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SERVICE BULLETIN

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Bulletin No: JC-012-12

Product Type: Steiner 430 and 440 Tractors

Customer Issue: Some of the former and current attachments will not fit on the new 440 tractor.

Cause: The new enhancements to the 440 tractor require some changes to the attachments.

Action required: See the details on pages 2-6 of this bulletin.

Products Involved: Steiner attachments, old and new. See pages 2-6 for the list.

Note: the prefix to the attachment model number refers to color. Refer to model name and number to determine if your attachment will fit.

Example: notice these are all MD460 side discharge mower decks

73-70860 = (Orange & Black) MD460

75-70860 = (RED) MD460

76-70860 = (Ransome Green) MD460

77-70860 = (Ransome England Green) MD460

Warranty: This bulletin is preliminary information. The known changes involve minimal time that would normally be considered as set-up time (in the range of 2-10 minutes) and are only needed if selling them with a 440. Some of the unknown, more detailed changes such as the blade are not fully worked out. Warranty will be considered for converting new, unsold inventory for sale with a 440 but at this point in time all time allowances are not known. More information will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions, please contact our Customer Service Department at 920-699-2000.

This bulletin is relevant to the departments checked below. Please circulate as appropriate.

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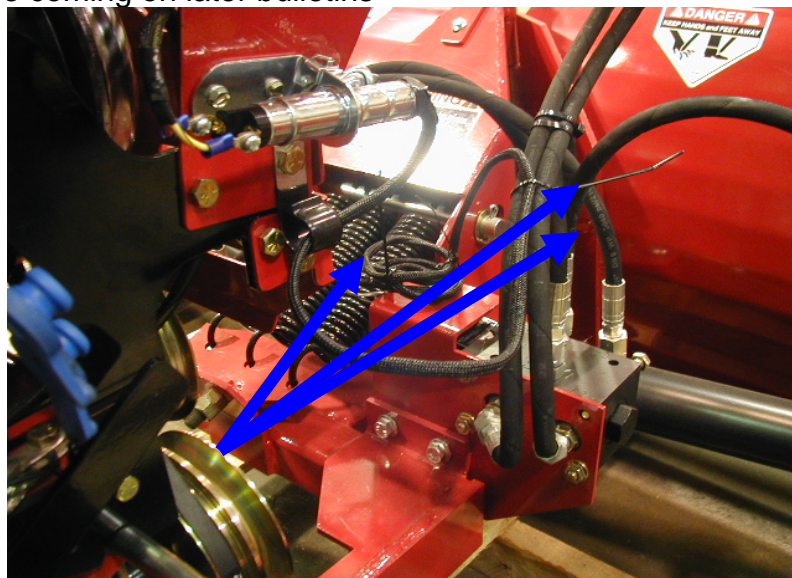
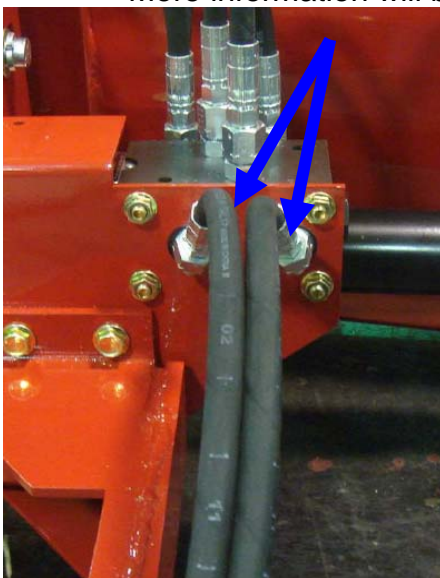
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1. These attachments are ready to go.

- A. **Side Discharge Mower Decks**, MD448 75-70855A, MD460 75-70860A, MD472 75-70865A
 - Rubber chutes are now available for all MD decks (models designated with an A)
Kit numbers are:
 - 970443 = MD448
 - 970442 = MD460
 - 970441 = MD472
- B. **Mulch or Rear Discharge Mower Deck**, MX460 75-71002 and 75-71002A
- C. **Rough Cut Mower**, RC466 75-71010 and 75-71010A
- D. **Aerator**, AR240 73-70696 and 75-70696
- E. **Blower**, PB100 75-70642 and 75-70642A
- F. **Chipper Shredder**, CS312 73-70900
- G. **Slip Scoop**, SS244 75-70625
- H. **Stump Cutter**, SC101 75-70895
- I. **Lawn Sweeper**, LS340 75-70632
- J. **Rototiller**, TL348 75-70890 and 75-70890A

2. These attachments need some minor upgrades.

- A. **V-Blade**, BD348 75-70550 and 75-70550A
 - The fittings need to be changed on the front of the valve.
 - A new clamp to hold the wires on the tractor.
 - Some tie straps to tie hoses and wire together.
 - More information will be coming on later bulletins





