

# Operation and Assembly Manual for the M20 12-volt ATV Broadcast Spreader



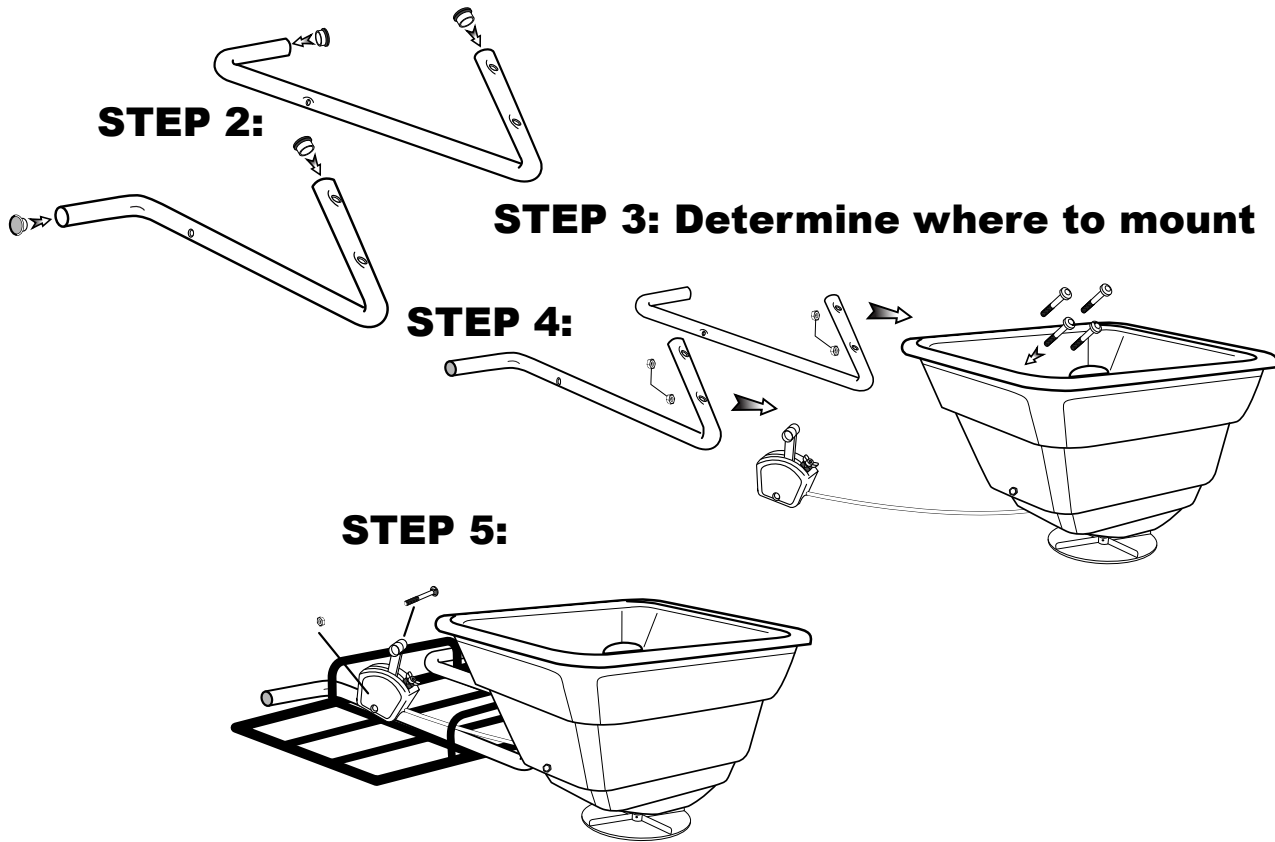
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## Assembly Instructions:

**STEP 1:** Unpack all parts from shipping carton to ensure no parts are missing. Refer to the exploded view.

**STEP 2:** Install the four (#9) 7/8" Tube plugs onto the ends of the two (#15) Frames with the help of a hammer or some other tool.



**STEP 3:** Determine whether to mount on the front or the back luggage rack. Depending on whether the M20 is mounted to the front or rear rack, you will need to install (#4) Control assembly to either the right (#11) or left (#15) Frame tube to allow for use with the non-throttle hand. Wait until the unit is mounted to the Quad before installing the Control.

