## OPERATOR'S MANUAL \& PARTS LIST



## MULTI-drill MODEL ND-72

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## INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing a First Products Multi-Drill. This piece of equipment has been carefully engineered and manufactured to provide years of reliable service.

The Multi-Drill is one of the most unique and versatile pieces of equipment on the market today. It is designed for no-till and conventional seeding in various soil conditions.

We recommend that you carefully read the operators manual prior to operation. Also ensure that all future operators read this manual and become fully trained before allowing them to use or maintain this equipment. Time spent becoming acquainted with the safe operation, performance, and maintenance of the Multi-Drill will add longer life and greater satisfaction to your new purchase.

This machine is designed with safety in mind. However, if the machine is handled carelessly and not as instructed, it can be a dangerous piece of equipment. Observe all safety information in this manual and decals on the equipment.

The illustrations and data used in the manual were current at the time of printing. The manufacturer reserves the right to make changes or add improvements to its products at any time without incurring any obligation to make such changes to products manufactured previously.

Use only genuine First Products parts. Substituting parts will void warranty and may not meet standards required for safe and satisfactory operation. Record the model number and serial number of your equipment in the spaces provided below:

## MODEL:

## SERIAL NUMBER:

DATE OF PURCHASE:

## REMEMBER SAFETY IS ALWAYS FIRST:

## - Read and understand the instructions and warnings carefully before using this machine.

- Read the warranty located on page 19 . Fill in the required information on the warranty registration provided and return to the address on the front of this manual. The warranty registration must be returned to validate warranty.


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## GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of this manual is to assist you in operating and maintaining your Multi-Drill. Read it carefully. It furnishes information and istructions that will help you achieve years of dependable performance. These instructions have been compiled from extensive field experience and engineering data. Some informatin may be general in nature due to unknown and variying operating conditions. However, through experience and these instructions, you should be able to develp procedures suitable to your particular situation.

The illustrations and data used in this manual were current at the time of printing, but due to possible inline production changes, your machine may vary slightly in detail. We reserve the right to redesign and change the machines as may be necessary without notification.

## A Warning

Multi-Drill should never be operated with any safety shielding removed.
Throughout this manual, references are made to right and left locations. These are determined by standing behind the equipment facing the direction of forward travel.

SPECIFICATIONS for ND-72

| Working Width | $72 "$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Overall Width | $921 / 4 "$ |
| Disc Diameter | Coulter disc: $16^{\prime \prime} /$ Seed disc: $13.5 "$ |
| Disc Spacing | $9 "$ |
| Hitch Category | CAT II |
| Quick Hitch Compatible | Yes |
| Hydraulic Lift Compatible | No |
| Towing Hitch Compatible | Yes |
| Guage Wheels | $201 / 2 \times 8$ X 10 (Implement Tire -20 mph max) |
| Weight w/ all options | 2400 Lbs |
| Primary Seedbox Capacity | 10 Bushels |
| Auxiliary Seedbox Capcity | $31 / 2$ Bushels |
| Primary Seed Distribution Method | Gravity metered into rows |
| Seed Depth Gauge Method | Guage Wheel - Infinite screw adjustment |



## ATTENTION! BECOME ALERT! YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED!

This is a standard safety alert symbol meaning

Indicates hazardous situation, injury may occur, used to alert against carelessness.

』 WARNING
Indicates potentially hazardous situation. Death or serious injury may occur if proper procedures are not followed.

Indicates most hazardous situation. Death or serious injury will occur if proper procedures are not followed.

## SAFETY RULES

Safety is a primary concern in the design and manufacturing of our products. However, our efforts to provide safe equipment can be avoided by an operator's careless act. Accident prevention ultimately is dependent upon the awareness, concern, judgement, and proper training of the personnel involved in the operation, transport, maintenance, and storage of the equipment. It is incumbent upon every operator to practice proper safety protocol to avoid life-threatening situations.

## Training

Safety instructions are important! Read all attachment and power unit manuals; follow all safety rules and safety decal information. Failure to follow instructions or safety rules can result in serious injury or death.

Know your controls and how to stop engine and attachment quickly in an emergency.

