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OPEI Voluntary Noise Labelling Program -- *Power Lawn Mowers*
Changes for 1982 Shipment Year

1. Page 7 -- clarifies that the posted noise rating based on the measurement obtained with the mower arranged in its highest sound-pressure-level-producing configuration applies only to the mower configuration or attachments as initially packaged with the mower.
2. Page 9 (Graphic Requirements) -- eliminates the requirement that the hang tag be a certain color. Also revises the minimum size of the tag to 6½" long by 3" wide so as to offer a more economical approach to the efficient utilization of the paper stock.
3. Page 10 (Manufacturer self-certification) -- further clarifies the advantages of self-certification.
4. Page 18 (Test Procedure -- General Procedure) -- adjusts general procedure section of ANSI standard to conform to new B71.1 - 1980 voluntary standard.

(Test Procedure -- Noise Level Measurements) -- clarifies the type of sound level equipment recommended. (i.e. Type 1 requirements of ANSI S1.4 -- 1971, Specification for Sound Level Meters.)
5. Page 21 (Hang Tag Content) -- clarifies that manufacturer also can use equivalent to Helvetica type on the hang tag. Clarifies that noise rating is based upon measurements taken at the operator's ear on a representative sample (s) instead of at the time of manufacture.
6. Page 22 (Hang Tag Content) -- eliminates the requirement for the phrase "Manufactured By/For" followed either by the name of the manufacturer or his customer and leaves it to the option of the manufacturer.
7. Page 22 (Graphic Requirements) -- leaves hang tag color to the discretion of the manufacturer, reduces minimum hang tag size to 6½" long and 3" inches wide, and allows use of type size equivalent to Helvetica.
8. Page 23 -- (Noise Labelling Hang Tags) -- changes range for walk-behind power mowers to "85 to 92 decibels," and clarifies range copy for riding mowers, lawn tractors, and garden tractors to "85 (electric powered) to 95 (engine powered) decibels." Changes "at the time of manufacture" to "on a representative sample(s)." Adds "s" to "Model" and indicates that "Manufactured By/For:" is optional.
9. Page 24 (Verification) -- clarifies that "Verification shall be conducted only when natural turf or equivalent laboratory conditions exist at the designated test site of the mower manufacturer." Allows the manufacturer and/or the independent testing laboratory to reschedule the test at a mutually satisfactory date and place if either determines that improper environmental conditions prohibit sound pressure level measurements.