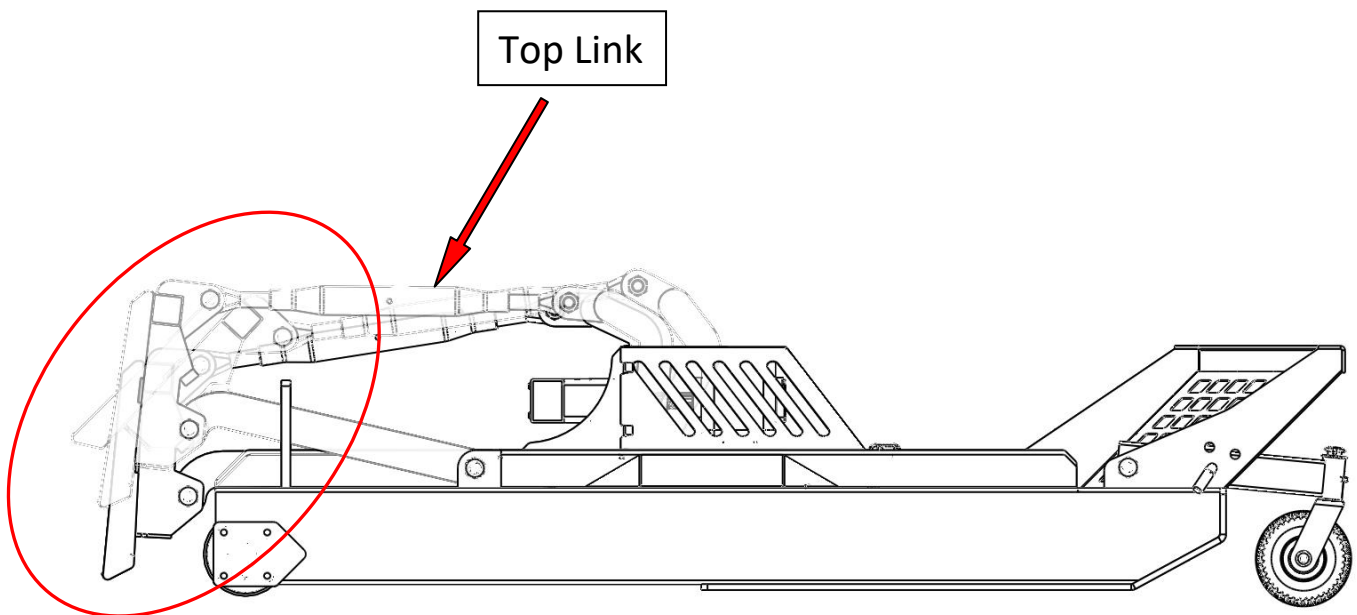
***Warning** - Blade protrudes past front of mower. Stand free & clear when in operation



BASIC MOWER FEATURES (Cont.)

Floating tilt mount

The MRBC mower is equipped with floating tilt mount that allows the attachment to float independently from the machine. The floating mount allows it to follow the ground without raising the mower or digging in to the ground. The tilt can be adjusted via the top link.



MOUNTING & SET UP



WARNING! - READ MANUAL PRIOR TO INSTALLATION

Improper installation, operation, or maintenance of this equipment could result in serious injury or death. Operators and maintenance personnel should read this manual, as well as all manuals related to this equipment and the Power Source thoroughly before beginning installation, operation, or maintenance. FOLLOW ALL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS MANUAL AND THE POWER SOURCE MANUAL(S).

1. Inspect the attachment for shipping damage. If damage does exist, do not operate until the damaged parts have been replaced or repaired.
2. Place this product on a firm, level surface that is large enough to safely accommodate this product, your prime mover and all workers involved in the mounting process.
3. Refer to the Power Source operator's manual(s) for your loader and quick-attach and follow the mounting instructions contained therein.
4. When shipped the hydraulic cylinder(s) on this product may contain air, or an air-fluid mixture. Failure to remove all the air from the hydraulic cylinder(s) can cause uneven, jerky cylinder movement when the hydraulic controls are being operated and unwanted cylinder movement when the controls are not being operated.

*See Maintenance section for annual maintenance and Blade replacement.

MOUNTING & SET UP (CONT.)



READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL SAFETY STATEMENTS

Read all safety decals and safety statements in all manuals before beginning any setup. Know and obey all O.S.H.A. regulations, local laws, and other professional guidelines for your operation. Know and follow good work practices when assembling, maintaining, repairing, mounting, removing, or operating this equipment.

- **WARNING!** Failure to obey the following procedures could result in death or serious injury.
- Never operate this product where visibility is obstructed the operated view.
- Always operate at a safe operating speed for the surrounding conditions.
- **IMPORTANT** - Striking objects or sweeping materials other than aggregate can result in damage to this product and may void warranties.

