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Introduction

AVANT TECNO OY wants to thank you for purchasing this AVANT loader. It is the result of Avant's long experience in design and manufacturing of compact loaders.

We ask you that you read and understand the contents of this manual completely before operating the loader. This will improve your operating and maintenance efficiency, help avoid breakdowns and damage and extend your machine's life.

Contact your local AVANT dealer for any questions, service, spare parts or about any problems that may occur with the operation of your machine.

Keep this Operators Manual with the machine at all times. If this Manual gets lost, ask for a new copy from your Avant dealer. Remember also to give this Manual to the new owner when the machine changes ownership.

Intended use

AVANT 520/528 is an articulated compact loader, designed and manufactured for both professional and private use. The loader can be equipped with attachments offered by Avant Tecno Oy, which enables doing of several different jobs. Because of this multi purpose nature of the machine and the various attachments and tasks, read always not only this Manual but also the Operators Manual of the attachment, and follow all instructions. Every person who has to do with this machine must follow work safety regulations, all other generally accepted rules related to work health and safety, and all road traffic regulations.

Remember that safety consists of several factors. The loader, equipped with an attachment is very powerful and can cause serious personal injuries or property damages if it is operated in a wrong or careless way. Do not operate an attachment unless you have familiarised yourself with the use of it and the eventual dangers related to it.

These operating instructions are intended to help to:

- operate this machine safely and efficiently
- observe and prevent situations that may cause a risk or danger
- keep the machine in good condition and its life span as long as possible

This loader has been designed to require as little maintenance as possible. The operator can perform the most common maintenance operations. There are however more demanding service operations that can be done by professional service personnel only. It is allowed to perform service operations only when wearing appropriate protective equipment. Original spare parts must be used. Familiarise yourself with the service and maintenance instructions in this Manual.

Contact your local AVANT dealer, if you are uncertain of anything concerning the operation and maintenance of this loader, or for any questions, service or spare parts.

AVANT 520/528 WARRANTY

This warranty specifically applies to the AVANT 520/528 loader only and not to any attachments used with this product.


Any repairs or modifications performed without the prior authorisation of Avant Tecno Oy will cancel this warranty.

During the first year of operation or first 750 hours (whichever is the soonest) Avant Tecno Oy warrants to replace any part or repair any defect which may occur, subject to the terms detailed below:


- 1) The product has received regular maintenance in accordance with schedules given by the manufacturer.
- 2) Any damage caused by operation in a negligent manner or exceeding the approved specifications detailed in this manual is excluded.
- 3) Avant Tecno Oy accepts no responsibility for interruption to working or any other consequential losses resulting from any failure of the product.
- 4) Only Avant Tecno Oy approved replacement or original quality parts shall be used during routine maintenance.
- 5) Any damage caused by the use of incorrect fuel, lubricants, cooling liquid or cleaning solvents is excluded.
- 6) The Avant Warranty excludes any consumable parts (e.g. tyres, batteries, filters, belts etc.) except where it can be clearly shown that these parts were defective on original supply.
- 7) Any damage caused resulting from the use of attachments not approved for use with this product is excluded.
- 8) In the event a fault occurs which is attributable to manufacturing or assembly defect you should arrange to return your AVANT to your authorised dealer for repair. Travel and freight costs are excluded.

Safety first


Following symbols are used throughout this Manual to point out important things related to safety:



This safety symbol indicates important safety instructions in this Manual. It warns of an immediate hazardous situation that can cause serious personal injuries or property damages. Read carefully the warning text next to this symbol and make sure that all other operators are aware of the warnings as well. It is a question of safety of persons.




This attention symbol indicates important instructions concerning correct use and maintenance of this machine. If these instructions are not followed, the consequence can be breakdown of the machine or property damage.



An incorrect or careless operation of the loader may be the origin of a serious accident. Before putting the machine into operation, familiarise yourself with the use of the machine and read and understand this Operators Manual as well as the safety instructions.

Understand the limitations of speed, braking, steering and stability as well as loading capacity of the machine before starting operation. Make sure that every one who operates or works with this equipment is familiar with these safety precautions.

If you have no previous experience of the machine, make sure to do all testing at a safe and open place with no persons in the area of operation.



Read this Operators Manual, and also the Operators Manual of the attachment(s) and other safety instructions before starting operation.

General instructions

1. Start the operation slowly and carefully. Practice driving of the machine at a safe and open place before connecting any attachment, follow the instructions in this Manual.
2. Operate the control levers with ease and without hesitation. Avoid abrupt movements when handling the load, in order to prevent the load from falling and to keep the machine stable.
3. Keep away from the danger zone of the lifted boom and don't let anyone go there.
4. Keep your hands, feet and clothing away from all moving parts, hydraulic components and hot surfaces.
5. Remember the correct working position. When

driving be comfortably seated in the driver's seat, keep your feet in their proper place in the footwell and at least one hand on the steering wheel.

6. Make sure that there is enough open space around the machine for safe driving.
7. Do not transport the load with the boom lifted. Always carry bucket or attachment as low as possible, and put the load down whenever you leave the machine.
8. Before leaving driver's seat:
 - Lower the loader boom and place attachment flat on ground
 - Engage the parking brake – make sure that it locks into locking position
 - Stop the engine, remove the ignition key
9. It is not allowed to transport persons with this machine. Do not transport or lift persons in the bucket or in any other attachment. Lifting of persons is only allowed with the attachment designed for this purpose: Avant Leguan 50, following the instructions in the Operators Manual of Leguan 50.
10. Do not exceed rated operating capacity. Familiarise yourself with and follow the load diagrams in this Manual.
11. When turning with the machine, remember that the driver's seat extends beyond the turning radius of the wheels (collision risk).
12. Do not operate the loader in an explosive environment or in a place where dust or/and gases can create a fire or explosion hazard.
13. Keep the engine area clean of flammable materials.
14. Read the transportation instructions on page 12.
15. Switch off the battery disconnect switch during storage.
16. Follow all inspection, service and maintenance instructions. If you notice any faults or damages on the machine, these must be repaired before starting operation.
17. Before any maintenance or repair operation always stop the engine, lower the boom down and release pressure from hydraulic system. Read safety instructions for maintenance on page 26.
18. Do not let any person operate this loader who has not read safety instructions and is not familiar with the safe and correct use of this loader.

Operation on gradients

19. Load, unload, and turn on flat level ground only. Drive slowly on uneven terrains. Do not drive on too steep a gradient - watch out for ditches, manholes and steep gradients.
20. Do not park the machine on a surface with a gradient. Should this be necessary, engage the parking brake and preferably turn the machine sideways and put down the load. If needed, use chocks behind the wheels.

Handling of heavy loads and load sensor

The loader is equipped with a load sensor system. It gives an audible warning signal and at the same time an indicator lights in the dashboard when there is a risk that the machine tips over its front axle. When the system gives a warning signal the load that is being lifted is too heavy in relation with the lift capacity of the loader. In this case one has to either put more counterweights on the loader or relieve the load that is being lifted.



When the load sensor starts to warn, there is a risk that the machine tips over its front axle. In this case stop lifting of the boom, retract the telescopic boom and lower down the boom slowly. When the load sensor is warning do not steer the machine before the boom is lowered down close to ground level. Lift the boom only when the loader chassis is straight. Keep the load as close to ground as possible.



Never take a heavy load on the loader from high level – e.g. from truck, shelf etc. – risk of tipping over!

Always put the load down on the ground before leaving the machine. When loading, always keep the loader chassis as straight as possible.

Personal safety and protective equipment

Wear safe clothing and personal protective equipment (PPE). Protect yourself against work hazards like noise, ejecting debris or dust for example.



- Noise level at driver's seat can exceed 85 dB(A). Wear hearing protection when working with the loader.
- It is recommended to wear safety footwear when working with the loader.
- Wear protective gloves when handling hydraulic hoses.
- Follow regulations regarding protective equipment. Wear eye protection and hard hat or other protective equipment as needed.

Read Operators Manual of the attachment for more information about protective equipment needed in the work.

Safety frame (ROPS) and safety canopy (FOPS)



Safety frame (ROPS) protects the operator in case the machine tips over. Always fasten the seat belt in order to stay inside the safety frame protective area. Never take off the safety frame.

When working in conditions where falling objects may be a risk (on building sites etc.), the loader must be equipped with a falling objects protective canopy (FOPS), part no. A48906.

Electric system

Lead acid batteries can produce flammable and explosive gases. Make sure that the ventilation is sufficient and keep arcs, sparks, flames and lighted tobacco away from battery.

Battery acid causes severe burns. In case of acid contact, wash immediately with water for several minutes and get medical attention in case of eye contact.

Read the instructions for jump start on page 30. Never charge a frozen battery.

Description of the loader

Identification of the loader

Write down the identification information of your loader in the following fields, it facilitates ordering of spare parts etc.

1. Loader model _____

2. Loader serial no. _____

3. Engine serial no. _____

Serial number of the loader is printed on the type plate (see page 9), which also indicates the loader model.

Location of engine serial number can be found in the Operators Manual of the engine.

Dealer: _____

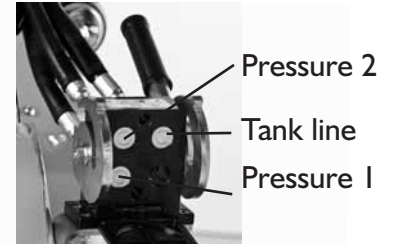
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Main parts of the loader

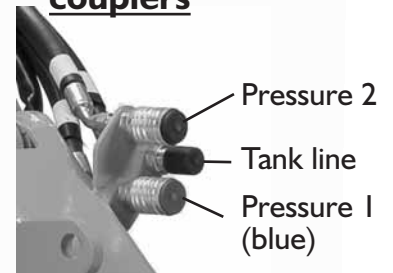
Following picture shows the main parts of the loader:



Hydraulic connectors Multi connector



Conventional quick couplers



① Front frame

On the front frame are mounted: driver's seat, operating controls, parking brake, hydraulic control valves, hydraulic oil tank, auxiliary hydraulics outlet, front wheels, hydraulic motors and the loader boom with attachment coupling plate.

