



**Service  
Bulletin**

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**Subject:** Addition of 3/8" washer to friction device, Husqvarna walk hydro units.

**Effected Model Numbers:**

**WH4817ETS** 968999123 Fixed Deck, Serial Numbers 014600001 thru 020600035  
**WHF4215ETS** 968999127 Floating Deck, Serial Numbers 014900001 thru 020600048  
**WHF4818ETS** 968999129 Floating Deck, Serial Numbers 014900001 thru 020400045  
**WHF5218ETS** 968999130 Floating Deck, Serial Numbers 014400001 thru 020400033

**Service Information:**

Some of the Hydro Drive Husqvarna walk behind mowers with ETS handles may need a 539990517 3/8" flat washer added to the handle assembly. This washer will prevent damage to the nylon friction washers, and make the ground speed lever operation smoother and more consistent when setting the maximum ground speed.

In some cases, damage has already occurred to the 539990550 1/2" flat washer and 539102998 friction washer, if tightened too much.

When adding the 539990517 washer, replace (1) 539990550 1/2" washer and replace (1) 539102998.

Remember to grease the plastic friction washers when reassembling. Tighten the 3/8 cap screw and nut just until the ground speed lever will hold it's setting. This will feel fairly snug when operating the lever. The force required to tighten the nut is about 101 inch pounds, depending on the tension the operator likes.

