

The Baumatic Tree Spade

In this booklet, you'll find how to manage the controls as well as the proper use of operating the Tree Spade.

The Controls

Lever 1

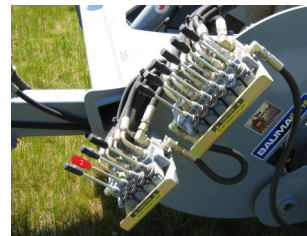
Lever number one slides the tongue back and forth.



Lever 2

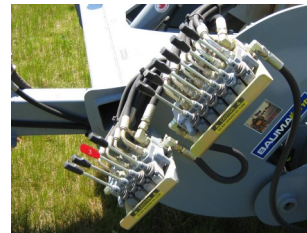
Lever number two pivots the Tree Spade from side to side.

* CAUTION - Use care when using Lever two.



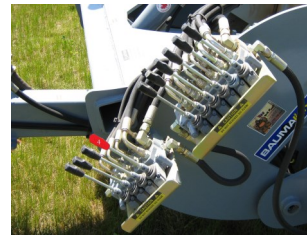
Lever 3

Lever number three angles the bucket up and down.



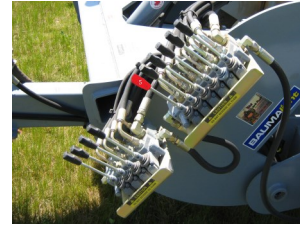
Lever 4

Lever number four lifts the Tree Spade up and down.



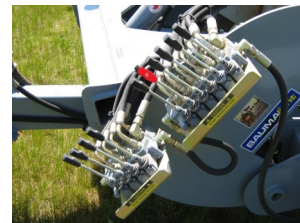
Lever 5

Lever number five operates the rear passenger side spade.



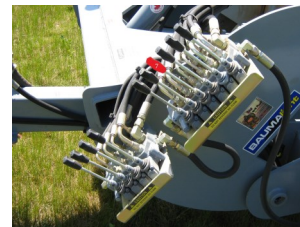
Lever 6

Lever number six operates the front passenger side spade.



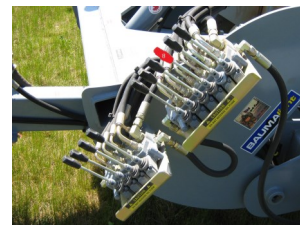
Lever 7

Lever number seven opens and closes the rear passenger side spade.



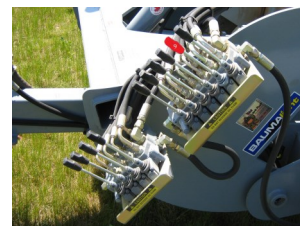
Lever 8

Lever number eight opens and closes the rear drivers side spade.



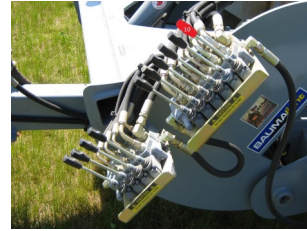
Lever 9

Lever number nine operates the front driver side spade.



Lever 10

Lever number ten operates the rear driver side spade.



This concludes our instructional section on the controls. The next section will deal with how to operate the Tree Spade.

Tree Spade Operation

The first thing to do is call your local utility company or Alberta One-Call (1 800 242-3447) and have them come out and locate any underground cables. Before you begin the digging process be sure to remove both sets of safety chains attached to the Tree Spade.



When the safety chains are removed lower the bucket to the ground. Once the bucket is firmly in place begin sinking each spade into the ground. **Be sure to drop the spades only one at a time, while only going few inches deep;** otherwise your hole will be dug unevenly and may bend the spades.

When you have removed your plug, be sure to re-attach both sets of safety chains for transportation. After you have arrived at the tree you wish to transplant drop the plug next to the tree, so it will be easier to fill the hole after you have removed your tree. Once you have dropped your plug to the ground, open up both rear spades so it will be easier to surround your tree with the spades.

TIP

If the soil you are removing is hard to dig through, try to water down the area you are working with. The water will moisten up the ground, which will make it easier to cut through the hard soil.

Remember to remove both sets of safety chains again before you start to dig out your tree. After the safety chains are removed and the Tree Spade is in place, repeat the process you went through with the removal of the plug by dropping the spades one at a time and only going a few inches deep.

After all the spades are fully sunk into the ground, lift out your tree and re-attach all the safety chains once again for transportation.



Before you plant your tree, be sure to cut off any excess roots that may be sticking out from the Tree Spade. Remember to remove both sets of safety chains and then lower your tree into the ground. Once your tree is in place, lift up the spades. Remember to open up the rear spades so you can drive away without getting caught on your tree. When you are clear from your tree be sure to close the spades, move the bucket to the front and re-attach all the safety chains until you are ready to transplant your next tree.

This concludes our section on the operation of the Tree Spade. We hope these guidelines will make your use with the Tree Spade a pleasant experience.



SAFETY and PRECAUTIONS

- * Be very careful when operating **Lever 2**. When the bucket is tilted to the front, the front spade hangs over the controls and can slam into you.
- * Be sure to check the hydraulic fluid before each use of the Tree Spade. The hydraulic fluid is located on the axel of the Tree Spade.

TROUBLESHOOTING

- * If the ground is too hard for the spades to sink on the first try, simply remove the spades from the ground and start to dig again.
- * If the Tree Spade starts to whip violently from side to side when you are in transportation, check to see if the safety chains are attached.