② Back frame

On the back frame are mounted: engine with accessories, battery, fuel tank, hydraulic pumps, rear wheels, hydraulic motors.

③ Articulation joint

Articulation joint connects the front and back frame. The loader is steered hydraulically by the steering cylinder which is mounted between the front and back frames. Hydraulic hoses and electric wires are conducted through the articulation joint.

④ Loader boom

The attachment coupling plate is mounted on the lower end of the boom. The boom can be telescopic, extending 600 mm hydraulically.

⑤ Attachment coupling plate

Attachments are mounted on the attachment coupling plate. The locking pins on the plate can be operated manually (standard) or hydraulically (option).

⑥ Auxiliary hydraulics outlet

The hydraulic hoses of hydraulically operated attachments are mounted on this outlet. The outlet is equipped with the multi connector quick coupling system and is double acting: it has two pressure lines and one tank line. In addition, as an option, it is also possible to install a single or double acting auxiliary hydraulics outlet in the rear of the machine, or a double acting outlet in the front under the multi connector.

⑦ ROPS safety frame

ROPS frame (Roll-over protective structure) complies with the standard ISO 3471:1994 with Amendment 1:1997 and Technical Corrigendum 1:2000.

⑧ FOPS canopy (option)

FOPS canopy (Falling objects protective structure) mounts on the ROPS. It meets the ISO 3449:1992 (1365 J) criteria.

Signs and decals



Make sure that the following signs and decals clean, undamaged and readable. If any of these decals is missing or is unreadable it should be replaced without delay. Ask for new decals from your local Avant dealer.

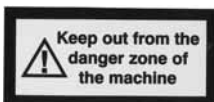


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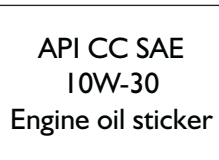
Sound power level / Sound pressure level at driver's seat

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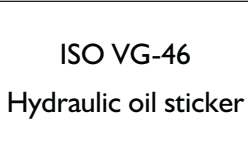


Keep out from the danger zone of the machine 2 pcs

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Before use read OPERATOR'S MANUAL,
especially SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

CAUTION !!!

- Always perform a daily inspection of the machine before starting operation.
- Operate the control levers and the steering wheel only when sitting in the driver's seat.
- When coupling the attachment, make sure that the locking pins of the attachment coupling plate lock properly down in the holes of the attachment.
- Do not transport the load with the boom lifted. Always carry bucket or attachment as low as possible, and with the telescopic boom completely retracted.
- Drive slowly and do not turn sharply on uneven terrains. Watch out for ditches, manholes and steep gradients.
- Keep hands, feet and clothing away from any moving part.
- Do not transport persons with the machine.
- Before leaving driver's seat:
 - Lower the boom down to the ground
 - Engage the parking brake
 - Stop the engine.

PARKING BRAKE

OFF

ON

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Risk of crushing, keep hands and feet within the drivers' area

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Risk of crushing, do not grip the steering wheel from outside the machine or when getting into the driver's seat.

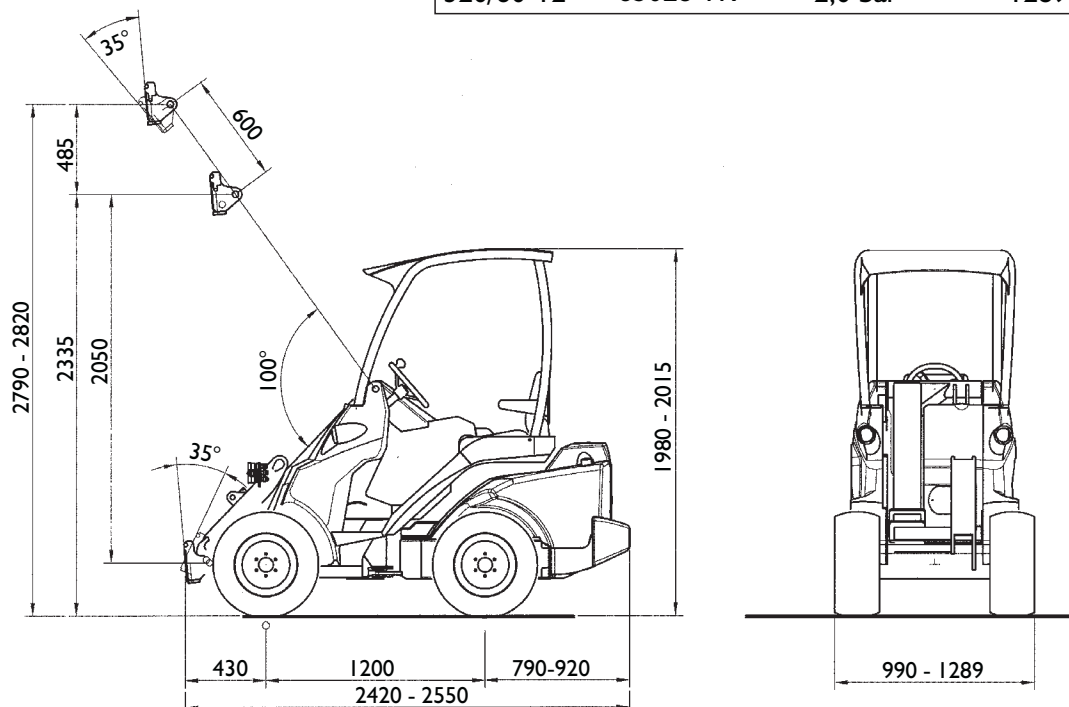
Technical specification

Model	AVANT 520/528
Length	2420/2550 mm
Width (with 23x10.50-12 wheels)	1095 mm
Height (with 23x10.50-12 wheels)	1980 mm
Ground clearance	200 - 235 mm
Weight, starting from	1050/1150 kg
Standard wheels	23x10.50-12"grass/TR
Drive speed	12 km/h
Transmission, drive	hydrostatic
Hydraulic oil tank capacity	38 l
Auxiliary hydraulics	AVANT 520: 31 l/min 185 bar AVANT 528: 36 l/min 200 bar
Turning radius inside/outside	995 / 2050 mm
Max. lifting height (with telescopic boom)	
• with 23x10.50-12 wheels	2790 mm
• with 26x12.00-12 wheels	2820 mm
Max. pulling force (depending on model)	700/750 kp
Max. lifting capacity (hydr.)	1350/1500 kg
Max. breakout force / 50 cm	1100/1250 kg
Sound pressure level 2000/14/EC Lp	87/81 dB (A)
Sound power level 2000/14/EC Lw	100/96 dB (A)
Hand-arm vibration, total	< 2,5 m/s ²
Whole-body vibration, max.	< 0,5 m/s ²

Model	AVANT 520	AVANT 528
Engine make & type	Kubota D 722	Kubota D 1105
Function	4 stroke	4 stroke
Cooling system	water	water
Number of cylinders	3	3
Starter	electric	electric
Bore * stroke	67 * 68 mm	78,0 * 78,4 mm
Displacement	719 cm ³	1124 cm ³
Max. output (ISO Gross)	14 kW (20 hp)	21 kW (28 hp)
Fuel	diesel	diesel
Fuel tank capacity	20 l	30 l
Engine oil type	API CC	API CC
Viscosity	SAE 10W-30	SAE 10W-30
Engine oil capacity	3,8 l	5,1 l
Charging current max.	40 A	40 A
Battery	12V 60Ah	12V 60Ah

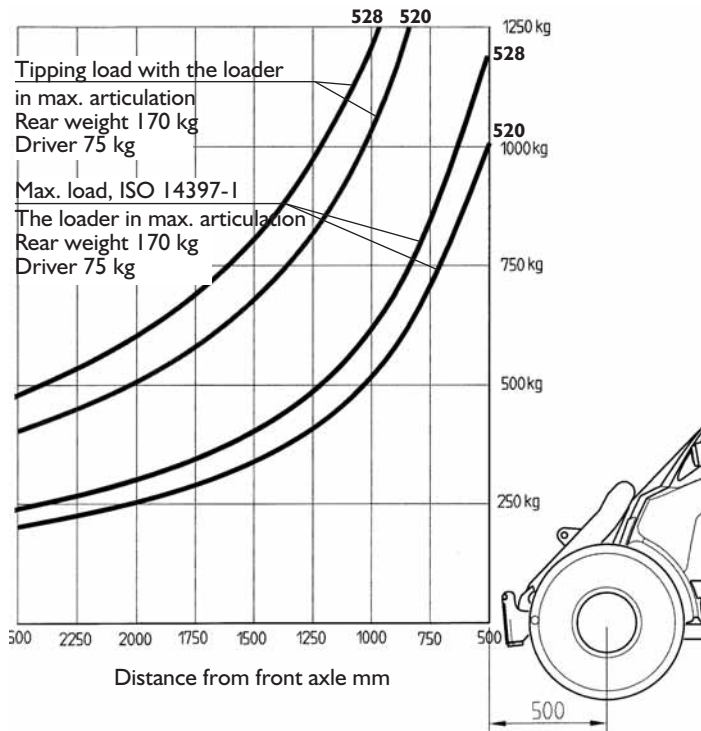
Tipping load, see diagram on page 11.

Tyre	Part no.	Tyre pressure	Machine width
27 x 8.50-15	65019 TR	2,5 bar	990 mm
23x8.50-12	65046 TR	2,0 bar	1050 mm
	65045 Grass		
23x10.50-12	65048 TR	2,0 bar	1095 mm
	65047 Grass		
26x12.00-12	64931 TR	2,0 bar	1289 mm
	64930 Grass		
320/60-12	65028 TR	2,0 bar	1289 mm



Load diagram

The lifting capacity of the loader is limited by the possibility of tipping around the front axle. The diagram below shows the tipping loads and max. allowed loads in different loading situations on an even level surface with the loader chassis in maximum articulation.