Operators must be instructed in and be capable of the safe operation of the equipment, its attachments, and all controls. Do not allow anyone to operate this equipment without proper instructions.

Never allow children or untrained persons to operate equipment.

## Preparation

Check that all hardware is properly installed. Always tighten to torque chart specifications unless instructed otherwise in this manual.

Always wear relatively tight and belted clothing to avoid getting caught in moving parts. Wear proper personal protective equipment for eyes, hair, hands, hearing, and head.

Make sure all safety decals are installed. Replace if damaged. See Safety Decals section for location and part numbers for ordering replacements.

A minimum 20\% of tractor and equipment weight must be on the tractor's front wheels when attachments are in transport position. Without this weight, front tractor wheels could raise up and result in loss of steering.

## Operation

Keep bystanders away from equipment.
Do not operate or transport equipment while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Operate only in daylight or good artificial light.

Keep hands, feet, hair, and clothing away from equipment while engine is running. Stay clear of all moving parts.

Always comply with all state and local lighting and marking requirements.

Never allow riders on power unit or attachment.

Power unit must be equipped with ROPS or ROPS cab and seat belt. Keep seat belt securely fastened. Falling off power unit can result in death from being run over or crushed. Keep foldable ROPS system in "locked up" position at all times.

Always sit in power unit seat when operating controls or starting engine. Securely fasten seat belt, place transmission in neutral, engage brake, and ensure all other
controls are disengaged before starting power unit engine.

Look down and to the rear and make sure area is clear before traveling in reverse.

Do not operate seeder in reverse.
Use extreme care when working close to fences, ditches, other obstructions, or on hillsides.

Do not operate or transport on steep slopes.
Do not start, stop, or change directions suddenly on slopes.

Use extreme care and reduce ground speed on slopes and rough terrain.

Watch for hidden hazards on the terrain during operation.

Stop power unit and equipment immediately upon striking an obstruction. Turn off engine, remove key, inspect, and repair any damage before resuming operation.

## Transportation

Use additional caution and reduce speed when under adverse surface conditions, turning, or on inclines.

A minimum 20\% of tractor and equipment weight must be on the tractor's front wheels when attachments are in transport position. Without this weight, front tractor wheels could raise up and result in loss of steering. The weight may be attained with front wheel weights, ballast in tires, front tractor weights, or front loader. Weigh the tractor and equipment. Do not estimate.

Do not operate or transport on steep slopes.
Always attach safety chain to tractor drawbar when transporting unit.

Never exceed $25 \mathrm{mph}(40.2 \mathrm{hm} / \mathrm{h})$ during transport. Multi-drill is not designed for highway transportation.

## Maintenance

Before dismounting power unit or performing any service or maintenance, follow these steps: 1) disengage power to equipment 2) lower unit to ground 3) operate valve levers to release any hydraulic pressure 4) set parking brake 5) stop engine 6) remove key 7) unfasten seat belt.

## NEVER GO UNDERNEATH

EQUIPMENT. Never place any part of the body underneath equipment or between moveable parts even when the engine has been turned off. Hydraulic system leakdown, hydraulic system failures, mechanical failures, or movement of control levers can cause equipment to drop or rotate unexpectedly resulting in severe injury or death. (Service work does not require going underneath).

Make sure attachment is properly secured, adjusted, and in good operating condition.

Keep all persons away from operator control area while performing adjustment, service, or maintenance.

Tighten all bolts, nuts, and screws to torque chart specifications. Check that all cotter pins are installed securely to ensure equipment is in a safe condition before putting unit into service.

Make sure all safety decals are installed. Replace if damaged. See Safety Decals section for location and corresponding part numbers.

## Storage

Block equipment securely for storage.

Cover with tarp included with seeder.
Keep children and bystanders away from storage area.

## SAFETY DECALS

Your implement comes equipped with all safety labels in place. They were designed to help you safely operate your implement.

1. Read and follow decal directions.
2. Keep all safety decals clean and legible.
3. Replace all damaged or missing decals.
4. Refer to this section for proper decal placement.

Avoid spraying too close to decals when using a pressure washer; high pressure water can enter through very small scratches or under edges of decals causing them to peel or come off.

