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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Section I. GENERAL

1-1. Scope

a. This manual is published for the use of the personnel to whom the Essick Company Model VR55TM Roller is issued. It contains information on the operation and organizational, direct and general support maintenance of the equipment.

b. Numbers in parentheses on illustrations indicate quantity. Numbers preceding callouts on illustrations indicate the preferred maintenance sequence.

c. Refer to TM 740-90-1 (Administrative Storage of Equipment) for information and instructions pertaining to organizational administrative storage.

d. Refer to TM 750-244-3 (Procedures for Destruction of Equipment to Prevent Enemy Use) for information and

instructions on destruction of equipment to prevent enemy use.

1-2. Forms and Records

Maintenance forms, records and reports, which are to be used by maintenance personnel at all maintenance levels are listed in and prescribed by TM 38-750.

1-3. Reporting of Errors

Report of errors, omissions, and recommendations for improving this publication by the individual user is encouraged. Reports should be submitted on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications) and forwarded direct to the Commanding General, U. S. Army Mobility Equipment Command, ATTN: AMSME-MPP, 4300 Goodfellow Boulevard, St. Louis, Mo. 63120.

Section II. DESCRIPTION AND DATA

1-4. Description

The Essick Model VR55TM Roller is a single, smooth drum, vibratory towed vehicle, designed to compact soil to high density. It is powered by a 10 H. P. Military Standard Gasoline Engine Model 2A042-3. Vibrations are delivered to the ground by a rotating eccentric shaft within the drum. The vibrations are isolated from the main frame by use of two large rubber mounts. The roller has a front draw bar with adjustable front towing hitch.

1-5. Differences in Models

This manual covers the Essick Model VR55TM only.

1-6. Identification and Tabulated Data

a. Identification. The roller has four identification and instruction plates.

(1) Identification Plate - specifies the nomenclature, manufacturer's name and serial number, contract number and FSN number. It is located on right side of lower front frame member (fig. 1-1).

(2) Transportation Plate-specifies the nomenclature, tie-downs, lifting eyes, overall length, height and width, shipping weight and cubage. It is located on right side of lower front frame member (fig. 1-1).

(3) Instruction Plate - specifies the procedure for starting and operation of controls, It is located on top of belt guard (fig. 1-1).

(4) Engine Plate - located on the engine's air shroud (fig. 1-1). This is a Military Standard Engine (TM 5-2805-258-14 for further information).

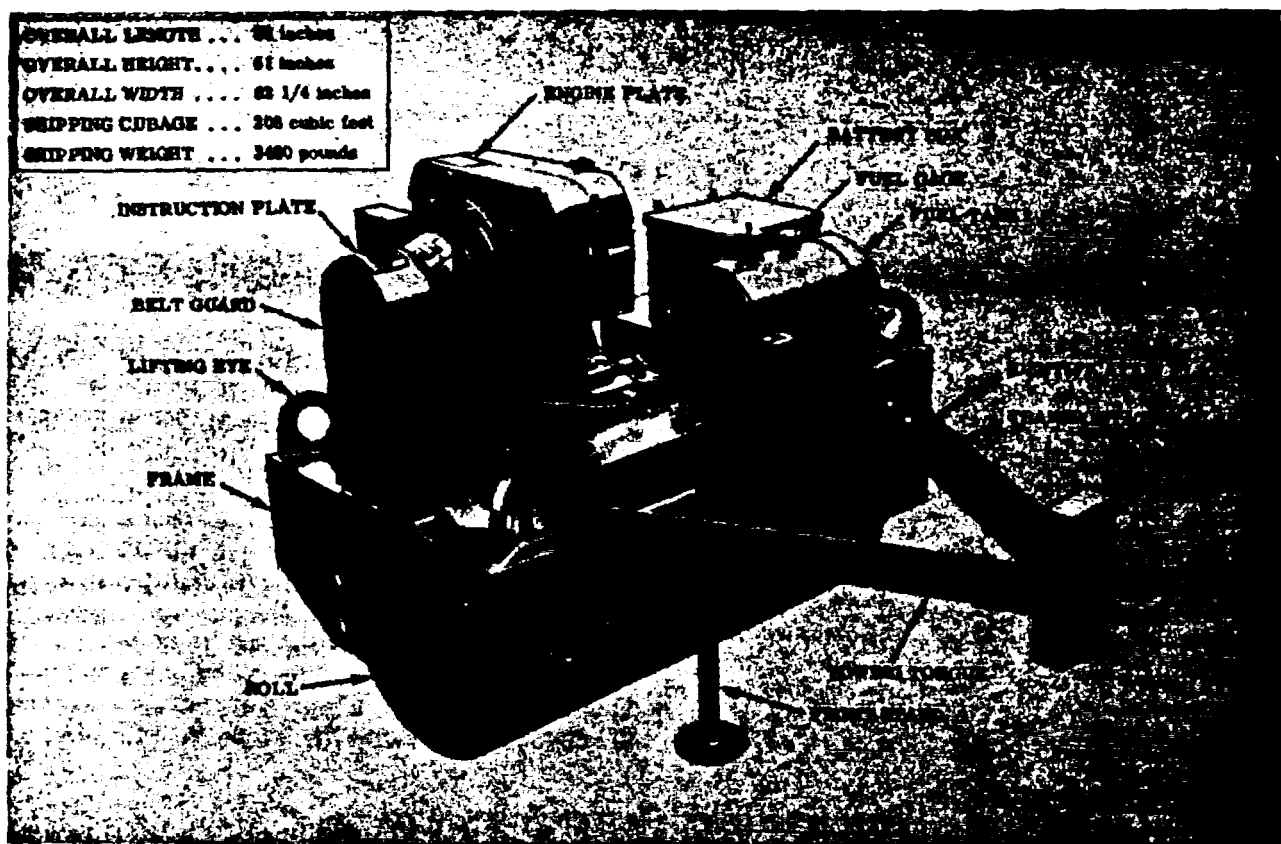


Figure 1-1. Roller, three-quarter right front view.