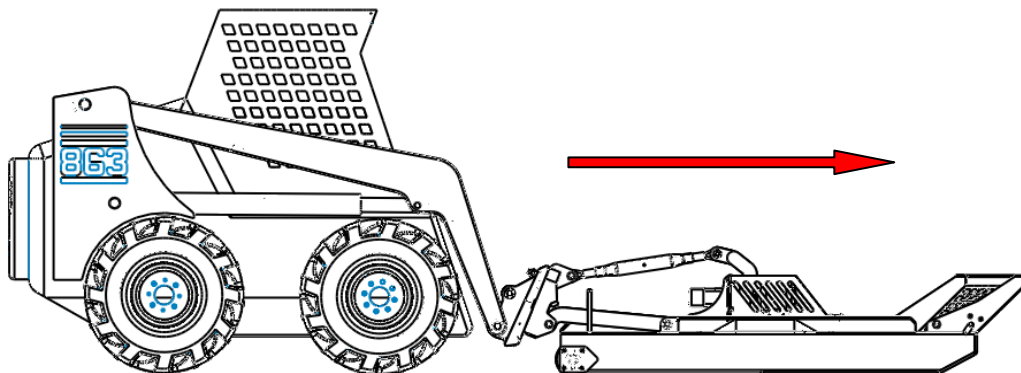
Set up

1. Complete mounting procedure as specified on previous page.
2. Make necessary or desired adjustments to skid shoes or caster
3. Connect hydraulic hoses with quick couplers to available ports.

BASIC OPERATION

With the mounting and set up done, you are ready to use your Mower.

1. Begin with the mower slightly above the ground & free of obstacles before engaging the rotor.
2. a) Engage the rotor & begin dropping the mower down to ground level until the lateral float mount is not bearing any weight.
b) Alternatively, the mower can be kept in the lifted position to keep it up off the ground and parallel with the machine while mowing.
3. Continue in a forward direction.



MAINTENANCE

This section covers regular maintenance. Regular maintenance is required to insure that your rotary brush cutter performs as it should and stays in good operating condition.

BEFORE EACH USE

- Make sure that all other fasteners are in place and are performing their specified function.
- Make sure that all hydraulic fittings are tightened and that there are no leaks in any fittings or hoses.
- Make sure that all safety decals are in place, are clean, and are legible. (See the safety decals and location)
- Check all wear parts, replace any damaged or excessively worn parts.

CLEANING

The MRBC Rotary brush cutter can be raised up in order to access the blades and underside of the mower should it get clogged with debris or clumped up grass.

*** Always make sure the power source is disconnected when cleaning, dislodging debris or hosing off the blades.**

BLADE REPLACEMENT

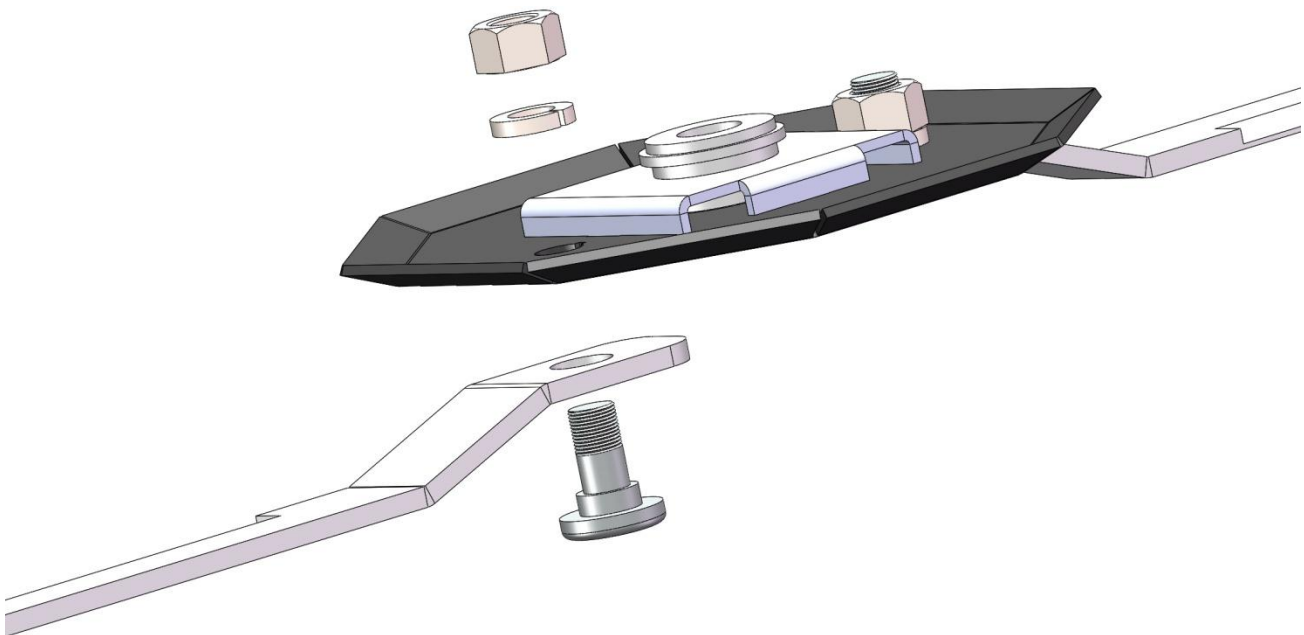
The MRBC Rotary brush cutter is equipped with replaceable blades. After some time, the blades on your MRBC brush cutter may become worn or broken. Each blade is mounted by (1) bolt, (1) lock washer and (1) nut. Each blade can be replaced by removing the nut and exchanging the blade for a new one. (See Diagrams on the next page)