**STEP 4:** Next install four 1/4-20 x 1-1/2" Carriage bolts (#12) through the Hopper assembly and then through **ONE** of either side Frame and secure with 1/4-20 Hex Nut (#8).

**STEP 5:** Now position the M20 to the Quad and install the remaining Frame member as outline above in **STEP 4**. Now install the Control assembly (#4) to the Frame and secure with a 1/4-20 x 1-3/4" Carriage bolt (#13) and 1/4-20 Hex Nut (#8) and tighten firmly to allow movement, but not allow the lever to move unassisted.

Now install the M20 on your quad as outlined on the following page.





**Electric Spreaders  
Model M20**

- \* Always wear protective clothing, eye wear, and dust mask to prevent contact with chemicals and other materials being applied with this machine.
- \* Remove any material in the hopper before lifting or detaching this machine from the vehicle.
- \* Care must be taken when lifting this machine so as not to cause personal injury or equipment damage. Never attempt to install this machine to the vehicle alone. Recruit the help of someone to assist when attaching and detaching this machine from the vehicle.
- \* Refer to the material packaging or the Material Safety Data Sheet for precautionary measures required when handling materials to be applied.
- \* Before attaching this machine, consideration must be given to the load capacity of the vehicle. Refer to the owner's manual of the vehicle for rated load capacity. Be sure to take into account the weight of this machine is 20lbs. and the weight of the material to be placed in the hopper when calculating the total load.



# WARNING

**KEEP HANDS AWAY FROM ANY SPINNING OBJECT, SHUT-OFF PLATE, SHUT-OFF MECHANISM LINKAGE, AND THE INSIDE OF THE HOPPER, EXTREME INJURY CAN OCCUR.**

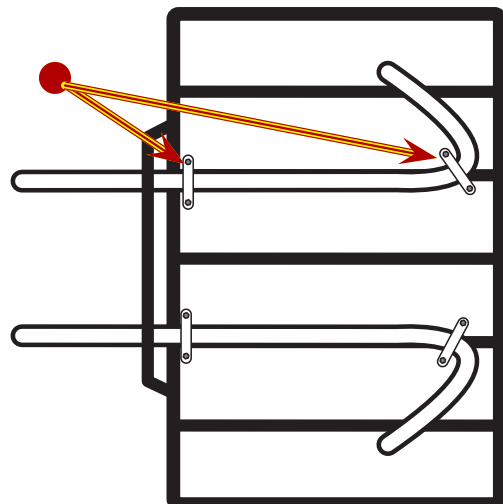
**HOW TO OPERATE SAFELY:**

- \* Read, understand, and follow all product label information provided on the material being applied.
- \* An adjustable solid stop is provided that allows the operator to adjust to the desired opening position on the rate setting control prior to operation of the vehicle. This allows repeatability to the stop without the need to look at the control while operating the vehicle.
- \* Establish the correct rate and then lock the stop in that position using the thumb wing nut on the setting control.

**MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Position the M20 on the vehicle so that the impeller is positioned to be able to spin clear of any part of the vehicle, this will allow a full 180 degree spread pattern. Secure the frame to the mounting location with the enclosed J-Bolts at positions that will secure the spreader so that it will not move when operating the vehicle. For best results mount the spreader so that the impeller is as close to the vehicle as possible, but clears any parts on the vehicle and place the J-Bolts as shown below.

Connect the black wire (ground) to the negative (-) post on the battery and the fused wire to the positive (+) post on the battery.



## **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Before filling hopper, become familiar with the operation of this spreader. (Practice the following steps)

- \* Turn the motor switch to the ON POSITION, so that the impeller is turning before going on to the next step.
- \* While driving forward pull the lever back to the stop, this opens the shut off plate on the spreader.
- \* To stop the flow of material, Push the lever to "0" or closed position, then turn the motor off when finished.
- \* When finished empty any remaining material from hopper.
- \* Thoroughly wash spreader and allow to dry before storing. A light coating of oil will help prevent corrosion of all metal surfaces.

