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# **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

## MUST BE READ PRIOR TO OPERATING THIS MACHINE



# **De-Compaction Rake**

Ref: DCR

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The DCR rake has been designed specifically to alleviate the compaction on 3G artificial surfaces. The DCR firstly relieves the compaction with a row of spring tines. This action pulls up the matted surfaces and the compacted rubber/sand fill. Two rows of levelling bars re-spread the fill to the surface. Finally, a strip brush finishes the surface.

The DCR is mounted on a four-wheel chassis. The two front wheels are solid casters to allow for turning in tight corners. The two rear wheels are on jacklegs and are adjustable for transportation. The tines are adjustable, this allows for the exact amount of desired pressure on the pitch. The rear brush can be raised and lowered, it is not recommended to use the brush alone.

The DCR incorporates a carrying tray which is useful to carry small tools.

Aggressive de-compaction using the unit with its tines and levelling bars, at intervals, (weather permitting) will help to keep the infill and pile mobile and level.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Working width	1300mm (52")
Overall Width	1740mm (68")

## **SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

- Never leave your grooming rake where someone could trip or walk into it.
- Always make sure that the rake is firmly fixed to the towing vehicle when in use.
- Never allow people to ride on the frame.
- Be aware of your surroundings and do not use the rake in close proximity to other people.
- Never travel at excessive speeds.
- Never reverse the unit with the tines or brush in contact with the ground.
- Always store the unit in the transport position.
- It is not recommended to use the brush alone

**-Note:** The Decompaction rake should only be used in conjuncture with the surface manufactures' recommendations.

If in doubt, please call the SCH customer help line at 01473 328272.

#### **OPERATION**

Transportation to the working area:

 Once the unit is attached to the towing vehicle check to see the side jacks are lowered to take the weight on the transport wheels.
 The tines, bars and brush must be kept clear of the ground.

At the playing surface:

Raise the wheels so the tines and bars are in contact with the surface.
 The rear brush can be adjusted to the required pressure (usually just touching the surface).

#### **MAINTENANCE**

- Keep the rear brush clean
- Regularly check all fixings for tightness
- Every six months grease the transport jack legs and transport wheels

#### WARRANTY

Your De-Compaction Rake is guaranteed for 12 months from the date of purchase. This guarantee covers faults which may occur from defective parts or manufacture.

Damage caused by inability to follow instructions will void warranty.



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