*** Always make sure the power source is disconnected when changing blades.**

*** Do not operate mower if a blade is broken. An unbalanced rotor can be dangerous and can result in injury or damage to the mower.**

MAINTENANCE (Cont.)

BLADE REPLACEMENT (Cont.)



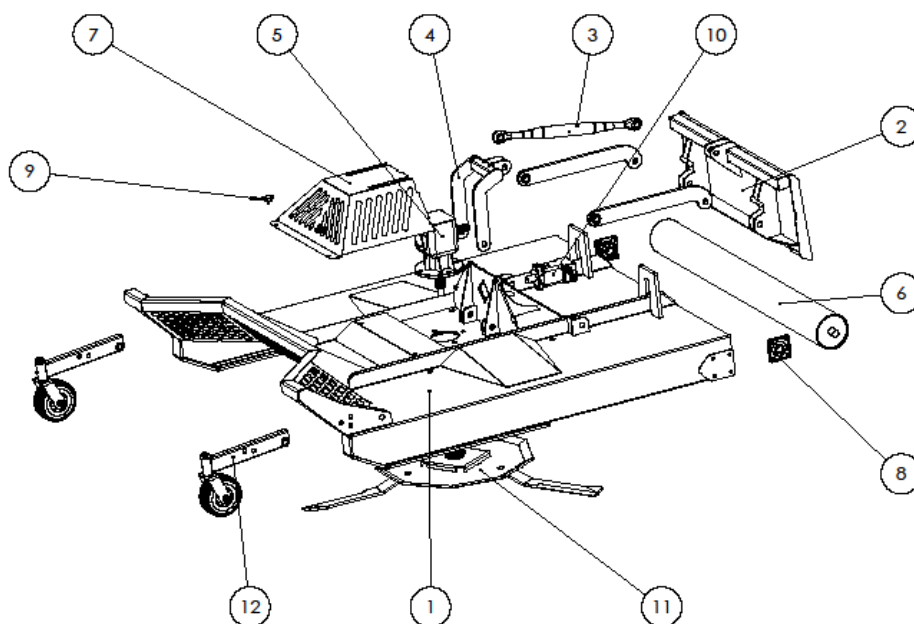
For Blade replacement, Please contact **Martatch Attachments** at:

1-800-698-5510 or **sales@martatch.com**

PARTS ILLUSTRATIONS

The following diagrams are a breakdown of all major components, parts and hardware for the MRBC Series Rotary brush cutters (**MRBC72-BO500 Shown**)