## **CALIBRATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- \* Loosen set-screw on gauge cable and
- \* Set adjustment dial to "0" Closed
- \* Activate switch to extend to the "STOP"
- \* Slide Calibration Bracket to ensure shut-off is closed
- \* Calibration is now complete

## **IF RATE SETTINGS ARE NOT AVAILABLE USE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE TO CALCULATE THE SETTING:**

- \* Determine how much material is to be applied per 1,000 sq/ft.
- \* Measure off a distance of 50 feet, preferably on a paved surface such as a parking lot.
- \* Weigh out enough of the material to be applied to fill the hopper at least half full. Record the weight for future use.
- \* With the unit mounted on the vehicle and the hopper at least half full of the material to be spread, position the vehicle far enough before the beginning of the 50 foot test area so that the vehicle will achieve the desired speed before you reach the starting line.
- \* Set the rate setting stop at a position that you feel would be an appropriate setting.
- \* Start the vehicle in motion and as you cross the starting line (of the 50 feet) move the rate lever to the open position against the stop. Take care to be aware of what is going on around you maintaining control of the vehicle.
- \* Continue from the starting line with the unit spreading the material. As you cross the finish line move the rate lever to the closed position.
- \* Stop the vehicle and note the width of the spread path that was just completed.
- \* Return to the start point and empty the remaining material from the hopper into your weighing container and re-weigh.

## **RATE SETTING WORKSHEET**

Desired Application Rate (lbs/1,000 sq ft) \_\_\_\_\_

To determine the desired application rate divide the area (sq ft) the bag should cover by the weight of the bag, then multiply by 1,000. (Example: 5,000 sq ft / 25 lbs = .005 x 1,000 = 5)

\_\_\_\_\_ Weight of Material Placed in Hopper  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Weight of Material Left in Hopper  
= \_\_\_\_\_ Weight of Material Used

50 Length of Test Area (50 from previous page)  
x \_\_\_\_\_ Width of Spread Area  
= \_\_\_\_\_ Total Spread Area

Divide the Weight of Material Used by the Total Spread Area = \_\_\_\_\_ lbs\sq ft

Multiply the lbs\sq ft times 1,000 = \_\_\_\_\_ lbs\1,000 sq ft

Compare the results of your test to the desired application rate.

Adjust the rate setting stop accordingly and run through the test again.

Repeat this process until you have achieved the desired application rate.



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### (Machinery Directive & Electromagnetic Compatibility Directives)

Herewith we declare that the machinery described below is in accordance with the relevant health and safety requirements of the EC Council Directives concerned with Machinery and Electromagnetic Compatibility. No alterations are to be made to the machine without prior consultation and approval of Earthway Products, Inc. otherwise the Declaration may become invalid. This equipment must be commissioned, used and maintained strictly in accordance with the operating and maintenance instructions issued with the machine. Operators must be trained in accordance with the recommendations given in the operating and maintenance instructions issued with the machine.

Description of Machine: **EarthWay® M20 12-volt Broadcast Spreader**

Serial Number: AS STAMPED ON MACHINE

Date of Supply: AS INVOICED DATE

**Relevant EC Council Directives:**

Machine Directives 89/392/EEC and subsequent amendments.

Electromagnetic compatibility Directive 89/336/EEC and subsequent amendments.

Issued by: Jeffrey D. Kendall on behalf of Earthway Products, Inc.

Signed by: 