To install new decals:
Clean the area the decal is to be placed. Peel backing from decal. Press firmly on surface being careful not to cause air bubbles under label.


Figure 1. Safety Decal placement on Multi-Drill


CRUSHING AND PINCHING HAZARD

- Be extremely careful handling various parts of the machine. They are heavy and hands, fingers, feet, and other body parts could be crushed or pinched between tractor and implement.
- Operate tractor controls from tractor seat only.
- Do not stand between tractor and implement when tractor is in gear.
- Make sure parking brake is engaged before going between tractor and implement.
- Stand clear of machine while in operation or when it is being raised or lowered.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE
INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN
SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.
DS50-0.67
1 - General Warning (DS50-067)


3 - Pinch Point (AE50-075)


TO AVOID SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH READ OPERATOR'S MANUAL AND LEARNTO OPERATE SAFELY. KEEP PEOPLE CLEAR WHEN OPERATING.
LOWER EQUIPMENT TO GROUND, STOP ENGINE, REMOVE KEY, AND SET BRAKE BEFORE DISMOUNTING TRACTOR.
INSTALL AND SECURE ALL GUARDS BEFORE OPERATING
KEEP HANDS, FEET, AND CLOTHING AWAY FROM POWER DRIVEN PARTS. NEVER ALLOW RIDERS
NEVER ALLOW RIDERS.
DO NOT TRANSPORT TOWED UNITS OVER 20 MPH.
WEAR PROPER SAFETY EQUIPMENT FOR EYES, EARS, AND LUNGS FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH

2 - Operator Warning (DS50-068)


4 - No Riders (AG50-089)

## OPERATION

The operator is responsible for the safe operation of this seeder. The operator must be properly trained. Operators should be familiar with the equipment, the tractor, and all safety practices before starting operation. Read the safety rules and safety decals provided in this operator's manual.

The Multi-Drill is an excellent primary seeder, food plot seeder, and conservation seeder. Its primary function is to deliver a variety of seed to the soil at the desired depth with minimal ground disturbance. The Multi-Drill does this utilizing a series of discs to cut narrow slits in the ground where seed is precisely positioned at the proper depth and packed down via closing wheels. The Multi-Drill is capable of planting multiple seed varieties at once due to its optional second seed box attachment. Seed plates are adjusted on the hoppers to achieve the desired seed rates while electric actuators shuttle the hopper outlets open and closed. When the electric actuators open the hopper outlets, an electric motor stirs the seed over every outlet to encourage the free flow of seed at the measured rate. The speed of the electric motor can be manipulated to finetune the seed rate.

## A WARNING

Power unit must be equipped with Roll Over Protection System (ROPS) or ROPS cab and seat belt. Keep seat belt securely fastened. Falling off power unit can result in death from being run over or crushed. Keep foldable ROPS system in" locked up" position at all times.

Never allow children or untrained persons to operate equipment.
Keep bystanders away from equipment.
Keep hands, feet, hair, and clothing away from equipment while engine is running. Stay clear of all moving parts.

## ACAUTION

Stop power unit and equipment immediately upon striking an obstruction. Turn off engine, set parking brake, remove key, inspect, and repair any damage before resuming operation.

Always wear relatively tight and belted clothing to avoid getting caught in moving parts. Wear proper personal protective equipment for eyes, hair, hands, hearing, and head.

## Front Coulter Disc Shaft

The Multi-Drill is equipped with a coulter disc shaft mounted to the front of the frame. The function of this shaft is to cut a narrow slit in the ground in preparation for the seed delivery to follow. The cutting depth of the shaft is manipulated using the gauge wheels on the sides of the frame. Whatever the desired depth of the final seed delivery may be, it is recommended that these coulter discs be set to cut $1 / 4$ " deeper to allow adequate room for the seed to easily fall in and be packed into place. If the ground is too hard for the coulter shaft to reach its target depth, weights can be added to the weight brackets located on both sides of the frame above the coulter disc shaft.


