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TRACTORS 101



Read the Operator's Manual





TRACTOR TYPES

- Wheeled and tracked
- 2WD and 4WD or articulated
- Tricycle front end
- No ROPS and ROPS equipped









TRACTOR PURPOSE

- Move load (loader, round bale carrier or excavator attachment)
- Remote Power Source (PTO and Hydraulics Couplers)
- Implement Carrier (3-point hitch)
- Transport Unit (pull-type equipment)







TRACTOR CONTROLS

- Color coding for controls:
 - Stop Engine—RED
 - Ignition Switch or Pull-to-Stop knob
 - Ground Motion—ORANGE
 - Engine RPM's
 - Transmission
 - Brake
 - Differential Lock
 - 4WD
 - Power Engagement—<u>YELLOW</u>
 - **PTO**
 - Augers, cutterheads, feed rolls
 - Positioning and Adjusting—BLACK
 - Raise/Lower lower links
 - Remote Hydraulics
 - Light/Flashers/Turn Signals
 - Seat Adjustment

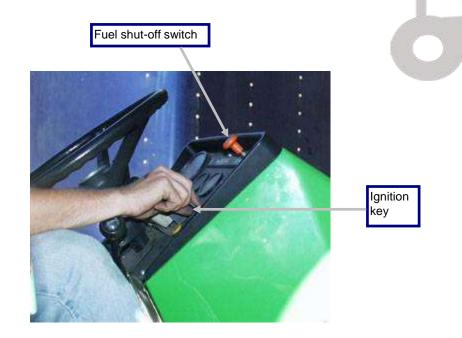




ENGINE STOP CONTROLS

The Color Red

- Stop Engine Control
 - Gasoline Engine
 - Red letters on key switch
 - Diesel Engine
 - Red fuel shut-off switch
 - Older diesel tractors are shut off with a fuel shut-off push/pull knob rather than the ignition key.
 - Newer tractors have electric fuel shutoff solenoid (cut-off with ignition)







GROUND MOTION CONTROLS

- The Color Orange
 - Engine Speed
 - Transmission Controls
 - Parking Break or Park-Lock
 - Independent Emergency Brakes
 - Differential Lock





PICTURES OF ORANGE







SPEED SELECTOR









POWER ENGAGEMENT CONTROLS

The Color Yellow

- PTO
- Cutterheads
- Feed Rolls
- Elevators
- Winches
- Unloading Augers





PTO ENGAGEMENT

- Transmission PTO
 - PTO is directly linked to transmission
 - Disengages when clutch is pushed in.
 - Older tractors
- Live(two-stage clutch)
 - Halfway push in to change gears
 - Push all the way down to disengage PTO
- Independent
 - Most common
 - Separate control to engage or disengage
 - Not connected to clutch and independent of transmission





PICTURES OF YELLOW

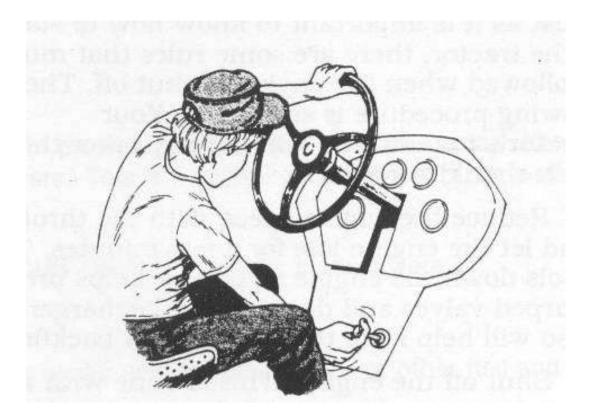






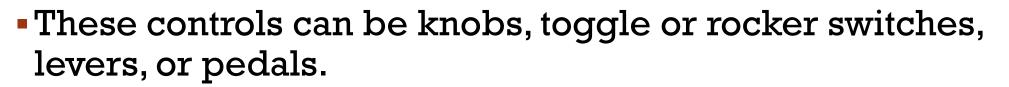
POSITIONING AND ADJUSTING CONTROLS

- The Color Black
 - Remote hydraulics
 - Implement hitches
 - Unloading components
 - Engine chokes
 - Steering column position
 - Lights, flashers, signals
 - Cab comforts





SOME RULES FOR BLACK



- Lift controls operated from the tractor seat must be clearly identified and are found on the right side of the cab.
- Front-end loader controls must be located on the right side of the operator.
- Foot controls must be pushed forward to lower equipment.



