



## **SAFETY AND OPERATING MANUAL FOR ROOKIE GAS HOSE ROLLER**

### **Warning!**

Read and follow all safety precautions in this safety manual. Improper use can cause serious injury.



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The Rookie gas hose roller has been improved based on input from customers and the USFS. The gas-powered version enables versatile operation off the grid or in the field. Out of the box, the hose roller is ready for immediate use with no extra parts or tools required. The Rookie roller can be hitch-mounted, bench mounted, or ATV mounted. It can also be mounted on the Portable Stand designed explicitly for The Rookie rollers.

### Specifications

- Rolls up to 100-foot lengths of .75" to 7.25" hose
- Removes air and water during the rolling process
- Heavy-duty powder-coated steel construction
- Powered by a gas-driven Honda 3HP horizontal engine, The Rookie is the option of choice for crews operating off the grid or preferring highly mobile use.
- Size: 32" L x 16" W x 29" H
- Weight: 155 pounds
- Made in the USA
- One year warranty

### Suggested Sprocket size options

- **RS-13000** Gas hose roller with 10 tooth sprockets for 1.5 inch and smaller hose (fast speed).
- **RS-13004** Gas hose roller with 14 tooth sprockets for 3 inches and smaller hose (medium speed).
- **RS-13005** Gas hose roller with 28 tooth sprockets for 7.25 inch and smaller hose (regular speed).

### Benefits

- Efficiency: cuts rolling time in half
- Safety: prevents lower back injuries
- Durability: designed for years of rugged use
- Reliable: 10 years without a single warranty return
- Versatile: one unit rolls any size hose
- Economical: pays for itself in the first year

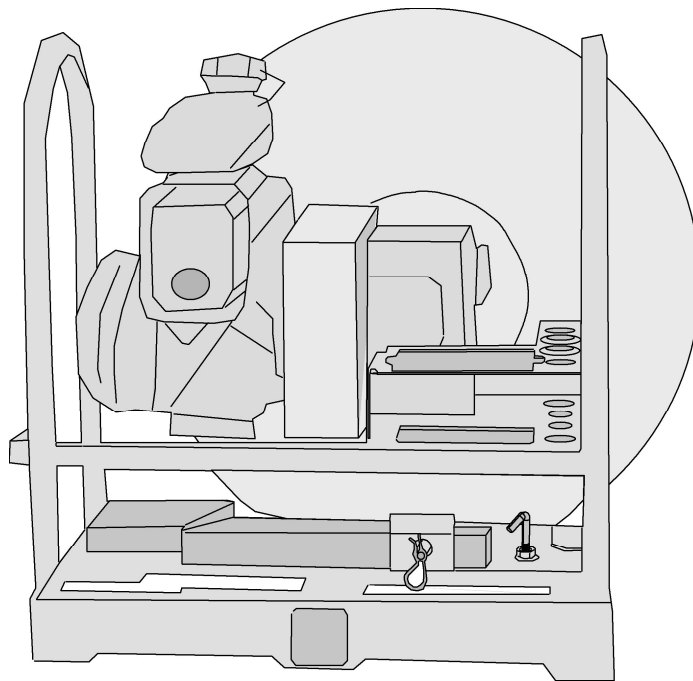
### Optional Accessories

- **RS-13001** The Rookie Portable Stand. Weight: 57 pounds  
Dimensions: L 43" | W 33" | H 25"
- **RS-13002** The Rookie Reloader. Weight: 45 pounds  
Dimensions: L 32" | W 13" | H 18"
- **RS-13006** The Rookie Reloader with Stand. Weight: 102 pounds  
Dimensions: L 43" | W 33" | H 43"

## **SAFETY AND OPERATING INSTRUCTION FOR GAS HOSE ROLLER**

### **READ THE MANUAL THOROUGHLY!**

This manual contains the safety precautions and recommended assembly and operation techniques outlined by the manufacturer. Each Rookie Gas Hose Roller has been designed and constructed to minimize the risk of injury whenever possible. However, improper use and/or unfamiliarity with recommended procedures can result in serious injury.



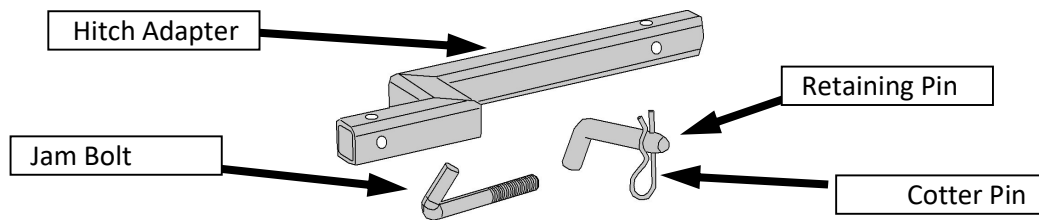
1. ALWAYS WEAR EYE, EAR, HEAD, AND HAND PROTECTION
2. KEEP CLEAR OF MOVING PARTS AT ALL TIMES