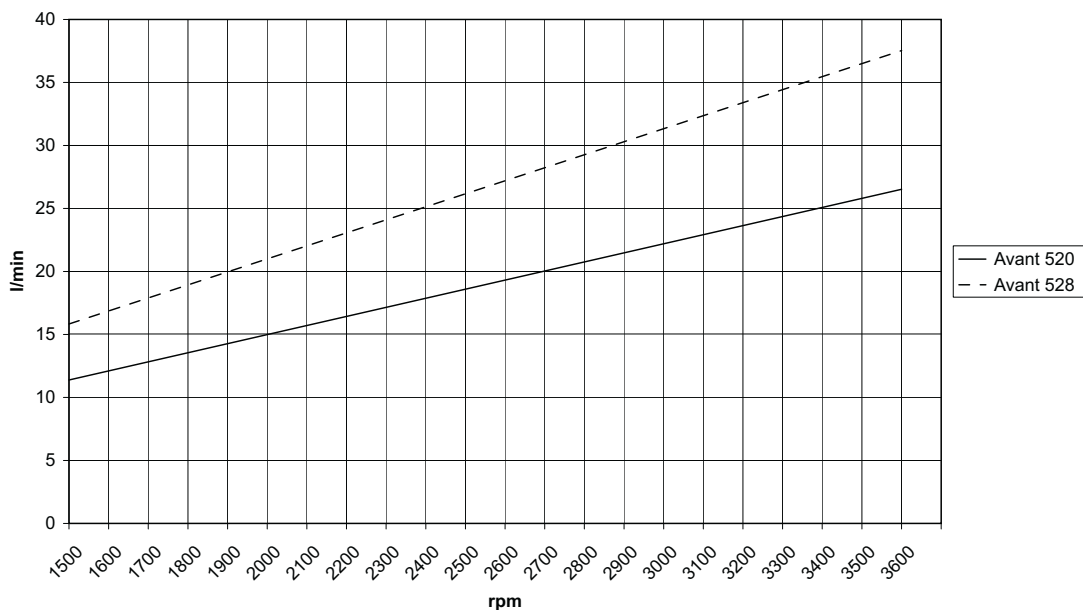


AVANT 520/528 load diagram

The diagrams can be interpreted as follows:

- The diagrams show tipping load and max. load with the load at different distances from the front axle of the loader
- Example: If the center of gravity of the load is 750 mm in front of the front axle, max. load is about 700 kg(520) and 820 kg(528) with a driver weighing 75 kg and with the 170 kg integrated rear weight mounted on the loader.
- **NOTICE:** If the driver leaves the machine, tipping and max. loads are reduced respectively.
- Tipping load and max. load depend both on the weight of the driver and the eventual extra weights mounted on the loader.
- Please note that the diagrams are based on the machine operating on a level, even and firm supporting ground. Loads should be significantly reduced when operating on gradients and/or on soft ground.
- The loader is equipped with a load sensor system, which gives an audible warning signal and an indicator lights up in the dashboard when tipping load is being approached.
- Read the safety instructions regarding handling of heavier loads. Calibration instructions of the load sensor system can be found on page 30.

Auxiliary hydraulics oil flow



Max. auxiliary hydraulics oil flow can not be used with all attachments. Check correct engine rpm and auxiliary hydraulics pump configuration for the attachment with the help of this table and Operators Manual of the attachment.

Transporting instructions and tie down points

Mount the articulation frame lock, shown on page 26, on the machine during transports. Lower the boom down and take off battery disconnect switch.

Remember to remove the frame lock after transport!

Tie down points are located on the rear frame on the sides, and on the front frame close to the boom.

If absolutely necessary, the loader can be towed with a rigid tow bar, by releasing the hydraulic drive circuit. Max. allowed towing speed is 3 km/h, towing distance max. 200 m.



When the drive circuit is released for towing, the loader has no brakes. Before releasing the drive circuit make sure that the parking brake has been engaged, and release the parking brake only after a rigid tow bar has been connected.

The hydraulic drive circuit is released by turning the screw on the right side of the variable displacement drive pump about 3 rounds counterclockwise. Make sure to put the drive circuit again in working order by retightening the screw immediately after towing. Contact Avant service for instructions if necessary.

The loader can be lifted by mounting appropriate lifting slings on the ROPS frame. Before lifting, the attachment and eventual extra weights must be removed. Mount the frame lock on the machine. Make sure that the lifting slings cannot move and that the machine doesn't swing during lifting.

Operating instructions

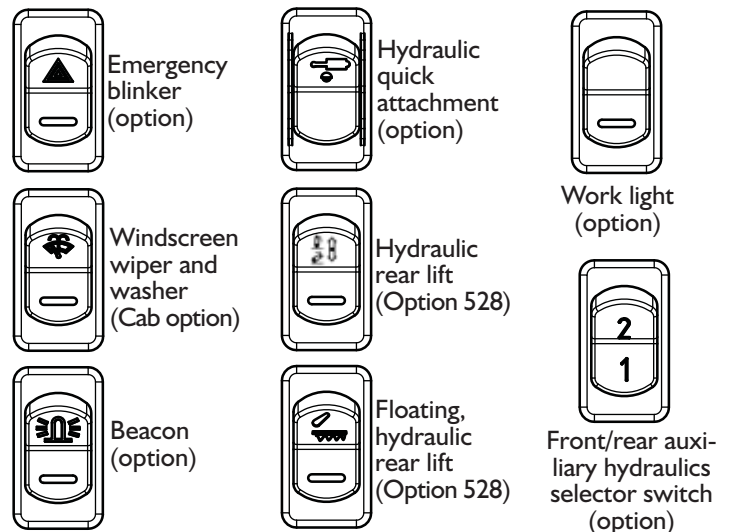
Operating controls

Following picture shows the location of operating controls. The location and function of controls may be slightly different in different models, see following pages.



1. Steering wheel
2. Drive pedal, left: drive backward (page 16)
3. Drive pedal, right: drive forward (page 16)
4. Parking brake handle (page 16)
5. Control lever of boom and bucket (page 15)
6. Hand throttle lever (page 15)
7. Auxiliary hydraulics control lever (page 15)
8. Control lever of telescopic boom (page 15)
9. Control lever of rear / extra front auxiliary hydraulics (page 15)
10. 12 V outlet
11. Dashboard (page 16)

12. Switches on the panel



Control of loader boom, attachments and other functions

Most of the functions of the loader are controlled at the control panel on the right side of the operator: Boom and bucket movements, auxiliary hydraulics (attachments), engine revs etc. , depending on loader model. Following pictures show the different functions:



Attachment control switch pack (option)

- Optional extra with which electric functions of the attachment are controlled
- Consists of the 3 pcs control switches, wiring and a 7-pole socket which mounts on the boom next to the auxiliary hydraulics quick couplers. The electric wire of the attachment is connected to this socket.
- The switches mount on the boom control lever and are operated with the right hand thumb.

5. Control lever of boom and bucket

- Pull backward to lift the boom
- Push forward to lower the boom
- Push left to raise the tip of the bucket (filling)
- Push right to lower the tip of the bucket (emptying)

6. Hand throttle lever

- Push forward to increase engine revs
- Pull backward to reduce engine revs

7. Control lever of auxiliary hydraulics (hydraulically operated attachments)










- Push forward: move the lever carefully to see which way the hydraulic attachment moves.
- Pull backward: the attachment moves in opposite direction
- Locking position (forward): Continuous oil flow to the attachment.

8. Control lever of telescopic boom (optional extra)

- Push forward to extend the boom
- Pull backward to retract the boom

Dashboard

On the dashboard on the right side of the driver's seat are mounted gauges, indicators and switches which help the operator to control the loader. Dashboard may be slightly different in different models. Following picture shows the different functions:

1. Load sensor indicator 
2. Boom floating indicator 
3. Headlights indicator 
4. Seat heater indicator 
5. Glow plug indicator 
6. Fuel gauge
7. Work light switch
8. Tachometer
9. Hour meter
10. Oil pressure indicator 
11. Charge indicator 
12. Thermometer
13. Ignition switch
14. Signal horn
16. Drive release / anti slip valve switch (optional extra)
17. Boom floating switch (optional extra)
18. Hydraulic cooler fan fuse indicator 
19. Worklight indicator 

Controls in the footwell

Following picture shows the controls located in the footwell



1. **Drive pedal, left:** drive backward
2. **Drive pedal, right:** drive forward
3. **Parking/emergency brake handle**
 - locking: pull the handle and turn down into locking position
 - releasing: turn up and let the handle go down



Parking brake locks mechanically - spring-loaded pins go into the holes of the parking brake drum on the front wheels. Make sure that the brake locks properly by driving a bit forward or backward.

See correct operation of drive pedals on page 20.



Suspension seat (option)

The optional suspension seat is equipped with a seat belt and has the following adjustments:

1. Suspension adjustment

- by turning the knob counterclockwise suspension gets harder, by turning it clockwise the suspension gets softer

2. Angle of the back rest

- the angle of the back rest can be adjusted by pulling the lever

3. Seat position

- the distance of the seat from the steering wheel can be adjusted with the lever which is located under the front edge of the seat

4. Arm rest angle adjustment

- the angle of the arm rest can be adjusted by turning the roller under the arm rest

Suspension seat can be equipped with a seat belt.



Telescopic boom (option)

Telescopic boom is operated with the control lever no. 8 on the control panel (see page 15). Length of the telescope is 600 mm and additional lifting height is 485 mm.



Boom self levelling (option)

Self levelling system keeps the position of the attachment the same in relation to the ground, regardless of the position of the boom. Self levelling is hydraulic: there is a levelling cylinder on the left side of the boom which follows the movements of the bucket tilt cylinder and keeps the attachment level. Self levelling is disabled when the boom floating is switched on.



Boom floating (option)

The floating system releases the lift cylinder, so that the boom floats upwards from the position where it is when boom floating is switched on, allowing the attachment to follow the contours of the terrain.

1. Lower the boom down
2. Switch on the floating with rocker switch no. 17
3. Boom floating indicator on the dashboard lights up



When boom floating is being used, it is possible that air gets in the hydraulic system. This can lead to inaccurate boom movements and the boom can give in. Therefore the boom and attachment coupling plate should always be moved to extreme end positions after switching off boom floating. Use boom floating only when necessary.

Joystick (option)

The loader can be equipped, as an option, with a joystick, where the operation of auxiliary hydraulics is electric.