PICTURES OF BLACK













Brake control

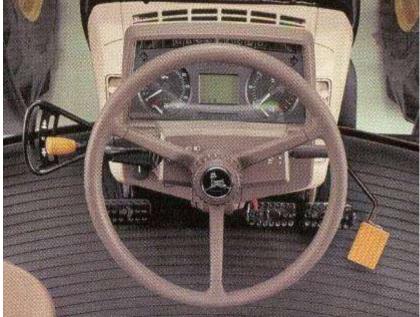
- Foot brake pedals must be located on the right side.
- Push the brake forward and/or downward to engage.
- If a hand brake is provided, it can be on either side and must be pulled to be set.
- Brake locks may be lifted to be set.





Clutch control

- A foot clutch pedal must be located on the left side.
- The pedal is moved forward or downward for disengagement.
- A hand-operated clutch can be located on either side and must be moved toward the operator to be disengaged.





Power Take-Off (PTO) control

 A hand-operated PTO control can be located on either side and will be moved upward or forward for engagement and rearward or downward for disengagement.





- Engine speed control
 - The control is located on the right side.
 - If the hand- operated control is located next to the tractor seat
 - the direction of motion must be forward or upward to increase engine speed and rearward or downward to slow engine speed.
 - If the hand-operated speed control is located near the steering wheel
 - the direction of motion must be rearward and/or downward to increase speed and forward and/or upward to slow engine speed.
 - If a foot-operated control is provided
 - it must be on the right side and moved forward and/or downward to increase speed.





Ground speed control

- A hand-operated forward-reverse (non-variable speed) directional control must be moved forward for forward travel and rearward for reverse.
- A hand- operated variable speed control must be moved forward and/or upward to increase speed and rearward and/or downward to decrease speed.
- A hand-operated combination direction and variable speed control must be moved forward or away from the operator—from the neutral position—for forward travel and increasing speed. To reverse and to increase reverse speed, the control is moved rearward or toward the operator, from a neutral position.





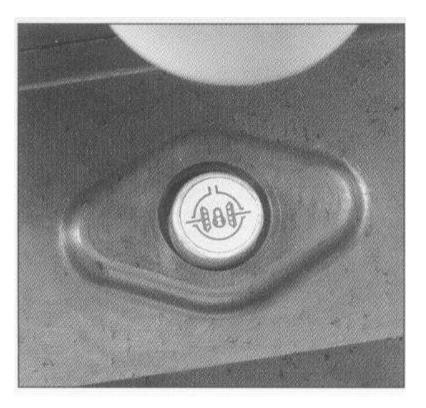
Ground speed control

- A foot-operated combination direction and variable speed control(s) must be on the right side.
 - If a single pedal is used, it must produce forward motion with a forward or downward toe motion, and move in reverse with a rearward or downward heel motion.
 - If two pedals are used, the inner pedal must be moved forward or downward for forward motion, and the outer pedal must be moved forward or downward for backing up.
 - Also, the forward or downward pressure on both pedals must increase speed and automatically return to a neutral position when a foot is taken off the pedal.



Differential lock control

 A differential lock must be moved forward or downward for engagement.





- Lift controls for implements or attachments
 - Lift controls must be located on the right side.
 - A hand-operated control must be moved forward, downward, or away from the operator for lowering, and backward, upward or toward the operator for lifting.





TRANSMISSIONS

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- Geared (manual)
 - Like manual transmission on car, except must be stopped to change gears with clutch and shifter
- Hydrostatic push pedal to go (forward/backward)
 - Common on smaller HP engine tractors
- Synchromesh changing gears on the go (like manual transmission on car)
- Power Shuttle change direction with lever without stopping
- Power Shift change gears without stopping in ranges
 - Within each speed range you can change gears
- Continuously Variable transmission allows you to select a speed and the engine changes RPMS to maintain that speed under different loads.



