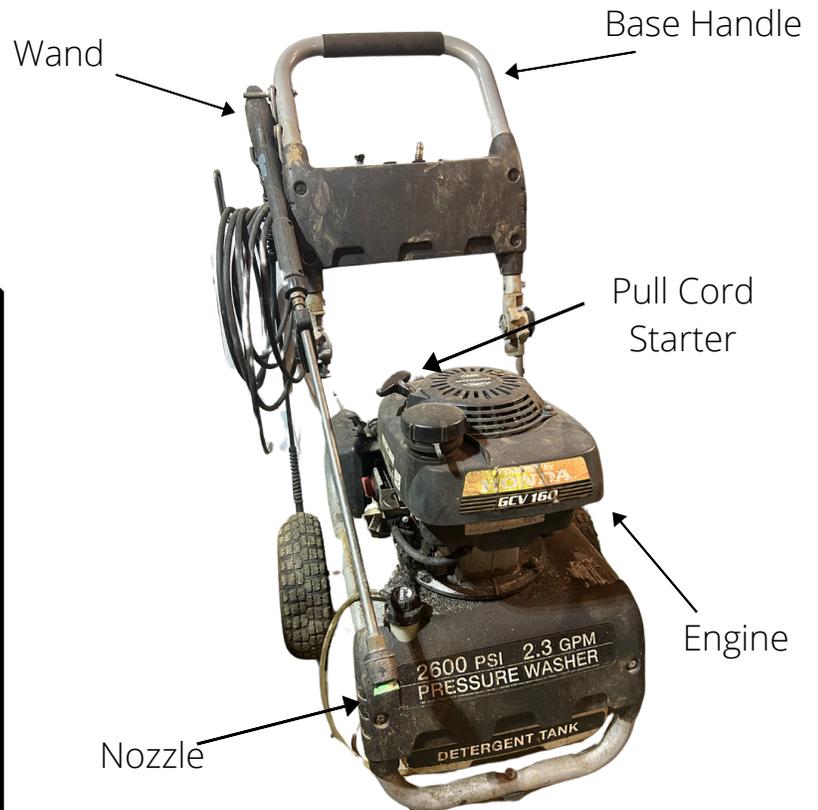


TOOL TIME

PRESSURE WASHER

Pressure Washer Safety

- Wear closed-toed shoes that are made out of a thick material.
- Safety guards on the tool must be in place and functioning.
- Check the oil level in the engine before starting.
- Make sure that the water is turned on to the machine before starting.
- Never point a pressure washer at yourself or others.
- Do not aim a high-pressured nozzle at a window or other breakable materials.
- Maintain a stable body position and keep a firm grasp on the wand when using.
- Don't spray too close to the surface you are cleaning.
- Engage the safety latch on the trigger when not spraying.
- Depressurize the machine by turning off the engine and then squeezing the trigger.
- Depressurize before switching out nozzle tips or disconnecting the hose or nozzle.



Personal Protective Equipment

- Safety Glasses (Recommended)
- Hearing Protection (Recommended)
- Gloves (Recommended)

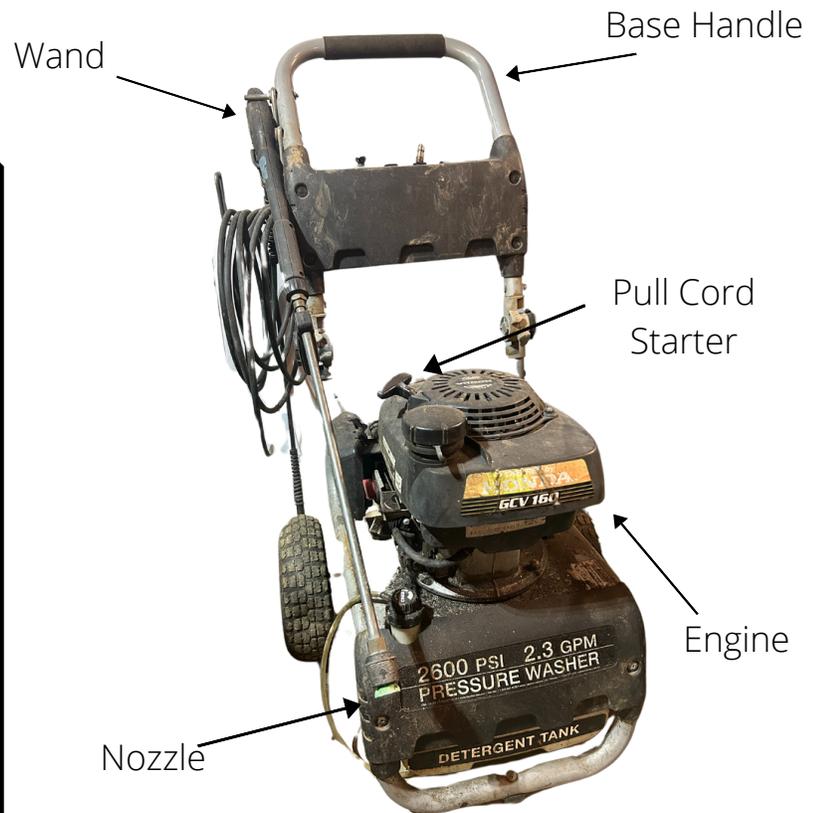
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TOOL TIME

Operating Procedure

- Ensure that the machine has the proper engine oil level.
- Ensure that all of the hoses are connected and that water is turned on to the machine.
- Follow the procedures for choking the machine.
- While keeping a hand on the machine base handle, pull the starter cord to start the engine.
- Adjust the engine choke as needed.
- Pick up the wand and keep a firm grasp on it.
- Point the wand where you want to wash.
- Pull the trigger while maintaining a firm grasp.
- Move back and forth to wash the desired area.
- When finished, engage the trigger lock and set down the wand.
- Turn the engine switch to stop.
- When the engine has completely stopped, disengage the trigger lock and pull the trigger to depressurize.
- Turn off the water and disconnect all hoses.



Checklist

- Does the operator use appropriate PPE?
- Did the user check to make sure there is engine oil and water on before starting the machine?
- Did the operator keep the nozzle pointed in a safe direction at all times?
- Does the operator have a stable body position when using the wand?
- Did the operator engage the trigger safety lock when not using?
- Did the user properly depressurize the system before disconnecting?

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