



**Original Operating Instructions (EN)** 

# **Robotic Mower**





RC304 / RC308 / RC312 MC400/MC800/MC1200 Operating Manual

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### Chapter 1 – Introduction And Safety

# **C Robomow**° EC Declaration of Conformity

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#### **1.1 Introduction**

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#### Welcome to the world of home robotics with the Friendly Robotics Robomow!

Thank you for purchasing our product. We know that you will enjoy the extra free time you will have while using Robomow to mow your lawn. When set up and used properly, Robomow will operate safely on your lawn and provide you with a quality of cut matched by a few mowers of any kind. You will be impressed with your lawn's appearance and best of all, Robomow did it for you.

### **IMPORTANT!**

The following pages contain important safety and operating instructions. Please read and follow all instructions in this manual. Carefully read and review all safety instructions, warnings and cautions contained in this manual. Failure to read and follow these instructions, warnings and cautionary statements may result in severe injury or death to persons and pets or damage to personal property.

#### **1.2 Warning Decal Definitions**

These are the symbols on Robomow®; Read about them carefully before operating Robomow®.



- 1. This is a dangerous power tool. Use care when operating and follow all safety instructions and warnings.
- 2. Read the Operating & Safety Manual carefully before operating your Robomow®.
- 3. Hazard of thrown objects during operation.
- 4. Keep safe distance from Robomow<sup>®</sup> while operated. Keep people, especially children, pets and bystanders away from the area where Robomow<sup>®</sup> is being operated.
- 5. Risk of injury from Robomow cutting blades. Keep hands and feet away and do not lift Robomow<sup>®</sup> from the ground.
- 6. Activate the disabling device before working on or lifting Robomow<sup>®</sup> (see section 1.4)
- 7. Do not ride on Robomow<sup>®</sup>.



Do not dispose Robomow<sup>®</sup> or any other part of it as unsorted municipal waste – **I**t should be collected separately.

This product conforms to the applicable EU Directives

#### 1.3 Safety Warnings & Precautions

#### Training -

- 1. Read this Operating and Safety Manual carefully before operating Robomow<sup>®</sup>. Be familiar with the controls and the proper use of Robomow<sup>®</sup>.
- 2. Never allow people who are unfamiliar with these instructions or children to use Robomow®.
- 3. The user is responsible for accidents to other people or their property.

#### **Preparation** -

- 1. Ensure the correct installation of the Perimeter Wire as instructed.
- 2. Inspect Periodically the area where Robomow<sup>®</sup> is used and remove all stones, sticks, wires, , and other foreign objects.
- 3. Periodically visually inspect to see that the blade is not worn or damaged. Replace worn or damaged blade.

#### **Operation** -

- 1. Do not operate Robomow<sup>®</sup> if any safety feature or any part is damaged, worn or inoperable.
- 2. Keep hands and feet away from the cutting blade and other moving parts.
- 3. Never pick up or carry Robomow® while the motors are running.
- 4. Do not leave Robomow® to operate unattended if you know that there are pets, children or people in the vicinity.
- 5. Never mow while people, especially children or pets are nearby.
- 6. Always switch off the Safety Switch before lifting the mower or plan to operate any adjustments.
- 7. Do not touch the blade before it is completely stopped rotating.
- 8. Do not use Robomow<sup>®</sup> for any purpose other than cutting lawn.
- 9. Keep all guards, shields, safety devices, and sensors in place. Repair or replace damaged parts, including decals.

#### Transportation –

To safely move from or within the working area:

- 1. Press the STOP button to stop Robomow<sup>®</sup>.
- 2. Use the Remote Control (available as an accessory) to drive it from one place to another.
- 3. In case of different ground height level, switch off the Safety Switch, and carry the mower by its carrying handle.

**IMPORTANT!** It is recommended to keep the original packaging for shipping purposes.

4. When transporting Robomow<sup>®</sup> over long distances switch off the Safety Switch. IMPORTANT! After turning on the Safety Switch, always re-set the current day and time, otherwise unexpected operation of the Robomow may occur.

#### **Using Remote Control (Manual Mowing)**

- 1. Mow only in daylight or in a good artificial light and avoid operating on wet grass.
- 2. Do not operate Robomow<sup>®</sup> when barefoot or wearing open sandals. Always wear substantial footwear and long trousers; always make sure of your footing on slopes.
- 3. Use extreme caution when reversing direction the mower towards you.
- 4. Always switch on the motor according to instructions while standing away from the blade.
- 5. Do not mow manually in slope greater than 15 degrees or where a firm footing is not possible.

#### Maintenance and Special Instructions-

- 1. Always switch off the Safety Switch of Robomow<sup>®</sup> before clearing blockage/ checking/ cleaning/ working on Robomow<sup>®</sup> or replacing the blade. Never attempt to service or adjust the mower while it is in operation.
- 2. In case of abnormal vibrations, stop the mower, switch off the Safety Switch and check for any damage of the blade. Replace worn or damaged blade to preserve balance. If vibration continues, call for service.
- 3. Use heavy gloves when inspecting or servicing the blade.
- 4. Do not perform maintenance when barefoot or wearing open sandals. Always wear suitable work shoes and long trousers;
- 5. Replace worn or damaged parts for your safety.
- 6. Use only original equipment and accessories. It is not permitted to modify the original design of Robomow<sup>®</sup>. All modifications are made at your own risk.
- 7. Maintenance/ Servicing / Cleaning of Robomow® should be according to manufacturer's instructions.
- 8. Keep all nuts, bolts and screws tight to be sure the machine is in safe working condition.
- 9. Warning! When there is a risk of a lightning storm, disconnect the Perimeter Wire from the Base Station / Perimeter Switch, and the Power Box 230V/120V plug from the power outlet.

#### Batteries –

- 1. Do not open or damage the battery pack.
- 2. The battery pack should be replaced only by a service dealer.
- 3. The Battery Pack contains electrolytes. In case of an electrolyte leakage from the battery pack, the following actions should be taken:
  - Skin contact: Wash the contact areas off immediately with water and soap.
  - Eye contact: Flush the eyes with plenty of clean water for at least 15 minutes immediately, without rubbing.
  - Get medical treatment.
- 4. Ensure that the battery pack is charged using the correct charger recommended by the manufacturer. Incorrect use may result in electric shock, overheating or leakage of corrosive liquid from the battery.

#### Product End of Use -

- Robomow and its accessories should be collected separately at the end of their life to prevent waste electrical and electronic equipment from ending up in landfill sites, to promote the reuse, treatment and recovery of electrical and electronic equipment with the purpose to preserve, protect and improve the quality of the environment, protect human health and utilize natural resources prudently and rationally.
- Do not dispose of Robomow or any other part of it (including the Power Box, Base Station and Perimeter Switch) as unsorted municipal waste – it should be collected separately.
- 3. Ask your local distributor/dealer about return and collection systems availablity.
- 4. Do not dispose the battery pack in a fire, and do not place used batteries in your household trash.
- 5. The battery must be collected, recycled, or disposed of in an environmentally sound manner.



#### **1.4 Robomow Safety Features**

#### 1. Child Lock

The Child Lock prevents unintended operation of Robomow<sup>®</sup> by an accidental press of one of the buttons. Only pressing two buttons in the right order will initiate the operation.

#### 2. Anti-Theft / Disabling Device

The Anti-Theft / Disabling Device system function will prevent anyone from using or driving the Robomow<sup>®</sup> unless they have the valid code to enter. You will be prompted to enter a four digit code of your choice to use as your personal security code.

#### 3. Lift Sensor

In case the mower is raised from the ground during blade operation, the blade will stop rotating immediately.

#### 4. Tilt Sensor

In case the mower is tilted up towards a vertical position, the blade will stop immediately.

#### 5. Obstruction Sensor

Robomow detects interfering obstacles in its way during operation. When the mower collides with an obstacle, the mower will stop the rotation of the blade immediately, will stop movement in that direction and reverse itself away from the obstacle.

#### 6. Emergency Stop Button

Pressing the STOP button at any time during operation will stop the mower and the blade immediately.

#### 7. Safety Switch

Switching off the Safety Switch will prevent any operation of Robomow<sup>®</sup>. It is required to switch it off before lifting Robomow<sup>®</sup> and before any maintenance is done.

#### 8. Sealed Batteries

The batteries that operate Robomow<sup>®</sup> are completely sealed and will not leak any type of fluids, regardless of its position.

#### 9. Base Station / Perimeter Switch and Perimeter Wire

Robomow<sup>®</sup> cannot operate without a Perimeter Wire installed and activated through the Base Station / Perimeter Switch. In the event the Perimeter Switch is turned off or otherwise fails to function, Robomow<sup>®</sup> will stop operating.

### Chapter 2 – Know Your Robomow®

### 2.1 What's in the Box



1	Robomow®	7	<b>RoboRuler</b> Used for measuring the distance of the Perimeter Wire from the lawn edge.
2	Wire Pegs Used for securing the wire to the ground.	8	<b>Base Station</b> Used by Robomow to dock and charge when it is not mowing.
3	<b>Perimeter Wire</b> Used to create a virtual wall for your Robomow.	9	<b>Base Station Stakes</b> Used for securing the Base Station to the ground
4	Operating & Safety Manual	10	<b>Extension Cable</b> 15 meters (50 ft.), (Low voltage cable)
5	Wire Connectors Used for splicing wires (as needed)	11	<b>Power Box</b> The primary purpose of the Power Box is power supply for charging Robomow. Used to deactivate (halt) the automatic operation mode and reactivate it as needed.
6	Plot Connectors Used for connecting the Perimeter Wire to the Base Station.	12	<b>Power Box Mount</b> Used for fixing the Power Box to a wall (including Screws and dowels).

#### 2.2 How Robomow Works for You

- First, you need to install a perimeter wire around the entire lawn and around protected areas within the lawn area.
- The Perimeter Wire sets the boundaries for Robomow. The Perimeter Wire is laid on the edges of the lawn and around trees, plants, ponds and objects that you want to prevent Robomow to run into.
- If the supplied wire is not sufficient, more wire can be purchased and spliced to the existing wire with a supplied connector.
- Small pegs are used to fasten the Perimeter Wire into the ground, below grass level.
- The Perimeter Wire will gradually disappear under the growth of new grass until it will be invisible.
- The Base Station is placed along the Perimeter Wire. It performs two basic functions:
  - Generate a signal along the Perimeter Wire.
  - Charge Robomow's batteries.
- The Power Box is connected between the Base Station and a 230V / 120V wall socket, using a 15m (50 ft.) long low voltage cable.



- After completed the installation of the Perimeter Wire, Base Station, and the Power Box, and performing the One-Time Setup (needs to be performed before operating Robomow for the first time detailed instructions are in the following chapters), Robomow will do all the mowing for you for during the entire season!
- Robomow is a robotic lawn mower powered by a rechargable battery. It leaves its Base Station at scheduled
  mowing times. Robomow mows the lawn and then drives back to the Base Station to be charged and ready for
  its next scheduled mowing.
- As soon as Robomow departs for mowing, the Base Station automatically triggers a special signal by the Perimeter Wire. This signal creates a virtual wall, visible only to Robomow. This signal keeps Robomow within the lawn boundaries, and prevents it from entering areas it was intended to skip or protect.
- In order to prevent lawn's damage at the Base Station area and in order to improve lawn's coverage, Robomow will drive from the Base Station at a random distance (between 90cm to 120cm) and will randomly select an angle of departure between 40 to 90 degrees.



Tree surrounded by a groove, ditch or flower beds requires a gire around it.

#### 2.3 Robomow Features

- Simple One-Time Setup Robomow requires a simple one time setup, which can easily be done by the consumer. Robomow recognizes the wire using special sensors, and makes sure it always stays inside the designated area. Essential accessories are supplied with the product.
- Edge Cutting Unlike other robotic lawn mowers, Robomow is the only robotic mower that has a special Edge mode, in which it follows the perimeter wire for complete coverage of the lawn edges. Robomow is the only robotic mower to cut outside the wheels.
- Strong Cutting System Robomow's extra sharp blade enables to perform the first cut of the season, when the grass is relatively high.
- TurboMow Mode TurboMow feature allows faster and stronger mowing of a high grass during the first cut of the season (see P026 in Section 6.4.2 for more information).
- SmartMow Mode SmartMow feature allows more efficient mowing operation through smooth and continuous turns at lawn's edge (see P024 in Section 6.4.2 for more information).
- Availability The mowing width of Robomow (28cm / 11") and the powerful cutting system help Robomow to finish the job very fast and leave your lawn free for the family to enjoy.
- A Remote Control is available as an accessory and is used for driving Robomow to a separated zone, if necessary. It is also used for mowing small patches of lawn that cannot be reached in automatic operation.
- Grasscycling Robomow cuts the grass into very small clippings that are buried in the roots of the lawn, where they decompose and act like a natural fertilizer. Grass clippings contain 80-85% water and release valuable nutrients that return back into the soil. It is the natural recycling of grass.
- Robomow App A mobile application (available for Android and iOS), which enables user friendly and intuitive operation of your Robomow, and opens additional menu options and features.