BRAKES AND CLUTCH

- Two brake pedals on right side.
 - Can be coupled together or separated for individual rear wheel braking
- Clutch is on left side
 - Used to change gears and sometimes to disengage PTO







FORWARD/REVERSE AND GEARS



Older tractors are not color coded







TRACTORS 101

- Connecting and Disconnecting
- Connecting to pull-type equipmentDrawbar
- 3-point Hitch Equipment
- PTO Connections
- Hydraulics and Hydraulic Connections





CONNECTING AND DISCONNECTING EQUIPMENT







NO, do not get between tractor and implement



PULL-TYPE EQUIPMENT

- Equipment Hooks to drawbar on tractor
- Hay balers, Forage choppers, airblast sprayers, peanut combine
- May or may not have additional hook-ups
 - PTO
 - Hydraulic couplings
 - Electrical





PULL-TYPE EQUIPMENT



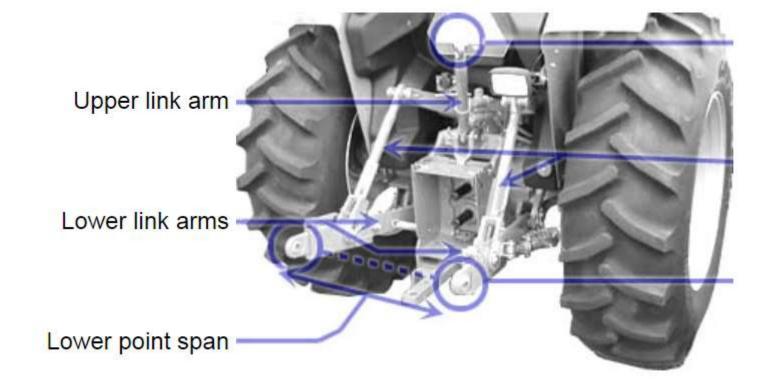
3-POINT ATTACHMENTS





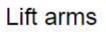






Upper hitch point





Lower hitch points

Three-point hitch specifications

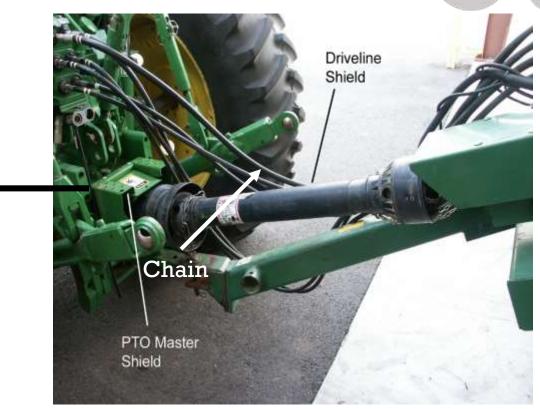
Category	Hitch pin size		Lower hitch spacing	Tractor drawbar power
	upper link	lower links	Lower fitten spacing	fractor drawbar power
0	17 mm (5⁄8")	17 mm (5⁄8")	500 mm (20")	<15 kW (<20 hp)
1	19 mm (¾")	22.4 mm (1/8")	718 mm (28")	15-35 kW (20-45 hp)
2	25.5 mm (1")	28.7 mm (1 1⁄8")	870 mm (34")	30-75 kW (40-100 hp)
3	31.75 mm (1 1/4")	37.4 mm (1 ⁷ ⁄ ₁₆ ")	1010 mm (40")	60-168 kW (80-225 hp)
4	45mm (1 ³ ⁄ ₄ ")	51 mm (2")	1220 mm (48")	135-300 kW (180-400 hp)

PTO BASICS



Pedestal





U-Joint







Tractor PTO Shafts

РТО Туре:	Type 1	Type 2		
Diameter:	1 3/8" (35mm)	1 3/8" (35mm)		
Speed:	540 RPM	1000 RPM		
Gear teeth:	6	21		
Rotation:	Clockwise, as viewed from end of shaft			