## HITCH MOUNT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION

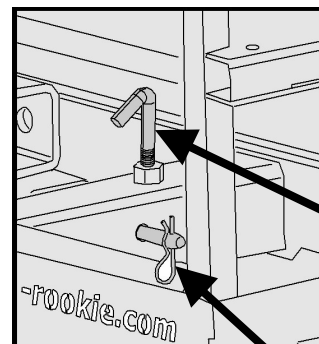
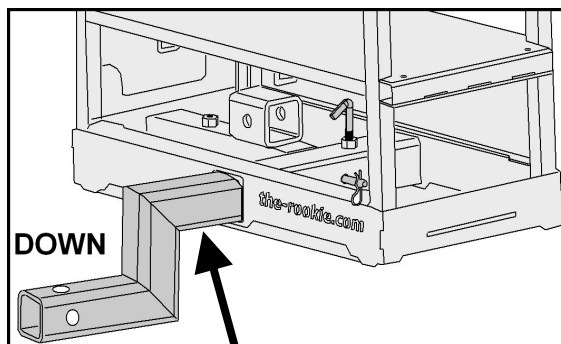
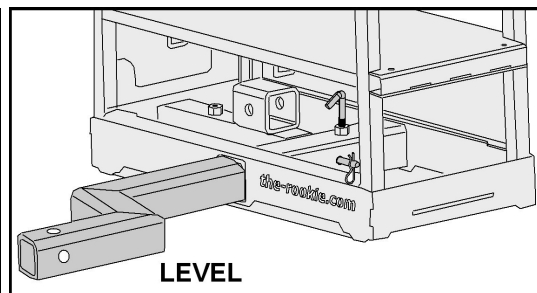
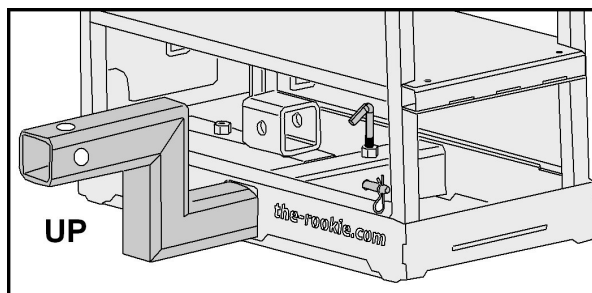
The Rookie Gas roller can be mounted on any receiver hitch using the hitch mount assembly **RS-12095**. The hitch mount may be ordered separately.

### **Warning!**

The hitch mount is used for rolling hoses only.  
Do NOT tow The Rookie with a vehicle.



- Select the hitch adapter rotation for the best working height; up (raise 6 inches), down (lower 6 inches), or horizontal (level).
- Place hitch adapter into square tubing holder in roller frame.
- Install retaining pin through the frame and hitch adapter. Secure with cotter pin.
- Tighten the jam bolt to keep unit level.