For compatibility information of Robomow App please visit Robomow webpage.

To download the Robomow App, use your mobile device to scan the QR code on the left, or simply search for it in the App Store or Google Play Store.











### Chapter 3 – Planning Ahead

Getting your lawn ready for Robomow is rather simple. As every lawn is unique, we recommend reading this chapter before starting to install the perimeter wire. Planning the wire route and drawing a sketch of the lawn, including all obstacles and Base Station location, will make it easier and will prevent mistakes during the setup.



Scan and watch Robomow setup & operation video. Also available on Robomow website.

Please complete reading this "Planning Ahead" chapter before you start the setup. It will guide you in finding the best locations for the Base Station, Power Box, and for the Perimeter Wire.

The Perimeter Wire functions is an "invisible wall" for Robomow. It sets the boundaries of lawn zones by surrounding specific areas, as borders for the Robomow mowing. The Perimeter Wire is held to the ground by small pegs, supplied with Robomow.

After set, the wire will becomes invisible under the growth of new grass. As soon as Robomow starts operating a signal that runs along the Perimeter Wire keeps Robomow within its working zones and away from preset demarcated areas.

#### 3.1 Lawn Types: What does your lawn look like?

There are 3 basic types of lawns: Some lawns are combinations of more than one type.

Your first task is to determine which type is yours.

o Main Zone Only

Robomow will simply mow this lawn within its set boundaries.

• Main Zone + Sub-Zone(s)

Robomow will mow the Main Zone and will move automatically to the Sub-Zone(s).

o Separated Zone

Robomow will mow each zone separately. Its movement between zones is restricted. Thus, you will have to bring the mower from the Main Zone to the Separated Zone every time you want to mow it.



#### 3.1.1 "Main Zone Only" Type Lawn

The "Main Zone Only" lawn consists of one whole area. It has no Sub-Zones and no Separated Zones.

If you answer "yes" to all of the following questions, your lawn is a "Main Zone Only" type lawn:

- Is your grass area one continuous zone?
- Are all areas of your lawn wide enough for Robomow to navigate through effectively? (Min. 3 meters (10 ft.) wide at its narrowest point).



- If your lawn does not match this description, read the next Sections to find the style of your lawn.
- If your lawn is "Main Zone Only", you can skip to Section 3.3 of this chapter to determine the Base Station location.

#### 3.1.2 "Main Zone + Sub-Zone(s)" Type Lawn

This type of lawn consists of more than one zone, where zones are connected by a narrow pass.

In this type of lawn, Robomow will be able to drive from one zone to the other in order to mow the whole area.

If you answer "yes" to all of the following questions, your lawn is a "Main Zone + Sub-Zone" type lawn:



Main + Sub-Zone with a Narrow Pass

- Is your grass area one continuous area?
- Are parts of your lawn separated from the Main Zone?
- Is there a Narrow Pass of at least 1m (3.3 ft.) for Robomow to drive between these zones?
- Is this Narrow Pass firm, in one level and smooth (not stony, sandy or elevated)?
  - For example: grass area, sidewalk, firm path, solid ground.

Such additional areas are called Sub-Zones.

If your lawn contains a Sub-Zone as defined in this section, refer to Section 6.4.2 (Add Sub-Zone - number p022 in the table).

Defining Sub-Zone(s) will enable Robomow to drive through the Narrow Pass in order to get to a Sub-Zone and to mow both the Main Zone and its Sub-Zone(s) one zone at a time.

If your lawn does not match this description, skip to the next Section 3.1.3 of this chapter: "Separate Zones".

#### 3.1.3 "Separated Zones" Type Lawn

"Separated Zones" type lawn consists of two or more zones that are not connected. Robomow cannot drive between these zones.

If you answer "yes" to at least one of the following questions, your lawn is of the "Separated Zones" type.

- Are parts of your lawn separated by fences, sidewalks, or other objects that Robomow cannot pass? Or
- Are parts of your lawn separated by a gravel path or similar material that may damage the mower blade?
  - Or
- o Are the zones of your lawns joined by a pass that is too narrow for Robomow to drive through: less than 1m (3.3 ft.) in width? Or



• Are the zones of your lawn situated at lower or higher level?

If your lawn contains a Separated Zone as defined in this section, refer to Section 6.4.2 (Add Separated Zone - number p014 in the table).



If your lawn does not fit any of these descriptions, it is probably either a "Main Zone Only" or

- "Main Zone +Sub- Zone" type. Skip to Section 3.3 Select Base Station and Power Box Location.
- A lawn may consist of up to 2 Separated Zones.
- The mower must be carried or driven to this area manually.
- Any of the 3 types can be a combination of more than one type of lawn.

#### 3.1.4 Types of Separated Zone setups:

#### A Separated Zone smaller than 100 m<sup>2</sup> (1100 ft<sup>2</sup>)

 Separated area that is smaller than 100m<sup>2</sup> (1100 ft<sup>2</sup>) can be covered in a single operation, thus, if possible, the separated area may be connected to the main area's Perimeter Wire (have the signal come from the Main Base Station).

#### Or

 It may need its own separate Perimeter Wire.

In that case, it will have to be connected to a Perimeter Switch (optional accessory – see Chapter 12 – Accessories).

#### Or:

#### A Separated Zone larger than 100 m<sup>2</sup> (1100 ft<sup>2</sup>)

- If a separated area is larger than 100m<sup>2</sup> (1100 ft<sup>2</sup>), then it requires more than a single operation to cover the area;
- In such case, an additional Base Station (optional accessory) should be installed in the Separated Zone; otherwise you will have to manually bring the mower several times to the Separated Zone, in order to complete the mowing of the area..





#### 3.2 Select Base Station Location

#### 3.2.1 Base Station Location Guidelines

- Do not place the Base Station within 3 meters (10 ft.) after a corner (relevant for Internal Setup only section 3.2.2)
- The Base Station should be within 15m (50 ft.) distance from a power outlet (230V / 120V).
- If the lawn has more than one zone, place the Base Station within the largest zone.
- Make the Base Station invisible to the street to avoid theft.
- Select a shady spot. This will extend battery lifetime.
- Place the Base Station on a relatively level ground. Do not place it on a slope.
- Place the Base Station away from sprinkler heads.



#### There are two options to set the Base Station:

#### 3.2.2 Internal Setup (on the lawn perimeter)

- Choose a place along the Perimeter Wire where you want to place the Base Station, based on the onditions detailed in paragraph 3.2.1.
- Place the Base Station in the direction shown in the figure to the right.
- 3.2.3 External Setup (off the lawn perimeter):



Scan the code to watch the video on how to install an external base.

#### There are two types of External Setup:

#### A. At a corner

In this type of setup, the Base Station is located at **one of the corners** of the lawn, as shown in the figure at the right.

- Choose a corner where you want to place the Base Station outside of the lawn area.
- Place the Base Station, where its front side is touching the lawn edge or placed somewhere on the lawn.
- Continue to lay the perimeter wire as shown in the figure on the right, where it continues at least 10cm (4") beyond 4 the Base Station and turns back towards the lawn at a distance of 10cm (4") from the other wire.
- The Base Station may be placed in a small shift to the right, in order to allow smooth entry of the mower to the-Base Station.
- Later you will have the opportunity to adjust the Base Station position to confirm smooth entry.
- B. Outside the lawn

#### (Can be set only through the Robomow App for specific models)

- Choose a place outside the lawn where you want Robomow to dock and charge.
- Confirm the path between the lawn and the outside area is smooth with no height difference, so Robomow will not get stuck and will follow the wire smoothly.

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- The surface between the lawn and the Base Station should be hard (such as a sidewalk or rigid ground) and not sandy or stony, so Robomow will not slip or get stuck on it.
- The area between the lawn and the Base Station should be clear of obstacles and objects.
- Lay the wire as shown in the figure to the right:
  - Narrow path of 50cm (20") width.
  - Square Perimeter Island of 30cm (12") edges.
  - Island starts 50cm from the Perimeter Wire.
  - Keep a distance of 10cm (4") between Perimeter Wire and the Island from both sides.
  - The front of the Base Station should be placed a minimum distance of 1.8m (6 ft.) from the Perimeter Wire and NOT more than 4m (13 ft.).



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#### **3.3 Select Power Box Location**

Consider the following in order to select the Power Box location:

- The Power Box will be connected to the Base Station using the 15m (50ft.) Extension Cable.
- Select a suitable location for the Power Box to be mounted on a wall near a power outlet.
- Locate it outside the lawn perimeter.
- Select an easily accessed spot.
- Select a dry and sheltered location.
- The Power Box is to be mounted vertically.



The Power Box is suitable for Outdoor use. Yet, it should be placed in a sheltered, dry and well ventilated spot. The Power Box should not be exposed to direct sunlight or rain.

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#### 3.4 Planning the Perimeter Wire Layout

#### 3.4.1 Objects inside lawn

 Objects such as flower beds, ponds, or small trees can be protected by creating "Perimeter Islands", which are demarcated areas of the lawn, where Robomow should not enter.



- In the areas where obstacles are grouped closely together, they should be demarcated by a single, continuous Perimeter Island.
- Obstacles that are vertical, relatively rigid, and higher than 15 cm (6 inches), such as trees, phone or power poles, do not need Perimeter Island. Robomow will turn when it collides with these obstacles.

#### 3.4.2 Slopes

#### Slope on the perimeter

 The Perimeter Wire can be laid across a slope that slants less than 10% (10cm rise per 1m).

**CAUTION!** If the Perimeter Wire is laid across a slope steeper than 10%, there is a risk that the mower will slip and cross outside the wire, especially when the grass is wet'.

However, if there is a barrier (e.g. fence or wall) that can protect the mower from slipping off, the Perimeter Wire can be set on that slope.



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#### Slope inside the lawn

- Robomow can mow areas inside the working area with a slope of up to 35% (35cm rise per 1m).
- Tip: If the mower tilts off the ground while climbing a slope, it is too steep. Exclude this steep area from Robomow's cutting area.



How to calculate the slope of your lawn?



How to calculate the slope of your lawn?  $\frac{35 \text{cm (Elevation)}}{100 \text{cm (Length)}} = 35\% \text{ (slope)}$ 

#### 3.4.3 Distances from the Edge (Pools, Ponds, Cliffs, etc.)

• RoboRuler is used to measure the distance from the edge, where the wire is to be placed.



In certain cases, near bodies of water such as pools and ponds, or great height differences such as cliffs, it is
required to maintain a greater distance from the Edge (see Section 4.2.2).

#### 3.4.4 Interference with adjacent lawns

In case there is another robotic mower (from the same or different manufacturer) working in an adjacent lawn, you need to keep at least 3 meters distance (10 ft.) from the perimeter wire of that lawn.

### Chapter 4 – Initial Setup

#### 4.1 Preparations

#### Recommendations before you start

During setup, you need to insert pegs into the ground. To complete this task smoothly, we recommend not to do it while the grass is high and to water it before starting.

#### 4.1.1 Getting Ready

Make sure all parts needed for setup are within your reach. Have the Robomow box nearby, so all items are available.

In addition, you will need the following tools: A hammer, small flat screwdriver, Phillips screwdriver, Combination Pliers.

#### 4.1.2 Installing the Power Box

Mount the metal bracket onto a vertical surface with the provided screws. Make sure the narrow part with the holes facing up as shown in the figure to the right.

- Place the Power Box above the metal bracket and slide it into place along the vertical surface.
- Connect the Power Box to a regular power outlet (230V / 120V).

#### 4.1.3 Charging the battery before the first operation

You can charge the Robomow battery while running the setup of the Perimeter Wire. This will ensure that Robomow will be ready for operation when the setup is completed.

- The power of the mower is switched off when shipped from the factory. Switch on the Safety Switch to power on the mower.
- Connect the DC Cable coming from the Power Box to the Charging Socket at the rear side of Robomow.
- Confirm the Battery LED on Robomow is blinking, which is an indication of charging.
- Leave Robomow connected to the Power Box while completing the setup of the Perimeter Wire.

#### Note!

Your product comes with a minimal battery charge, which is only sufficient for performing the One-Time Setup. This initial charge does not allow performing a complete mowing operation

#### **4.2 Perimeter Wire Setup**

Before you start the setup, you should have a plan for the Perimeter Wire layout and for the location of the Base Station. Your plan should consider the following:

• What type of lawn areas does your lawn have?

(Main Zone Only / Main + Sub-Zones / Separated Zones / combination of types).

- o Are there protected or excluded areas on the lawn? (Perimeter Islands).
- o Are there any slopes that Robomow should avoid?
- o Are there edges of pools, ponds, cliffs etc., which need an extra distance from the Perimeter Wire?





#### 4.2.1 Starting Point: Perimeter Wire at the Base Station area.

 Place the Base Station, according to your plan, as shown in the figure to the right.

#### Do not place the Base Station within 3m (10 ft.) after a corner

- Select the roll of wire with a green plot connector attached to the end.
- Pull the plot connector and some wire out of the plastic covering.