Figure 2. Coulter Disc Shaft

## Seed Disc Assembly

Often referred to as double disc openers, the Multi-drill sports offset discs which follow directly behind each coulter disc and are specifically designed to open the slit made by the preceded coulter and drop seed from the primary hopper in the trench made. Each seed disc assembly is comprised of two angled discs, pressure spring, turnbuckle, seed tube, and press wheel. The seed depth is adjusted utilizing the turnbuckle. Shortening the turnbuckle shallows the seed
while lengthening the turnbuckle pushes the seed deeper into the slit cut by the coulter disc. The seed tube receives the hose from the primary box and drops the seed directly between the discs at the measured depth created by the discs. The press wheel utilizes the force from the spring to firm up the soil over the seed.


Figure 3. Seed Disc Assembly

## Seeders

The Multi-drill is equipped with a standard hopper, referred to as "primary", while having the capability of adding a smaller hopper for simultaneous applications. The seeders are comprised of a hopper, seed plates, electric actuator, motor, and one handheld control harness. Each seeder utilizes the same metering principle and


Figure 4. Seed plates
delivery system. The outlets on the bottom of the seeders have their sizes adjusted manually by sliding the seed plates past one another, Figure 4. There are different sizes of seed plates to account for the various seeds which are specified in the calibration instructions. A handheld control harness


Figure 5. Seeder Actuator and Motor
tethered to the seeders turns the seeder on and off. When the seeder is energized, an electric actuator opens the bottom of the seeder exposing the outlets while an electric motor stirs the seed inside the hopper as shown in


Figure 6. Electric Motor Speed Control
Figure 5. The speed of the electric motor is adjusted using the speed control box, Figure 6 , mounted to the front of the hopper (some seed varieties and seed rates respond to electric motor speed).


Figure 7. Hitch Specifications

## Attaching Multi-Drill

Note: The ND-72 Model is designed to have two ways of attaching to power unit:

1. Standard Cat. II 3-point hitch
2. Standard Cat. II Quick hitch

## 1. Standard Cat. II 3-point hitch:

Attach the tractor's lower lift arms to the Multi-Drill's frame and secure with indicated hitch/lynch pins (Figure 7). Attach the tractor's top link to the mast plates of the Multi-Drill.

For a rigid hitch connection, use the quick hitch hole location.

To enable the seeder to follow the contours of the uneven ground, install the tractor's top link in the long slot in the top of the mast plates.

For proper float (up/down), the top link pin should be centered in the slot (for initial setup).

## 2. Standard Cat. II Quick hitch:

For quick hitch use, install the bushings with lower lift pins and appropriate top pin to receive upper hook. Note that the seeder will not float when quick hitch is utilized.

## Seeder Setup

The Multi－Drill is capable of planting a wide variety of seeds over a wide range of seeding rates．Several variables have to be taken into account when planting：seed depth，ground speed，and seed rate．These all have to come together in order to achieve the optimum stand desired．

The Multi－drill seeder utilizes a gravity feed system combined with variable seed agitation and adjustable outlets to achieve consistent and precise seed rates．The size of the outlets is primarily a function of what size seed plate is used during calibration．The speed of the seed agitator is manipulated toward the end of the calibration process to finetune the desired rate．

## Seeder Calibration

Before operating the seeder，calibration has to be done in order to take all variables into account and maximize efficiency of the seeder．The following steps must be done to calibrate the seeder：

1．Determine ground speed．
2．Select seed rate．
3．Set seed plates and electric motor setting（use Figure 8 as starting point）．
4．Use calibration chart to find target seed weight（Figure 10）．
5．Position calibration trough to catch seed and only put enough seed in hopper to catch．
6．Operate seeder in air for 1 minute．
7．Compare weight of seed caught to the target weight in step 4.
8．Manipulate seed plates or electric motor speed to reach target weight．
9．Repeat steps 5 thru 8 until target weight is achieved．
10．Check for consistent seed metering．
Each of these steps is detailed below：

## 1．Determine ground speed

Determining ground speed usually depends on the terrain in which the seeding is done．In order to help set a ground speed，it is recommended the operator make a test pass without operating the seeder to determine a good starting point．If the tractor isn＇t equipped with a speedometer，a smartphone app may prove useful．