Hitch adapter secured with Jam Bolt

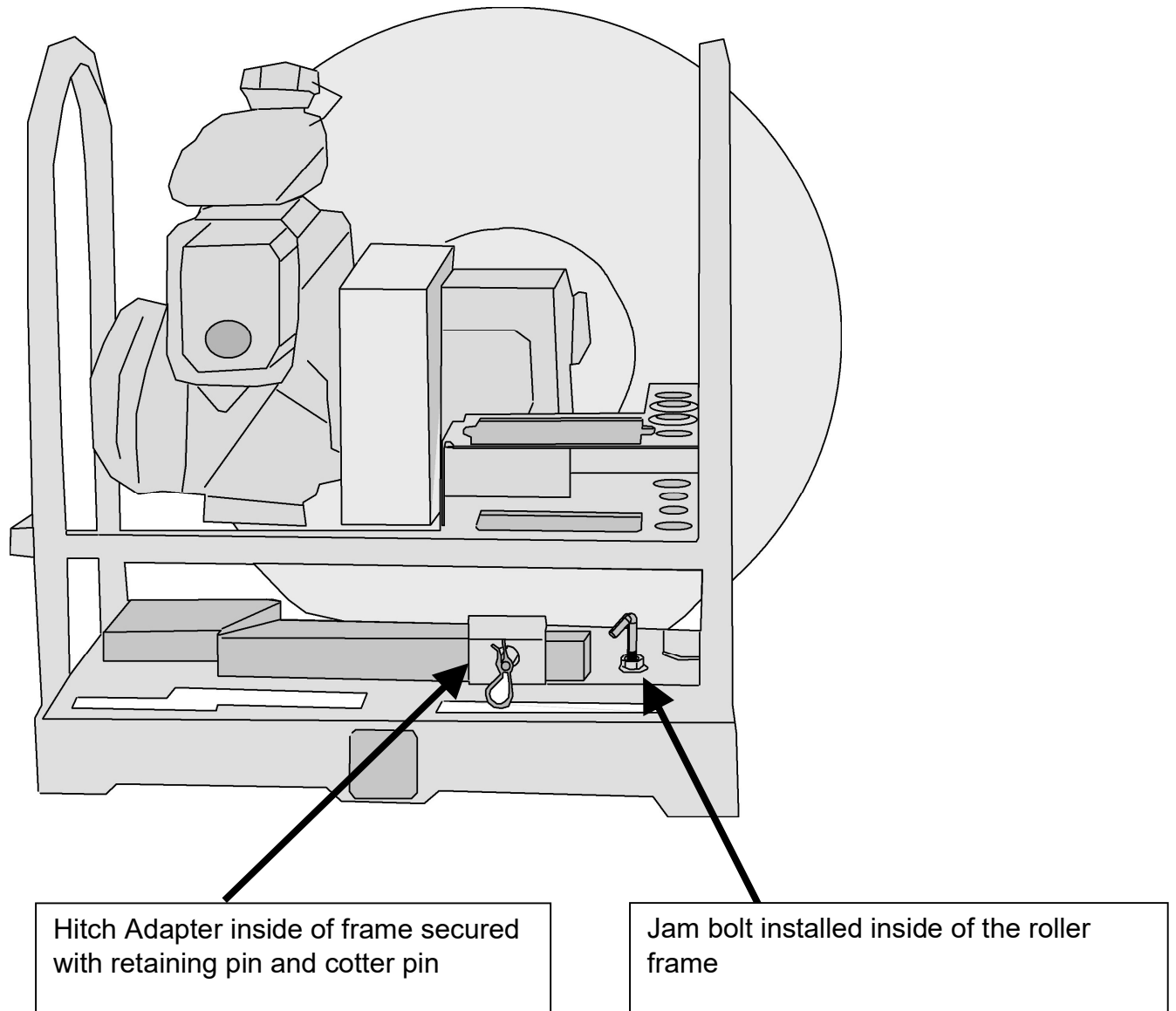
Hitch adapter installed into roller frame

Hitch adapter secured to the frame with retaining and cotter pins

## **HITCH MOUNT STORAGE INSTRUCTION**

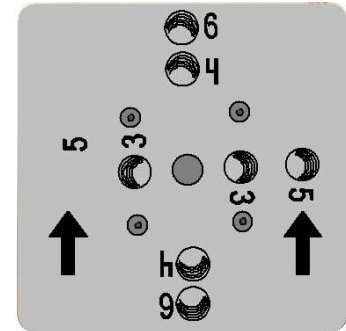
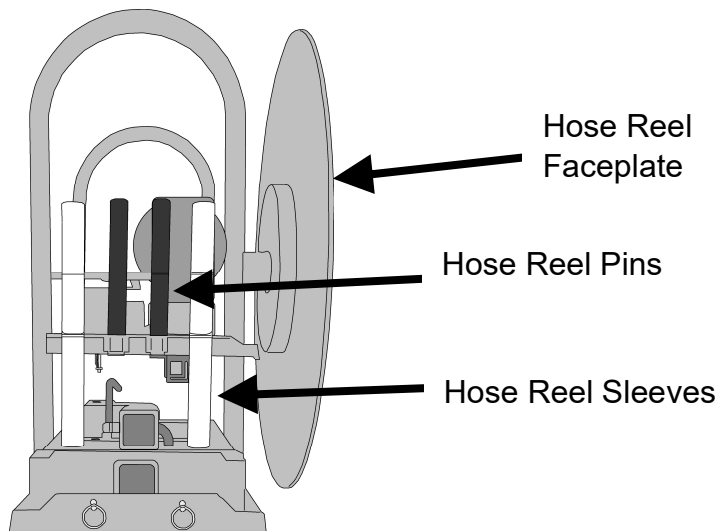
Store the hitch mount assembly when not in use or during transport.

- The hitch mount assembly is stored inside the roller frame.
- A small square tubing holder is provided on the frame.
- Secure with retaining pin and cotter pin installed.
- The jam bolt is stored by installing it into its threaded opening.