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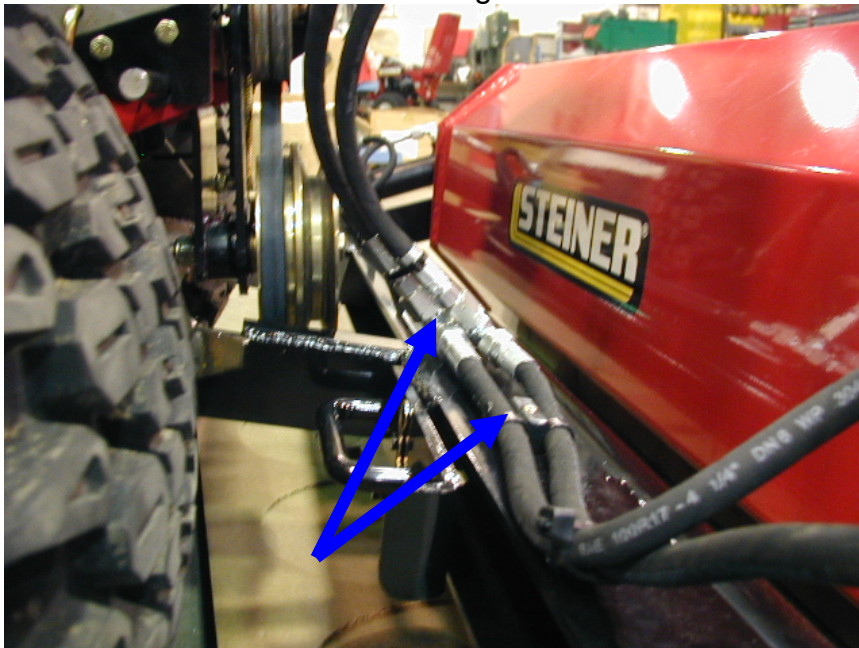
B. Turbine Blower, PB200 75-70644 and 75-70644A

- Place a tape measure at the end of fittings, pull hoses back through clamps to locate them 34" from the end of the fittings to the edge of the clamp



C. Slip Scoop, SS248 75-70630

- Turn the T-fittings up so they do not lay flat on the hitch arm.
- Stronger hose clamps to hold the hoses in this position.
- More information will be coming on later bulletins.



D. Snow Blowers, SB448 75-70666, SB454 75-70667

- When the chute is rotated completely to the right or left and the chute is pointed down, there is some interference with the chute and tractor hood.
- Restrictor for the front lift, to restrict how low it will go. It could throw the belt if the front lift goes all the way down.
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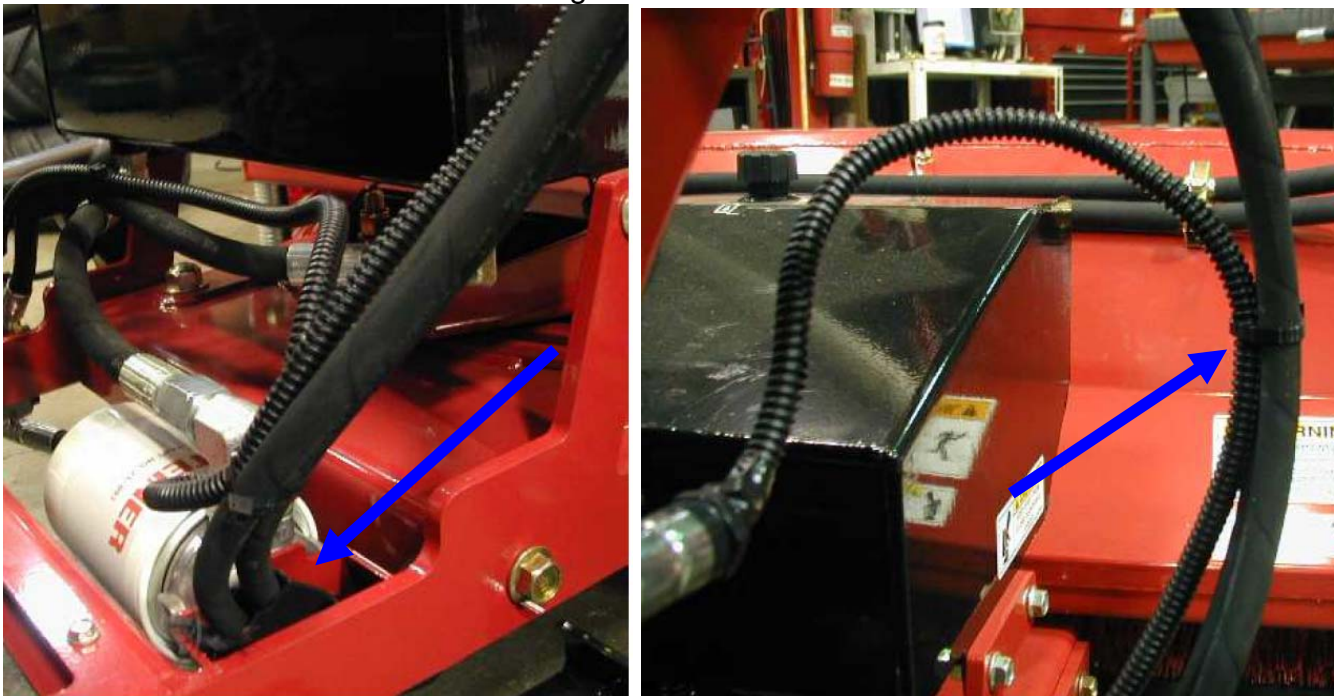
E. **Sweepers, RS350** 75-70585 and 75-70585A; **RS454** 75-70587 and 75-70587A
RS350:

