

Hi All,

3 Questions.

How old is OLD ENOUGH to operate a lawnmower?

How old is OLD ENOUGH to operate different types of lawnmowers?

How old is OLD ENOUGH to operate all types of lawn equipment?

From a risk management perspective, there is a risk from the unsafe operations of lawnmowers and can cause serious injury to a person.

We have volunteers and employees that maintain our lawns which involve the use of lawnmowers, tractors, and other various types of equipment e.g., trimmers and edgers, ladders, saws, tillers, etc.

We need to exercise caution and be prudent and ask ourselves the questions below when choosing volunteers to mow and or maintain our lawns.

- How old is OLD ENOUGH to operate the equipment?
- Do they show maturity, good judgment, strength, and coordination to do the job?
- Can they follow the expectations you set for them?

**IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MINIMIZE THE RISK OF KEEPING OURSELVES AND OTHERS SAFE FROM INJURY**

The attached policy, guidelines, and safety tips will help us reduce the risk of potential liability.

It includes the below.

Safety First!

Diocesan Policy

Volunteer

Employee

Set Expectations

Types Of Lawnmower Injuries

Injury From Cuts Lacerations

Injury From Burns

Missile Injuries

Fractures (Broken Bones)

Safety Tips

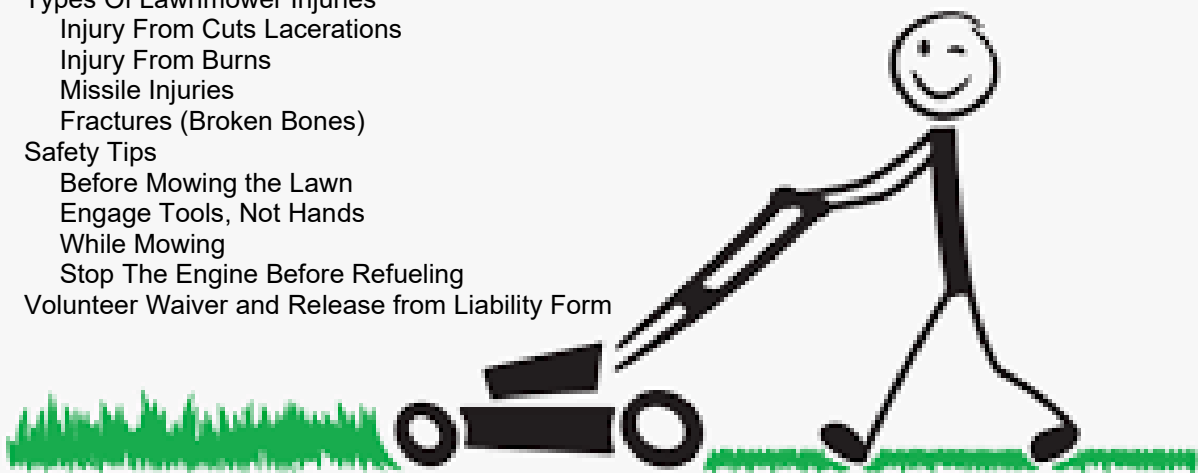
Before Mowing the Lawn

Engage Tools, Not Hands

While Mowing

Stop The Engine Before Refueling

Volunteer Waiver and Release from Liability Form



💡 It's important to minimize as much risk as possible. Documentation is a great tool in protecting against lawsuits and complaints. Documentation help ensure consent and expectations.

A VOLUNTEER must sign the WAIVER AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY.

📁 file release in a do not remove/delete folder in the church office.