Do not remove the spool of wire from its covering. The plastic covering is the dispenser for the wire.

- Peg the beginning of the wire to the ground, where the Base Station will be located. Pegs are supplied in the Robomow's box.
- Pull out 30 cm (12 inches) of wire and leave it loose near the Base Station location. Later, at the end of the setup, this part of the wire will close the Perimeter Wire loop.
- Start laying the wire in an anticlockwise direction.
- Continue to pull the Perimeter Wire out of its covering, laying it loosely as you walk along the lawn edge.



If you get to any area/object that needs care or special boundaries, make sure you carefully lay the Perimeter Wire as needed. The next sections deal with such special cases.

#### 4.2.2 Laying the Perimeter Wire

- The Perimeter Wire is secured to the ground by pegs supplied with Robomow. Initially insert pegs every few meters and at corners. At this early stage set a minimum number of pegs. Later, after testing the wire setup, you will insert all necessary pegs.
- After uncoiling some wire, before inserting pegs, use the RoboRuler to determine the distance of the wire from the lawn edge or obstacles.
  - If the working area borders with a flat area, a flower bed, a small cliff (not more than 1 cm / 0.4"), or a small stair (up to 5 cm / 2"), the Perimeter Wire should be laid 20 cm (8 inches) inside the working area. Use the shorter distance of the RoboRuler to set the distance of the wire from the lawn edge.
  - If the edge is going though a sloped area (max 10% is allowed) or is bordered with high obstacles such as a wall or fence, the Perimeter Wire should be laid at a distance of 28 cm (11 inches) from the obstacle. Use the longer distance of the RoboRuler to set the distance of the wire from a wall.





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- If the working area borders against a flat path that lies level with the lawn, it is possible to allow Robomow to run over the path. The Perimeter Wire should then be laid 10 cm (4 inches) from the edge of the path.
- When the working area is divided by a flat path that is level with the lawn, it is possible to allow Robomow to run over the path. The Perimeter Wire can be laid under the pavement blocks or in the joint between them.

The mower must never run over gravel, mulch, or similar material, which can cause the mower to slip

Important!

and damage the blade.





#### Т **IMPORTANT INFORMATION** I. I L I If the working area is near a swimming pool, I I watercourse, slope greater than 10%, precipice I I higher than 50cm (20 inches) or a public road, I I the Perimeter Wire must be supplemented with I a fence or alike. The height must then be at least 1 15cm (6 inches). This will prevent the mower from 1 н ending up outside the working area under any I circumstances. Т I If such a barrier exists, you may set the Perimeter I Wire 28cm (11 inches) from the barrier. н Т If there is no fence or the like, then lay the I н. I Perimeter Wire at minimum distance of 1.2m from I the water. 1



- Maintain a 45° angle in all left-turn corners when laying the wire along the perimeter. It is not necessary to maintain 45° angle on right-turn corners along the perimeter.
- Continue laying the wire, according to your plan. Gradually pull the wire out of its dispenser and lay it loosely as you are moving in an anticlockwise direction.



#### 4.3 Perimeter Wire within the Working Area

#### 4.3.1 Hard Obstacles

• Obstacles that can withstand a collision, for example, trees or bushes higher than 15 cm (6"), do not need to be demarcated by the Perimeter Wire. Robomow will turn when it collides with this type of obstacle.



#### 4.3.2 Perimeter Islands

- Use the Perimeter Wire to demarcate areas inside the working area by creating islands around obstacles that cannot withstand a collision, for example, flower beds and fountains.
- o Continue uncoiling the wire, moving from the edge towards the protected object.
- Peg the Perimeter Wire around the protected object in a clockwise direction.
- o Complete bordering the island and return to the spot where you left the lawn's edge
- The wires leading to the Island and from it should be parallel and touching. Therefore, peg both wires, to and from the island, together **with the same pegs**.
- o Robomow will not recognize these two wires. It will mow over them as if they do not exist.
- Robomow will recognize the single blocking wire around the Perimeter Island and will not enter this area.





Keep the following distances when setting Perimeter Islands:

- The minimum distance of the Perimeter Wire from the protected area should be 28 cm (11 inches).
- If you need to protect a thin object, set the minimum radius of the Island to 35 cm (15 inches).
- Maintain a minimum of 1m (3.3 ft.) between adjacent islands.
- Maintain a minimum of 1m (3.3 ft.) between island wire and the Perimeter Wire.
- If protected objects are grouped closely together, demarcate them as a single Perimeter Island.

Note! A Perimeter Island should either be rectangular or round.



#### 4.3.3 Setting a Narrow Pass

A Narrow Pass is defined as a path that connects two zones of the lawn. The path enables Robomow to drive between the zones while following the wire, but prevents the mower from crossing between them while mowing the inner area of the zones. The pass has to be at least 1.2 m (4 ft.) wide to allow Robomow to drive through it.

#### If the pass is wider than 2 m (6.5 ft.),

There is NO need for any special setting of the Perimeter Wire. Skip to section 4.3.4. Otherwise, you need to follow the instructions given below in order to set up a Narrow Pass.



Scan the code to view a video explaining how to set a narrow pass

#### If the passage is NARROWER than 1.5m and longer then 2m,

the following wire installation needs to be done - "dual-square installation":

- 1. Define the entry to the Narrow Pass the point you want the mower to start driving towards the Sub-Zone.
- 2. 50 cm (20 inches) from the Narrow Pass entry, set a Perimeter Island (refer to 4.3.2) as shown in the picture above.
- 3. Continue to lay the wire along the edge at a proper distance (depending on the edge type) until coming back to the Narrow Pass entry from the Sub-Zone side.
- 4. Measure 50cm (20 inches) from that point and lay another Perimeter Island with the same dimensions.
- 5. After completing the setup of the wire in the Sub-Zone, make sure you keep 10 cm (4 inches) between the wire and the islands on the way back to the Main Zone.



The above setup allows Robomow to drive along the wire to reach the Sub-Zone. However, while mowing each zone individually, it will not cross over to the other zone.

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#### If the passage is WIDER than 1.5m:

If the Narrow Pass is wider than 1.5m (5 ft.), and you want Robomow to mow the area inside the Narrow Pass, then you can set the wire as shown in the figure below. Such a setup allows the mower to mow inside the Narrow Pass while mowing the inner part of the lawn, but prevents it from crossing between the zones.

- 1. Define the entry to the Narrow Pass the point you want the mower to start driving towards the Sub-Zone.
- 2. Set an Perimeter Island at the middle of the Narrow Pass (refer to 4.3.2) as shown in the picture above and keep a distance of 10 cm (4 inches) from the Perimeter Wire.
- 3. The island dimensions should be 28 cm (11") along the side and as wide as needed, when keeping 10 cm (4 inches) from both sides.
- 4. After completing the setup of the wire in the Sub-Zone, make sure you keep 10 cm (4 inches) between the wire and the island on the way back to the Main Zone.



#### Good VS Bad Narrow Pass:

The following drawing illustrates a good (flat) vs bad (bumpy) narrow passage.



#### 4.3.4 Using Sub-Zones as Remote Starting Points

There are cases when a Main Zone has two or more big parts connected by a wide (more than 2 meters) passage, like a front and a back yards.

In order to ensure proper coverage of all Main Zone's parts in such cases, you may want the mower to occasionally start mowing at some specific point (other than the Base Station) along the perimeter wire. We call these points – Remote Starting Points. Setting a Remote Starting Point can be done by defining (adding) a Sub-Zone at the desired place (see section 6.4.2, P022-P023).

#### Note:

During the Sub-Zone definition process you are asked to specify the area of a newly added sub-zone. In case of a Remote Starting Point, this area should be the area of the remote part of the Main Zone. You need to reduce Main Zone's area setting accordingly (see section 6.4.1). See the example below. This process actually defines the probability (or the frequency) of departures from each starting point (when for the Main Zone the Base Station itself is a starting point).

#### Example:

Let's say your Main Zone is 1000m<sup>2</sup>. It has a back yard (400m2), where the Base Station is installed, and a front yard (600m2). In order to define a Remote Starting point for the front yard, start a process of adding a Sub-Zone. Once well inside the front yard, set the area of the newly added Sub-Zone to 600 and immediately reduce (see section 6.4.1) the area of the Main Zone to 400m2. Thus, we now have 40% probability for the mower to start from the Base Station to cover the back vard, 60% probability to start from the Remote Starting point in favor of the front yard, as demonstrated in the following drawing:



#### 4.4 Fastening Perimeter Wire to the Ground

- Before starting to lay the Perimeter Wire, it is recommended to cut the grass where the wire is to be laid. It will then be easier to attach the wire to the ground. The risk that the mower will damage the wire during the operation is reduced.
- o It is not necessary to bury the Perimeter Wire, though you may do so, up to 5 cm (2 inches) deep.
- o Pull the wire tight while hammering the peg all the way into the ground.
- Consider burying the wire at exposed areas, such as pavements or other areas with a frequent foot traffic.

#### WARNING !

#### Protect your eyes! Protect your hands!

Use proper eye protection and wear appropriate work gloves when hammering the pegs.

Hard or dry ground may cause pegs to break when driving them in.

- o Use a hammer to insert the pegs into the ground.
- Insert the pegs at distances that will keep the wire down below the grass level and prevent the wire from becoming a tripping hazard (approximately 75 cm / 30" between pegs).
  - The wire and the pegs will gradually become invisible under the growth of new grass.



 If an additional wire is required in order to complete the setup, connect it using the water-proof wire connectors supplied with Robomow. (See Section 11.6 – Splicing the Perimeter Wire).

Use only the wire connectors supplied with Robomow.

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**Neither** Twisted cables, **nor** a screw terminal insulated with insulation tape are a satisfactory splice. Soil moisture may cause the conductors to oxidize, which will later cause a broken circuit.



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#### 4.5 Back at the Base Station – Completing the Perimeter Wire Setup

Once the Perimeter Wire loop is completed and pegged to the ground, complete the setup by attaching the beginning and the end of the Perimeter Wire to the Base Station Head.

- Peg the two Perimeter Wires down to the ground using the same peg leaving enough loose wire.
- Trim the end without the connector to make both of equal length and twist the two wires.
- Twist the two wires. A proper twist of the wires is crucial for a robust docking of Robomow at the Base Station.

• Strip back 5 mm (1/4 inches) of insulation from the wire end.

 Insert the end of the wire without the connector into the hole of the connector. Use a small flat screwdriver to tighten and secure this wire into the connector.



#### 4.6 Placement and connection of the Base Station

- Place the Base Station on the Perimeter Wire as shown in the figure to the right.
- Align the center of the Base Station on the wire.

• Attach the Perimeter Wire connector to the Base Station Head.

 After the Base Station has been positioned, insert 2 stakes into the Base Station holes as shown in the figure to the right. Only after the Base Station position has been tested during the One-Time Setup process (see Section 5.2), you will be able to insert the remaining two stakes.



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#### 4.7 Connecting the Power Box

In order to find a proper location for the Power Box, please refer to Section 3.3. For the Power Box installation instructions please refer to Section 4.1.2.

#### Laying and Fastening Extension Cable

#### Safety – Avoid injury!

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The Extension Cable from the Power Box to the Base Station should be securely fastened to the ground! It should never present a tripping hazard.

The Extension Cable should cross ONLY over soft surfaces. It should not cross over hard surfaces (e.g. Sidewalk, driveway) where it cannot be securely fastened.



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#### 4.7.1 At the Power Box Location:

- Connect the DC Cable from the Power Box to the 15 m (50 ft.) Extension Cable.
- Connect the Power Box to a regular power outlet (230V / 120V).
  - The Docking Indicator will light up if the mower is in the Base Station.
  - The Operating Indicator will light up if the mower is not in the Base Station.





#### 4.8 Setup in a Non-Base Zone

A Non-Base Zone is an area of the lawn that is not connected to a Base Station.

A Perimeter Switch should be installed in these areas.

When necessary, the Perimeter Switch can be easily moved to other zones.

#### 4.8.1 Determining the Perimeter Switch Location

Consider the following in order to install the Perimeter Switch at an optimal location:

- The Perimeter Switch is to be installed outside the perimeter of the Non-Base Zone.
- Select a dry and sheltered location.
- The Perimeter Switch is to be mounted vertically.
- The Perimeter Switch is supplied with an indoor power supply. Choose a location close to a regular power outlet (230V / 120V).

#### Note:

a rechargeable battery for the Perimeter Switch is available as an accessory (See Chapter 12 – Robomow Accessories).

#### 4.8.2 Perimeter Switch placing options

- The Perimeter Switch connector is easily connected and disconnected. It allows for quickly switching from one zone to another.
- You may use the large stake, attached to the back of the Perimeter Switch, to easily insert it in and out of the ground.

• You may mount the Perimeter Switch on a vertical surface, such as a wall or deck railing. Use the three marks on the back of the Perimeter Switch cover.

#### 4.8.3 Laying out the Perimeter Wire

The perimeter wire setup in a Base and Non-Base Zone are the same, except for the starting point:

- The Perimeter Switch is placed out of the area (at least 1 meter / 3.3 ft. from the lawn).
- Start to lay the Perimeter Wire from the Perimeter Switch location.
- Lay the Perimeter Wire from the Perimeter Switch to the lawn.
- Start laying the wire in anticlockwise direction.