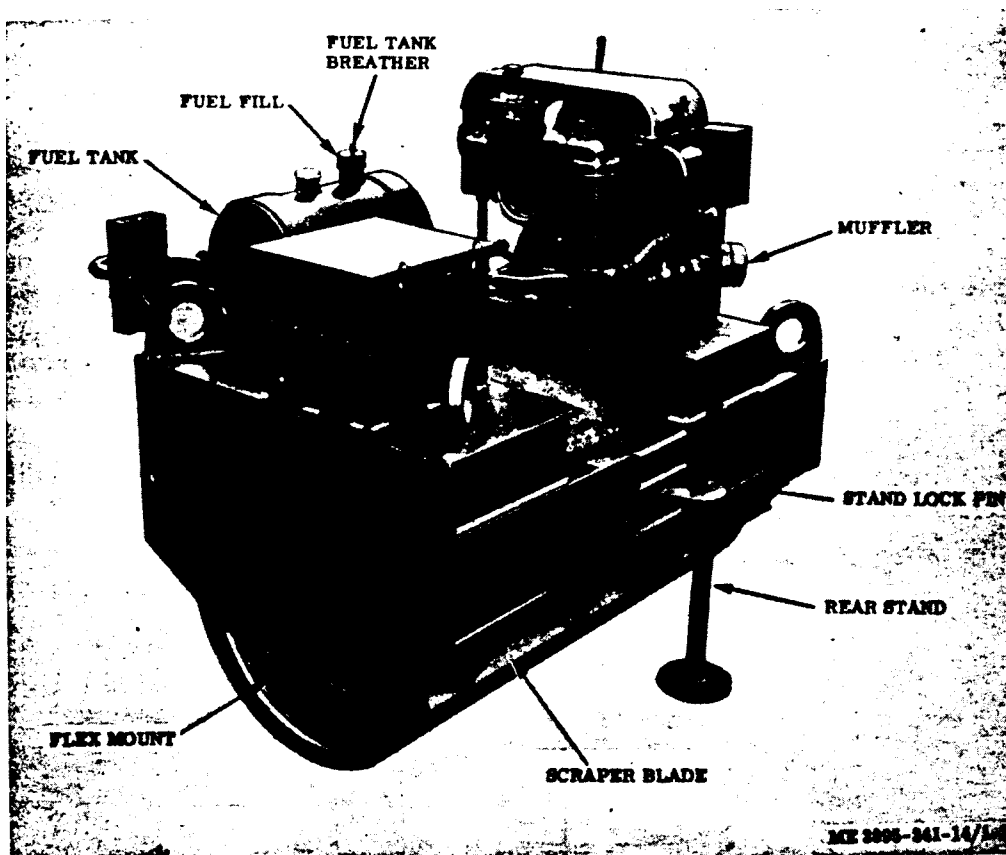


Figure 1-2. Roller, three quarter left rear view.

b. Tabulated Data.

(1) Roller.

Manufacturer.....Essick Manufacturing Co.
Model.....VR55TM
TypeVibrating Towed
Normal Towing Speed1 ½ M. P. H.
Maximum Towing Speed3 M. P. H.
Roll Diameter.....30 inches
Roll Width55 inches
Weight3,460 lbs.
Vibrating Force10,300 lbs.
Vibrations per Minute1,300 to 1,600
Engine RPM-Full Throttle.....3550

(2) Engine. This is the Military Standard Engine Model 2A042-3, FSN 2805-872-5971. For all data and maintenance requirements, consult TM 5-2805-258-14 and TM 5-2805-258-24P.

(3) Accessory items.

Fuel Gage
Manufacturer.....Rochester Gauges, Inc.
Model.....6680-L12-H70
Hourmeter
Manufacturer.....Hamilton Watch Co.
Model771
Ammeter
ManufacturerStewart Warner
Model359L

Oil Pressure Gauge

ManufacturerStewart Warner
Model505T

Power Take-Off

ManufacturerTwin Disc, Inc.
ModelC106SP6-3372

Air Inlet Housing

ManufacturerAlton Iron Works
ModelFSN 2805-895-3050

Muffler

ManufacturerWisconsin Motor Corporation
ModelWD-66

Toggle Switches

ManufacturerKulka Electric Corporation
ModelMS-35058-29
ModelMS-35058.30
ModelMS-35059-23

Pulleys

ManufacturerDayco
Model4-3V36-QD
Model4-3V80-D

Drive Belt

ManufacturerDayco
Model4R / 3V-850

(4) Capacities

Fuel Tank10 gallons