- push the buttons to engage and disengage auxiliary hydraulics



Engine block heater (option)

The loader can be equipped, as an option, with an engine block heater. Engine block heater outlet is on the right side in the rear of the machine.



Use the block heater max. 30 minutes at a time.

Trailer coupling (option)

The loader can be equipped, as an option, with a trailer coupling. It is equipped with a 50 mm ball coupling and mounts either directly on the rear bumper or on the extra back weight.



Max. allowed vertical load of the trailer coupling is 6900 N, max. towing load is 6000 N.



Make sure that the weight on the trailer is distributed correctly so that the trailer cannot cause an upward lifting force on the trailer coupling

Extra counterweights (option)

The loader can be equipped with extra counterweights that are mounted on the rear bumper. Max. amount of extra weights (31 kg/pcs) is 4 pcs. If the machine is fitted with an extra weight with trailer coupling, max. amount of extra weights is 2 pcs. Avant 528 can be equipped with the 180 kg extra side weight kit (A49063) as an option.



Headlight, beacon, blinker & reflector kit (option)

This optional equipment enables road traffic registration in certain countries. Requirements vary in different countries, please consult your local AVANT distributor.



Drive circuit release switch (option)

The switch no. 16, LOCK, controls a valve which diverts the oil flow between the left and right side hydraulic motors, and this has an effect on the pulling force.



LOCK OFF: In this mode hydraulic oil flows in series from motor to motor. The wheels roll freely and the loader leaves less tire marks on soft and sensitive surfaces.

LOCK ON: In this mode hydraulic oil flows in parallel between the hydraulic motors on each side, similar to a differential lock in operation. This improves traction and towing capacity of the loader.

Anti slip valve (option)

The valve positively diverts oil flow between the right and left side hydraulic motors and improves traction on slippery and uneven surfaces. The function of the anti slip valve is connected to the drive circuit release switch:

LOCK ON: Anti slip valve in operation. Best traction is achieved by using sufficient engine revs and by pressing properly on the drive pedal.

LOCK OFF: Drive circuit released – anti slip valve diverts the oil flow between the front hydraulic motors only, not the rear hydraulic motors.

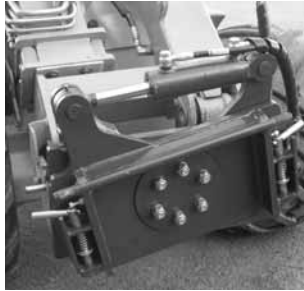
Location of battery disconnect switch

The loader is equipped with a battery disconnect switch. The switch is located in the rear of the machine, on the right side (see picture). Battery disconnect switch cuts the current between battery and the rest of the electric system. Always switch off main current when the loader is not used for a longer period of time, or when servicing the machine. Switch off the main current in order that the battery doesn't get empty.



Tilt adapter (option)

The hydraulic tilt adapter mounts between the attachment and the attachment coupling plate. It allows the driver to tilt the attachment sideways 12,5 degrees to both directions from the driver's seat. Tilt adapter is intended mainly for non-hydraulic attachments, but with the optional double acting extra auxiliary hydraulics outlet in the front (A35492) it is possible to mount a hydraulically operated attachment (e.g. a 4 in 1 bucket) at the same time. Tilt adapter is operated with the auxiliary hydraulics control lever (no. 7, page 15).



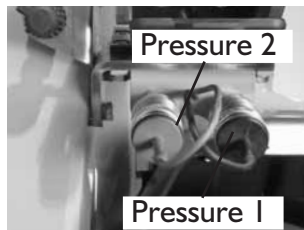
Extra auxiliary hydraulics outlets, front and rear (option)

In addition to the standard auxiliary hydraulics outlet, the loader can be equipped with a double acting extra outlet. The extra hydraulic outlet can be fitted either to the front of the loader or to the rear, and the couplers are conventional type quick couplers. The installed extra outlet is selected with the rocker switch on the dashboard (see page 13) and controlled with the auxiliary hydraulics control lever no. 7 (see page 15).

The loader can be equipped with either the rear hydraulics outlet or with the extra front outlet – but not with both.

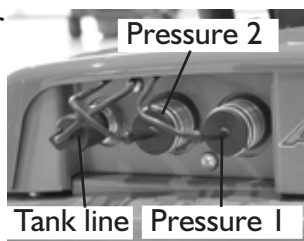
1. Extra auxiliary hydraulics in the front

- Quick couplers are located under the multi connector



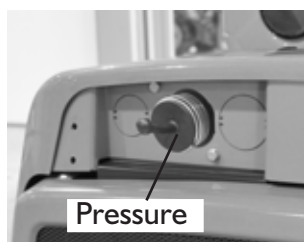
2. Quick couplers in the rear

- Quick couplers are located on top of the radiator.



Double acting outlet

Single acting outlet



Hydraulic lifting device in the rear (option)

The hydraulic rear lifting device allows mounting of some attachments on the rear of the machine, for example a sand spreader or a rotary hoe. This means that it is possible to use a bucket or a dozer blade at the same time in the front.



lifting device comes with a double acting auxiliary hydraulics outlet.

Rear lifting device is available only for Avant 528, not for Avant 520.

Work light kit (option)

The loader can be equipped with extra work lights, making it easier to work in low light. The lights are operated with the switch on the control panel (see page 14).

Snow chains (option)

The loader can be equipped with snow chains, following tyre size:

- 23 x 8.50-12 snow chain part no. 64746
- 23 x 10.50-12 snow chain part no. 64745
- 26 x 12.00-12 snow chain part no. 64973
- 320/60-12 snow chain part no. 65603

Starting the engine

Before starting the engine do the daily checks, see page 27. Adjust the seat and mirrors (if fitted) so that you have a good working position and unrestricted field of vision from the driver's seat. Check that all controls function correctly. See to it that the operating area is safe. Read and follow operating and safety instructions.



1. Turn the battery disconnect switch to ON



3. Move the hand throttle lever (1) to approximately 1/4 throttle
4. Make sure that auxiliary hydraulics is switched off (lever in neutral position). Do not press on the drive pedals.



5. Turn the ignition key (2) to the right.
6. Turn the ignition key further to the right until the engine starts, then release the choke button.

If the engine doesn't start, do not try to start longer than 10 seconds at a time. Make sure that there is diesel in the tank, wait a little and try to start again.



If auxiliary hydraulics is switched on during starting and there is a hydraulically operated attachment on the machine, the attachment can move suddenly and cause a dangerous situation. Make sure that the auxiliary hydraulics control lever is in neutral position during starting.



The engine cannot start if auxiliary hydraulics control lever (no. 7, page 15) is in locking position

Stopping the engine

1. Lower the boom down, reduce engine revs, stop the attachment (move auxiliary hydraulics control lever to neutral position, see page 15)
2. Stop the engine by turning the ignition key to the OFF position (to the left)
3. Release auxiliary hydraulics pressure (see page 15).
4. Prevent unauthorized use of the loader. Take off the ignition switch and turn the power off with the battery disconnect switch.

Drive control



AVANT 500 series loaders are equipped with a hydrostatic drive system, there is a variable displacement hydraulic pump in the drive circuit. The oil flow of this drive pump is steplessly adjusted with the two drive pedals. The drive pedals act in a proportional way to control the drive speed and power available at the drive motors.

This hydrostatic driving system has different operating characteristics to a mechanical drive. To get maximum pushing power push the pedals lightly – for higher travel speed push the pedal harder.

When thinking about the function of the two drive pedals, they should be compared to gears, not to a conventional throttle pedal. The drive pedal in a way shifts on a higher gear the more the pedal is pressed. Therefore you shouldn't press the pedal more when the engine starts to struggle. Pressing the pedal just causes the engine to stop.

When you want to have a high pulling force:

1. Use high engine revs
2. Select a relatively slow drive speed with the drive pedal. That is: press the pedal only lightly (= select a low gear). This way the full output of the hydraulic system and the engine can be taken out.

Driving of the machine is **controlled with the drive pedals and hand throttle** as follows:

Select the revs of the engine with the **hand throttle lever** on the control panel. The basic rule is: use lower revs for lighter work and higher revs for hard work. When driving, the revolution speed of the engine can be adjusted with the hand throttle lever, if necessary. Do not turn the machine with a high travel speed. Hand throttle also has an effect on the operation speed of a hydraulically driven attachment: the more throttle the faster the attachment operates. Make sure not to exceed max. allowed oil flow of the attachment.

If you want to **drive forward**, press gently on the **right** drive pedal until the machine starts to move slowly. The desired drive speed is selected with the drive pedal: the more the pedal is pressed the faster you will travel.

When you **wish to stop** gently release the pedal by lifting of your foot, and the machine will slow and stop.

Drive backward is controlled with the left drive pedal in the same way as drive forward: the more the pedal is pressed the faster you will travel.

Familiarise yourself with the driving of the machine on low speed and on a flat, even and open place where unintended movements don't cause problems or danger. When you have learned how to drive on low speed, increase speed gradually and learn how to drive with higher drive speeds. Make sure that there are no persons in the operating area of the machine.



Hydraulic oil temperature has an effect on the hydrostatic transmission of the loader. When ambient temperature is below 5° C, let the engine run and the machine warm up properly before starting to drive. Drive carefully until the machine reaches its normal operating temperature.



When hydraulic oil gets warmer, driving characteristics of the transmission change. When the oil is warm and hydraulic oil cooler has switched on, stopping distance of the machine can be longer than normally. If the machine is used constantly in high ambient temperatures, hydraulic oil type and viscosity must be suitable for these conditions. Contact Avant service.



Should there be a disturbance or malfunction in the hydrostatic transmission and consequently the braking force is not sufficient, engage the mechanical parking brake. Parking brake can also be engaged during driving if necessary.

Steering of the machine

Steering of the machine happens with the steering wheel. The steering wheel is hydraulically powered. A practical way of steering is to steer with your left hand on the knob of the steering wheel. This way your right hand is free to operate other functions.



Always remember – safety first. Test all the functions of the loader at an open and safe place. Make sure that there are no persons in the operating area of the machine and the danger zone of the attachment.