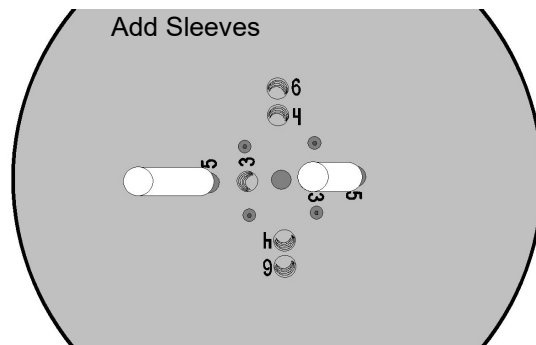
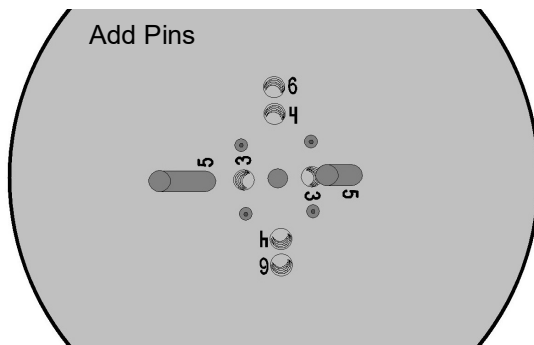
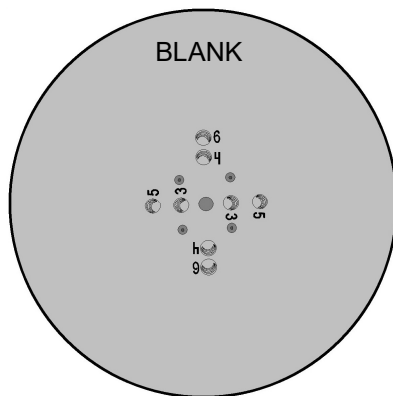
## HOSE REEL PIN INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

During transportation, secure the hose reel pins and sleeves. Attach to the roller frame.



Example:  
Pin mounting holes for 5-inch hose.

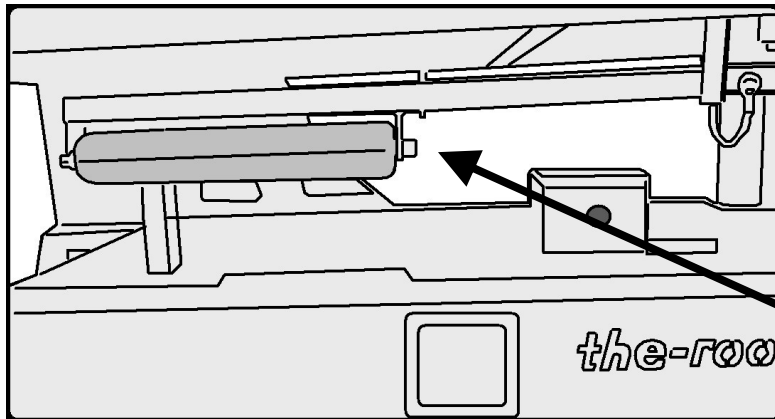
- Unscrew pins and remove sleeves from roller frame.
- Identify the holes for your hose. The numbers next to each hole indicate the hose size in inches. Apply a small amount of grease into pin holes for easier installation.
- Securely screw pins into holes on the reel faceplate. Apply the sleeves over the pins.



Replacement hose reel faceplate can be ordered as **RS-10920**.

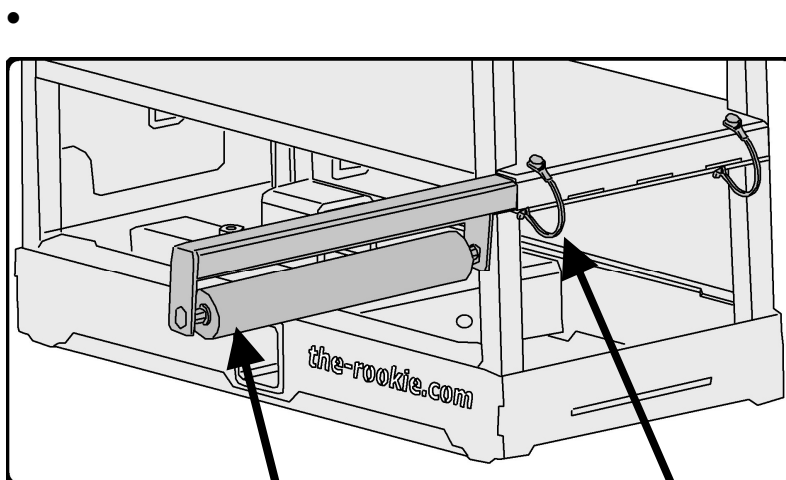
## **ROLLER INSTALLATION /STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS**

During transportation, securely attach the roller assembly inside the roller frame.



Roller assembly inside the roller frame.

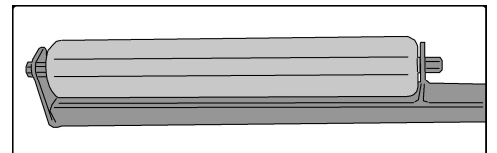
- Remove the roller from the roller frame by removing the quick-release pin.
- Attach roller assembly into the square tubing holder in the frame and secure it to the frame using the two quick-release pins provided with the unit. The roller may be installed with the roller facing up or down; down is the preferred.