PTO BASICS

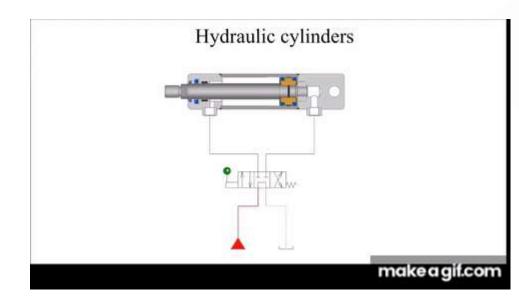






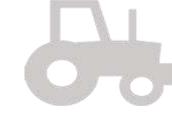
HYDRAULICS AND HYDRAULIC CONNECTIONS

- Tractors move heavy loads and powerful equipment through the use of hydraulics
- Pressure is 2000-3000 psi
 - This means 2000-3000 lbs of force per square inch of area.
 - A 2-inch hydraulic cylinder can deliver over 9000 lbs of force.
- Temperature over 140 F









WORKING WITH HYDRAULICS









TRACTORS 101 - SAFETY

ROPS, or rollover protective structure, is a cab or frame that provides a safe environment for the tractor operator in the event of a rollover.

However, the first ROPS device was not marketed on new tractors until 1965. Many old tractors used today do not have ROPS.

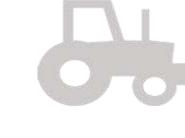


MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY CHECK

















ROPS TYPES

Fold-Down





4-POST

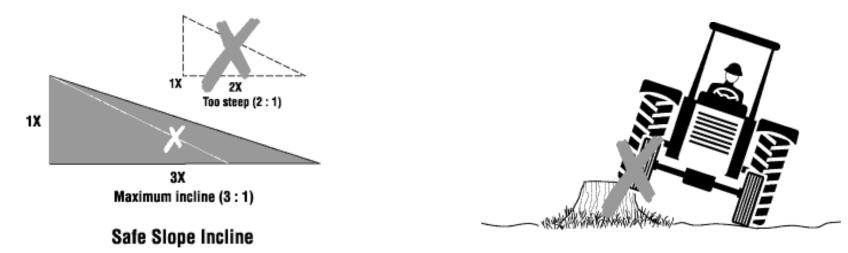
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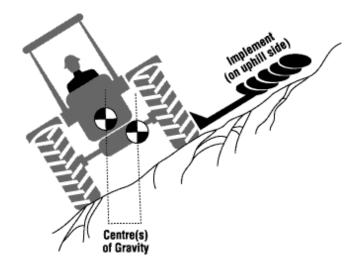






