



# RUBBER TRACKS MAINTENANCE IS A MUST!

## Uptime and Profit Depend on Regular Maintenance

There are a few things you should do every day, like cleaning out the undercarriage and tracks with a pressure washer. Once that is done, you'll be able to do a visual inspection of the undercarriage and the tracks. Look for cuts, tears, cracks or excessive wear. The tracks should move smoothly. Rollers and idlers should rotate smoothly under power. Sprockets should not have missing teeth, and the teeth should not be overly worn, nor should they be sharp. Check the track tension. Check all fluid levels and conditions, including hydraulic lines. Inspect the cab and canopy for damage and ensure that grab handles and footrests are secure.

Weekly maintenance is also very straightforward. You'll check things like running hours, filters, belts, exhaust system, lights, and battery condition. The glass should be cleaned at least weekly to maintain visibility and safety. If a rubber tracked machine is in long term storage, every other week you should move the machine under power for about 5 minutes to keep the tracks flexible. Below, we've provided a couple of simple checklists for you. We have more detailed information in the blog section of our website.

### Daily Maintenance Checklist

- Clean out undercarriage and tracks with pressure washer.
- Inspect undercarriage and tracks for damage and excessive wear.
  - Tracks should move smoothly without slipping and not have any cuts, tears, or cracks.
  - Rollers and idlers should rotate smoothly and freely under power.
  - Sprockets should have all teeth and the teeth should not be overly worn down or sharp.
- Check track tension.
- Check fluid levels and conditions.
- Inspect operator cabin or canopy for damage.
- Ensure any grab handles and footrests are securely attached.
- Visually inspect hydraulic lines for any leaks or damage.

### Weekly Maintenance Checklist

- Note running hours.
- Note any maintenance performed recently.
- Inspect filters.
- Inspect belts.
- Inspect exhaust system for holes, cracks, and/or leaks.
- Ensure all lights are working properly. (Headlights, safety lights, cabin lights, etc.)
- Inspect and clean glass.
- Check battery condition and connections.

### If in long-term storage

- Every other week move machine under power for 5 minutes.