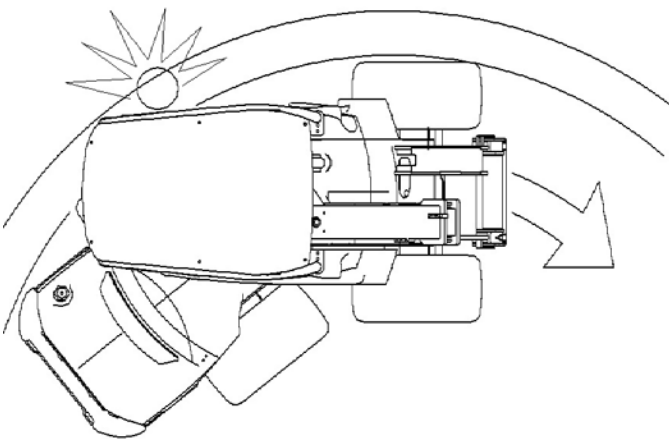
When driving, always keep the loader boom as low as possible. Risk of tipping over increases considerably when there is a heavy load on the loader (a heavy attachment or a big load in the bucket) and the boom is up when driving.



Never use a high drive speed when turning. In particular: when the loader boom is up the stability of the machine is much weaker when turning.



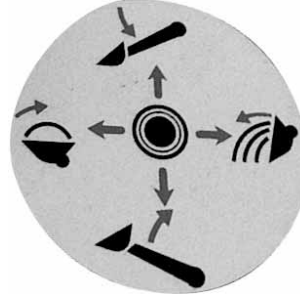
Remember that, when turning, the driver's seat extends beyond the turning radius of the wheels. Stay inside the safety frame (risk of collision and crushing).



Pay attention to other machines and persons that are moving in the area. Make sure that there are no persons in the danger zone of the loader and the attachment. The danger zone of the loader covers the reach area of the loader boom, the turning area on the side and in the front and rear of the loader. Always put down the load when leaving the machine – the loader is not designed to stay with the loader boom and load lifted. Learn how to operate the loader in a safe place.

Loader control

The loader boom and bucket are controlled with the multi-function lever sideways (tilt) and back & forward (boom up & down).



- Pull backward to lift the boom
- Push forward to lower the boom
- Push left to raise the tip of the bucket (filling)
- Push right to lower the tip of the bucket (emptying)

Using the auxiliary hydraulics

Auxiliary hydraulics (hydraulically operated attachments) are controlled with the lever no. ⑦ on the control panel. The lever locks in the locking position (forward) which facilitates operation of the attachments that require constant oil flow (rotary broom, backhoe etc.).



NOTICE! The engine cannot start if the auxiliary hydraulics control lever is in the locking position.



If the loader is equipped with conventional quick couplers, operating direction of the attachment depends on the coupling of the attachment hoses and the direction in which the auxiliary hydraulics control lever is moved. Make sure that there are no persons in the danger area when testing the operating directions. Change the place of the hoses if necessary.



Going near an attachment that is in operation can cause a serious risk. Switch off auxiliary hydraulics before leaving driver's seat or stopping the engine. Operate the controls only when sitting in the driver's seat.

Cabs

AVANT 520/528 can be equipped, as an option, with cab L, LX and DLX.



Cab L mounts on the ROPS safety frame. It consists of windscreen, windscreen wiper and washer, right side window and rear window.

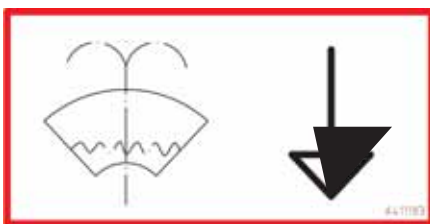
Cab LX consists of windscreen, windscreen wiper and washer, right side window, rear window, door and heater.



Cab DLX is an independent ROPS/FOPS structure. It is equipped like cab LX, but also with noise isolation, fabric seat, 3 point seat belt, radio/CD, road traffic light kit and work lights.

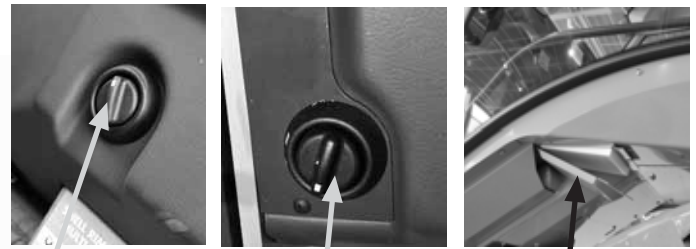
Switches are located on the control panel right (see page 14). Heater temperature adjustment on cab LX/DLX is located in the footwell left. Air suspended seats (option DLX) set heater switch is located left in the back side of the seat rest.

Windscreen washer tank and filler cap are located outside the cab, in front of the windscreen on the left.



Windscreen washer tank and filler cap + decal.

Heater



Temperature adjustment

Fan

Filter

Cab LX/DLX is equipped with a warm water heater which works like a central heating system, circulating the coolant of the engine. Cab temperature can be adjusted with the rotary switch of the heater. Air flow can be directed with the nozzles on the front panel and in the footwell. Heating efficiency and air flow can be adjusted with the fan.

The cab is also equipped with an air circulation system: There is a ventilation hatch below the seat in the footwell. The hatch is opened and closed with the lever in the middle. As soon as the hatch is opened the heating system starts to take warm air from the cab and circulates it through the nozzles back in the cab. This way the cab warms up quicker in cold weather.

NOTICE: Switch off the air circulation as soon as the temperature in the cab is sufficient, otherwise moisture starts to condense on the windows.

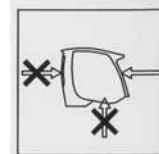
The cab is also equipped with a replaceable cab air filter. The filter cartridge (part no. 65118) can be changed from outside the cab, under the door on the left side (see picture above)



Do not drive with the cab door open, nor turn the steering wheel when the cab door is open. The door may break.

Safety

Familiarise yourself with the special drive features and space needs of this articulated loader, equipped with cab, on a flat, even and open place. Remember that, when turning, the cab extends beyond the turning radius of the wheels. This should be taken into consideration especially when driving in confined spaces, in order that the rear of the cab will not get damaged.



If necessary, the windscreen can be broken with the emergency hammer in the cab. This way it is possible to get out of the cab in an emergency situation.



The fuse box on machines with cab LX/DLX is located outside the cab, on the right side below the windscreen.

Requirements for attachments

- Check max. allowed hydraulic oil flow for the attachment. Adjust engine revs so that they are suitable for the work and the attachment.
- Read Operators Manual of the attachment before starting operation. Make sure that the attachment is compatible with the loader. Contact your Avant dealer if necessary
- Make sure that the attachment is connected properly on the attachment coupling plate, and that it is being used in accordance with the instructions in the Operators Manual. Follow instructions regarding personal protective equipment and safety distances.
- Put the attachment down on the ground and stop the engine before leaving driver's seat. Familiarise yourself with the operation and stopping of the attachment at a safe place. Follow service instructions.

Coupling the attachments



Coupling of the attachments into the attachment coupling plate happens as follows:

Stage 1 :

- Lift up the two locking pins on both sides of the attachment coupling plate and turn them backward so that they remain in the up position
- Make sure that the pins remain in the up position, otherwise you cannot couple the attachment properly!



Stage 2 :

- Turn the attachment coupling plate with the tilt movement so that the upper edge of the plate leans forward.
- Drive the loader into the attachment



Stage 3 :

- Lift the boom a little so that the attachment lifts off of the ground
- Pull the boom control lever to the left so that the lower edge of the attachment coupling plate turns into the attachment



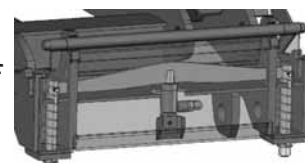
Stage 4 :

- Pull the boom control lever more to the left so that attachment coupling plate turns more and the brackets on the boom push the pins down in the holes of the attachment.
- Make sure that the pins lock properly down in the holes of the attachment!

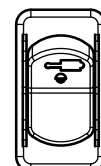
Hydraulic attachment coupling plate (option)



Always make sure that the locking pins lock properly down in the holes of the attachments. Both pins must be locked. Avoid unintentional dropping of the attachment. Operate the hydraulic coupling only when the attachment is close to ground.



The hydraulic attachment coupling plate enables coupling and disconnecting of the attachment from driver's seat. There is a hydraulic cylinder on the attachment coupling plate which moves the locking pins up and down. The electro-hydraulic system works also when the engine is not running, as long as the ignition switch is in "ON" position (current on). Control switch is located at the control panel on the right (see page 14).



Switch up:
Locking released
Switch down:
Locking position

Coupling the hydraulic hoses of the attachment

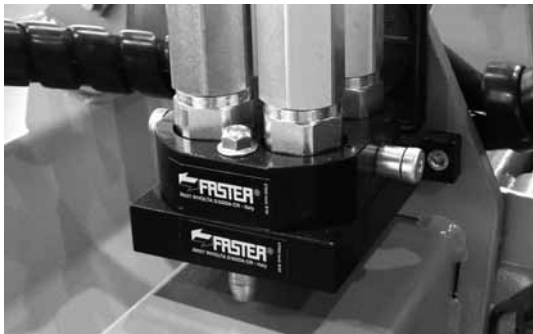
Hydraulic hoses of the attachment are equipped either with the multi connector or with conventional type quick couplers. Contact your Avant dealer if you wish to change the coupler type.



Coupling the multi connector

Align the pins of the attachment connector with correspondig holes of the loader connector. Connecting is not possible if the multi connector for some reason is mounted in a wrong way on the attachment hoses. Connect and lock the multiconnector by turning the lever towards the loader.

The lever should move easily all the way to locking position. If the lever doesn't move easily, check alignment and position of the attachment and loader side connectors and clean the connectors. Stop the engine and release pressure in auxiliary hydraulics line by moving the auxiliary hydraulics control lever in both directions a couple of times.



Disconnecting the multi connector

- Before disconnecting put the attachment down on a solid and even surface. Switch off auxiliary hydraulics. Disconnect attachment hoses by pressing on the red button on the multiconnector and simultaneously turn the lever away from the machine.
- After ending operation put the multi connector on its "parking" on the attachment.