Weldments & Sub-Assemblies

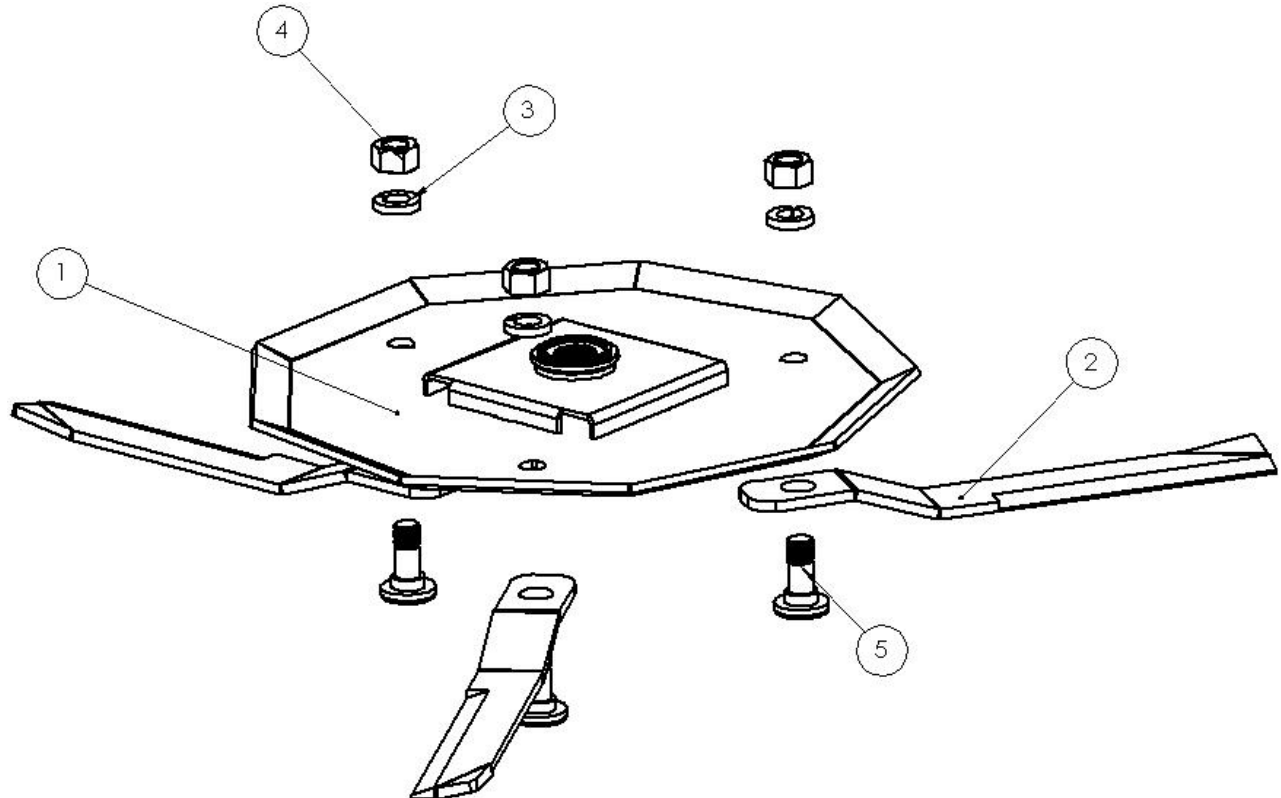


ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	Quantity
1	MRBC72-BA	Main Chassis	1
2	MBC-HU-BO500	Mount Float Plate	1
3	TOP LINK CAT.2-CFS-337	Adjustable Linkage	1
4	MBC72-LA	Center Linkage Assembly	1
5	LARGE GEARBOX	90deg Gearbox	1
6	MRBC72-BR	Rear metal Roller	1
7	MRBC72-CA	Gearbox Shroud/Cover	1
8	F207-FLANGE BEARING	Flange Bearing	2
9	TK-1 X0.375	Turn Knob	2
10	104-1024 CHAR-LYNN MOTOR	Hydraulic Motor	1
11	MRBC72-RA2	Blade Rotor Assembly	1
12	MRBC-CAA	Optional Caster Assembly	2

PARTS ILLUSTRATIONS (Cont.)

Weldments & Sub-Assemblies

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	MRBC-RA-001	ROTOR ASSEMBLY CENTER HUB	1
2	MRBC-RA-002	MOWER BLADE	3
3	MRBC-RA-003	LOCK WASHER	3
4	MRBC-RA-004	BLADE NUT	3
5	MRBC-RA-005	BLADE BOLT	3



TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Hydraulic Malfunction	Low fluid level	Check/Add hydraulic fluid
	Improper hose hook-up	Check and correct line connection
	Broken or damage hydraulic line	Replace damaged line
	Cylinder leaking	Replace cylinder seals
	Fluid heating	Check for restricted fluid flow
	Cold hydraulic fluid	Allow fluid to warm up to operated temperature
Not changing rotation direction	Damaged, disconnected wire/Line	Check and correct line/wire connection

If you have problems not listed here please contact Martatch Attachments.

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Martatch Attachments **Warranty Policy**

All equipment sold by MARTATCH ATTACHMENTS is warranted to be free from defects of material and workmanship. The company will not be liable for indirect or consequential damages. The company's liability will be limited exclusively to replacing or repairing without charge, at its factory or elsewhere, at its discretion. Any material or workmanship defects that becomes apparent within one year from the date which the equipment was purchased. The buyer by the acceptance of the equipment will assume all liability for any damages that may result from the use or misuse by his employees or others.

All claims must be reported to a MARTATCH ATTACHMENTS representative prior to any repairs or modification.

All claims are subject to a MARTATCH ATTACHMENTS representative approval.

All claims must be accompanied by pictures of the faulty product.

MARTATCH ATTACHMENTS Warranty will not cover product that has been misused or modified in an unauthorized manner.

MARTATCH ATTACHMENTS Warranty will not cover normal wear on Attachments.

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