- Add a 45 degree fitting by the quick connects.
- Add a clamp to point hoses upward.
- More information will be coming on later bulletins.



RS454:

- Reroute the hoses into the filter bracket and add more hose protector.
- Tie the wire to the hose to keep it from falling.
- More information will be coming on later bulletins.



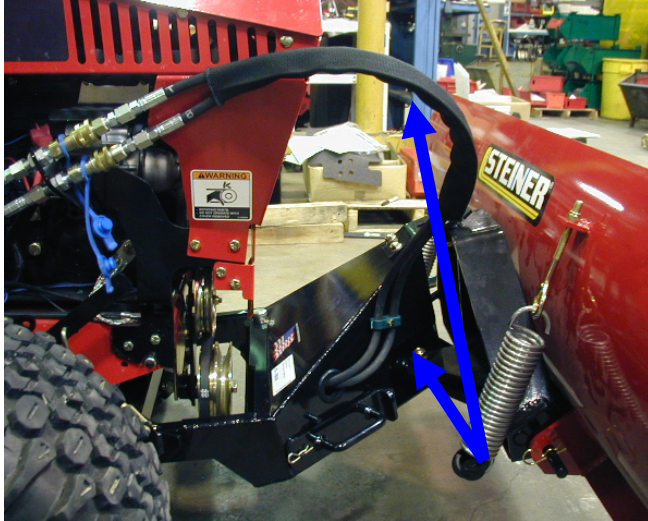
F. **Trencher, TH300** 75-70920

- With the trencher lifted up, the boom lifted up, and you try to open the tractor hood, there is some interference with the depth gauge and the hood.
- More information may be coming on later bulletins if any changes are made.

3. These attachments need some rework or new parts.

A. Dozer Blades, BD248 75-70506, BD260 75-70526, BD272 75-70546

- Hitch frame needs to be trimmed, or new one installed. (Red arrow)
- A new hose clamp added.
- Put a wrap on the hoses to hold them together.
- More information will be coming on later bulletins.



- Model numbers are changing with the altered hitch arms.
 - BD248 75-70506 = BD248 75-70506A
 - BD260 75-70526 = BD260 75-70526A
 - BD272 75-70546 = BD272 75-70546A
- Model numbers are changing when new hitch arms are used.
 - BD248 75-70506 = BD248 75-70507
 - BD260 75-70526 = BD260 75-70527
 - BD272 75-70546 = BD272 75-70547

B. Tree Farm Mower, MC400 75-70805 and 75-70805A

- The deck hooks up to the tractor and the PTO belt works good
- The front fenders need to be spaced out about ½" more on each side so the wheels clear the fenders.
- The rear fenders need to be replaced with new ones, because of the tractor changes we made.
- More information will be coming on later bulletins as changes are made.



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4. The following attachments will not fit on a 440.

- A. **Loader**, LD300 75-70605 and 75-70605A
 - The frame of the 440 is longer so the loader frame would interfere with the hood.
 - It will take a complete new loader to fit on the 440.
 - More information will come when a new loader is ready to go.
- B. **Vertical Auger**, VA242 75-70930 and 75-70930A
 - The hitch will hook up to the 440, but the PTO pulley and the drive pulley of the auger will crash into each other if it is not located properly.
 - The exhaust will also damage the hoses if they are not moved or protected.
 - More information will come when the vertical auger is ready to go.
- C. **Utility Box**, UB430 73-70404
 - The 440 rear weight bar was incorporated into the tractor frame, and will not allow the box to hook up to the bar. The fenders and roll bar will not allow the box to move close enough to hook up.