Conventional type quick couplers

- Engine must be stopped when connecting the hoses. Before connecting the hoses move the auxiliary hydraulics control lever in both directions a couple of times in order to release eventual back pressure.



NOTICE! When fitting an attachment, make sure that the hydraulic hoses are not overstretched and are not in a position where they can be trapped during the operation of the machine and attachment.



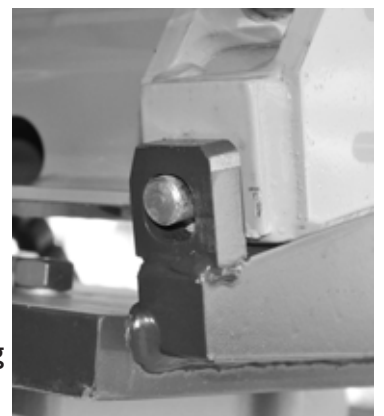
Make sure that the attachment is properly connected on the attachment coupling plate. An attachment that comes loose may tip over or fall on the loader, causing personal injuries.



Do not try to lock the locking pins by using the brackets on the boom when the attachment is lifted over one metre from the ground. Lock the locking pins by hand and make sure that both pins lock properly down in the holes of the attachment.



Always read also the additional instructions for coupling and using of the attachment in the Operators Manual of the attachment.



Service and maintenance instructions

Service parts are available through your Avant dealer or authorized service.



If you are not sure about how to do any service operation, ask for additional information before starting servicing. Contact Avant service.

Safety instructions for maintenance

- Stop the engine and let it cool down before starting any service operation.
- Put the service support on the boom lift cylinder when working under the boom.
- Install the frame lock when lifting the machine, for instance when changing tyres



Check hydraulic hoses and components only when the engine is stopped and hydraulic pressure is released. Repair all leaks as soon as you have noticed them, because a small leak can quickly change into a big one. Do not operate the machine if you have noticed faults or leaks in hydraulic system. Leaking hydraulic fluid can cause serious personal injuries and is harmful to the environment.

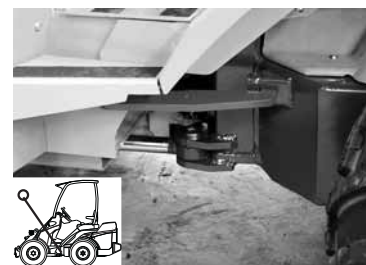
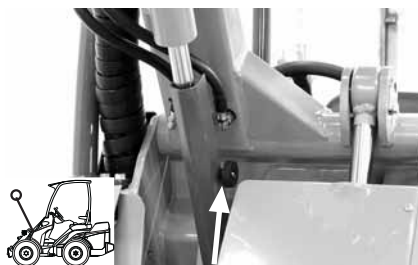
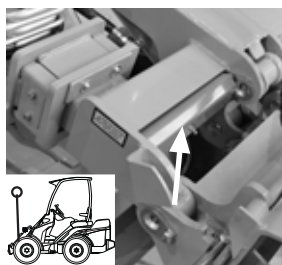
Check hydraulic hoses for eventual cracks and wear. Follow the wear of the hoses and stop operation if the outer layer of any hose has worn out. If there are signs of oil leakage, put a piece of cardboard under the probable leakage place in order to find the leakage. If you find a fault, the hose or the component must be replaced. Contact your Avant dealer or service for spare parts.



Never handle pressurized hydraulic components, because ejection of high pressure hydraulic fluid can cause serious injuries. Do not operate the machine if you have noticed a fault in the hydraulic system. Consult a doctor immediately if hydraulic fluid penetrates your skin.



Installing of service support and frame lock



The red service support of the boom lift cylinder is located at the tip of the boom, behind the attachment coupling plate. The frame lock is located over the articulation joint, under the seat base, and is fastened with a bolt.

Make sure that the boom stays up during maintenance operations by putting the service support on the lift cylinder piston rod. Secure the service support by locking it on the piston rod with the long screw that is on the support.

The frame can be locked with the red frame lock. This way the loader frame stays straight during e.g. transportation. Install the frame lock in the holes on the front and rear frame and secure it with the cotter pin.

Releasing the pressure of hydraulic system

Make sure that there isn't pressure in the hydraulic system that could cause danger during service operations.

In order to release the pressure in hydraulic system stop first the engine and lower the boom down completely. Move all control levers, including control lever of telescopic boom and auxiliary hydraulics, to extreme end positions a couple of times. Remember that the boom or attachment can move when releasing the pressure. Move the levers until all movements have stopped.



Wear protective glasses and gloves when servicing the machine.



The fluids in the machine are harmful to the environment. Take waste oil and fluids to recycling station.

Daily inspections

- Tyre pressure
- Boom movements
- Drive control and steering
- Eventual need for lubrication
- Cleanliness of engine compartment and radiators
- Eventual oil leakages
- Locking of attachment and locking pins on attachment coupling plate, function of attachment, position of attachment hoses
- Condition of the loader, safety frame, seat belt and other safety equipment

Maintenance schedule

Following table shows the maintenance and service points and intervals. There are more detailed instructions about each service operation, in numerical order, on the following pages.

Loader	Every week	After 50h	Every 200 h/year	Every 800h
1. Check tyre pressure	■			
2. Clean the machine	■			
3. Grease the machine	■			
4. Check battery electrolyte level			●	
5. Check hydraulic oil level	●			
6. Change hydraulic oil filters		●	●	
7. Change hydraulic oil		●	●	
8. Check tightness of bolts, nuts and hydraulic fittings		●		
9. Check pressure of hydraulic system *)		■	●	
10. Adjust pressure of hydraulic system *)		■	■	
11. Check slide pads 1 and 2 on the boom	●			
12. Adjust or change slide pads 1 and 2		■	●	
13. Check/change slide pads 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8			■	●
14. Calibrate load sensor			●	
Engine*)				
15. Check engine oil level	●			
16. Change engine oil		●	●	
17. Check condition and tightness of alternator belt			●	
18. Check water hoses and hose clamps			●	
19. Change engine oil filter		●	●	
20. Change fuel filter			●	
21. Clean radiator cells	●		●	
22. Change coolant			●	
23. Change air cleaner element	●		●	
24. Check and adjust valve clearances				●
25. Check opening pressure of nozzles				●

● Maintenance operation

■ When necessary

*) A 250 bar pressure gauge, equipped with manometer fitting, is required for checking the pressure of the boom lifting and auxiliary hydraulics.

2. Cleaning of the loader

Cleanliness of the loader is not only a question of outer appearance. All surfaces, painted and others, will stay in better condition when they are cleaned regularly. A clean machine also lasts longer. A dirty machine will run hotter and will collect dirt into the air cleaner, which is likely to damage the engine. Pay special attention to the cleanliness of the engine, the oil tank cover, the engine compartment and the hydraulic pump compartment.

The loader can be washed with a pressure washer. However, avoid direct spraying on hydraulic components (hoses, cylinders) and decals. After washing grease all greasing points, also the attachment coupling plate and locking pins.

The loader is equipped with a hydraulic oil cooler, which is located in the front frame on the right side, make sure to clean the oil cooler cell with compressed air every time you are servicing the loader - and even more frequently if the loader is being used in dusty conditions. Take off the right side cover plate before cleaning the oil cooler.



3. Greasing of the machine

Greasing of pivot points is very important in order to avoid wear. Most of the greasing points are on the loader boom. The picture on page 31 shows the location of grease nipples.

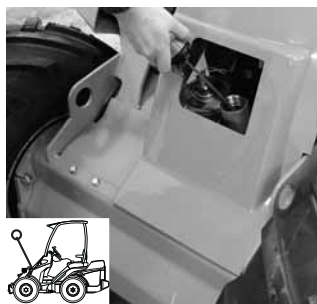
4. Battery check

In order to secure the starting and safe operation the battery of the loader must be checked regularly. Checking the electrolyte level of the battery happens by opening the filler caps. **NOTICE: Clean the battery before opening the caps so that dirt cannot get in the battery.** Check also the contacts and clean if necessary.

5. Hydraulic oil level

Hydraulic oil level can be checked with the dipstick in the filler. Oil level should be at the lower mark of the dipstick when the loader boom is up. Refill when necessary. Do not let any contaminants enter the hydraulic oil tank during this procedure. There is a breather filter inside the dipstick cap which should be cleaned or changed once a year.

Remember to use the service support (page 26).



6. Changing of hydraulic oil filters

The hydraulic oil return filter is located on top of the hydraulic oil tank, under the front cover. Take off the cover and replace the oil filter cartridge.

Remember to use the service support (page 26).

The hydraulic pressure filter is located in the back frame beside the hydraulic pumps. When unscrewing the filter hold the screw in the housing with a 12 mm allen key and replace the filter.



7. Hydraulic oil change

When changing hydraulic oil, the oil can be removed with a suction pump or by opening the drain plug on the right side of the front frame, next to the articulation joint. In both cases it is important to clean the magnetic drain plug. Hydraulic oil tank capacity is 38 litres. Use ISO VG-46 certified mineral hydraulic oil.



Use of synthetic hydraulic fluids is not allowed.



8. Check and tightening of bolts, nuts and fittings

Check tightness of bolts, nuts and hydraulic fittings regularly.



NOTICE: Tighten wheel nuts after first 5 operating hours. Check tightness of wheel nuts regularly. Wheel nuts shall first be tightened to 120 Nm diagonally opposite and finally tightened to 140 Nm.

9. Check pressure of hydraulic system

Pressure checking points and pressure settings for different functions are as follows:

Boom lifting: Pressure is checked from the manometer fitting which is mounted on the main control valve (or from the quick coupler of rear auxiliary hydraulics if the machine is equipped with rear aux. hydraulics outlet.)

Pressure is measured with full engine revs and by turning e.g. the bucket tilt control to end position. Pressure setting should be 205 bar.



8. Check pressure of hydraulic system

Pressure checking points for different functions are as follows:

Auxiliary hydraulics: Pressure is checked by mounting the manometer in the female auxiliary hydraulics quick coupling, with full revs and by turning the aux. hydraulics control lever. Pressure setting should be 185 bar for 520 and 205 bar for 528.