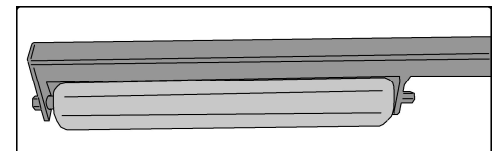
Assembled Roller

Quick release pins

Roller Up



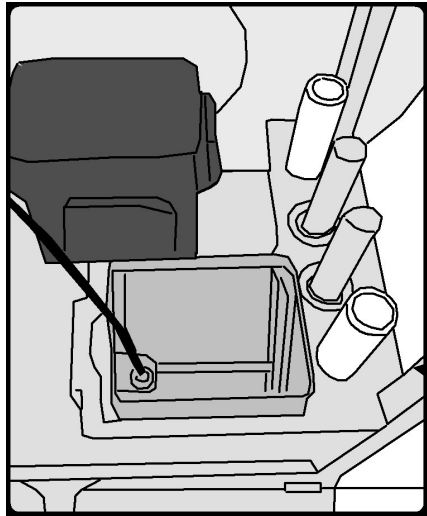
Roller Down



Note: The unit is provided with an additional two bolts, four washers, and two locknuts. These may be used instead of the quick release if preferred.

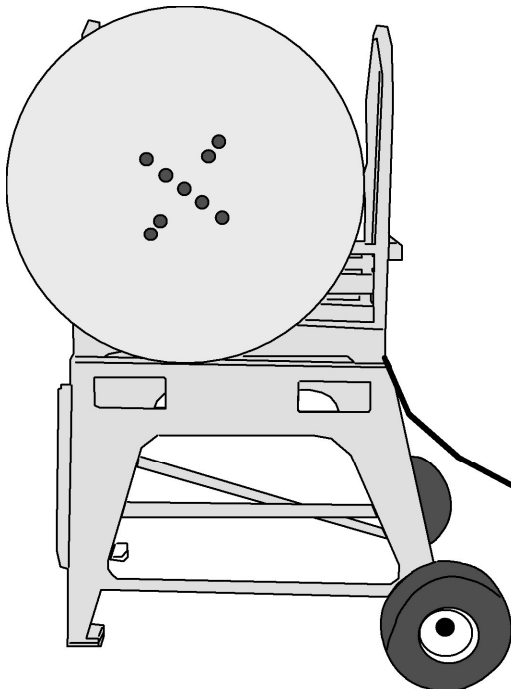
## **FOOT PEDAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTION**

The Rookie Gas Roller is equipped with a foot pedal for speed control.



Foot pedal  
(storage location)

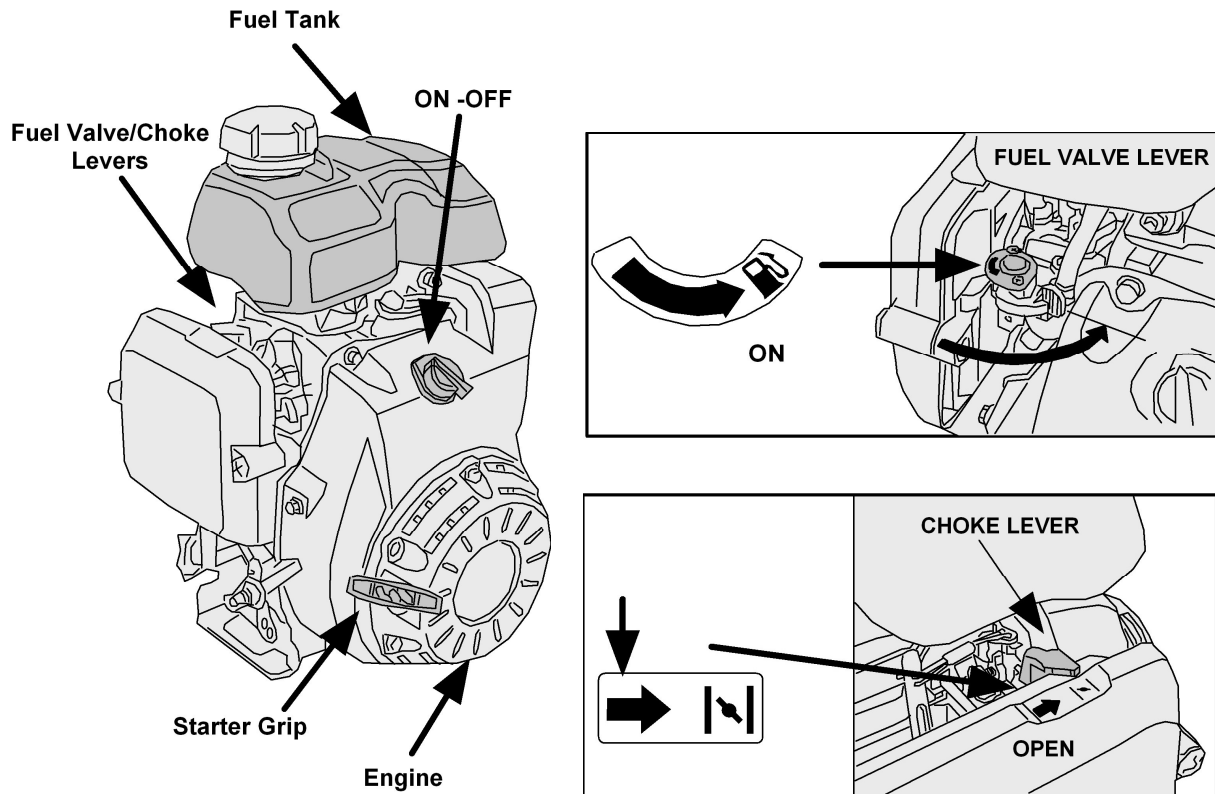
- Remove the foot pedal from the holder on the frame.
- Place foot pedal on a flat surface near to the hose guard on either side of the roller.
- Uncoil the throttle cable, making sure it is not twisted or kinked. The cable length is 7 feet long and can be moved around for the operator's comfort and stored within the framework of the unit when not in use.