## 2．Select seed rate

Most seed varieties have a set standard for what rate works best．Investigate the seed and determine what the recommended rate would be for the particular application．The calibration chart uses pounds per acre．

| Quick Start Setting Guide |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Model ND－72 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Seed <br> Type | $\begin{gathered} \text { Seed } \\ \text { Rate } \\ \text { (Lbs/Acre) } \end{gathered}$ | Plate Size | Motor <br> Control Setting | Ground Speed （mph） | Plate Position | Weight Collected （Lbs／min） |
| $\frac{2}{0}$ | 105 | 3／4＂ | 10 | 3 | 3 | 3.82 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 32／3 | 5.10 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | $41 / 3$ | 6.36 |
| $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | 100 | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3.64 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 22／3 | 4.85 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | $31 / 3$ | 6.06 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 9 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 25 | 1／2＂ | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0.91 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 21／3 | 1.21 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 22／3 | 1.51 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{8} \\ & \frac{8}{3} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 100 | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | 5 | 3 | 21／3 | 3.64 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 22／3 | 4.85 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 3 | 6.06 |
| 佥喈 | 70 | 1／2＂ | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2.55 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | $32 / 3$ | 3.39 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 41／3 | 4.24 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \frac{5}{5} \\ & \frac{8}{8} \\ & \frac{8}{8} \end{aligned}$ | 100 | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | 5 | 3 | $31 / 3$ | 3.64 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 4 | 4.85 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 42／3 | 6.06 |
|  | 20 | 1／4＂ | 5 | 3 | 12／3 | 0.73 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 2 | 0.97 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 21／3 | 1.21 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 乡. } \\ & \text { 응 } \end{aligned}$ | 25 | 1／4＂ | 5 | 3 | 12／3 | 0.91 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 2 | 1.21 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 21／3 | 1.51 |
|  | 25＊ | 1／4＂ | 3 | 3 | 12／3 | 0.91 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 2 | 1.21 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | 21／3 | 1.51 |
| ${ }^{*}$ Recommended |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 8．Quick Start Setting Guide－Step 3

## 3．Set seed plates and electric motor setting

Determine the seed plates needed to achieve the desired seed rate．The seed plates come in four different sizes identified with laser etching on one end．Figure 8 displays a Quick Start Setting

Guide. This chart is used as a point of reference to help select the proper seed plate, set them in the right position, and start the electric motor at the right speed.


Figure 9. Seed Plate Setting/Adjustment
If the Quick Start Setting Guide is not helpful for selecting a seed plate, below is a list of common seeds under the corresponding seed plates:
$1 / 4 "$ Seed Plate: Clover, Grain, Sorghum, Canola
3/8" Seed Plate: Soybeans (low rates)
$1 / 2 "$ Seed Plate: Wheat and Rye Grass Peas, Beans (under 60 lbs/acre), Soybeans (moderate rates)
$3 / 4$ " Seed Plate: Wheat and Rye Grass, Oats, Mixes, medium to large Grains, Peas, Beans (over 60 lbs/acre), Soybeans (high rates)

If the current plates inside the hopper are not the desired set to use, refer to "Changing Seed Plates" for step-by-step instructions.

To set the seed plates, the Multi-Drill is supplied with a wrench, DS27-026, to help as shown in Figure 9. Use the wrench to loosen the Setting Bolt sporting the arrow; the wrench also adds leverage for shifting the plates to the desired setting. When the setting is adjusted, retighten the Setting Bolt and store the wrench for future use.

At this time, the electric motor control located on the front of the hopper, Figure 6, should be set to what the Quick Start Setting Guide recommends.

## 4. Find Target Seed Weight

Finding the Target weight is simply done using the calibration chart seen in Figure 10. Knowing the ground speed (left side of chart) and the desired seed rate (top of chart), a target weight to be caught can be selected.

## 5. Position Calibration Trough

Every Multi-Drill is equipped with calibration trough which is used to catch the seed. In order to do so, the trough should be positioned directly under the seed discs while the machine is lifted.