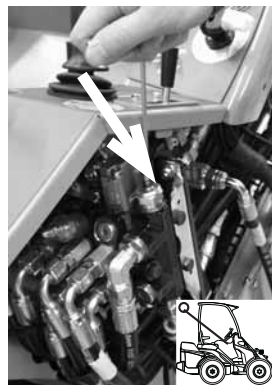


Drive pressure: In order to check the pressure in the drive circuit one needs to mount a pressure gauge in the pressure line in each and every case, if pressure seems to be clearly wrong. There are two pressure relief cartridges (one for drive forward, one for drive backward) which have fixed pressure setting: 250 bar for 520 and 300 bar for 528. **It is recommended pressures should only be checked by a competent and experienced technician. Call your AVANT dealer if you need assistance.**

9. Adjust pressure of hydr. system

If the pressure of hydraulic system does not seem to be correct or pressure check indicates that the pressure is wrong, it can be adjusted. The adjustment screw is protected with nut and there is a seal ring under the nut. When taking off the nut make sure that the seal ring doesn't get lost. See picture below for pressure adjustment point.

Auxiliary hydraulics: Pressure is adjusted from the pressure relief valve at the main control valve. Pressure adjustment screw is on the right, on top of the valve segment (see picture). Adjust by turning the hexagonal head screw which is under the cap. Adjust by turning the screw with a screwdriver. Pressure setting should be 185 bar for 520 and 205 bar for 528.



Drive pressure: Can not be adjusted. If the pressures are clearly wrong one must change the pressure relief cartridges which have fixed pressure setting: 250 bar for 520 and 300 bar for 528.



Never exceed the recommended hydraulic pressure settings. Excessive hydraulic pressure will damage the hydraulic pumps, cylinders, and hydraulic motors.



Warranty does not cover damages caused by excessive hydraulic pressure.

11-13 Adjust and change the slide pads on telescopic boom

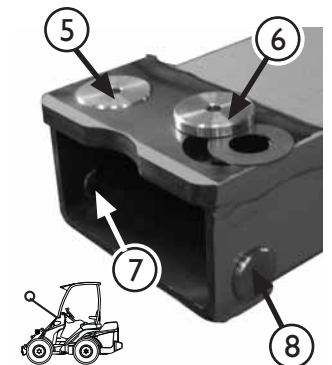
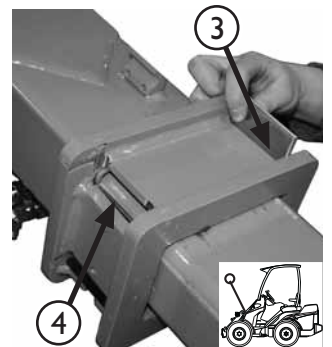
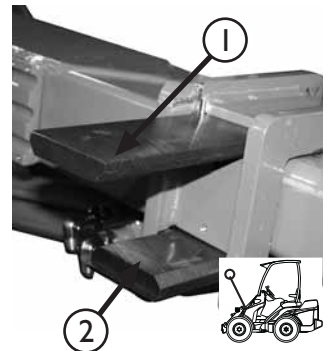
The telescopic boom is equipped with slide pads. At the lower end of the outer boom there are slide pads made of nylon (nos. 1 and 2) and bronze (nos. 3 and 4). In addition, there are four slide pads (nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8), made of aluminium-bronze alloy, at the upper end of the inner boom. All slide pads can be replaced, and the nylon slide pads on the outer boom can also be adjusted. This way the natural wear of the slide pads, caused by the use of the telescopic boom, can be compensated.

Slide pads nos. 1 and 2 can be adjusted by mounting thin adjustment sheets between the boom and the slide pad. Extend the telescope almost completely and press the boom against the ground, it is the easiest way to mount the adjustment sheet under slide pad no. 2. However, if there is substantial wear in the slide pads it is advisable to replace both pad no. 1 and 2.

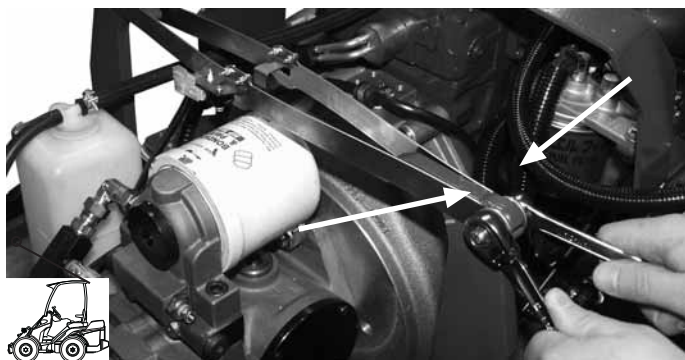
Slide pads nos. 3 and 4 on the side of the outer boom and **slide pads nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8** at the upper end of the inner boom last very long in normal use. Slide pads 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 should be checked every 400 operating hours. Checking happens by taking the inner boom completely out of the outer boom. If the pads have worn so much that they are level with the boom, change the pads.

Part nos. for the slide pads are:

- Slide pad 1 and 2: A48339
- Slide pad 3 and 4: A48340
- Slide pad 5 and 6: A47922
- Slide pad 7 and 8: A48343
- Washer under slide pads 5 and 6: A47941
- Adjustment sheet, short: A48013
- Adjustment sheet, long: A48014



14. Function and calibration of load sensor



The load sensor must be calibrated in case one adds or removes more than two AVANT rear weights (+/- 65 kg) on the machine. Calibrating happens as follows:

1. Mount the amount of rear weights with which you are going to use the loader.
2. Remove the engine cover plate and the lower left side rear cover plate.
3. Lift something so heavy with the loader that the rear wheels lift off the ground.
4. Open the screw pointed by the arrows (see picture) with two 13 mm keys. As the two steel strips come in contact, tighten the screw.
5. Lower the rear wheels back to the ground and mount the cover plates.
6. Check function of the load sensor.

NOTICE: The rear of the loader can not be lifted with a jack in order to do the calibration. The rear wheels must be lifted by using the loader boom in order that the adjustment can be done correctly.

15.-25. Service, engine

AVANT 500 series loaders are equipped with a Kubota diesel engine (see technical specification sheet for the engine type of each model). Service and maintenance instructions for the engine can be found in the Kubota Operator's Manual supplied with the loader.

Storage of the machine

Before long term storage clean the loader carefully and check and touch-up painted surfaces if necessary in order to avoid rust damages. Grease the greasing points and put oil on piston rods of the cylinders. Take off the battery and store it in the right way. It is recommended to perform the yearly service before storage.

Store the machine indoors if possible. If outdoors storage is necessary, protect the machine with the designated cover (part no. 65478).

Fuse box

The fuse box is located on the right side of the loader boom, seen from driver's seat.

Fuses can be checked by first lifting the boom so that the fuse box can easily be reached. Remember to use the service support.

The list on the right shows the location and function of each fuse in the fuse box.

If the engine does not run and the boom cannot be lifted, the fuses can be checked after removing the right side cover plate.

The red indicator no. 18 on the dashboard indicates blown hydraulic oil cooler fan fuse. If the indicator is lit, check the 25A fuse of the oil cooler fan. Contact Avant service if necessary.

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10A	10A
30A	30A
15A	15A
25A	25A
10A	10A
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20A	20A
25A	25A
15A	15A

Jump start and auxiliary power

The engine can be started with auxiliary power if necessary, by using appropriate (strong enough) jump start cables. Connect first one end of the positive cable to the positive (+) post of the dead battery. Then connect the other end of the positive jumper cable to the positive (+) post of the charged battery. Connect one end of the negative jumper cable to the negative (-) post of the charged battery. Then connect the other end of the negative jumper cable to a solid, non-paint coated metal part of the engine of the dead loader, as far from the dead battery as possible.



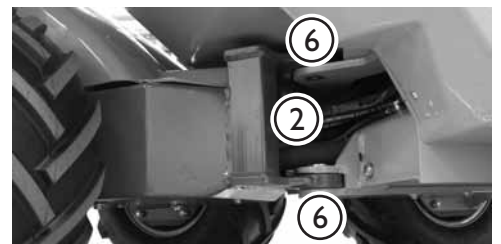
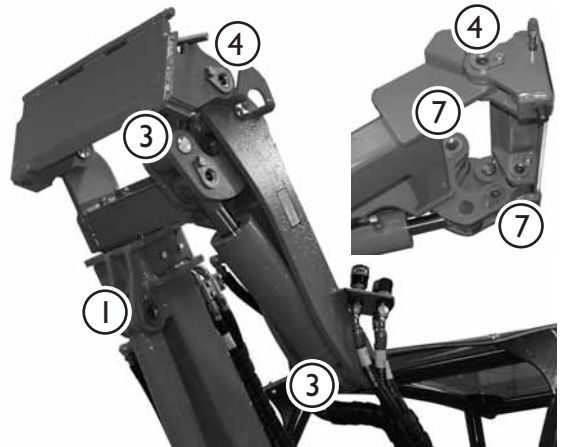
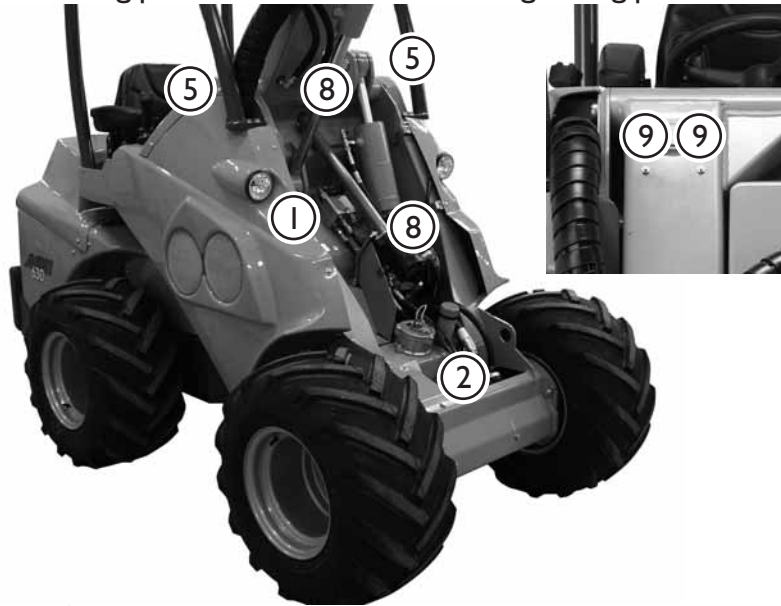
Read Operators Manual of the vehicle that is giving auxiliary power, in order to make sure that the vehicle suited for that. The vehicle can get damaged when giving auxiliary starting power.

