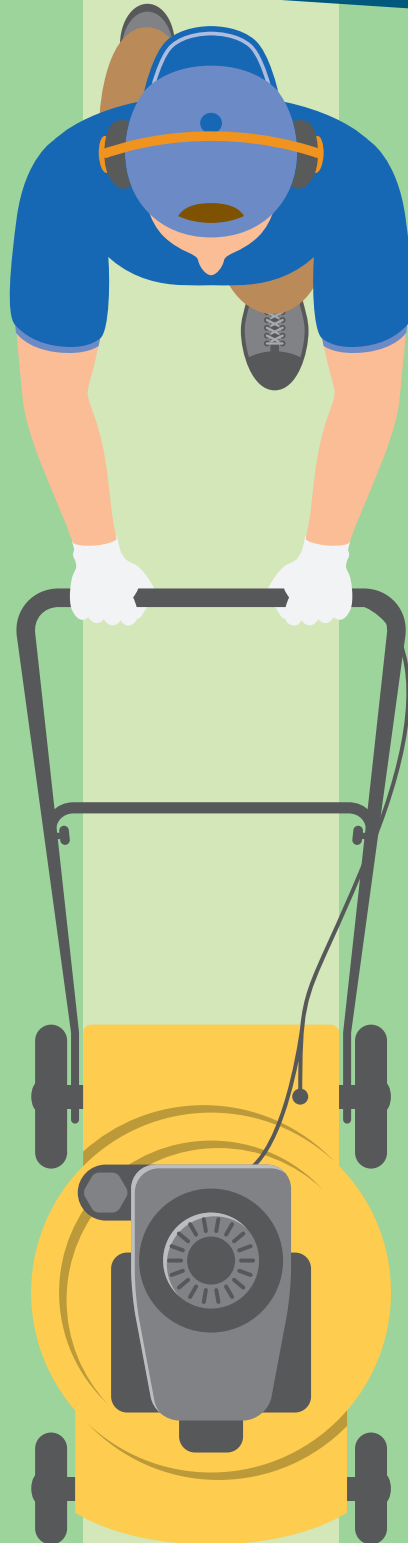


# DON'T HEDGE ON SAFETY

## STAY OUT OF THE ER



The aroma of freshly cut grass wafting through the air is a summer rite of passage. But don't let the scent sideline your safety. Doing so can wreak havoc on more than just your green thumb. In a review of 10-year data\* across the U.S., there were 3.2 million lawn mower and other yard equipment injuries. Nearly 9% of those injuries resulted in hospitalizations. Grass groomers can avoid cuts, burns or broken bones by putting a few safety measures in place.



## PROTECT

Wear gloves, goggles, sturdy closed footwear, earplugs, a long-sleeved shirt and long pants.



Use sunscreen and bug spray.

## HYDRATE

Take breaks and stay hydrated.



## PLAN

Do not cut wet grass or mow without enough daylight.

## PREP

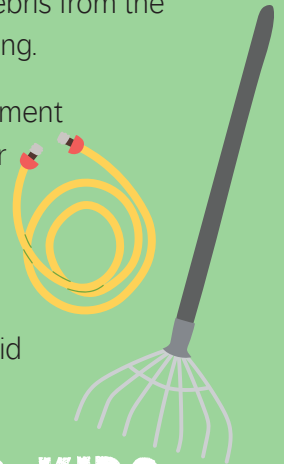
Do routine maintenance for safe operation.



Scan the area and remove rocks, toys and debris from the lawn before mowing.

Turn off equipment before cleaning or checking parts.

Store hoses, rakes and other equipment to avoid trip hazards.



## NOT FOR KIDS

Do not allow children on the lawn while mowing.



Only allow children who are at least 12 years old to push a mower and age 16 to operate a riding mower.

Never give anyone a ride on a riding lawn mower.

\* LawnStarter.com analysis of 2010-2019 U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission National Electronic Injury Surveillance System data.