Foot pedal on cable

## **POWERING UP**

**BE SURE THE FUEL VALVE SWITCH IS TURNED TO AN OFF POSITION WHILE TRANSPORTING THE GAS HOSE ROLLER!**

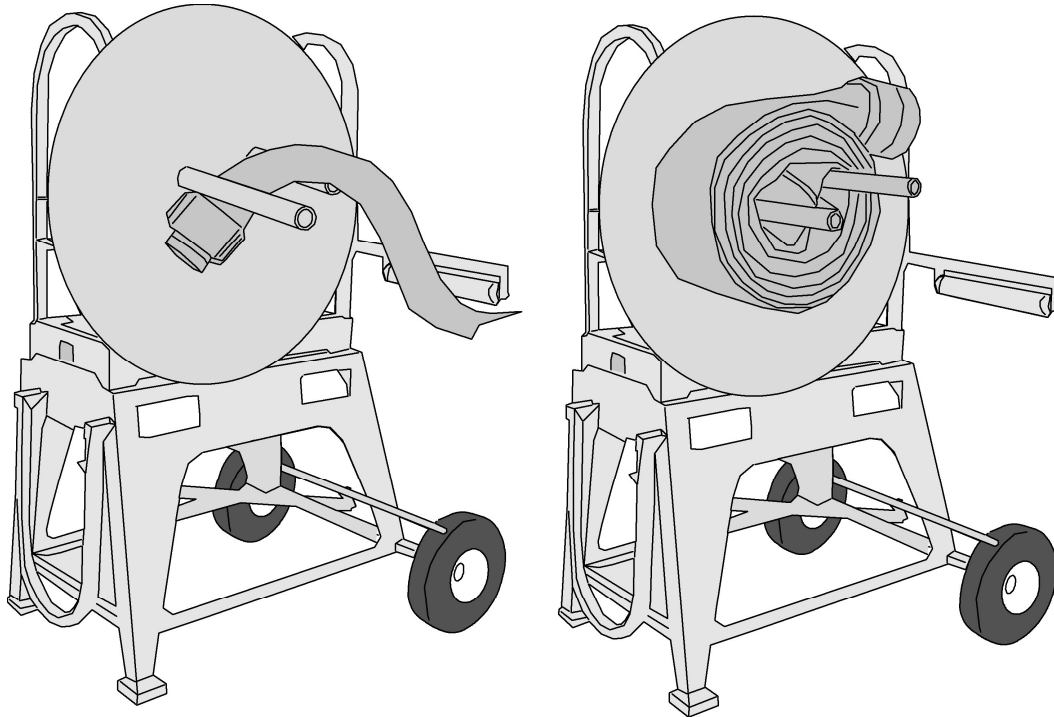


- Fill the engine tank with unleaded fuel. Do NOT fill above the tank shoulder.
  - IF THE ENGINE HAS BEEN RUNNING, ALLOW TO COOL BEFORE REFUELING.
- Make sure that the foot pedal is removed from the roller and the cable is uncoiled.
- Open the fuel valve.
- If the engine is cold, close the choke.
- Turn the engine switch on.
- Start the engine by pulling the starter cord until you feel resistance, then pull briskly.
- Gently return the starter grip. Do NOT let the cord snap back.
- If the choke was closed, slowly open the choke until it is in the open position.
- When done rolling hoses, turn the engine switch off and close the fuel valve.

