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Stationary mini baler makes 4 1/2 by 6-in. bales that vary in length from 8 to 10 in. Makes 5 to 8 bales per minute.

Mini Hay Balers Automatically Tie Bales

They are the best machines on the market for making mini-bales and are distributed in the U.S. and Canada. Of the two balers offered, the pull-type baler makes 8 by 11-in. bales with variable lengths of 16 to 24-in., made from completely reconditioned New Holland conventional square balers with a modified bale chamber. The pto-driven machine produces 12 to 15 bales a minute with genuine New Holland automatic tie knotters.

The Stationary mini-baler makes a 4-1/2 by 6-in. bale varying in length from 8 to 10 in. This unit can be powered by pto, 13-hp

Honda engine, 7-1/2 hp electric, or self-contained hydraulic system. "This is the only machine that ties bales this small automatically," says the inventor. Each unit is custom-built, dependable, and mechanically tested before it leaves the manufacturer.

Crafters, pet stores and farm markets sell the bales for as high as \$9 each. Grass, clover and straw are baled. Barley straw mini-bales are great for algae control in ponds and 8 by 11-in. bales are great for "young hands" on horse or experience farms since they are lighter and easier to use than the traditional small square bales.



Photo shows how mini bales compare in size to a traditional 14 by 18-in. bale.

A bale of Bridon 9600 or New Holland 7200 twine will produce 1,500 to 2,000 4 by 6 by 10-in. mini-bales, baling 300 to 480 bales per hour. The same bale of twine will produce 700 to 1,150 8 by 11 by 17-in. mini-bales, baling 700 to 900 bales per hour.

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Easy-To-Use, Riding Mower Deck Washer

Retired engineer John Sorenson figured there had to be a better way to clean fresh grass clippings from mower decks. His Empire Deck Washer uses the force of the mower blades to help clean the deck.

"The rotating blades create a vortex that starts about halfway down the blades and moves up toward the deck and out," explains Sorenson. "By the time it reaches the outside, it has multiplied its force many times."

Simply injecting water under the deck was not enough. Sorenson found that water injected at a 45 degree angle from below is ideal. "The water hits the mower deck like a pressure washer," he says.

"When done mowing, simply drive the mower to a flat washing area, raise the deck to the highest position and shut off the engine. Slide the washer connected to a garden hose under the deck," explains Sorenson. "It should slide all the way to the opposite side. The washer can handle mowers from 32 in. to 60 in. One fellow with a 76-in. deck cleans one

half at a time."

To clean the deck, turn on the water and then turn on the mower, says Sorenson. Run blades at top speed for maximum vortex and cleaning power. "The important thing with mowers is to clean them every time, before the damp clippings can harden."

The Empire Deck Washer is made out of ABS plastic that won't warp, bend, crack or deteriorate and comes with instructions. Suggested retail price for the washer is \$19.50. It's available direct from Empire Products as well as through various mail order catalogs. The device will not strike the spinning blades due to the reverse force of the water pressure exiting the cleaning nozzles, thus holding it down."

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To clean the deck, you connect the washer to a garden hose and slide it all the way under the deck. Then you turn on the water and also turn on the mower.

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