

Figure 4 Lawn mower: (a) beginning position and (b) final position.

Lawn mower

Purpose: This exercise is designed to re-program the muscles used in pulling motions

Starting position:

 $\underline{\ }$ In a standing position reach forward and grasp a pulley handle or elastic band with your hand

Exercise:

- _ Position yourself so that your opposite foot is forward
- _ Pull your hand back as if starting a lawn mower
- _ Repeat the movement slowly (Fig. 4)

Fine tuning:

- _ Stick your chest out (e.g. avoid stooping forward) throughout the movement
- $_$ Keep your shoulder blade ' 'set'' (tilted back and down your back) while avoiding shrugging your shoulder up