**The Gas Hose Roller is now ready to operate.**

### **POSITIONING AND ROLLING HOSE**

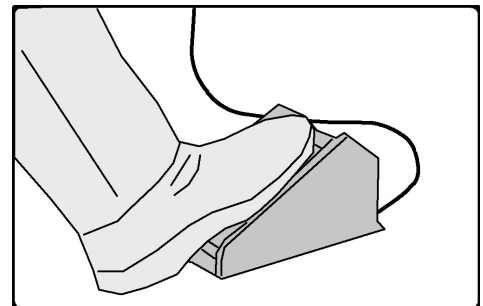
- Place the male end of the hose between pins so it remains without the use of hands, then start the engine as described in the previous section.



**HANDS MUST BE CLEAR OF MOVING PARTS BEFORE OPERATING**

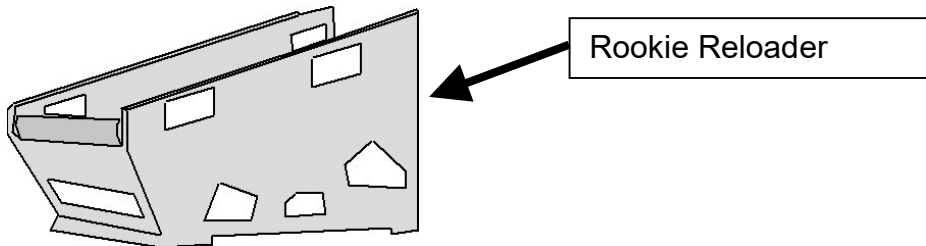
### **FOOT PEDAL !**

- Apply pressure to the foot control to begin rolling the hose.
- Keep hands clear when the wheel is moving.
- Allow the first few layers to roll on loosely for easy removal of the completed roll.
- Adjust the speed with the foot controller.
- As the end of the hose approaches, slow the rolling speed by releasing pressure on the foot pedal. Stop by removing the foot completely.
- Turn off the engine and close the fuel valve when all hose rolling is complete.

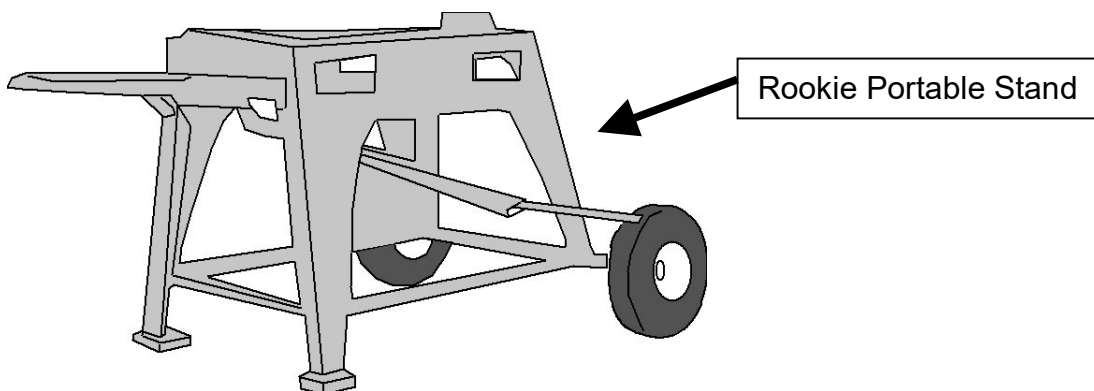


## POSITIONING AND ROLLING HOSE

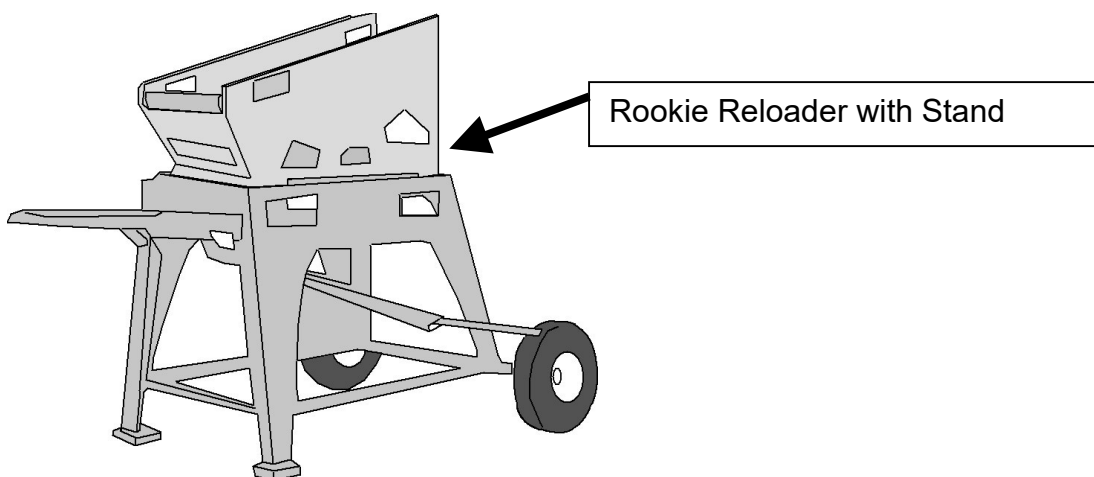
- After rolling end-to-end, the hose can be removed.
- Place rolled hose in the Rookie Reloader (**RS-13002**).



