

Why Annual Servicing Saves Money

Looking After Your Equipment Before Problems Occur

Many people wait until their equipment stops working before arranging a service. While this might seem like a way to save money, it often has the opposite effect.

Regular servicing is designed to identify wear, damage and maintenance requirements before they develop into larger and more expensive problems. Just like a car, outdoor power equipment benefits from routine inspections and preventative maintenance.

Whether you own a chainsaw, brushcutter, blower, lawn mower, ride-on mower or zero-turn mower, regular servicing can help improve reliability, performance and longevity.

Why Equipment Needs Servicing

Outdoor power equipment works in harsh conditions.

Dust, dirt, grass, vibration, moisture and normal wear all take their toll over time. Even equipment that is only used occasionally can develop issues if left unchecked.

Regular servicing allows technicians to inspect critical components and address minor concerns before they become major repairs.

Benefits of Regular Servicing

A routine service can help:

- Improve reliability
- Reduce unexpected breakdowns
- Improve performance
- Extend equipment life
- Improve fuel efficiency
- Maintain safety
- Reduce long-term repair costs

Servicing is often less expensive than repairing damage caused by neglected maintenance.

Equipment Doesn't Have to Be Broken to Need Attention

One of the biggest misconceptions we encounter is that equipment only needs servicing when something goes wrong.

In reality, many maintenance items are designed to be inspected or replaced before they fail.

Examples include:

- Air filters
- Spark plugs
- Fuel filters
- Engine oil
- Belts
- Blades
- Chains
- Bearings

Addressing these items early can often prevent more significant damage later.

Small Problems Can Become Big Problems

A worn belt may simply need replacement.

If left too long, however, it may fail unexpectedly and potentially damage other components. A dirty air filter may seem insignificant, but over time it can affect engine performance and contribute to increased wear.

These are the types of issues that regular servicing is designed to identify.

What We See In The Workshop

Many major repairs begin as relatively minor maintenance issues.

Machines that receive routine servicing are often easier to maintain, more reliable and less likely to experience unexpected failures.

While no machine is immune to wear and tear, preventative maintenance generally helps reduce costly repairs and downtime.

We regularly see equipment that has provided many years of reliable service because owners have invested in routine maintenance rather than waiting for problems to occur.

Servicing Is About More Than Changing Oil

A proper service is not simply an oil change.

Depending on the equipment, servicing may include:

- Safety inspections
- Air filter inspection or replacement
- Fuel system inspection
- Spark plug inspection
- Lubrication
- Blade or chain inspection
- Belt inspection
- Operational testing
- General condition assessment

Each machine has different requirements, which is why following manufacturer recommendations is important.

Workshop Observation

One of the most common comments we hear is:

"It was running fine until it stopped."

Unfortunately, equipment often gives subtle warning signs before a breakdown occurs. Regular servicing provides an opportunity to identify these warning signs before they become costly repairs.

Related Equipment

Regular servicing is important for:

- Chainsaws
- Brushcutters
- Blowers
- Hedge trimmers
- Push mowers
- Ride-on mowers
- Zero-turn mowers
- Pressure cleaners
- Pumps and generators

Whether you own equipment from STIHL, Ferris, Masport, Billy Goat, Atom or another manufacturer, preventative maintenance can help protect your investment.

Need Help?

If you're unsure when your equipment was last serviced, now may be a good time to have it inspected.

Regular maintenance can often save money in the long run and help ensure your equipment is ready when you need it.

Our team can provide servicing, repairs, spare parts and practical advice to help keep your outdoor power equipment operating at its best.



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