## 6. Operate Seeder for One Minute

With seed loaded in Multi-Drill, use the handheld control harness to operate the seeder in the air for one minute. The seed should flow through the seed discs and be captured by the calibration trough.

## 7. Weigh and Compare Seed Weight

The seed caught in the calibration trough from step 6 will need to be weighed on an accurate digital scale capable of producing pounds (in decimal form is preferred). If the scale displays pounds and ounces, divide the ounces by 16 and add the decimal to the pounds to get the complete weight.

## 8. Manipulate Seed Plates/Electric Motor

If the weight of seed is within $10 \%$ of the target, the speed of the electric motor can be modified to finetune the rate. Otherwise, the seed plates can be repositioned to dial the seed rate in closer to the target using the same method outlined in step 3. If the rate needs to increase, the setting will be increase; and likewise, the setting will decrease if the rate needs to be cut down.

## ND-72 Calibration Chart

This Chart Lists the Weight of Seed Captured for One Minute (Target Weight) - STEP 4

|  |  | Desired Seed Rate (Pounds/Acre) - STEP 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 3 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 | 120 | 140 | 160 | 180 | 200 |
|  | 1 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.26 | 0.38 | 0.51 | 0.61 | 0.73 | 0.85 | 0.97 | 1.10 | 1.22 | 1.46 | 1.70 | 1.94 | 2.19 | 2.43 |
|  | 1.5 | 0.05 | 0.09 | 0.18 | 0.35 | 0.53 | 0.70 | 0.91 | 1.10 | 1.27 | 1.46 | 1.65 | 1.82 | 2.18 | 2.54 | 2.90 | 3.29 | 3.65 |
|  | 2 | 0.07 | 0.13 | 0.26 | 0.51 | 0.77 | 1.02 | 1.22 | 1.46 | 1.70 | 1.94 | 2.19 | 2.43 | 2.91 | 3.39 | 3.87 | 4.38 | 4.86 |
|  | 2.5 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.61 | 0.91 | 1.22 | 1.52 | 1.82 | 2.12 | 2.42 | 2.74 | 3.04 | 3.64 | 4.24 | 4.84 | 5.48 | 6.08 |
|  | 3 | 0.11 | 0.18 | 0.3 | 0.74 | 1.10 | 1.47 | 1.82 | 2.18 | 2.54 | 2.90 | 3.29 | 3.64 | 4.37 | 5.09 | 5.81 | 6.58 | 7.30 |
| $\stackrel{\square}{4}$ | 3.5 | 0.13 | 0.21 | 0.42 | 0.83 | 1.25 | 1.66 | 2.13 | 2.55 | 2.97 | 3.39 | 3.84 | 4.26 | 5.10 | 5.94 | 6.78 | 7.67 | 8.51 |
| है | 4 | 0.15 | 0.24 | 0.48 | 0.96 | 1.44 | 1.92 | 2.43 | 2.91 | 3.39 | 3.87 | 4.38 | 4.86 | 5.82 | 6.78 | 7.74 | 8.77 | 9.73 |
| $\stackrel{1}{6}$ | 4.5 | 0.16 | 0.27 | 0.54 | 1.09 | 1.63 | 2.18 | 2.74 | 3.28 | 3.82 | 4.36 | 4.94 | 5.47 | 6.55 | 7.63 | 8.71 | 9.86 | 10.94 |
| EL | 5 | 0.18 | 0.30 | 0.61 | 1.22 | 1.82 | 2.43 | 3.04 | 3.64 | 4.24 | 4.84 | 5.48 | 6.08 | 7.28 | 8.48 | 9.68 | 10.96 | 12.16 |
| $E$ | 5.5 | 0.20 | 0.33 | 0.66 | 1.31 | 2.05 | 2.62 | 3.34 | 4.01 | 4.66 | 5.32 | 6.03 | 6.69 | 8.01 | 9.33 | 10.65 | 12.06 | 13.38 |
| $\overline{\%}$ | 6 | 0.2 | 0.36 | 0.72 | 1. | 2.16 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 4.37 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 6.58 | 7.30 | 8.74 | 10.18 | 11.62 | 13.15 | 59 |
| ¢ | 6.5 | 0.24 | 0.39 | 0.78 | 1.57 | 2.35 | 3.14 | 3.95 | 4.74 | 5.51 | 6.30 | 7.13 | 7.90 | 9.46 | 11.02 | 12.58 | 14.25 | 15.81 |
|  | 7 | 0.26 | 0. | 0.8 | 1.70 | 2.5 | 3.39 | 4.26 | 5.10 | 5.9 | 6.7 | 7.67 | 8.51 | 10.19 | 11.87 | 13.55 | 15.34 | 17.02 |
| ō | 7.5 | 0.27 | 0.45 | 0.90 | 1.79 | 2.69 | 3.58 | 4.56 | 5.46 | 6.36 | 7.26 | 8.22 | 9.12 | 10.92 | 12.72 | 14.52 | 16.44 | 18.24 |
|  | 8 | 0.29 | 0.48 | 0.96 | 1.92 | 2.88 | 3.84 | 4.86 | 5.82 | 6.78 | 7.74 | 8.77 | 9.73 | 11.65 | 13.57 | 15.49 | 17.54 | 19.46 |
|  | 8.5 | 0.31 | 0.52 | 1.04 | 2.08 | 3.12 | 4.16 | 5.17 | 6.19 | 7.21 | 8.23 | 9.32 | 10.34 | 12.38 | 14.42 | 16.46 | 18.63 | 20.67 |
|  | 9 | 0.33 | 0.55 | 1.10 | 2.21 | 3.31 | 4.42 | 5.47 | 6.55 | 7.63 | 8.71 | 9.86 | 10.94 | 13.10 | 15.26 | 17.42 | 19.73 | 21.89 |
|  | 9.5 | 0.35 | 0.58 | 1.17 | 2.34 | 3.50 | 4.67 | 5.78 | 6.92 | 8.06 | 9.20 | 10.42 | 11.55 | 13.83 | 16.11 | 18.39 | 20.82 | 23.10 |
|  | 10 | 0.37 | 0.61 | 1.22 | 2.43 | 3.65 | 4.86 | 6.08 | 7.28 | 8.48 | 9.68 | 10.96 | 12.16 | 14.56 | 16.96 | 19.36 | 21.92 | 24.32 |