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PREVENTING ROLLOVER





Operate Implement on Uphill Side

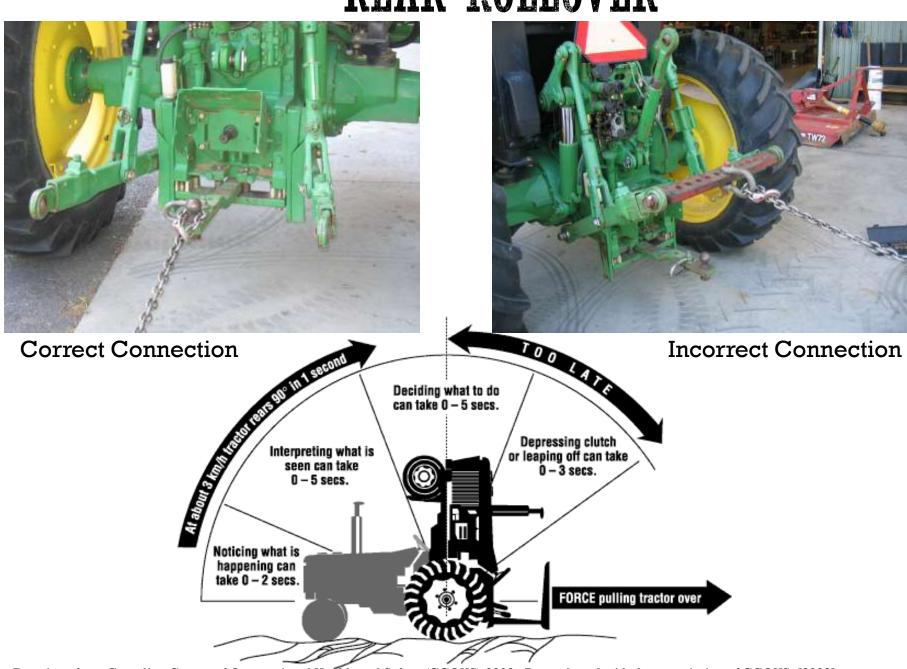
Avoid Field Depressions – When Possible





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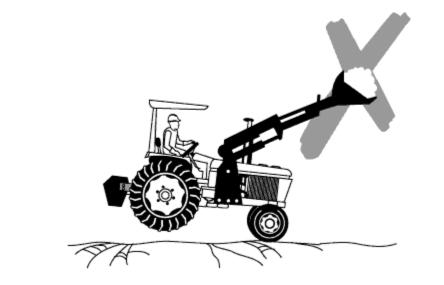
REAR ROLLOVER

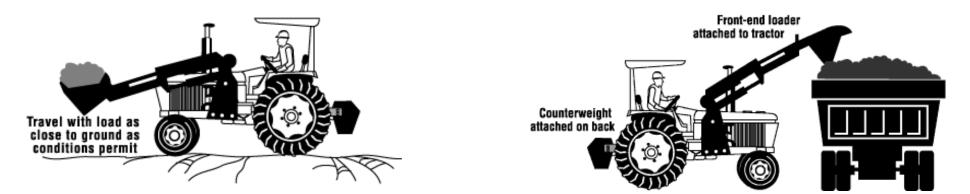




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OPERATING FRONT-END LOADER







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ENTERING AND EXITING TRACTOR

- Always keep 3 points of contact
- Enter and exit facing tractor
- DO NOT jump down
- Keep steps and floor free of debris





HYDRAULICS

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Leaks

 Never use hand to check for leaks



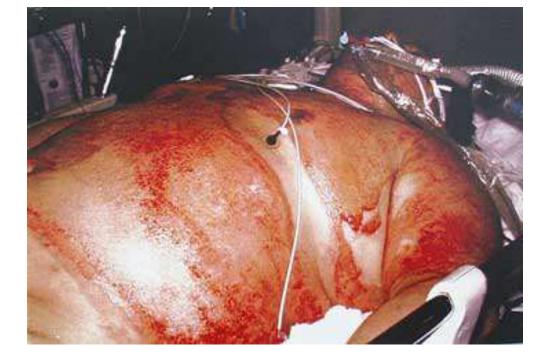


• High Pressure

Flammable







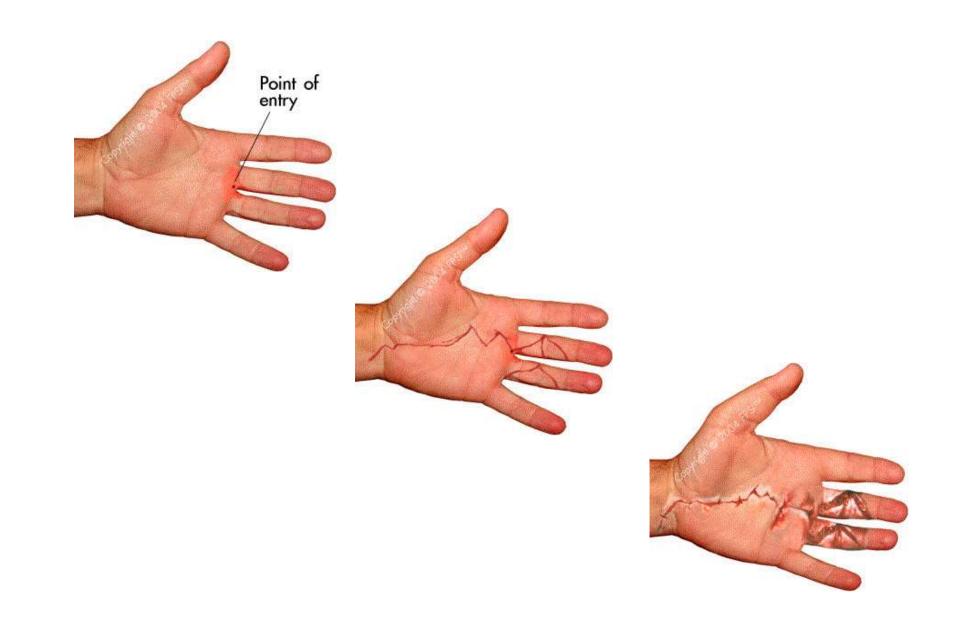
Three kinds of hydraulic hazards exist:

1. burns from the hot, high pressure spray of fluid

2. bruises, cuts or abrasions from failing hydraulic lines

3. hydraulic injection of fluid into the skin.











HAZARDS OF LOOSE CLOTHING AND HAIR



Loose Clothing

Shoe Strings

Long Hair





PTO MODEL DEMONSTRATION





DO NOT GET OFF TRACTOR WITH PTO ENGAGED





NO EXTRA RIDERS





FIELD HAZARDS

ROAD ACROSS DAM









DITCH





FIELD OPERATION



Keep Check-in Schedule



You Should have Walkie-Talkie and/or cell phone



HAZARDS THAT ARE DANGEROUS AND CAN BREAK EQUIPMENT

Disconnect after Use

Avoid Sharp Turns with pull-type machiner



Do not leave PTO Engaged when starting Tractor









GRAIN AUGER





BALERS





ROAD TRANSPORTATION













TRANSPORTING A LOAD ON TRAILER

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aWqQtU2n1G4



Chain Working Load Limits (lbs)

Chain Diameter	Grade 30	Grade 43	Grade 70	Grade 80	Grade 100	Grade 120
1/4″	1,300	2,600	3,150	3,500	4,300	-
9/32″	-	-	-	-	-	5,200
5/16″	1,900	3,900	4,700	4,500	5,700	6,600
3/8″	2,650	5,400	6,600	7,100	8,800	10,600
7/16″	3,700	7,200	8,750	1 	-	-
1/2″	4,500	9,200	11,300	12,000	15,000	17,900
5/8″	6,900	13,000	15,800	18,100	22,600	-





TRACTOR AND EQUIPMENT NOISE

Permissible Noise Exposures:

Duration Per Day (hours)	Sound Level, dB(A)		
8	90		
6	92		
4	95	Motorcycles	
2	100		
1	105		
1/2	110	Chain Saw	
1/4	115	Rock Concert	

Table 3.2. Exposure time limits to sound levels decrease as the db(A) level increases. Use the chart on page 1 to answer the following questions. What is the sound level at your high school dance or at a rock concert? How long should you be exposed to that intensity of sound pressure level?



EAR PROTECTION

An NRR of 25 reduces noise levels by 25 dB. An NRR of 33 reduces noise levels by 33 dB.



- 165 1200	Painful
- 155	150 dB - Rock Concerts at Peak
- 145 prote	140 dB = Firearms, Air-Raid Siren, Jet Engine
135 materia	130 dB = Jackhammer
125	120 dB = Jet Plane Take-off, Amplified Music at 4-6 ft., Car Stere
105	Band Practice
95	
85 martin	Extremely loud:
75 ===	110 dB = Machinery, Model Airplanes
65 meter	100 dB = Snowmobile, Chain saw, Pneumatic Drill
45	90 dB = Lawnmower, Shop Tools, Truck Traffic, Subway
2	Very loud:
25	80 dB = Alarm Clock, Busy Street
15	70 dB = Vacuum Cleaner
5 union and	60 dB = Conversation. Dishwasher
112	
	Moderate:
	50 dB = Moderate Rainfall
	40 dB = Quiet room
	Eaint:
	30 dB = Whisper, Quiet Library

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SUN EXPOSURE

 This photo from the New England Journal of Medicine shows the extreme photoaging of a 69year-old truck driver whose left side sat exposed to Ultraviolet-A sun rays for more than 25 years. A team of Northwestern dermatologist and laser surgery experts are treating the patient in an effort to restore as much of his facial features as possible.









Questions?