- Once completing the Perimeter Wire loop, lay the wire back towards the Perimeter Switch.
- At the end of the Perimeter Wire loop, you have now two wires. Lay the two loose wires in the direction of the Perimeter Switch location and peg them to the ground using a single peg for both.



#### 4.8.4 At the Perimeter Switch's location:

- Trim the ends of the loose wire to equal length and twist them together.
- Strip 5mm (0.2 inches) of insulation from the wire without the plot connector.

• Insert this wire end into the free hole in the connector and tighten the screws.

• Plug the perimeter wire connector into the Perimeter Switch.





• Hold the Perimeter Switch and squeeze its side tabs (1) to remove it from the back cover (2).



Connect the power supply to a regular power outlet (230V / 120V).

IMPORTANT I The Power Supply is for indoor use ONLY.

Choose a sheltered, dry, and well ventilated location that is NOT exposed to direct sunlight, water, or rain.

• Press the 'ON' button on the Perimeter Switch.

A small flashing green light next to the 'ON' button indicates the system is on and functioning correctly.

The control panel has other indicators: a disconnected or broken Perimeter Wire and a poor splicing (connection) in the Perimeter Wire.

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The Perimeter Switch has an automatic shutoff feature. There is no need to turn it off after each use. The Perimeter Switch will shut itself off after 12 hours of operation. You may manually turn it off by pressing the ON/ OFF button and holding it for 3 seconds. A beep will sound to indicate that the Perimeter Switch is off.

The Perimeter Switch can be operated by a rechargeable battery (available as an accessory – see Chapter 12).

### Chapter 5 – Preparing Robomow

Before using Robomow for the first time, you have to perform some simple preliminary settings. Once the preparations are complete, your Robomow will be ready to mow your lawn.

#### 5.1 Adjust the Cutting Height

Blade Cutting Range: 15 - 60 mm (0.6 - 2.4 inches)

To adjust the cutting height of the blade, do the following:

**CAUTION!** ALWAYS TURN THE SAFETY SWITCH OFF BEFORE ADJUSTING THE CUTTING HEIGHT!

- Lift the front side of the mower.
- Turn the knob while pushing it down.
- To raise the cutting height, turn clockwise.
- To lower the cutting height, turn anticlockwise
- The cutting height is displayed at the side of the mower.

#### 5.2 One-Time Setup (Step by Step)

Make sure the Safety Switch is on and the Power Box is plugged in before starting the One-Time Setup process.

The mower is now ready to perform the One-Time Setup process.

Cutting height adjustment

Safety Switch

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**IMPORTANT** To restart the One-Time Setup process press and hold **STOP + Settings + Left arrow** buttons together for more than 4 seconds. This will invoke Factory Defaults ("Out of the Box" settings).

#### 5.2.1 Using the Operating Panel

Use the buttons on the Operating Panel as follows:

- Press the 'Right' or 'Left' arrows until your desired option is displayed.
- Press OK to select the value shown on the display.
- Press 'Back' (STOP) to go back or to cancel.



#### 5.2.2 Choose Measurements Units and Formats

	Area / Distance	Temp.	Clock
EU	Meter	Celsius	24 Hours
US	Foot	Fahrenheit	12 Hours (AM / PM)



#### 5.2.3 Set Day and Time

- Scroll to set the Day and press OK to confirm.
- Scroll to set the Time and press OK to confirm.

#### 5.2.4 Main Zone Area

 Scroll to select an approximate area (EU- m<sup>2</sup> / US- ft<sup>2</sup>) for the Main Zone, where the Base Station is installed.

If an additional zone (Sub-Zone or Separated Zone) exists, do not include it in main zone's area (it will be set separately).

**Note** – It is necessary to complete the above settings (5.2.2 – 5.2.3) in order to operate the mower. Every press on the STOP button will change the screen one step back in the process.

#### 5.2.5 Test Base Station Position

- After setting the area, **U001** (Test Base Station Position) is displayed.
- Place Robomow inside the lawn, approximately 3 m (10 ft.) in front of the Base Station, facing the Perimeter Wire and press OK to start the test.
- Robomow drives towards the Base Station:

If the mower does not start the test, then one of the following messages will be displayed:

**E3** (*No Wire Signal*) – Confirm that the Power Box is connected to the power outlet and that the Extension Cable is connected at both ends, from the Power Box to the Base Station.

**U029** (*Swap wires in plot connector*) – The Perimeter Wire has been connected in the opposite direction. Swap the wires at the plot connector.



 Robomow will enter the Base Station, drive back, wait in front of the Base Station, and display U002 (*Peg Base*).

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If **U051** (*Reposition Base Station*) message is displayed:

- Move the Base Station slightly to align it with the Perimeter Wire.
- Check for any obstacles that may interfere with the mower's entrance to the Base Station.
- While 'U002' (*Peg Base*) is displayed, insert the remaining Stakes of the Base Station to secure it to the ground and press **OK**.



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#### 5.2.6 Test Wire Position

- U003 is displayed (Test Wire Position) press OK.
- Robomow will follow the wire along the edge to test the wire position.

Walk alongside Robomow while it is following the edge. Having completed the process, Robomow will enter the Base Station and the setup process will be completed.

If the mower collides with obstacles along the edge, the mower will stop and drive backwards with '**U052**' (*Adjust Wire*) displayed:

- Move the wire slightly inward.
- Press **OK** to continue the Wire Test.
- If, at any point, you wish the mower to drive closer to the edge to enlarge the covered area, press Stop ('U003' is displayed – *Test Wire Position*):

- Move the wire slightly outward.
- Place the mower in front of the changed section of wire.
- Press **OK** to continue the "Test Wire Position' process.
- If you want to quit the setup process, press and hold the STOP button for 3 seconds. The screen will change to the Main Display (current time).
- After completing the Test Wire Position, test the mower in Near Wire Follow mode to confirm it completes the drive near the wire smoothly, without acquiring any adjacent wire or hitting any obstacle on its way to the Base Station.
- If the mower fails to complete the Near Wire Follow smoothly to the Base Station, then reduce the Near Wire Follow Distance (Menu P004) and repeat the test until it will complete the drive smoothly.

**IMPORTANT** To restart the One-Time Setup process press and hold **STOP + Settings + Left arrow** buttons together for more than 4 seconds. This will invoke Factory Defaults ("Out of the Box" settings).

#### 5.2.7 After Setup is Completed

Once the wire setup is complete, drive additional pegs at a distance of approximately 0.75 m (2.5 ft.) apart.

- Use additional pegs in areas where there are bumps or dips in the lawn.
  - If needed, purchase extra pegs.
- Inspect the wire installation for tripping hazards.

From this point on Robomow is ready to be charged. Once fully charged it will automatically mow your lawn.

#### Note!

The first charging may take longer then usual (up to 24 hours).





### Chapter 6 – Robomow Operation

#### 6.1 Automatic Operation

- Once the One-Time Setup is finished, Robomow will be set to perform automatically the following cycle of mowing operations:
  - When the battery is fully charged, Robomow will automatically depart from the Base Station.
  - It will mow the lawn.
  - It will start searching for the Base Station, when the battery level gets low (Robomow will not mow when it is searching for the Base Station).
  - It will recharge the battery and get ready for the next scheduled operation.
  - It will continue mowing until it completes the required number of mowing hours (end of a Mowing Cycle).

**Note:** Robomow mows the Edge of the entire lawn only on the first mowing operation of each Mowing Cycle. In the rest of operations Robomow mows the lawn without the Edge. When Mowing Frequency (p001 in Section 6.4.2) is set to HIGH, Robomow will mow the Edge twice a week.

- The required mowing time for a single mowing cycle is automatically derived from the Area setting for your lawn.
- In case the required mowing time within a mowing cycle needs to be adjusted (increased/decreased) to achieve better mowing results, it can be done using the **Mowing Hours** menu see Section 6.4.2.
- Robomow usually performs several consecutive mowing operations until it completes a full mowing cycle required for the lawn. After completing a mowing cycle Robomow will rest until the next cycle should begin. The interval between mowing cycles is defined by the **Mowing Frequency** menu see Section 6.4.2. The default setting is to perform two complete mowing cycles per week (Medium Mowing Frequency)
- Robomow stays in the Base Station during the default Inactive Time (All day Sunday and nighttime daily 23:00 to 06:00). Inactive Time may be changed see Section 6.4.1.3.

#### Note!

Robomow has the power to mow high grass. However when mowing high grass during the first use or the first mowing of the season, initially you will see uneven patches of grass.

Please be patient as it may take a few days to one week to overcome and bring the lawn to an even height and consistency.

#### 6.2 Operating Panel

Operating Panel and buttons:





#### 6.3 Manual Operation

Manual Operation is used when you want to manually send the mower to mow your lawn, regardless the Automatic Operation's schedule.

To initiate Manual Operation, while Robomow is at the Base Station, press one of the buttons (except the STOP button) to show the display.

If the battery is fully charged and the Automatic Operation is enabled (see Section 7.3), then the start time of the next operation is displayed, otherwise the current day and time are displayed.

Once the display is shown, choose the operation mode you want as provided in the table below:

Operation Mode	Child Lock is Off	Child Lock is On	
<ul> <li>Mowing with Edge – Mowing the edge of the entire lawn before starting to mow the inner area of a selected zone.</li> <li>It is recommended to use this mode once or twice a week, depending on how fast the grass is growing.</li> </ul>	Press the ' <b>Edge before mowing'</b> (left arrow) button once	Press the <b>'Edge before mowing'</b> (left arrow) button then press <b>OK</b>	
<ul> <li>Mowing without Edge – Mowing only the inner area of a selected zone without the edge.</li> <li>It is recommended to use this mode only in the first operation of each Mowing Cycle.</li> </ul>	Press the ' <b>Mowing'</b> (right arrow) button once	Press the <b>'Mowing'</b> (right arrow) button then press <b>OK</b>	

**Note** – if a Sub-Zone is defined, **L1** (Main Zone) will be displayed when you choose an operating mode. Use the arrow buttons to scroll and choose the required zone to be mowed and press OK.

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#### 6.4 Menu Options

There are several levels of menu options that can be set in your Robomow:

- A. Basic Settings
- B. Advanced Settings
- C. Robomow App Settings

#### 6.4.1 Basic Settings

The Basic Settings are the most common menu options changed by the user. Each of the Basic Settings has an icon on the mower (refer to 6.2 – Operating Panel) that is lit to indicate the selected menu option.

- To change Basic Settings, press the 'Settings' button.
- Every press on the Setting button will move between the following 4 menu options:

#### 6.4.1.1 <u>Day and Time</u> – Set the current Day and Time.

Press the 'Settings' button so the 'Day and Time' (Clock) icon is constantly lit.

'Day' is blinking  $\rightarrow$  Scroll to the required day and press OK to confirm;

**'Hours'** is blinking  $\rightarrow$  Scroll to the required hour and press **OK** to confirm;

'Minutes' is blinking  $\rightarrow$  Scroll to the required min and press **OK** to confirm;

**Note!** If the mower is switched off and then back on, the 'Day' and 'Time' will start blinking to indicate that the day and the time should be re-set.

**6.4.1.2** <u>Mowing Hours (%)</u> – increase/decrease the number of mowing hours (in %) needed to cover the lawn size.

Press the 'Settings' button twice until the 'Mowing Hours (%)' LED is constantly lit.

Use the scrolling arrows to adjust the number of mowing hours (in %) and press OK to confirm;

The default value of this setting is 100% and it can be changed from 50% to 150%.

Example: a value of 120%, means that Robomow will run 20% more hours on the lawn.

**6.4.1.3** <u>Inactive Time</u> – Set times when the mower will be inactive. Inactive operating times can be set for specific day(s) of the week, and for specific hours for all days in the week.

Inactive Day(s) defines the day(s) when the mower will be inactive (Default: Sunday).

**Inactive Hours** define the hours when Robomow will not mow and stays in the Base Station (Default: 23:00-06:00)

**IMPORTANT!** It is required to go through the entire Inactive Days and Hours sequence in order to save the settings. Pressing STOP before completing the whole sequence will not save the settings.

To change the Inactive Time, it is required to perform the following steps:

- Press the 'Settings' button 3 times until the 'Inactive Time' icon is constantly lit.
- The current Inactive Day(s) will constantly lit.
- Press the OK button; 'Mon' will start blinking.
  - Press the RIGHT arrow to scroll to the day you want to set.
  - Press 'OK' to toggle between 'Active' and 'Inactive' options for that day: The LED is lit – 'Inactive Day' (mower will stay in the Base Station all day). The LED is off – available day for mowing. Press the RIGHT arrow to scroll to the next day you want to set
- Scroll through all the days to the right until the 'Inactive Hours' will start blinking.
- First set the time, at which the Inactive Hours start and press '**OK**'. Then set the time at which the Inactive Hours will end.
- Robomow will not operate during the Inactive Hours throughout all days of the week.
- If too many days/hours have been deactivated relative to the zone area, then 'E8' (Decrease Inactive Time) will be displayed you need to decrease the number of inactive time so that the mower will have enough time to mow your lawn.
- To set the 'Inactive Hours' to 'Off' set the same time for the start and the end (i.e.: 00:00 to 00:00).
- Only one window of Inactive Hours can be set in the Basic Settings. To open an additional window of Inactive Hours use the *Robomow App*.