Figure 10. ND-72 Calibration Chart used for Step 4

## 9. Repeat Steps as Necessary

Until the target weight is achieved, steps 5 through 8 should be repeated. In some instances, the seed plates may need to be changed during this process.

## 10. Check for consistent seed metering

Particularly with large seed being metered with small Seed Plates, it is recommended to check for consistent seed metering to produce a good stand. To do so, simply make a short pass with the Multi-drill slightly lifted in the air so the seed can fall on the ground at the desired ground speed. If the seed appears to be dropping at even increments, the seeder is ready; however, if the seed placement is not consistent, adjusting the setting higher may need to be considered.

Once the seeder is metering the seed at the desired rate, it is time to set the seed depth.

## Seed Depth Adjustment (ND-72)

The ND-72 Multi-Drill has two way to adjust the seed depth: 1) Hydraulic Cylinders 2) Turnbuckles. The method for setting the seed depth is as follows:

1. Lower the Multi-drill to the ground.
2. Adjust top link as necessary to ensure the Multi-drill is parallel to the ground.
3. The goal is to set the front coulter discs to cut $1 / 4 "$ deeper than the seed depth. With the machine on the ground and the tires touching the ground, whatever distance the tires are adjusted up from the ground is roughly the depth the coulter discs will cut ahead of the seeder discs.

Hydraulic Cylinder setup: Use cylinder stops to set the maximum height that the tires can be lifted while achieving proper seed depth.

Turnbuckle Setup: rotate top links to lift tires off the ground approximately the distance desired to achieve proper seed depth.
4. Test the gauge setting by operating the Multi-drill where seeding is desired. Observe the gauge wheels during the test; if they don't touch the ground, weights can be added to the Multi-Drill frame.
5. Measure the results of the test. For drastic changes, the gauge wheels can be further adjusted, but for small depth adjustments, the Top Link (Figure 11) on each seed disc assembly can be rotated to lift or lower the seed within the trench made. The Scraper Gauge is used as a point of reference.
6. Repeat these last steps until desired seed depth is achieved and don't forget to occasionally verify seed depth during operation. Soil conditions can change over the course of operation.