- Use the Rookie Portable Stand (**RS-13001**) to transport the hose to the engine for re-decking.

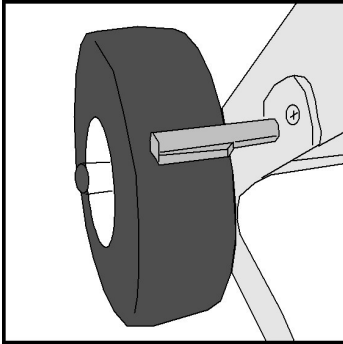


- The Rookie Reload with Rookie Portable Stand (**RS-13006**).

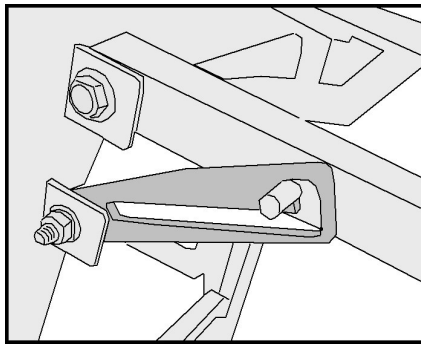


## **STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE**

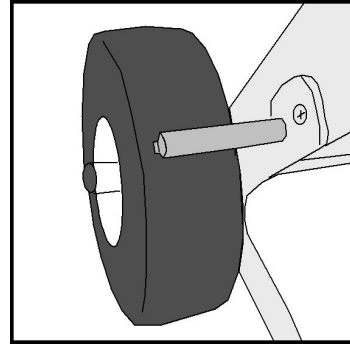
- After moving to the desired location, release the yellow lever on The Rookie Portable Stand, then lower the handle to set the brakes.



Brake Off

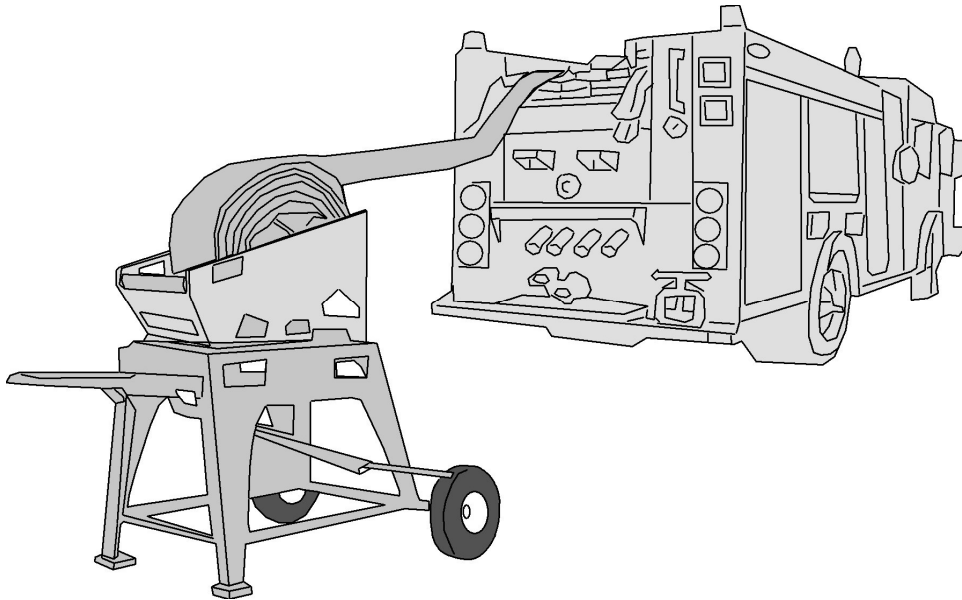


Release Handle Lock



Brake On

- The end of the hose can now be handed to the operator on the truck and will unroll with little effort so that the hose can be put back on the truck bed.



- Coil the foot pedal cable and secure it to the framework.
- Periodically check for loosened nuts and screws and tighten as needed.
- Oil in Gearbox Speed-reducer should be checked monthly (more often under severe conditions). Add or replace oil with SHC 634 Synthetic Gear Oil or 80-90 Weight Petroleum Oil.