6.4.1.4 <u>Area</u> – Update the size of the lawn in case it has been changed.

- Press the 'Setting' button 4 times until the Area icon is blinking.
- Scroll to change the area and press 'OK' to confirm.
- If more than one zone is defined, then first scroll to select the zone you want to edit and set the area for that zone as described above.
  - Names of zones are as follows:
  - L1-Main Zone
  - L2 Separated Zone A
  - L3 Separated Zone B
  - A1 Sub-Zone 1
  - A2 Sub-Zone 2
  - A3 Sub-Zone 3 A4 – Sub-Zone 4

#### 6.4.2 Advanced Settings

The Advanced Settings are additional menu options that are not changed very often and thus are not included in the Basic Settings.

- To change any option/feature in the Advanced Settings, press the 'Settings' button continuously for 3 Sec.
- Menu 'P001' is displayed. Use the arrows to scroll to the setting you want to change, and then press **OK**.
- Use the arrow button to change the setting and press OK to confirm.
- Scroll to change additional menu options or press STOP to go back to the main display.

Below are the Advanced Settings options:

Screen	Setting	Description	Options
P00 I	Mowing Frequency (Default = d)	<ul> <li>Controls the frequency of mowing cycles in a particular zone of your lawn.</li> <li>The default mowing frequency is Medium (equivalent to two mowing cycles in a week). It means that Robomow will complete the entire mowing of your lawn twice a week.</li> <li>The numbers in the menu represent the following values of mowing frequency: <ol> <li>LOW (one mowing cycle in a week)</li> <li>MEDIUM (two mowing cycles in a week)</li> <li>MEDIUM (two mowing cycles in a week)</li> <li>MIGH (equivalent to daily mowing)</li> </ol> </li> <li>The 'Mowing Frequency' option is only available for zones where a base station is installed. If you have defined at least one seprated zone with a base station (see menus P013 and P014), then you will be prompted to select the relevant zone before changing the setting (L1 stands for the Main Zone, L2 stands for Separated Zone A, etc.)</li> <li>During off-season when the growth rate of the grass is slower, it is recommended to change the Mowing Frequency to 'LOW'. This resting period helps the grass and prolongs the lifetime of the mower.</li> <li>Grass growth rate changes during the year (depending on temperature, grass type, fertilizing etc.).</li> <li>High fertilization and favorable weather conditions may cause the grass to grow faster. In such cases, set the 'Mowing Frequency' option to High.</li> </ul>	E/ 5/ I
P002	Islands (Default = ①FF)	<ul> <li>In case there is a large perimeter island (a swimming pool, a pond, a large flower bed, etc.) in a particular zone, it is recommended to set this setting to On. This will prevent the mower from following the wire around such island, while returning to the Base Station.</li> <li>When the Islands feature is set to On, the mower will execute a special method of searching for the Base Station. As a result it may take the mower more time to arrive to the Base Station.</li> <li>See also menu P006 below.</li> </ul>	0n /0FF

Screen	Setting	Description	Options
P003	Near Wire Follow (Default = 🛛 n )	<ul> <li>When Robomow completes its operation, or when the 'Home' button instructs it to Go To Base, it drives itself to the Base Station.</li> <li>Robomow drives along the Perimeter Wire with a dynamic offset (not centered) to prevent wheel tracks along the same path. This return behavior can be turned off.</li> <li>This menu is not available for RC304 and MC400 models.</li> <li>For all other models, the Near Wire Follow feature can be enabled and configured for a Sub-Zone as well.</li> </ul>	0n /0FF
РООЧ	Max Near Wire Follow Distance (Default = changed based on the lawn area)	<ul> <li>The maximum distance Robomow will drive from the wire when returning to the Base Station.</li> <li>The distance does not represent actual units of measurement.</li> <li>The offset Distance values range from 1 to 12. They represent different distances from the wire.</li> <li>The higher the Distance setting, the smaller the probability of tracks along the perimeter.</li> <li>Perimeter Islands that are relatively close to the Perimeter Wire or narrow passages may prevent the mower to complete its drive to the Base Station with 'Near Wire Follow' mode. In such cases decrease the distance to allow the mower to complete the drive to the Base Station.</li> <li>This menu is not available for RC304 and MC400 models.</li> <li>For all other models, the Near Wire Follow feature can be enabled and configured for a Sub-Zone as well.</li> </ul>	1- 15
POOS	Min Near Wire Follow Distance (Default = 1)	<ul> <li>The minimum distance Robomow will drive from the wire when returning to the Base Station.</li> <li>The larger the number, the bigger the distance the mower will drive from the wire while returns to the Base Station.</li> <li>This menu is not available for RC304 and MC400 models.</li> <li>For all other models, the Near Wire Follow feature can be enabled and configured for a Sub-Zone as well.</li> </ul>	1-5
P006	Near Wire Follow Test	<ul> <li>Enables to test the mower in the max 'Near wire Follow Distance' that is defined in menu P004.</li> <li>If the mower is not able to complete the drive in 'Near Wire' mode smoothly, then it is recommended to reduce the max distance set in menu P004.</li> <li>This menu is not available for RC304 and MC400 models.</li> </ul>	
РООЛ	Rain Sensor (Default = ີ⊡⊓ )	<ul> <li>The Rain Sensor feature halts operation on rainy or highly humid weather.</li> <li>This is recommended for the health of the lawn. However, mowing wet grass does not present any technical problem.</li> <li>Note! It may take a few minutes before Robomow detects rainy or humid conditions. This is done in order to avoid false-detections. As soon as the mower detects rain, it halts current mowing operation and starts searching for the Base Station. When the 'Islands' feature is set to On (see menu P002 above), the mower will execute a special method of searching for the Base Station. As a result it may take the mower more time (up to 20-30 minutes) to arrive to the Base Station.</li> </ul>	0n /0FF
P008	Rain Sensor Sensitivity (Default = 25)	<ul> <li>Robomow detects rain when the current reading value is below the set Sensitivity value and postpones operation.</li> <li>The higher the Sensitivity setting, the more sensitive Robomow is to rain detection.</li> </ul>	0-30
P009	Edging On /OFF (Default = On )	<ul> <li>Edging is a special mode, in which Robomow follows the perimeter wire for complete and accurate mowing of the lawn edges.</li> <li>In lawns where the edge is not maintained well and the mower fails to complete the drive along the edge of the lawn, it is recommended to set Edging to 'Off'.</li> <li>Setting Edging to 'Off' disables Edging mode in automatic departures from the station, but still allows edge-mowing when pressing the 'Edge' mode button on the operating panel.</li> </ul>	0n /0FF

Screen	Setting	Description	Options
00.00	Child Lock	• The Child Lock feature locks the buttons to prevent unintended operation, especially by children and pets.	
(Default = OFF)		• If the Child Lock is set to 'On', to operate the mower it is required to first press one of the operating mode buttons and then to press the OK button to confirm.	UN/UFF
PO 1 1	Anti-Theft / Disabling Device (Default = 🛛 F F )	<ul> <li>The Anti-Theft / Disabling Device feature alarms the surroundings in the event of an unintended use or removal of the mower from its designated area.</li> <li>To turn the Anti-Theft / Disabling Device On for the first time, set it to 'On' and choose a PIN code of 4 digits.</li> <li>Tip: Select a number you can remember. Write it down (bottom of Chapter 10), and keep it in a safe place.</li> <li>When the Anti-Theft / Disabling Device system is activated, 0000 will be displayed. Enter your 4-digit code to deactivate the Anti-Theft / Disabling Device.</li> <li>If the code is not entered, then the message is changed to U062 (Alarm will soon be activated). Enter the code, otherwise the alarm will start.</li> </ul>	0~ /0FF 1234
51 09	Anti-Theft / Disabling Device Change PIN code	<ul> <li>Allows changing of the Anti-Theft / Disabling Device PIN code.</li> <li>Enter a new code and then re-enter the new code for confirmation.</li> </ul>	0000
PO 13	Base Station (Default = 🗓 n )	<ul> <li>This option should be used in a Separated Zone which has a Base Station</li> <li>If you have defined more than one zone, then select the relevant zone before changing the setting.</li> </ul>	0n /0FF
PO 14	Add Separated Zone	<ul> <li>Enables the addition of a Separated Zone.</li> <li>L2 is displayed for Separated Zone A – press OK.</li> <li>Scroll to set the area of the Separated Zone and press OK.</li> </ul>	L2 100
P0	Remove Zone	<ul><li>Enables the removal of a Separated Zone or a Sub-Zone.</li><li>Choose the Zone you want to remove and press OK.</li></ul>	L27L3 N1/82/83/ R4
PC 16	Sound (Default = Ü∩)	<ul> <li>Use the Sound option to turn all non-safety sounds off.</li> </ul>	0n/0FF
רו 10	Mobile Communication System (Default = 🛛 F F )	<ul> <li>Enables remote communication with the mower using a GSM Module Accessory, which can be purchased separately.</li> <li>For more information, refer to Section 12 – Accessories.</li> </ul>	0n /0FF
PC 18	Statistics (Default = []FF)	<ul> <li>This menu is displayed only if P018 is set to 'On'.</li> <li>Enables to send the operation statistics from the mower to the manufacturer for diagnostics in case of problems.</li> </ul>	0~/0FF
PC 19	Bluetooth Remote Control Pairing	• Enables the pairing process between your Robomow and an outdoor Bluetooth Remote Control that is available as an accessory (Refer to Paragraph 12 Accessories).	
0209	Last Termination Event	<ul> <li>Enables the Behavior View of the special display (may be required by a Service Station)</li> </ul>	
P02 I	Program On/Off (Default = Ün)	<ul> <li>This menu enables or disables (pauses) Automatic Operation either in the main zone ('L1'), one of the Sub-Zones ('A1/ A2/ A3/ A4') or in the entire lawn ('All').</li> <li>This menu is only relevant when the Automatic operation is enabled on the Power Box (see chapter 7.3)</li> <li>When Program is set to Off in a particular zone, the mower will skip the operation in that zone, but will continue to mow all the other zones.</li> <li>Note! If Program is set to ON at least in one zone, the mower will continue to mow the edge of the entire lawn at the beginning of each mowing cycle, as described in Section 6.1.</li> </ul>	ALL L I R I/R2/R3/ R4 On/OFF

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Screen	Setting	Description	Options
		<ul> <li>Enables the addition of a Sub-Zone. Maximal number of Sub-Zones may be different for each Robomow model.</li> <li>A1/A2/A3/A4 (name of the first available sub-zone) is displayed - press OK.</li> <li>If the mower is not at the Base Station, then 'U044' ("Place the</li> </ul>	
P022	Add Sub-Zone	<ul> <li>mower in the Base Station") is displayed. Place the mower in the Base Station and press OK.</li> <li>The mower will start moving towards the Sub-Zone.</li> <li>Scroll to set the area of the Sub-Zone and press OK.</li> <li>Note! This process is not a part of the One-Time Setup (see Section 5.2)</li> <li>The area setting of a Sub-Zone can be later updated through the 'Area' menu of the Basic Settings (see Section 6.4.1)</li> <li>The distance to Sub-Zone's entry point can be update later</li> </ul>	R 1/R2/R3/ R4 100
		through menu P023	
P023	Update Distance	<ul><li>This menu is shown only if a Sub-Zone has been defined.</li><li>It allows to update the distance to Sub-Zone's entry point.</li></ul>	
	To Sub-Zone	<ul> <li>Scroll to choose the required Sub-Zone (A1/A2/A3/A4) and press OK to update the distance to the entry point.</li> </ul>	
P024	SmartMow (Default = DFF )	<ul> <li>SmartMow feature allows more efficient mowing operation through the smooth and continuous turns when reaching lawn's edge.</li> <li>When this feature is enabled for the first time in a particular zone, it may require the mower to cross the lawn and "touch" the perimeter wire several times (to perform an initial calibration of the algorithm), before it will start performing smooth turns at lawn's edge.</li> <li>If there is more than one zone defined, then there is an option to enable this feature for a particular zone or for the entire lawn ('All').</li> <li>Please note! This feature may not be equally efficient on all lawns or on different sections of a particular lawn, especially if a lawn area is small or has narrow areas, big islands or slopes.</li> </ul>	RLL L 1/L2/L3 R 1/R2/R3/ R4 On/OFF
P025	SmartMow Edge Overlap (Default =  1ີΩ)	<ul> <li>Allows adjusting the degree of overlapping with lawn's edge, when performing the smooth and continuous turns in SmartMow mode.</li> <li>Increasing this value will cause a higher overlapping with lawn's edge (for better mowing results), but at some point may prevent the mower from performing a smooth turn.</li> <li>If there is more than one zone defined, this setting may be set per zone or for the entire lawn ('All').</li> </ul>	5-30
P026	TurboMow (Default = 🛛 F F )	<ul> <li>TurboMow feature allows faster and stronger mowing of a high grass during the first cut of the season.</li> <li>When a mower is operated for the first time, or if the Factory Defaults ("Out of the Box" settings - see Section 5.2) are invoked, this feature is automatically set to ON to provide better mowing results already after the initial mowing cycle. At the end of the initial mowing cycle, the feature will be automatically disabled (set to OFF).</li> <li>This menu allows to activate TurboMow feature manually. 'U094' ("Raise mowing height when activating the TurboMow mode.") will be displayed. At the end of the cycle the feature will be automatically deactivated (set to OFF).</li> <li>When the TurboMow feature is activated, the initial mowing cycle will be longer and noisier than the next mowing cycles.</li> </ul>	0n /0FF

#### 6.4.3 Robomow App Settings

Using the Robomow App you will have access to additional menu options that are not available on the mower, such as an option to define an external setup of a Base Station or an option to set an additional window of Inactive Hours.

