

DON`T FORGET!

Basic measures applied for injuries prevention at work with agricultural machinery and devices :

- follow manufacturer`s safety instructions
- protect tractor`s PTO shaft
- observe and follow safety signs
- support the machinery properly
- whatever interventions on machinery and devices should be taken only at a standstill
- avoid contacts with liquids under high pressure as they could cause severe injuries
- wear required and appropriate personal protective equipment
- be ready for the case of emergency (have operational fire extinguisher and the first aid kit)
- move away when machinery or devices with rotating or movable parts are in operation as to prevent gripping of body parts or clothes
- check and maintain regularly the state of shafts and guards
- use safety belts (if available)
- maintain your machine by licensed service



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How to work in a safe way?

Agricultural machines and devices must be in a good order and regularly maintained, and during operation they should not endanger safety and health of the exposed people or contaminate the environment.

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for safe work

Before putting machine or device in operation read manufacturer's instructions on proper use of the machine and follow them during operation.



Observing and understanding of safety signs

Observe and follow the message of all safety signs on machines and devices.



Proper support of machinery

Machine or device which has to be lifted and left in the raised position should be supported by solid material which can not fall apart under the permanent pressure.



Safe work with the tractor power take-off shaft (PTO)

Tractor outlet shaft, shaft input to the attached machine or device as well as the whole shaft body should be protected by original guards. Workers should wear tightfitting working clothing, cap covering hair, and keep safe body distance from the rotating shaft (in operation).



Avoid direct contact with liquids under high pressure

Before turning off the installations (e.g hydraulic) it is necessary to lower the pressure in the system. Before next turning on all the connections should be tightened. Check proper functioning of the liquid system leakage by a piece of cardboard or wood.



Wear required appropriate personal protective equipment

When working with machines and devices having the rotating movable parts there should be worn a tightfitting clothing and personal protective equipment appropriate to the risk of the job performed.

