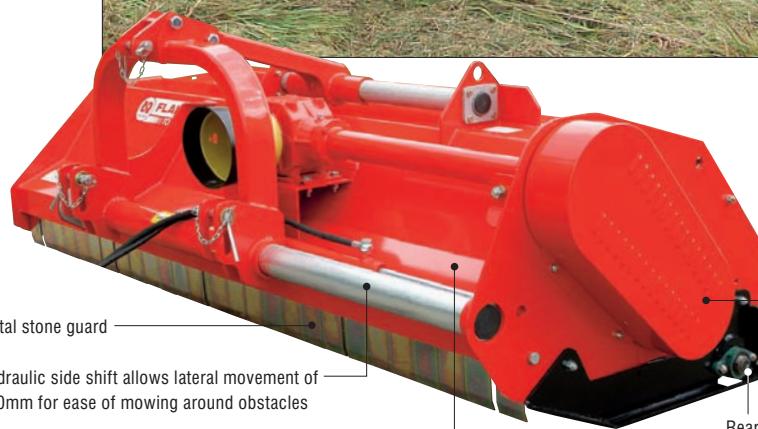


Versatile Topper cuts the cost of pasture management

Spaldings heavy duty Flail Topper is capable of clearing tough grass and scrub brush, making it ideal for set-aside, grassland or verges. Manufactured with heavy duty components to ensure a long and reliable working life the 2.8m Topper is designed to make operation and maintenance simple and effective.



Heavy duty rotor shaft – 200mm diameter and manufactured from 10mm thick steel for strength and reliability.
Heavy duty forged flails – capable of shredding tough woody stems whilst leaving a neat finish on grass.



Metal stone guard
Hydraulic side shift allows lateral movement of 470mm for ease of mowing around obstacles
Double-skinned chassis to eliminate damage caused by flying stones and increase machine life
Heavy duty multi 'V' belt drive
Adjustable rear roller – for easy adjustment of cutting height
Rear roller with forged spherical ends mounted on self aligning bearings for long bearing life



Heavy duty gear box with integral slip clutch.

“New Topper invaluable on family run dairy farm”

A new heavy duty Spaldings Flail Topper has become an essential piece of equipment for a Staffordshire dairy farm keen to maximise production of pastures. The Bennison family has farmed at Millmeece near Eccleshall since 1874. About 60 acres of the farm is down to cereals with all the straw baled and a large amount of grain processed and used as livestock feed. They reseed the grassed areas on a three year cycle and the arable area is also rotated around the farm. “Maximising grass production is of course very important to us,” says William Bennison. “We need to ensure that it is managed effectively to get the most out of it throughout the year – not just during the spring.” The Spaldings 2.8m wide heavy duty Flail Topper is a key implement when it comes to grassland management. “It’s a really strong machine which we operate behind a 100hp Massey Ferguson 3075,” says Mr Bennison. “And it does a good job not only in the way it cuts material effectively but also in the way it mulches it all

up after it has been cut.” Mr Bennison says he has used the Topper on set aside areas, grass verges, waste areas around the farm and, of course, for topping pastures. “The flails are quite short,” he says. “Which means they pivot back easily if a solid object is met and strength is further enhanced through use of a double skin on the hood.” “A really useful feature of the Topper is the ability to side shift so that it can cut close to fences,” says Mr Bennison. “A hydraulic ram, activated from the cab, simply slides the unit along a cross shaft.” So, at Millmeece, not only is the grassland now tidier – the number of thistles is reported to have diminished significantly – but the pasture itself is in better condition. “We now have the ability to control grass growth effectively with a machine which should see many years of use. I wouldn’t have believed there would be so much work for a Topper on a farm this size.”



Prod. No.	Working Width	Dimensions	Power Requirement	PTO Speed	Rotor Diameter	Weight	Flails	
16150	H/duty rear mounted Topper	2.8m	295 x 130 x 195cm	80 – 110 hp	540 rpm	200 x 10mm	940kg	26 x 08493