#### 6.5 Operation in a Non-Base Zone (using a Perimeter Switch)

In order for Robomow to operate in a Non-Base Zone, the Perimeter Switch has to be turned on and the mower should be inside the active perimeter area.

- Verify that the Perimeter Switch is connected to the zone to be mowed.
- Press the 'ON' button to turn on the Perimeter Switch.
- Drive/carry Robomow to the lawn area. Refer to "Transportation" part of Section 1.3 for carrying instructions.
- To initiate the operation, choose the operation mode you want, press the arrow buttons to choose the Zone you want to mow and press OK to start operation (refer to Section 6.3).
- When Robomow completes the mowing, it will stay on the lawn. You will have to drive/carry it back to its place for charging.

### Chapter 7 – Using The Power Box

#### 7.1 Power Box Alerts

Event	Description	Docking Indicator Automatic
Docking Indicator is lit.	The mower is in its Base Station.	
Operating Indicator is lit	The mower is not in its Base Station.	
Automatic Operation On/ OffIndicator is lit.	Automatia Operation is paused	
'PAUS' will be displayed on the mower.	Automatic Operation is paused.	
Wire Indicator – Flashes and Beeps	The Perimeter Wire is cut, disconnected, or too long.	
All Indicators flash	The mower did not return to the Base Station after 4 hours of departure. When the mower is detected at the Base Station, alerts will turn Off.	Operating Wire Indicator
All Indicators flash and Buzzer sounds for 10 seconds.	The Anti-Theft option is set to On, and the mower was removed from its Base Station when it was not scheduled to operate.	
	scheduled to operate.	

Note – To stop an alert when sounding, press the On/Off Button.

#### 7.2 Turn the Buzzer On/Off

- Press and hold the On/Off button for 10 seconds.
  - A short beep indicates **On**.
  - A flash indicates Off.

#### 7.3 Enable/Disable the Automatic Operation

- This option is used to disable (pause) a predefined Automatic Operation (Program) of Robomow. This option does not prevent Manual Operation (Section 6.3).
  - Press and hold the **Automatic Operation On/Off** button for 2 seconds. A red LED will be lit on the Power Box. 'PAUS' indication will be displayed on the mower:
    - If Robomow is currently in the process of mowing:
      - Robomow will complete the current mowing cycle.
      - After completing the current mowing cycle, Robomow will stay in the Base Station and will not start another mowing cycle.
  - To Enable the Automatic Operation
    - $\circ~$  Press and hold the Program On/Off button for 2 seconds.

### **Chapter 8 – Charging**

#### 8.1 Charging During the Season

The Base Station is the primary charging source when Robomow is docked and will maintain the optimal battery charge while awaiting departure.

#### 8.2 Charging Out of Season

During out of season months, such as winter, it is required to:

· Fully charge the battery in the Base Station till the Battery indicator is green and lit constantly.

LED indicators for charging:

- Red is lit constantly Charge the battery.
- Green is blinking During battery charging.
- Green is lit constantly Battery is fully charged.
- Remove Robomow from its Base Station. Turn the Safety Switch off and store the mower in room temperature.
- If the mower is stored for more than 3 months, it is required to recharge the battery every 3 months till the Battery indicator shows it is fully charged.

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- The Safety Switch should be in 'On' position during charging or recharging.
- Always charge your mower in a horizontal position (flat on the ground).
- The charging can be done in one of the following options:
  - 1. Place the mower in the Base Station for charging.
  - 2. Connect Robomow directly to the Power Box as follows:
  - Disconnect the DC Cable coming from the Power Box to the 15m Extension Cable and connect it to the rear side of the mower as shown in the figure to the right.
- Once the season starts, just place Robomow in its Base Station to begin automatic operation.





### Chapter 9 – Troubleshooting and User Messages

#### 9.1 General Error Codes

- Robomow continuously monitors its operation. It produces error codes to assist you in running it smoothly.
- A sticker containing the most common error codes is provided in the box. You can place it on the mower for your convenience.
- (\*) E9 (See Troubleshooting in Manual) represents errors that are not very common, and thus they are not shown in the above Error Code Table. If E9 is displayed, press the LEFT arrow to receive a detailed Error Code. Then refer to section 9.2 for more details.
- Usually, if the mower stops, an error code is displayed. This display stays on for 5 minutes. If you arrive later, the display will be blank.

Robomow Error Codes Table			
E I Stuck in Place			
53	Mower is Outside		
63	No Wire Signal		
64	Check Power		
85	Check Blade / Cutting Height		
86	Check Drive		
٤٦	Front Wheel Problem		
83	Decrease Inactive Time		
E9* See Troubleshooting in Manual			
ESXX	ESHH Call Support		

• To wake Robomow up and see the last error code displayed prior to stopping, press the OK button on the mower.

Display	Message	Probable Cause/Event	Corrective Actions	
		Dehemour get stuek in place. It	<ul> <li>Move the mower away from this particular location and restart operation.</li> </ul>	
		cannot continue driving.	- Rectify the reason for it getting stuck.	
El	Stuck in Place	<ul> <li>Drive wheel motors have been working under a severe load.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Check the ground around the mower for ditches or non-level ground. Fill with dirt and level off.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Robomow has difficulty turning in place because the front wheel is blocked by a ditch or non-level</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Check if the drive wheels are free to rotate and nothing is blocking them.</li> </ul>	
		ground.	<ul> <li>Verify that the cutting height is not set too low for the grass condition - increase the cutting height if needed.</li> </ul>	
	The mower is Outside	<ul> <li>The Perimeter Wire is too close to the edge of the lawn.</li> </ul>	- Check that the Perimeter Wire is not	
		- The Perimeter Wire has been	too close to the edge – remove the wire towards the inner side of the lawn.	
		perimeter island.	- Confirm that the Perimeter Wire has been	
6.2		<ul> <li>The lawn slope is too steep along the edge.</li> </ul>	laid according to the instructions in the Manual.	
66		<ul> <li>Robomow does not succeed to</li> <li>turn in place at the adaption and it is</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Do not include areas with very steep slopes.</li> </ul>	
		causing the mower to slip out of the designated area.	<ul> <li>Verify that the cutting height is not set too low – Increase the cutting height.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Automatic operation is initiated while the robot is placed out of the Perimeter Wire loop.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Place the mower inside the lawn and renew the operation.</li> </ul>	

The following table displays all Error Codes and gives possible causes and corrective actions:

Display	Message	Probable Cause/Event	Corrective Actions	
		<ul> <li>Power Box/Petturned on or r</li> <li>Power Box manual control of the power Bo</li></ul>		<ul><li>Make sure the Base Station is connected to the mains supply.</li><li>Disconnect the Power Box from the mains</li></ul>
			<ul> <li>Power Box/Perimeter Switch is not turned on or not connected</li> <li>Power Box may need to be restarted</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>power and reconnect after 10 seconds.</li> <li>Check that the low voltage cable between the Power Box and the Base Station is connected</li> </ul>
63	No Wire Signal	- The Perimeter Wire is not connected to the Base Station/	<ul> <li>Check the LED indications on the Power Box.</li> </ul>	
		Perimeter Switch The Perimeter Wire is cut.	<ul> <li>Check the connection of the Perimeter Wire to the Base Station / Perimeter Switch.</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>Check the installation for cut wire. Repair broken cable with the waterproofed connector supplied in the box.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Power Box is not plugged in properly into the power outlet.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Confirm Power Box is plugged into the power outlet.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>No power at the power outlet or the main power is shut off</li> </ul>	- Turn power on to the power outlet.	
E٩	Check Power	The mower or Base Station     contacts are dirty	<ul> <li>Check the power outlet using another appliance.</li> </ul>	
		- Charging is not detected, although	<ul> <li>Clean the contacts with a brush or piece of cloth.</li> </ul>	
		there is a physical contact between the mower and the Base Station contacts.	<ul> <li>Confirm a good connection of the Power Box to the Base Station.</li> </ul>	
		Check Blade /	<ul> <li>Mowing motor has faced over- current conditions for too long as a result of high grass or an obstacle that is stuck or wrapped around the blade.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CAUTION – Switch off the Safety Switch before checking the blade.</li> <li>Inspect blade for foreign material or debris</li> </ul>
65	Cutting Height	<ul> <li>Something is preventing a blade from rotating freely (Accumulated grass clippings under the mowing deck; rope or similar object wrapped around mowing blade).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>preventing rotation.</li> <li>Clean out accumulated grass clippings using a wooden stick.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Grass or other object has wrapped around the drive wheel.</li> </ul>		
86	Check Drive	<ul> <li>The drive motors have been working under severe load for too long.</li> </ul>	grass or other objects.	
	Front Wheel Problem		<ul> <li>If Robomow has driven onto an obstacle, Switch off the Safety Switch, raising the front end: Remove or exclude the object from the mowing area.</li> </ul>	
Ε٦		Front Wheel - The Front Wheel has left the	<ul> <li>If Robomow is being used on a slope too steep for safe mowing, exclude this from the mowing area.</li> </ul>	
		operation.	<ul> <li>If high grass is preventing the front wheel from fully turning on the ground, raise the cutting height.</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>If the ground contains large holes or indentations where the front wheel can drop into when passing across, fill these areas with soil and level off.</li> </ul>	

Display	Message	Probable Cause/Event	Corrective Actions	
8	Decrease Inactive Time	<ul> <li>Too many Inactive Days and/or Hours have been set for your lawn area. Current settings will not be changed.</li> <li>Mowing Frequency is too high for current settings of Inactive Time. The Inactive Time settings will be set to defaults.</li> <li>Area setting is too high for current settings of Inactive Time. The Inactive Time settings will be set to defaults.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Decrease the number of Inactive Days and/ or the number of Inactive Hours to allow Robomow to complete mowing your lawn.</li> <li>Decrease Mowing Frequency (see p001 in the table in Section 6.4.2)</li> <li>Decrease Area setting</li> </ul>	
69	See Troubleshooting in Manual	<ul> <li>E 9 is displayed for all other messages that are not listed in the above table.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Press the 'Right arrow' button to receive the stop reason number and refer to the next table for more details about the stop reason, causes, and actions.</li> </ul>	

#### 9.2 Detailed Error Codes

If the above table (Section 9.1) does not give enough information to help solve the problem, then press the LEFT arrow while the Error Code is displayed in order to receive a detailed error code for the problem and refer to the table below:

Display	Message	Probable Cause/Event	Corrective Actions		
00 10	Mow Overheat	<ul> <li>The mowing motor has been working under a severe load for too long.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No need for action – Robomow will renew automatically the operation after the mowing motor will cool down.</li> </ul>		
	Drive Overheat	- The drive motors have been working	- No need to do anything.		
0011	Drive Overneat	under a severe load for too long.	automatically as soon as the drive motor will cool down.		
21 00	No wire signal	- See E3 in the above table			
00 14	Front wheel problem	- See E7 in the above table			
00 IS	Button pressed	- One of the operating panel buttons is constantly pressed.	<ul> <li>Press 'OK' to confirm the message and continue operation. This message is displayed to inform only.</li> </ul>		
00 16	Low temperature	<ul> <li>Mower does not depart automatically from the Base Station when the ambient temperature is lower than 5°C (41°F).</li> <li>Information - When the temperature is below 5°C (41°F) the grass does not grow or grows very slowly. However Manual Depart is enabled.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No need to do anything.</li> <li>Robomow will renew the operation automatically as soon as the ambiance temperature will rise above 5°C (41°F).</li> </ul>		
0020	Rain detected	<ul> <li>The operation is delayed as Robomow detects rain.</li> <li>Robomow should resume operation 30 minutes after it stops to detect the rain.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No need for action.</li> <li>The message is displayed until Robomow will not detect rain and then will start mowing.</li> </ul>		
005 1	Check mowing height	<ul> <li>Mowing motor has faced over- current conditionsfor too long as a result of high grass or an obstacle that is stuck or wrapped around the blade.</li> <li>Something is preventing the blade from rotating freely.</li> <li>Severe grass accumulation under the mowing deck, rope, or similar object is wrapped around mowing blade.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CAUTION – Switch Off the Safety Switch before checking the blade.</li> <li>Inspect the blade for foreign material or debris preventing rotation.</li> <li>Clean out accumulated grass clippings using a wooden stick.</li> </ul>		

