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# **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

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## **Front Bumper Kit**

For 600, 700, and 800 Model Series Tractors

**Model OEM-190-679 / 190-679-101**

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### **IMPORTANT**

**READ WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE OPERATION**

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## Thank You

Thank you for purchasing a Front Bumper kit manufactured by MTD LLC for the 600, 700 and 800 series lawn tractor. It was carefully engineered to provide excellent performance when properly installed and maintained.

Please read this entire manual prior to installing and operating the equipment. It instructs you how to safely and easily install this bumper kit onto your machine.

All the information in this manual is relative to the most recent product information available at the time of printing. Please be aware that this Operator's Manual may cover a range of product specifications for various models. Characteristics and features discussed and/or illustrated in this manual may not be applicable to all models. MTD LLC reserves the right to change product specifications, designs and equipment without notice and without incurring obligation.

This product has met the rigid safety standards of the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute and an independent testing laboratory. If you have any problems or questions concerning this product, phone your local authorized MTD service dealer or contact us directly. MTD's Customer Support telephone numbers, website address and mailing address can be found below. We want to ensure your complete satisfaction at all times.

Throughout this manual, all references to *right* and *left* side of the machine are observed from the operating position

The engine manufacturer is responsible for all engine-related issues with regards to performance, power-rating, specifications, warranty and service. Please refer to the engine manufacturer's Owner's/Operator's Manual, packed separately with your machine, for more information.

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## Customer Support

**Please do NOT return this bumper kit to the retailer or dealer without first contacting our Customer Support Department.**

If you have difficulty assembling this product or have any questions regarding the controls, operation, or maintenance of your machine, you can seek help from the experts. Choose from the options below:

- ◇ Visit us on the web at [www.mtdproducts.com](http://www.mtdproducts.com)
- ◇ Call a Customer Support Representative at (800) 800-7310 or (330) 220-4683
- ◇ Write us at MTD LLC • P.O. Box 361131 • Cleveland, OH • 44136-0019

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## Determine The Model of Your Rider

This manual is designed for installation of your new bumper kit attachment on several different tractors. It is important for you to determine which model of tractor that you have.

To determine the model of tractor, locate the model plate found underneath the seat. The model plate consists of an 11 digit/letter model number and a serial number. For ease in this installation and for future use, copy your tractor's model number & serial number below now:

Rider Model Number: \_\_\_\_\_ 

Rider Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** This information is also important should you have to call MTD for any reason regarding this installation process.

The 5th, 6th & 7th numbers from the left in your model number determine your rider's model series.

### Sample Model Number

1 3 A M 7 9 0 G 0 0 0

Indicates Model Series 700

When you fill in your model number in the space above, the actual model series number should fall into the gray shaded area.

