

TYPES OF EQUIPMENT

1. Mowers: lawn, push, riders, self propelled walk behind (lge. Push) 65-70%
Daily/30-40 hrs
2. Trimmer: ? , hedge (3 hrs) 10% - 15%
3. Blowers (1-2 hrs) 5-10%

Industry – phasing in b/c of lifespan
No ~~ban~~ (wording)
encourage
Manufacture & dealer incentives
City rebates?
Labelling on product
→ Chainsaw • aeratero
Cement saws

4. Cement saws

Roto-tillero
Snowblowers?

Survey membership via landscape Ontario

Walk behind
Handheld
Riding products



Hardest to replace (mower = \uparrow costs \therefore longer use)

Quickest: handheld (more use)



Trimmmers

Blowers

Handheld \rightarrow 3-6 yrs service life

Mowers \rightarrow 4-7 yrs

Ride mowers \rightarrow 6-10 yrs

(Outdoor power equipment institute)



to get stats. on life/product

5. Should the City regulate? If not, alternatives?
Best method to reduce emissions

1. Banning certain types of equipment
2. Restriction (time/make)
3. labelling
4. phase-in

5. Education → customers!

- Concerns about policing
- Impact on business
- Concern over trades who follow vs trades who don't
- Certification (Green certification)
- Educating trades on options, cleaner technology
- For trades. Take part in program. Get certification = logo, marking for participants

Need incentive for certification to work

→ Landscape Ontario
AMO (Assoc. Municipality of Ontario)
Need measured results

Approach customer focus

→ Condo
Resident }

i.e. Insurance – public asks for it

Regulation -certified to be green
 - would add validity
 - neg = costly, time consuming
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Has to go back to Retail/Manufacturer level (see California)
“parts not available”

3. Other strategies (actions that City or other partners)
Could do to accelerate phase-out?
 - Creative ideas from manufacturers/dealers
i.e. free muffel, free noise testing → Blowers
 - City order to ? market
 - Rebate format → ex. Toilet. Graduated rebates → linked to performance
 - Comparable standards between landscape & resident
 - Cost savings (long term!)

*Landscape Forum in January

→ mailing goes to all members & non-members (WCIB)

Training: What does a 'Green' company look like?

- Where would we get the result
- List of good practices
- Idling
- Preventive maintenance
- Rules / guidelines: fuel, filters, cleaning, technology
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Less defective by government standards
- training consideration → seasonally, cost to participate
on-line models