Display	Message	Probable Cause/Event	Corrective Actions	
	Check mowing motor	- Mowing motor has faced over-	<ul> <li>CAUTION – Switch Off the Safety Switch before checking the blade.</li> </ul>	
0055		current for too long in the Base Station before starting the operation.	<ul> <li>Remove the mower from the Base Station.</li> <li>Inspect the blade for foreign material or debris preventing rotation.</li> </ul>	
6003	Check power	- See E4 in the above table		
		- Robomow fails to enter the Base Station several consecutive times.	- Adjust the Base Station position.	
8500	Base problem		<ul> <li>Clean the contacts with a brush or piece of cloth.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Drive wheel motors have been working under severe load during automatic or manual operation.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Check to insure the mower is not stuck, causing the drive wheels to slip.</li> </ul>	
רכחח	Start Elsewhere		<ul> <li>Check the ground around the mower for holes or indentations. Fill with ground and level off.</li> </ul>	
י שטע			<ul> <li>Check if the drive wheels are free to rotate and nothing is blocking them.</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>Move the mower away from this particular location and restart operation.</li> </ul>	
		- The Perimeter Wire is too close to	Remove the wire towards the inper part of the	
	Cross Outside	- The lawn slope is too steep.	lawn.	
0028		- Robomow does not succeed to turn in place at the edge and it causes the mower to slip out of the	<ul> <li>Do not include this area because of its steep slopes.</li> </ul>	
0000			- Fill holes and pits in the ground.	
		<ul> <li>Robomow has slipped out of the Perimeter Wire lope because of sloping area or wet grass.</li> </ul>	- Increase the cutting height.	
0030	Start Inside	<ul> <li>Automatic operation is initiated while the robot is placed out of the Perimeter Wire loop.</li> </ul>	- Place the mower inside the lawn and renew the operation.	
0031	Stuck in place	- See E1 in the above table		
0060	Check mowing hours (%)	- The mowing hours % value you have set is too high for your lawn area.	- Decrease the mowing hours % you have set for the zone(s) in your lawn.	
006	Decrease Inactive Time	- See E8 in the above table		

### 9.3 User Messages

The next table gives information about User Messages that can be displayed on the mower:

Display	Message / Description	Required Action	
եՑԷԷ	Recharge Battery. Low battery voltage.	Recharge the Battery.	
PRUS	Automatic operation is paused via the Power Box or the Program On/Off menu.	Enable automatic operation on the Power Box or via the Program On/Off menu (refer to section 7.3 or section 6.4.2, menu P021).	
UOO I	Test Base Station position. Displayed during the One-Time Setup.	Refer to section 5.2.5 in the User Manual.	
2000	Peg Base Station. Displayed during the One-Time Setup.	Refer to section 5.2.5 in the User Manual.	
U003	Test wire position. Displayed during the One-Time Setup.	Refer to section 5.2.6 in the User Manual	
0004	Wire Test ended (during the One-Time Setup) Displayed only when using the Robomow App.	No action is required.	
רו סט	Operation time is completed as expected.	No action is required.	
UC 18	Operation time is shorter than expected	Battery run time is too short. Replace Battery.	
0024	Keep charging if not used. Displayed only if the mower is disconnected from a Charging Adaptor.	It is recommended to keep the mower connected to the Power Supply when not in use.	
U025	Switch Off before lifting	It is required to switch Off the System Switch before lifting and carrying the mower.	
250U	Change the wires in plot connector	Swap the wires at the plot connector.	
	Displayed during the One-Time Setup.	Refer to section 5.2.5 in the User Manual.	
560U	Displayed if the mower is connected to charging, but the System Switch is 'Off'.	Switch the System Switch to 'On'.	
0041	Press the STOP button at Sub-Zone entry.	Press STOP at the point you want the mower to start mowing the Sub-Zone.	
0045	Learning edge distance.	The mower learns the distance of the Perimeter Wire in a Separated Zone. Press STOP to learn the distance.	
U043	Going to Sub-Zone entry point. Displayed when the mower drives towards the Sub-Zone.	No action is required.	
0044	Place the mower in the Base Station.	Place the mower in the Base Station before starting the process of adding a Sub-Zone.	
UOS I	Reposition the Base Station position. Displayed during the One-Time Setup.	Refer to section 5.2.5 in the User Manual.	
U052	Adjust Wire	Refer to section 5.2.6 in the User Manual.	
U062	An alarm will soon be activated.	This message warns you to enter the PIN code before the Anti-Theft alarm will sound.	
U064	The Searching Base Station operation cannot be performed	When choosing the 'Home' button in a zone without a Base Station.	
U086	Waiting for the signal Robomow has stopped the operation. It does not detect a signal.	Check the power to the Power Box. There may be an electrical power interruption. There is no need to do anything. Robomow will renew operation as soon as the power is back on.	
ר80ט	Mow motor overheat, Cooling The mowing motor has been working under a severe load for too long.	No need for action – Robomow will renew automatically the operation, as the mowing motor will cool down.	
U088	Drive motor overheat, Cooling The drive motors have been working under a severe load for too long.	No need to do anything. Robomow will renew the operation automatically as soon as the drive motor will cool down.	

Display	Message / Description	Required Action	
U089	Child Lock feature is activated. The operational buttons are locked to prevent unintended operation, especially by children.	To operate the mower, first press one of the operating mode buttons and then to press the OK button to confirm.	
UO90- UO93	Sub-Zone 1/2/3/4 entry problem. The mower eitherfails to leave/bypassthe Base Station on its way to the Sub-Zone,orfails to enter the Sub-Zone. The mower will try to reach the Sub-Zone every two hours. If the mower fails to reach the Sub- Zone within threeattempts, it will stay in the Base Station until the end of current mowing cycle. The mower will not skip to the next Sub-Zone (if there are any), if it fails to reach the current one.	Try to startmanual mowing (refer to section 6.3 – Manual Operation). Check if something disturbs mower's driving backwards and/or bypassing the Base Station. Confirm the mower drives along the perimeter wire and doesn't fall off the lawn's edge, when it departs from the Base Station. Confirm that the mower is able to follow the perimeter wire along the narrow pass untilit reaches the Sub-Zone. Refer to section 4.3.3 for instructions on how to set a narrow pass properly.	
0094	Raise mowing height when activating the TurboMow mode.	Refer to sections 5.1 and P026 in Section 6.4.2 in the User Manual.	

### 9.4 Basic Troubleshooting

The next table will give details and possible causes of other faults, which do not provide error codes. If a fault cannot be dealt with using these tables, please call your service provider.

Problem Encountered	Probable Cause/Event	Corrective Actions	
	- Dull blade	- Replace blade.	
		<ul> <li>It is recommended to cut less than a 1/3 of the green part of the grass.</li> </ul>	
Poor quality of	- The grass is too high in relation to the set cutting height.	<ul> <li>Set the cutting height to a higher position and then successively lower.</li> </ul>	
mowing		<ul> <li>If it is during a fast growing season – change the Mowing Frequency (refer to Section 6.4.2 – P001).</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The grass is wet and causes accumulation of grass clippings around the blade.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>For best cut, operate Robomow when the grass is dry. Do no to mow in the early morning hours.</li> <li>Switch Off the Safety Switch and use heavy gloves to clean and remove the grass clippings.</li> </ul>	
Mower doesn't find the Base Station	<ul> <li>There is a Perimeter Island or a Narrow Passage that prevents the mower to complete its drive towards the Base Station in Near Wire Follow mode.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduce the Near Wire Follow Distance in the Settings menu from the default 7.</li> </ul>	
Mower doesn't depart from the Base Station for a long time	<ul> <li>There are several possible reasons for a non-departure, including inactive times, rain detection, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Press and hold 'Home' button for 1 second while the mower is in the Base Station. The non-depart reason code will be displayed for 3 seconds. Refer to Section 9.4.1 for detailed description of no-depart codes.</li> </ul>	
Robomow is noisy and vibrates	- Damaged or unbalanced blade	<ul> <li>Check if the lawn is free from branches, stones or other objects that can damage the blade.</li> <li>Replace the blade</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Height differences between the lawn and the Base Station surface.</li> </ul>	- Fill some ground to flatten the lawn to the Base Station to allow smooth entrance.	
Mower does not dock properly and sometimes	- The wire underneath the Base Station is not tight and placed in the middle of the Station.	- Confirm the wire underneath the Base Station is straight, tight, and centered below the Base Station.	
misses the Base Station contacts	<ul> <li>The Base Station is set up on a side slope.</li> </ul>	- Move the Base Station to a relatively level ground.	
	<ul> <li>The Base Station is placed too close to the corner of the lawn</li> </ul>	- Move the Base Station so it is not within 3 meters after a corner.	

Problem Encountered	Probable Cause/Event	Corrective Actions	
	<ul> <li>The time between operations is too long because of long inactive time windows.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Minimize the Inactive Time windows to allow Robomow to complete the Mowing Cycle faster and to achieve even mowing results.</li> </ul>	
	- Grass is growing very fast.	<ul> <li>- If it is during a fast growing season – change the Mowing Frequency (refer to Section 6.4.2 – P001).</li> </ul>	
results	- The shape of the lawn is complicated	- In a complicated lawn more time is required for the mower to achieve better mowing results.	
	(Narrow Passages, obstacle and islands).	<ul> <li>Increase the mowing hours percentage (refer to Section 6.4.1.2).</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The set area is smaller than the actual lawn size.</li> </ul>	- Increase the zone area (refer to Section 6.4.1.4)	
		- Verify that the time on the mower is set correctly.	
Robomow	- Wrong clock time is set in the mower.	- Set the time (refer to Section 6.4.1.1).	
Inactive Time.		- Reset the Inactive Time (refer to Section 6.4.1.3).	
	<ul> <li>Rain Sensor is disabled or its sensitivity is set too low</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enable the Rain Sensor and adjust its sensitivity if required (refer to Section 6.4.2 – P007/p008)</li> </ul>	
Robomow operates during rain	- The Islands feature is set to On. In this case the mower is searching for the base by moving around the lawn. This special search method takes more time, and may create an impression that the mower is still mowing, while in fact it is already searching for the Base Station.	<ul> <li>No special action is required. For more information about the Islands On/Off feature refer to Section 6.4.2 – P002)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The Extension Cable is disconnected or damaged between Power Box and the Base Station.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Confirm the Extension Cable is plugged in and wire leads are firmly attached.</li> </ul>	
		- Walk along Perimeter Wire.	
		- Look for cuts or breaks in the wire.	
Cut wire indicator	- Perimeter Wire is cut.	- Repair with Robomow wire splice connectors.	
Is flashing on Power Box		<ul> <li>Scan the code and watch the video demonstrating the Corrective Actions of the "Perimeter Wire is cut".</li> </ul>	
The poor	- Poor connections	- Check and repair all loose, poor, or corroded connections.	
connection indicator is flashing on Power Box	<ul> <li>Twisted cables or a screw terminal which is insulated with insulation tape is not a satisfactory splice.</li> <li>Soil moisture causes the conductors to oxidize.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use the connectors supplied in the box. They are waterproof and give a reliable electrical connection.</li> </ul>	

#### 9.4.1 Description of No-Depart Codes

Code	Description	Corrective Action	
00	None. Automatic departure is working properly	None. Wait for the end of current charging cycle	
01	Mower's battery is not yet in the required state forautomatic departure	None. Wait for the end of current charging cycle. May take longer than usual	
50	Inactive Time is activated. No automatic departure during Inactive Time	None. Validate Inactive Time settings (see Section 6.4.1.3)	
03	Mowing cycle is completed. Waiting for the next scheduled operation	None	
04	Humid conditions or rain were detected during last 30 minutes.	<ul> <li>None. If the rain has stopped, wait for another 30 minutes at least</li> <li>If there was no any raining at all, consider adjusting rain sensor's sensitivity (see P008 in Section 6.4.2) or call Robomow Hotline</li> </ul>	
05	The mower is switched off	Switch on the Safety Switch	
רס	User response (interaction) is required in order to continue current operation	Acknowledge the error message	
08	Multiple consecutive mowing operations were shorter than expected. Usually accompanied by U018 ("Operation time is shorter than expected")	<ul> <li>Inspect mower's blade and drive wheels.</li> <li>Battery run-time may be too short.</li> </ul>	
09	One-Time setup is running	One-Time setup should be completed before the automatic operation can start	
11	Automatic operation is disabled by menu P021 (see Section 6.4.2)	Enable automatic operation through menu p021	
12	Automatic operation is put on pause bythe Power Box	Enable automatic operation via the Power Box.	
13	All week days are set as inactive days	Validate Inactive Time settings (see Section 6.4.1.3)	
14	The mower is being charged directly by the Power Box (via the DC connector)	Disconnect the DC cable from the mower. Put the mower in the Base Station.	
15	Battery cells are being balanced in special charging mode	None. Wait for the end of current charging cycle. May take longer than usual.	
16	The mower is in the Base Station, but there is no charging voltage supply	<ul> <li>Inspect Power Box's connection to the Base Station</li> <li>Confirm that nothing is blocking the charging pins</li> </ul>	
17	Low ambient temperature	None. The mower will automatically depart when it gets warmer.	
18	Sub-Zone entry problem. The mower was unable to enter one of the Sub-Zones	Refer to U090-U093 in Section 9.3	