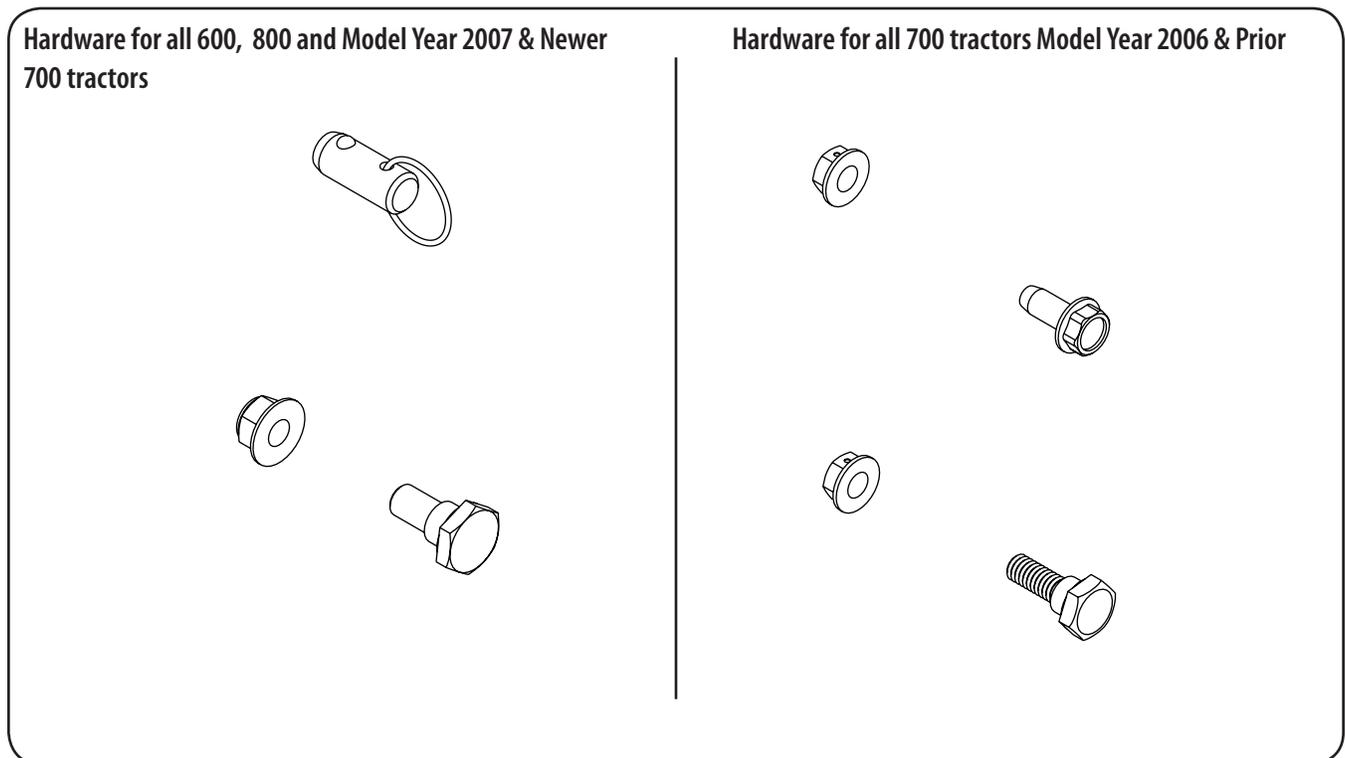
Now that you know the model of tractor you have, follow the instructions that pertain to that particular model. For instance, the 600 and 800 model series follow one set of instructions, and the 700 model series follows the other set of instructions.

Before beginning installation, remove all parts from the carton to make sure everything is present. Carton contents are listed below. Hardware part numbers are shown in parentheses.

<b>QTY</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PART NO.</b>
(1)	Universal Bumper Assembly	(683-04219B)
(2)	Screw, 5-16-18 x 0.750	(710-1260A)
(2)	Quick Release Pin, .50 dia. x .50 lg.	(714-04061)
(4)	Flange Lock Nut, 5/16-18	(712-3004A)
(2)	Bumper Cap	(731-05674)
(2)	Shoulder Screw, 5/16-18 .437 x .268	(738-0296)
(2)	Shoulder Bolt, 3/8-16 .496 x .336	(738-0143)
(2)	Flange Lock Nut, 3/8-16	(712-04065)

## CONTENTS OF HARDWARE PACK

This Bumper kit is shipped with a hardware pack enclosed. This hardware pack may contain extra parts for installation on a different rider from which you have. Please check your hardware pack against the illustration below in accordance with your model of rider as determined in this manual.



**Figure 2-1**

NOTE: Each item has been identified in above for ease of assembly, and the letter code assigned here is maintained in assembly instructions.

RH = Right Hand                      (#) = Quantity  
 LH = Left Hand

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**WARNING!** Before beginning installation, place the tractor on a firm and level surface. Place the PTO in the disengaged (OFF) position, stop the tractor engine and set the parking brake.

**NOTE:** References to LEFT and RIGHT indicate the left and right sides of the tractor when facing forward in the operator's position. Reference to the FRONT indicates the grille end; to the REAR the drawbar end.