Date: January, 2012

Position of Signatory: Vice President Sales & Marketing

**DO NOT RETURN TO DEALER FOR REPAIR**

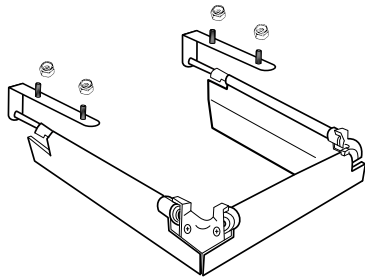
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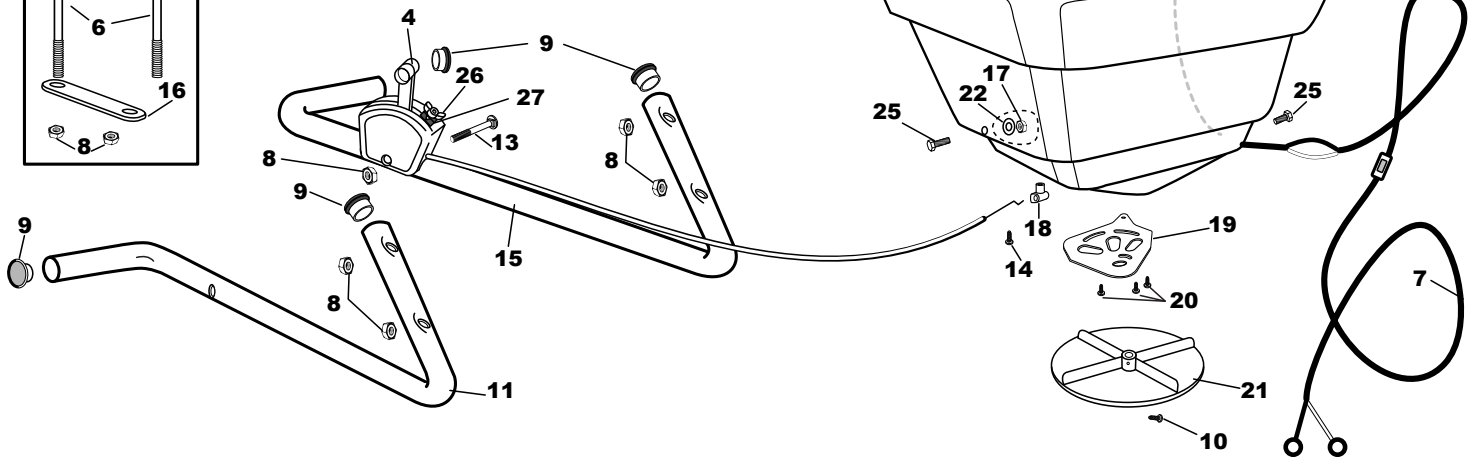
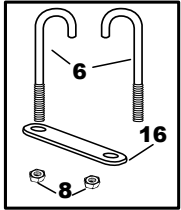
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**77122 OPTIONAL  
3-Sided Deflector Kit**  
\*advanced fitting required

4 Sets included



## M20 Parts List

| Key # | Part # | Description                        | Key # | Part # | Description                      |
|-------|--------|------------------------------------|-------|--------|----------------------------------|
| 1     | 77003  | HEAVY DUTY RAIN COVER              | 15    | 25119  | FRAME (M20) REV 907 LEFT         |
| 2     | 77101  | ELECTRIC MOTOR DRILLED (M20)       | 16    | 43050  | U-BOLT STRAP (M20)               |
| 3     | 60323  | MOTOR SUPPORT ASSEMBLY (M20)       | 17    | 32103  | 1/4-20 NYLON INS LOCKNUT ZINC    |
| 4     | 60523  | CONTROL ASSEMBLY-M20 REV907        | 18    | 12318  | LOWER HOUSING CLIP               |
| 5     | 60322  | HOPPER ASSEMBLY (M20)              | 19    | 12221  | SHUT OFF PLATE                   |
| 6     | 44287  | "J" BOLT (M30/M20)                 | 20    | 31138  | #8 X 3/8" PMT #8 HD COARSE BLACK |
| 7     | 60511  | WIRE HARNESS ASSEMBLY (M20/M30)    | 21    | 12109  | IMPELLER (9" DIA)                |
| 8     | 32100  | 1/4-20 HEX NUT ZINC                | 22    | 34108  | 9/16" OD. X .257 ID. WASHER ZINC |
| 9     | 19132  | 7/8" TUBE PLUG                     | 23    | 12309  | MOTOR BASE (M20/M21)             |
| 10    | 31103  | #6 X 1/2" TYPE 25 HWHS ZINC        | 24    | 12310  | MOTOR CAP (M20)                  |
| 11    | 25118  | FRAME (M20) REV 907 RIGHT          | 25    | 31101  | 1/4-20 X 3/4" HHMS ZINC          |
| 12    | 37101  | 1/4-20 X 1 1/2" CARRIAGE BLT Z     | 26    | 32106  | 10-24 WING NUT ZINC              |
| 13    | 37108  | 1/4-20 X 1 3/4" CARRIAGE BOLT ZINC | 27    | 12222  | INDICATOR-BROADCAST              |
| 14    | 31124  | #10 X 5/8" TYPE A PHPS ZINC        |       |        |                                  |

Installation the **77122 3-Sided Deflector Kit** requires drilling of the hopper and motor support assembly for fitting.