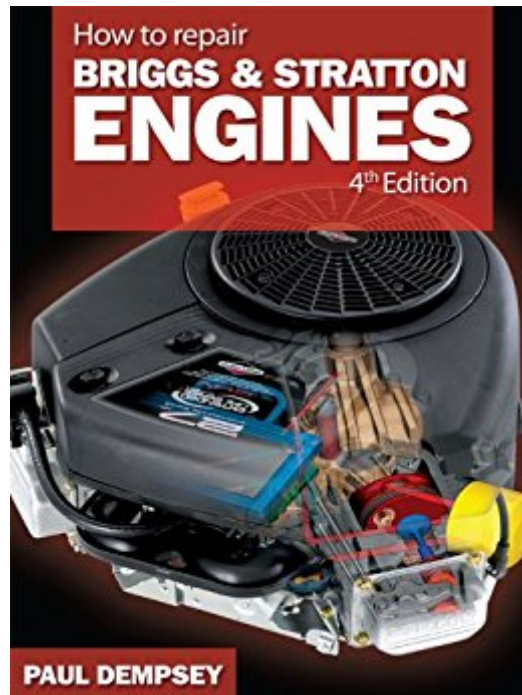




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- All the expertise needed to perform maintenance and repair jobs on any Briggs & Stratton engine
- Comprehensive guidance on state-of-the-art small-engine technology
- New to this edition: updated material on overhead valve design (OHV); new coverage of Flo-Jet suction lift carburetion; and new information on alternators, torque limits, and bolt tightening sequences

Inside this Updated Briggs & Stratton Repair Kit

- Introduction
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Customer Reviews

I am definitely not a mechanic, nor am I very mechanically inclined. But this book led me to believe that if I followed its instructions, I would be able to repair and adjust the motor on my riding mower. This book is not for someone who has difficulty with mechanics. While it has a lots of diagrams, trying to compare my specific engine and carburetor to the diagrams was difficult at best. If I was a mechanic, this book is probably just what the doctor ordered, since I am not, I just got more frustrated and confused. In my opinion, this book is not for someone who doesn't have a good understanding of small engines.

To be frank, I bought this one because it was in a Kindle version, relatively inexpensive, and I was getting frustrated at not being able to diagnose a carburation-related running problem on my 2000 White lawn tractor. Meanwhile the grass was growing taller, and I was getting desperate. Also, I didn't want to shell out big bucks to replace the mower. I'm an old hand at keeping Briggs & Stratton engines going for years, but still a backyard mechanic. I had read the prior reviews of this book, and the review that made the most sense was the one that recommended getting the specific Briggs & Stratton repair manual for a specific engine series (which I did not have), and getting this book also. They complement each other well.

Strengths:

1. Provides clear explanations of how various systems work, diagnostic procedures for determining what the specific problem is, and when you need special tools.
2. Illustrations are helpful to understand the explanations.
3. Warns of common mistakes to avoid (some I've made myself before) and their likely consequences.
4. Covers a wide range of engine history and when major changes were made.

Weaknesses:

1. Does not have the specific diagrams for the engine model I have (and that's why the official Briggs & Stratton repair manual is also needed).
2. Diagrams in the Kindle version are sometimes too small to view clearly on my iPad (but better on a laptop)

All in all, I found this book as a very useful small investment to

help save money and buy the right parts to fix the problem. By the way, I got the mower running again, and am a happy camper. The specific Briggs & Stratton repair manual gave me the details I needed on my specific engine, but was short on explanations for understanding some of the basics and problem diagnosis. The B&S manual has less info on theoretical understanding and how-to, which I find to be strengths to Dempsey's book in the 4th edition.

Not enough detail; opt for a shop manual. Doesn't show in good detail or explanation. How to set timing with slightly get and cam gear on ohv engine. Artist rendering on drawings instead of mail photographs with arrows.

This provides a LOT of information about Briggs and Stratton engines -- all of them -- and most were bigger than my little 4.5 push mower. I felt if I waded through the information, followed all the sidebars, and obtained a good grasp of small engine basics I MIGHT be able to infer the information I needed to make a very basic repair (cleaning the carburetor). Instead I ended up following a youtube video. I think this manual would be great for someone who repairs a lot of different Briggs and Stratton engines but if you're looking for a step-by-step How-To for a specific mower this is not for you. Also, the illustrations were not great if you're trying to look at it on your Kindle.

Saved me a lot of time debugging, because I would've been clueless without it. More convenient and cheaper than dragging my lawnmower down to a repair shop for a mere ancillary component replacement. I used it to determine that the automatic choke system's exhaust thermostatic actuator was faulty. Later, I used it to determine that the magneto armature had failed. So this manual is especially practical for relatively new machines, and owners who realize that their engine problem is not the engine proper, but one of the supporting components fastened to it. Tip: After debugging your engine via the manual's instructions, find your specific part number at the B&S web site. If their web store isn't functioning properly, then call their service dept. in Ohio to order the part(s) that you already found on their web site.

This book was purchased specifically for troubleshooting the 17hp engine. Troubleshooting guide is very poor. My motor would not start and did not receive electrical current to the starter. The most simple item to check was the fuse. It took me two days to figure this out. This information was not in the book. No, I am not happy with the book; however, this is not the sellers fault. The seller gets five stars for customer service and prompt shipping.

This ebook on Briggs and Stratton engines provided a quick reference at a good price.

very little to show repair work for the price it was not worth sending back

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