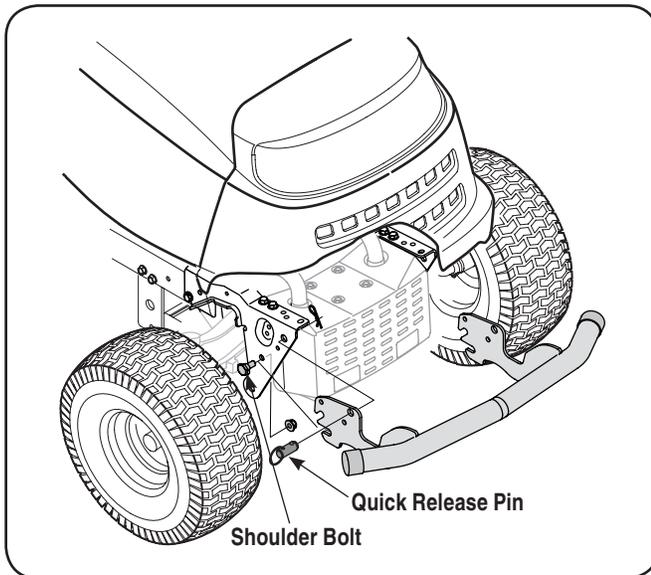
## Mounting Bumper to all Model 600, 800 and Model year 2007 & Newer 700 Tractors



**WARNING!** Muffler may be hot! Make sure engine has cooled down before installing bumper.

**NOTE:** On some older units, a shoulder bolt may already be present. If this is the case, skip Step 1.

1. Install the two shoulder bolts onto the tractor as seen in



**Figure 3-1**

Fig. 3-1, and secure with two flange lock nuts from the hardware pack.

2. To mount the bumper to the tractor, hook the notched ends (slots) of the bumper onto the shoulder bolts on the sides of the tractor frame. See Fig. 3-1.
3. Align the holes in the bumper with the holes in the tractor frame and insert the quick release pin through the top hole of the bumper assembly from the outside as seen in Fig. 3-1. Repeat on the opposite side.

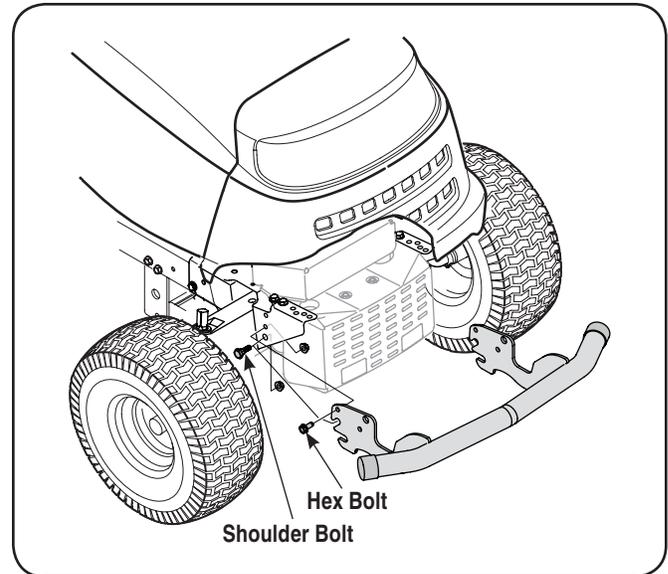
If you are missing any parts, please do not contact the retailer where you purchased this unit, call MTD directly at 1-330-220-4MTD or toll free at 1-800-800-7310.

## Mounting Bumper to Model Year 2006 and Prior 700 Series Tractors



**WARNING:** Muffler may be hot! Make sure engine has cooled down before installing bumper.

1. To mount the bumper to the tractor, slide the bumper over the front brackets, aligning the top-rear holes in the



**Figure 3-2**

bumper over the upper rear holes in the bracket. See Figure 3-2.

2. Insert a 5/16-18" shoulder bolt, from the hardware pack, on each side of the tractor through the upper notched section of the bumper and then the aligning tractor mounting hole. Secure with a 5/16-18 flange lock nut from the hardware pack. See Fig. 3-2.
3. Insert a 5/16-18" hex bolt on each side from the outside through the holes and secure with the hex flange nuts. See Fig. 3-2.

**IMPORTANT:** If the tractor is equipped with a muffler guard between the tractor brackets, the hex bolts should be bolted into the guard. The nuts will not be necessary.

If you are missing any parts, please do not contact the retailer where you purchased this unit, call MTD directly at 1-330-220-4MTD or toll free at 1-800-800-7310.