

Press Release

Safe Sidewalks in Winter

MTD has a Wide Range of Snow Throwers

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The next winter is on its way – and with it its unpleasant side effects. Where some of us see winter as ski and sledding fun, others dread hours of shoveling snow. And that's law – sidewalks and driveways must be freed of snow and ice.

Reason enough for thoughts about the right winter equipment. From experience, snow throwers are sold-out in a flash as soon as the first snow flakes fall. MTD, the specialist for motor-powered gardening equipment, has a wide range of snow throwers for almost every need.

For Beginners and Professionals

If you live in a flat area, where snowfall is comparatively seldom and only need to keep small areas snow-free then the single-stage, entry-level model from MTD, the 140 M with a petrol-engine, is the right thrower for you. It is light and easy to operate. However, with its clearing width of 53 cm and an intake height of 28 cm, its clearing performance is amazing. "Single-stage" means that the snow is taken up by the auger and then directly thrown out through the chute. The auger also propels the snow thrower.



The two-stage MTD-snow throwers are suited for larger areas and large amounts of snow. In these throwers the auger first transports the snow to the turbine, which then throws it out through the chute. The separate wheel drive guarantees that the forward thrust is independent of the auger. Thus, the clearing performance is not affected. The two-stage models differ from one another with regard to their clearing performance, equipment and operating comfort. The spectrum ranges from a clearing width of 53 cm and intake height of 40 cm (for the MTD ST 380 D) to the powerhouse among the MTD-snow throwers, the E 660 G, with an impressive clearing width of 71 cm and an intake height of 53 cm.

All of the two-stage models are equipped with the "Xtreme Auger" whose one-of-a-kind design allows for especially high clearing performance. Snow and ice are first chopped up by the auger and then transported to the turbine. This considerably increases the flow of snow and allows for quicker clearing. Instead of 2 auger halves, the "Xtreme-Auger" has separate X-shaped augers, which are attached to the axle. Each auger is attached by means of a specially formed shear pin. If you hit an obstacle that blocks an auger part, the shear pin breaks. This prevents the rotating parts from being damaged. The shear pin itself can be replaced in a few easy steps and the snow thrower is ready for action once again in the blink of an eye.

The model MTD E 740 F is something special. This thrower is the only MTD-machine with a track drive, which gives it good traction on ice and snow. In addition, the machine has a lever-controlled balance system. Depending on the position of the lever, the weight is shifted to the front – for improved clearing performance – or to the back – for simple transporting.



All of the two-stage machines have skids. With them you can adjust the working height in order to clear snow on gravel, lawn and rough terrain without damaging the ground or the machine. Most of the two-stage models can be equipped optionally with a dozer blade.

MTD – High performance, fair price

The most comprehensive assortment of motorized garden equipment for almost every possible use in is produced under the brand name MTD. Hobby gardeners can select from a wide range of different products that all have one thing in common: they are user friendly, robust and tough. When you select an MTD-product, you select a long lasting companion for your gardening work. MTD-brand equipment is sold in home improvement stores and garden centers.

About MTD Products AG

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In Europe, MTD has its own sales locations for Germany, France, Belgium, Austria, Denmark, Hungary, Sweden, Switzerland and Poland. All other European markets are serviced via sales partners and importers.

The MTD portfolio in Europe comprises the brands MTD, Bolens, GUTBROD, Yard-Man and Cub Cadet. Its product range includes electric and petrol lawn mowers, verticutters, lawn tractors, compact tractors, ride-on mowers, shredders, trimmers, garden tillers, snow throwers, quads and chain saws. The European product plants are located in Saarbrücken-Bübingen and in Nemesvamos (Hungary).