### Chapter 10 – Product Specification

	RC304	RC308	RC312	
Designation	Robotic Mower	Robotic Mower	Robotic Mower	
Max Lawn Size	400 m <sup>2</sup> / 4400 ft <sup>2</sup>	800 m <sup>2</sup> / 8600 ft <sup>2</sup>	1200 m <sup>2</sup> / 13000 ft <sup>2</sup>	
Base Station	Included	Included	Included	
Robot Dimensions	63x46x21cm/25x18x8"	63x46x21cm/25x18x8"	63x46x21cm/25x18x8"	
Package Dimensions	80x54x33cm/32x21x13"	80x54x33cm/32x21x13"	80x54x33cm/32x21x13"	
Robot Weight	11.1 kg / 24.5 lb.	11.4 kg / 25 lb.	11.1 kg / 25 lb.	
Package Weight	21.3 kg / 46.9 lb.	22.4 kg / 49.4 lb.	23.1 kg / 50.9 lb.	
Cutting Width	28 cm / 11"	28 cm / 11"	28 cm / 11"	
Cutting Height	15-60 mm / 0.6"-2.4"	15-60 mm / 0.6"-2.4"	15-60 mm / 0.6"-2.4"	
Mowing Power	200 Watts	200 Watts	200 Watts	
Mowing Motors	DC Brush	DC Brush	DC Brushless	
Power Wheels	Available	Included	Included	
GSM Module	Available	Available	Included	
Noise Lovel	High Power: 67.6 dB measured (Guaranteed 69 dB)			
	The noise at the operator's ears less than 70 dB			
Battery Type	26V Lithium (LiFePO4)	26V Lithium (LiFePO4)	26V Lithium (LiFePO4)	

### Anti-Theft / Disabling Device PIN Code

Write down your 4-digit Anti-Theft / Disabling Device PIN code. Refer here, if you ever forget the code.

#### **Robomow Serial Number**

#### 11.1 General Instructions

- Always switch off the Safety Switch of Robomow® before checking/ cleaning/ working on Robomow® or replacing the blade. Never attempt to service or adjust the mower while it is in operation.
- Check and clean Robomow® regularly and replace worn parts to improve performance and operation and to ensure a longer lifetime of your product.
- In case of abnormal vibrations, stop the mower, switch off the Safety Switch and check for any damage of the blade. Replace worn/damaged blade to preserve balance. If vibration continues, call for service.
- Use only the original equipment and accessories. It is not permitted to modify the original design of Robomow®. All modifications are made at your own risk.

#### 11.2 Battery Maintenance and Disposal

- The battery is maintenance-free, but has a limited lifetime of 2-4 years. Battery life is dependent on the season length and how many hours Robomow® is used. Thus, it is recommended to change the 'Mowing Frequency' (Section 6.4.2 P001 in the table) when the growth rate of the grass is slower to prolong the lifetime of the mower and the battery.
- Refer to Section 8.2 for more information about out of season battery maintenance.

#### Disposing of the Old Battery Pack

**IMPORTANT!** Do not place used batteries in your household trash. The battery must be collected, recycled, or disposed of in an environmentally sound manner. Return the old power pack to an approved battery recycler.

#### 11.3 Winter Storage and Service

#### Robomow®

- Clean Robomow<sup>®</sup> before putting it away for the winter storage.
- Follow the instruction for Out of Season Charging in Section 8.2.
- Store the mower in a dry area, preferably at room temperature.
- Base Station
  - No winter storage is required for a Base Station. It can be left on the lawn during the winter period.
- Winter Service
  - To allow better maintenance and to keep Robomow<sup>®</sup> in a good condition, it is recommended to bring your Robomow<sup>®</sup> to a certified Robomow<sup>®</sup> dealer for service prior to winter storage.
  - Winter Service includes operations like cleaning mower's parts and mowing deck, checking for worn parts (such as blade, drive wheels and other moving parts) and replacing them if required, testing mower's functions and safety components, checking the battery, and uploading a latest software version, possibly including newly added features.

#### 11.4 Maintenance of the Mowing Deck

Robomow is a dedicated mulching mower. It may accumulate clippings under the mowing deck, particularly when mowing wet or damp grass.



#### Warning! Severe injury hazard!

Always turn the Safety Switch Off before lifting the mower.

The blade is very sharp. It can cause severe cuts or lacerations.

Always wear heavy work gloves when working with or around the blade.

**NEVER**, use a damaged or a broken blade. Use only a sharp blade.

- Inspect the underside of the mower periodically. Clean if necessary.
- Carefully scrape the collected grass debris from under the mowing deck.
  - Most grass accumulation can be removed using a small wooden stick or similar object.
  - You may remove the blade to gain better access to the mowing chambers.

**IMPORTANT!** Do not place the mower upside down.

Instead, lean the mower against a surface to gain access to the mowing deck area.

**IMPORTANT! NEVER** use a water hose or any type of liquid to clean the underside of the mower. Liquids can damage components.

Use only damp or wet cloth to wipe the surface clean after scraping.

#### 11.5 Maintenance of the Blade

- Examine the cutting blade for damage periodically.
- Use only a sharp blade. Replace any damaged blade.
- Replace the blade once a year between seasons.

## **CAUTION!** ALWAYS TURN THE SAFETY SWITCH OFF BEFORE SERVICING BLADE!

IMPORTANT! After turning off the Safety Switch always reset the current day and time. Failure to do so may result in nonintentional operation of the Robomow.

**IMPORTANT!** Sharpening is not allowed, since it may create unbalance.

To remove the blade:

- Insert the clamp side of the Blade Removal Tool into the open slits beside the locking tabs on either side of the blade.
- Turn the Blade Removal Tool slightly so that the clamp resides on top of the locking tabs on either side.
- Squeeze the handle of the Blade Removal Tool. The locking tabs on each side of the blade will be pressed (1).
- Pull the blade assembly off, away from the mower (2)
- When reinstalling the blade, line up the mating splines and push until a firm click is heard, indicating a proper seating of the blade onto the shaft.











#### 11.6 Splicing the Perimeter Wire

If the Perimeter Wire needs to be spliced, use a connector supplied in the Robomow box. It is waterproof and gives a reliable electrical connection.

**IMPORTANT!** Before slicing the Perimeter Wire, disconnect the PowerBox from the power outlet.

- 1. Insert both wire ends in the connector at left-most and rightmost positions.
- 2. Confirm that the wires are fully inserted into the connector.
- Use a pair of pliers to press down the button on top of the connector. The button should be fully pressed, without damaging the connector.

**IMPORTANT!** Neither twisted cables, nor a screw terminal insulated with insulation tape are a satisfactory splice. Soil moisture will cause such conductors to oxidize and will later lead to a broken circuit.

#### **11.7** Maintenance of the Base Station Area

- Keep the Base Station entrance and area clean of leaves, sticks, twigs or any other debris that usually accumulates in such areas.
- NEVER spray water directly towards the Base Station.
- Be careful when trimming around the Base Station with a powered weed trimmer as damage to the Extension Cable may occur.
- In the event of damage to any part of the Extension Cable, stop the use of the mower and the Base Station. Disconnect the Extension Cable and replace it.

#### 11.8 Lightning storm

**Warning!** To reduce the risk of damage to components in the case of a lightning storm, disconnect the Perimeter Wire from the Base Station /Perimeter Switch and the Power Box 230V/120V plug from the power outlet.





### Chapter 12 – Accessories



#### Robomow® – Lawn care has never been so easy

#### Best time to mow

Mow your lawn when the grass is dry. This prevents the clippings from clumping and leaving piles on the lawn. Mow it late in the day rather than during the heat of the day.

#### **Mowing frequency**

Mow often in order to produce short, small clippings. During the active growing season the mowing frequency should be increased to once every 3-5 days, before the grass is too long. Short clippings decompose quickly and will not cover the grass surface. If the grass gets too high, raise the cutting height, mow, and then gradually lower it over several mowings.

#### **Cutting Height**

Follow the "1/3 rule". Mow no more than 1/3 of the length of the grass. Proper mowing will produce short clippings that will not cover up the grass surface.

You may have to cut the lawn more frequently, or double cut, when the lawn is growing fast, such as in the spring.

#### Grasscycling

Grasscycling reduces the amount of water needed by lawns since the clippings consist for about 80 - 85% of water. Grasscycling slows evaporation at the soil surface, and conserves water. Most lawns need less water when Grasscycling.

#### Watering

Water your lawn between 4 a.m. and 8 a.m. in the morning, so water has time to soak into the soil before the heat of the sun causes evaporation.

Your lawn needs 1 to 1-1/2" (3-4cm) of water weekly. Deep watering allows grass to develop a deep root system, enabling the lawn to resist disease and drought.

#### Do not over water

Too much water is not only wasteful but can also increase turf growth, which requires more frequent mowing. Let the soil partially dry out between watering. Water when the top two inches of soil have dried out. Use an object such as a screwdriver to probe your soil and measure the depth of the moisture.

#### Fertilization

Grasscycling reduces the amount of lawn fertilizer needed because the clippings provide about 1/4 of a lawn's annual needs.

#### Blade

Keep your mower blade sharp. A sharp blade provides a clean, safe, and efficient cut. A dull mower blade will tear and shred the tips of the grass, which can provide an entry for disease organisms and weaken the grass plant. It is recommended to replace the mower blade once a year.

#### Thatch

Clippings and thatch are simply not connected. As mentioned previously, grass clippings consist for approximately 80-85 percent of water with only small amounts of lignin, and they also decompose rapidly.

A small amount of thatch (approximately 1/2 inch) is actually beneficial to a lawn. Grass clippings protect your lawn's root system from heat and water loss.





### **'C' Series Limited Warranty**

Friendly Robotics warrants to the original purchaser that the 'C' series 'Product' is free from defects in materials and workmanship when used under normal residential purposes for a period of three years\*\* (on RC304, RC308 and RC312 models purchased in Europe), two years (on MC400, MC800 and MC1200 models purchased in Europe) or one year (on any models purchased in the US). A one-year warranty is given for the batteries, beginning from the date of purchase. Product accessories, including replacement batteries, are warranted for a period of ninety days from the date of purchase. This warranty provides for the cost of parts and labor to repair covered defects when performed by an authorized Friendly Robotics service and warranty facility. A valid proof of purchase is required for warranty repairs.

The limited warranty does not cover transportation costs of any kind. The owner bears all responsibility for transportation costs to an authorized Friendly Robotics service and warranty facility.

\*Normal residential purposes are defined as the use of the product on the same lot as your primary home. Use at more than one location is considered commercial use, and this warranty would not apply.

\*\* 3rd year warranty upon registration within 90 days from first operation, covering labour and parts only..

#### Items and Conditions Not Covered

#### This express warranty does not cover the following:

- · Cost of regular maintenance service parts or procedures, such as blade or blade sharpening.
- Any product or part that has been altered, misused, abused or requires replacement or repair due to accidents or lack of proper maintenance.
- · Normal wear and tear, including fading of paint or plastic parts.
- Cost of installation or reinstallation, removal of installation or any costs or damages associated with improper installation or use of the product.
- Any product that has been opened, repaired, modified or altered by anyone other than a Friendly Robotics authorized repair facility.
- Repairs necessary due to improper battery care and/or improper charging process such as charging in wet conditions, electrical supply irregularities, or failure to properly prepare the mower or battery prior to any period of non-use.
- Repairs necessary due to water damage, other than incidental rain exposure, repairs due to lighting or other acts of God.

#### Instructions for Obtaining Warranty Service

Should you feel your Friendly Robotics product contains a defect in materials or workmanship, contact the retailer who sold you the product.

#### **Owner Responsibilities**

You must maintain and care for your Friendly Robotics product by following the maintenance and care procedures described in the User Manual. Routine maintenance, whether performed by a service provider or by you, is at your expense.

#### **General Conditions**

Repair by an authorized Friendly Robotics service and warranty repair facility is your sole remedy under this warranty. There is no other express or implied warranty. All implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for use are limited to the duration of this express warranty. Friendly Robotics is not liable for indirect, incidental or consequential damages in connection with the use of the Friendly Robotics Product covered by this warranty, including any cost or expense of providing substitute equipment or service during reasonable periods of malfunction or non-use pending completion of repairs under this warranty. Some states do not allow exclusions of incidental or consequential damages, or limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above exclusion and limitations may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which vary from state to state.

#### Always follow the Safety Instructions specified in this User Manual

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