



Ball Park Groomer Quick Start Guide

Conditions	Front Attachment	Rear Attachment
Wet Field Preparation Saturated, dry dirt unavailable or well under the surface	Only scarifier tines engaged if the field is not fully saturated and they can help disperse dry material, otherwise fully disengaged	Roller engaged (No weights necessary) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spike bar engaged• Leveling bar disengaged• Brush disengaged• Run in float
Heavily Compacted Field Preparation Dry and very hard on top, cracks, no moisture available	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scarifier tines engaged if large brittle chunks need help being broken up	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roller engaged• Spike bar engaged• Leveling bar disengaged• Brush disengaged• Run in float (Weights are necessary)
Weed Management / Edge Line Shaping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Renovator blades engaged – underneath roots for line cutting, middle of root for creeping infield weeds• Leveling bar disengaged• Scarifier tines disengaged• Run in Float (Add weights if necessary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Disengaged
Infield Leveling	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Renovator blades engaged, approx ¼" deep• Tines engaged for drying / mixing• Leveling bar engaged and adjusted according to field condition• Run in float (Add weights if surface is heavily compacted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roller contacting ground and leveling bar adjusted to accommodate field condition• Spike bar disengaged• Run in float (Add weights to control packing and minimize surface ripples)
Finish Grooming	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Disengaged	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leveling bar engaged if desired, but less aggressively is optimal• Roller engaged• Spike bar disengaged• Drag engaged<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Steel for moderate moisture• Cocoa mat for very dry conditions• Run in float (Add weights for optimal packing)

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Tips

1. Check for base plugs, water boxes, etc. under the surface and mark before cutting.
2. Add water to a dry field if available. The unit will always be able to finish drag, but being able to level/renovate is almost impossible if the field is dry and powdery. With sun and/or wind, a field of almost any wetness can be dried out and groomed to playability.
3. Run the tractor in low range unless finish dragging.
4. Cut edge lines deep, cut weeds shallow (Add weights for cutting)
5. Level at low speeds to prevent ripples from forming. Level at shallow depths to prevent pulling up clay or any material other than infield/sand mix.
6. Level in the straightest lines and longest passes possible. Do not make sharp turns with either the front or rear attachment engaged with the ground.
7. Finish drag in tighter circles as opposed to larger ones. This helps distribute surface material more evenly over time.
8. Weights are a good thing!



DG550 Renovator (Front Attachment)



Renovator Blades



Scarifier Tines



Leveling Bar

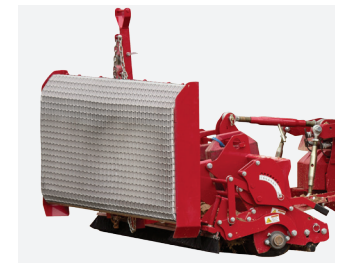
DR540 Groomer (Rear Attachment)



Rear Roller & Leveling Bar



Brush & Spike Bar



Drag (steel drag pictured)