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Kyokuto Kaihatsu Kogyo Co., Ltd.

Easy Loading/Unloading

Kyokuto Kaihatsu newly releases "4-ton New Style Garbage Collector."

Kyokuto Kaihatsu Kogyou Co., Ltd. (Head office: 6-1-45, Koshienguchi, Nishinomiya-shi, Hyougo Prefecture, President of the company: Mr. Katsushi Tanaka, Manufacture and Sales of Special Purpose Vehicles and Environmental Equipments and Systems) developed a new model (brand name: "Press Pack") of 4-ton press type garbage collector lately, and will put on the market from February 1, 2006.

From this new model, in addition to the curved surface body of the conventional model, the tail gate also adopted the curved surface, and made it the design which renews an image. Moreover, preeminent working efficiency was realized by carrying a full load of a mechanism which is original with Kyokuto Kaihatsu. With its introduction into the market, we expect to attain the market share of 25 % through our continuous sales promotion by the end of fiscal year 2007 (the term ended March, 2006: 20 % <the 3rd place of a domestic share>) in the garbage collector market.

* A share is based on investigation of our company.

There are "press type" and "rotating plate type" in garbage collectors. A "press type" is a system which compresses garbage with one plate reducing the volume of garbage. Accordingly, even a large volume of garbage can be loaded. A "rotating plate type" is a system loaded while rotating two plates, and is suitable for loading household garbage (packed in a bag).

Characteristics

(1) Easy loading/unloading:

The widest input slot of the industry of 4-ton vehicle class The top of the industry

We secured the widest input slot width (1,710 mm) of the 4-ton class. (40 mm

wider than our company's conventional.) This realized the fast efficiency increase of loading work of garbage.

Moreover, the angle of aperture of the tail gate is increased by 5 degrees compared with former at the time of discharging garbage and thus discharge work of garbage can be performed by far more smoothly.

(2) Loading weight increase

Loading weight of domestic top class realized.

Various improvements were performed in order to collect much garbage efficiently.

1) Improvement of a discharge board automatic retreat mechanism

Patent under application

The switch which changes the speed of discharge board automatic retreat according to the kind and work situation of garbage was equipped as standard. Thereby, garbage can be high-compressed according to a situation and the volume can be reduced.

2) Improvement of an inching mechanism

The inching mechanism for compressing garbage with a press plate was improved. Thereby, press power increases and garbage can be compressed more now.

3) The increase of the body capacity by design change body

Each model capacity: Increase by 0.2 m³.

4) Press power increase by 20% by improvement of press cylinder

20% of press power increase

(3) Friendly to environment

Improvement of work environment by original mechanism of Kyokuto Kaihatsu

The following improvements were added in order to prevent leakage of sewage or a bad smell.

1) Epoch-making improvement of the stiffener form of the rear body

Patent under application

Form of stiffener for guiding sewage to a sewage tank is improved. This

reduced scattering of sewage to a large extent.

2) Newly adopted all circumferential 360-degree tail gate seal rubber.

Patent under application

Seal rubber of the tail gate was made into all the circumferential 360-degree. This made it possible to prevent sewage from scattering from the top corner and from leakage of the bad smell.

By these improvements, sewage and a bad smell leak were almost lost and became more environment-friendly.

Selling price

Recommended retail price to users: 4,523,000 yen to 5,795,000 yen (including tax) (Chassis price is excluded.)

* The price changes with body capacity (7.0 m^3 to 12.2 m^3).

Sales target 350 units per year

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