SIDEWINDER STARTING TIPS

**CAUTION**
Always move the saw at least 10 feet (3m) away from the fueling area before starting.

**IMPORTANT**
Place the saw on clear ground. Ensure that secure footing is established and blade is not contacting any objects.

COLD ENGINE STARTING PROCEDURE

1. Pull the choke lever out.
2. Lock the throttle in the start position by depressing and holding the throttle lock button (C) while releasing the trigger (A) and trigger interlock (B) in succession.
3. Toggle the ignition switch to the “ON” position.
4. Press decompression valve.
5. With right hand, slowly pull starter handle until the starter pawls engage.
6. Pull the starter rope (hard, fast pulls) until engine fires – could be as many as 15 pulls on very first start up of saw.
7. After the engine fires up it will be necessary to push the choke in.
8. If engine stalls, push decompression valve in.
9. Pull the starter rope until engine starts – could be as many as 5 – 7 pulls.
10. When the engine starts, release throttle from starting position.
11. Allow engine to idle for at least one minute; squeeze trigger several times during this period.

WARM ENGINE STARTING PROCEDURE

1. Use the same procedure as cold starting, but DO NOT pull choke lever out. If choke is used, the carburetor will flood with gas.
2. If the engine does not start in 3 hard, fast pulls with the throttle locked, unlock the throttle and pull the starter cord 3 more times.