Safety instructions when handling the battery

- Battery contains corrosive sulfuric acid.
- Avoid contact with skin or clothes. If electrolyte gets on your skin or clothes, flush with a lot of water.
- In case of contact with eyes, flush with a lot of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a doctor immediately.
- When charging the battery gives off potentially explosive gases – do not smoke when handling the battery.
- In order to avoid spark emissions always disconnect the negative (-) cable first and connect it last
- Before connecting the battery cables make sure that the polarity is correct: faulty connection will seriously damage the electric system of the engine.

GREASING POINTS

Following pictures show the location of greasing points.



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lift cylinder, both ends 2. Steering cylinder, both ends 3. Tilt cylinder, both ends 4. Pivot pins on attachment coupling plate/boom | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Pivot pin on loader boom 6. Articulation joint 7. Tilting mechanism 8. Leveling cylinder, both ends 9. Telescopic boom, grease with boom completely retracted |
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Check the tightness of the pivot pin locking screws, if loose tighten and use thread locker.

Refueling

Check fuel level and fill the tank if necessary. Use diesel fuel only, in accordance with the instructions in the Kubota engine Operator's Manual. Use of other fuels is not allowed, because their quality and properties cannot be guaranteed. Make sure not to let the fuel tank get empty. Should this happen, refuel and restart - the engine is fitted with automatic fuel bleeding.



Do not spill fuel when refueling. should this happen, wipe the fuel away immediately in order to avoid risk of fire.

Always stop the engine before refueling.

Keep the engine away from open fire. do not smoke during refueling.

Light bulbs

Part no. for standard front light bulb and work light bulb is 64874.

Metal structures of the loader

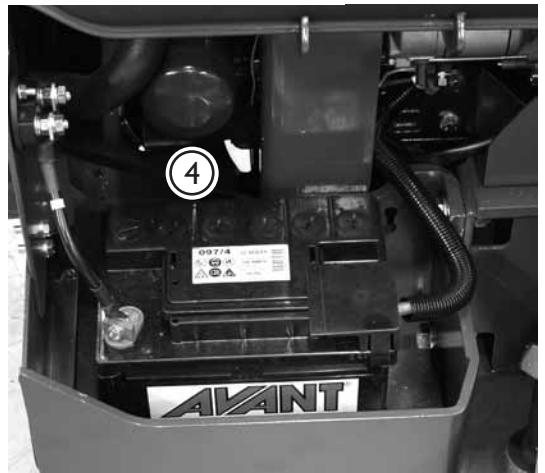
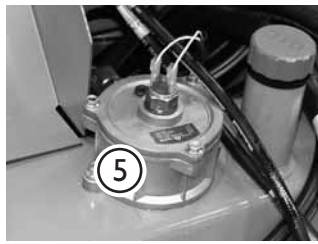
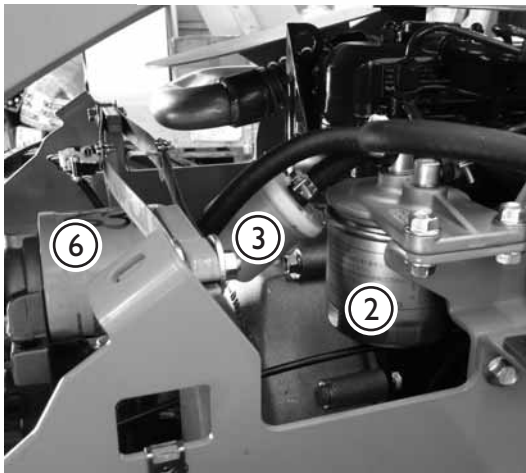
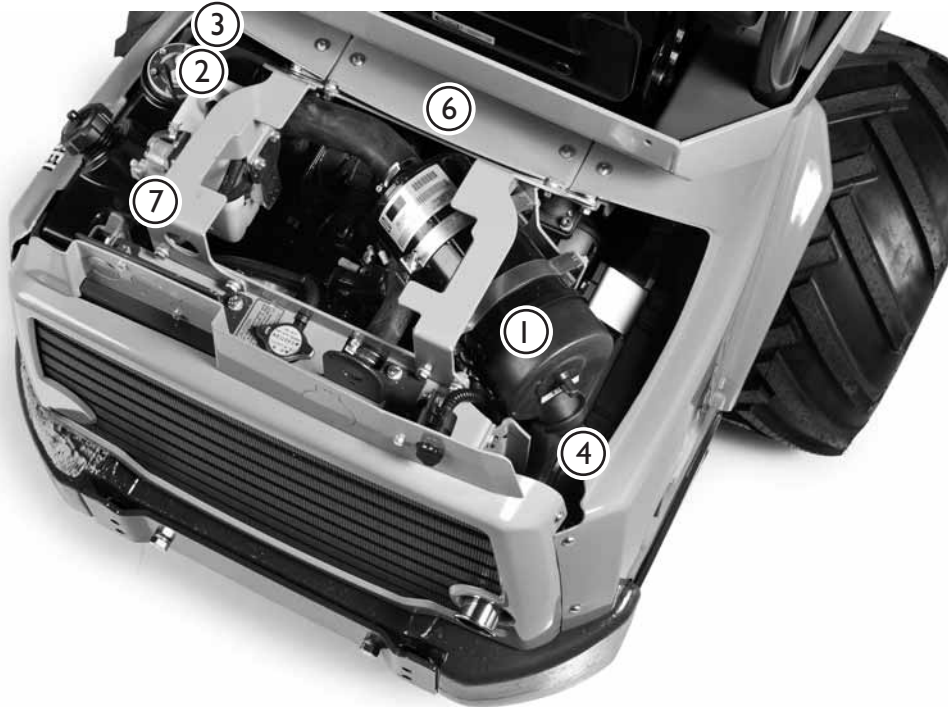


Contact Avant service in case the steel structure of the loader gets damaged. A faulty reparation can cause a dangerous situation.

In case the ROPS safety frame or the FOPS canopy of the machine gets damaged, the machine must be taken to Avant service for checking. It is not allowed to repair the ROPS and FOPS.

FILTERS

Following pictures and tables show the location and part numbers for the filters.



AVANT 520/528 filters

1. Air filter
2. Fuel filter
3. Fuel filter, pre filter
4. Engine oil filter
5. Hydraulic oil filter, return
6. Hydraulic oil filter, pressure
7. Water separator

Part numbers, filters

520 Filter kit A49572 includes:

- 65106 Air filter
- 64626 Fuel filter
- 64657 Fuel filter, pre filter
- 64207 Engine oil filter
- 74093 Hydraulic oil filter, return
- 64807 Hydraulic oil filter, pressure

528 Filter kit A48036 includes:

- 64956 Air filter
- 64626 Fuel filter
- 64657 Fuel filter, pre filter
- 64627 Engine oil filter
- 74093 Hydraulic oil filter, return
- 64807 Hydraulic oil filter, pressure

There is also a water separator with a filter in the fuel system. This water separator filter is not included in the filter kit and it needs not to be changed, unless it breaks. Part no. for the water separator filter is 64963.

Troubleshooting

Below is a listing of most common problems and the solutions for them. More options concerning the engine can be found from the operator’s manual of the engine.

Problem	Cause	Remedy
Hydraulic attachment does not work when the auxiliary hydraulics control lever is moved NOTICE: This concerns only machines with conventional type quick couplers. If the loader is equipped with the multi connector and the hydraulic attachment doesn't work, the hoses of the attachment or the machine multi connector are mounted on wrong fittings. Check and correct, contact Avant service if necessary.	Attachment hoses are not coupled or they are coupled wrongly in the quick couplers. Attachment hoses are not coupled or they are coupled wrongly in the quick couplers.	Make sure that the hoses are properly connected into the quick couplers, change the place of the hoses if necessary. Auxiliary hydraulics have double acting pressure couplers (female) and a return line (male coupler) Operating direction of the attachment depends on how the hoses are connected in the quick couplers. Replace quick couplers.
Engine does not start.	No fuel. Auxiliary hydraulics control lever is in locking position. Battery empty or damaged, or battery disconnect switch is switched off. Blown fuse no. 3 (fuses in the fuse box are numbered). There is back pressure in the auxiliary hydraulics line. If the starter motor works but there comes no smoke from the exhaust when one tries to start, the engine is not getting fuel.	Fill the tank and start the engine. Diesel engines have automatic fuel bleeding – just glow and restart. Turn the lever in center (neutral) position. Turn battery disconnect switch to ON, check charge of the battery. Change the fuse. Release the pressure by moving the auxiliary hydraulics control lever in both directions. Make sure that the fuel hoses and fuel filter are clean and not frozen. Clean if necessary.
Attachment hoses will not go into the quick couplers of the machine (concerns only machines with conventional type quick couplers). The machine moves after parking brake has been engaged.	The pins of the parking brake mechanism have not locked properly in the wheels. Parking brake engages the front wheels.	Drive slowly forward or backward in order to lock the parking brake. When releasing the parking brake do this in opposite order. If the machine must stay in a slope, park it so that the heavier end is on downhill side.

SERVICES MADE

Date	Operating hours	Remarks
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EC DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

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2. **We hereby declare that the machines listed below conform to EC Directives, as they are amended: 2006/42/EC (Machinery), 2004/108/EC (EMC) and 2000/14/EC (Noise Emission).**

3. Category: **EARTH-MOVING MACHINERY/LOADERS/COMPACT**

4. Model: **AVANT** _____

5. Serial Number: _____

6. Year of Manufacture: **2012**

7. Directive / Conformity Assessment Procedure / Notified Body:

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9. Name: **Risto Käkelä**

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