Figure 11. Seed disc adjustment

## Changing Seed Plates

The seed plates are strategically positioned between the hopper's outlet holes (seen when the hopper is empty) and the "cutoff plate" which the linear actuator shuttles back and forth to start and stop seed flow.

Each set of plates are labeled with laser etching on one side: "left", "right", and their respective sizes.


Figure 12. Seed Plates - Step 1

In order to change the seed plates, the hopper must be clean. If the plates are removed with seed in the hopper, the seed can wedge between the "cutoff plate" and the hopper outlets making it impossible to slide the next set of plates into place.

The seed plates are changed using the following steps:

1. Clean hopper and remove any loose impediments or debris that may interfere with Seed Plates being removed from seeder.
2. To change plates you will need two 9/16" wrenchs and the Adjuster

Wrench, DS27-026. Using the small end of the Adjuster Wrench, located on top of chain cover as shown in Figure 9. Loosen and remove the two $1 / 2$ " carriage head bolts connecting the adjuster handle to the Adjuster mount as shown Figure 12.
3. Pull straight out on the adjuster handle and slide the seed plate assembly out of the seed box as shown in Figure 13.


Figure 13. Seed Plates - Steps $2,3 \& 6$
4. Using the $9 / 16^{\prime \prime}$ wrenches, loosen and remove the $3 / 8$ " bolts connecting both seed plates to the adjuster linkages as shown in Figure 13.
5. Slide the plates and bushings out of linkages, set plates to the side, hold onto the bushings.
6. Select plates you want in machine and be sure to read etchings on plate ensuring both plates have the same size with corresponding sides.
7. Reassemble the seed plate assembly; be sure the left and right plates are oriented as shown in Figure 13.
8. Take seed plate assembly and slide back into machine; be sure to put seed plates on top of cut off plate when starting to push them into the machine as shown in Figure 14.
9. Reattach the Adjuster Handle to the Adjuster Mount as shown in Figure 13 , and fasten bolts.


Figure 14. Seed Plates - Step 7

## CLEANING

## After Each Use

Remove large debris such as clumps of dirt, grass, crop residue, etc. from machine.

Inspect machine and replace worn or damaged parts.

Replace any safety decals that are damaged, missing, or not legible.

## Periodic or Before Extended Storage

Remove large debris such as clumps of dirt, grass, crop residue, etc. from machine.

Remove the remaining debris with a lowpressure washer spray:

1. Be careful when spraying near scratched or torn safety decals or near edges of decals as water spray can peel decal off surface.
2. Be careful when spraying near chipped or scratched paint as water spray may lift paint.
3. If a pressure washer is used, follow the advice of the pressure washer manufacturer. Inspect machine and replace worn or damaged parts.

Check all hardware and ensure proper torque is present.

Sand down scratches and the edges of area of missing parts and coat with First Products spray paint of matching color

Replace any safety decals with that are missing or not legible. See Safety Decals section for location drawing.

Cover the seeder with supplied tarp when the Multi-drill is being stored.

NOTE: Occasionally, it may be necessary to lower the trough as illustrated in Figure 18 to thoroughly clean all the moving components in the hopper to promote easier calibration and functionality in the future.

1. Remove Seed Plates as explained in previous section.
2. Use the latches to lower and hold the trough in place while using water or compressed air to clean all moving parts and their corresponding surfaces. If water is used do not reassemble until everything is thoroughly dry.
3. It is best to use the latches on the front and back to simultaneously lift the trough back into place making sure not to pinch the Cut Off Plate between the trough and the hopper.
4. Install desired Seed Plates for future use.


Figure 15. Trough lowered and cleaned

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| 1 Flash/pause |  Open circuit detected. Check motor connections for open circuit. |
| 2 Flashes/pause |  Output short circuit detected. Check motor wiring. |
| 3 Flashes/pause |  Over-current condition. Check total load. |
| NOTE: Cycle power with the ON/OFF switch to clear a fault code |  |




