

# MAXEMERGE® 2 PLATELESS METERING UNITS



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### Introduction



This safety alert symbol identifies important safety messages in this manual. When you see this symbol, be alert to the possibility of personal injury and carefully read the message that follows.

"Right-hand" and "left-hand" sides are determined by facing in the direction the machine will travel when in use.



The machine is of metric design.

For your convenience, most specifications are given in metric measurement with the customary U.S. measurement following.

Some specifications cannot be converted. These appear in metric only.

The machine hardware is metric. Specified metric hardware must be used for replacement.



CAUTION: Use only metric tools on metric hardware and standard tools on standard hardware. Otherwise tools may not fit properly. They may slip and cause injury.

Record your machine serial number in the space provided in Specification section. Your dealer needs this information to give you prompt, efficient service.

The warranty on this machine appears on your copy of the purchase order which you should have received from your dealer when you purchased the planter.

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## Safety Signs

#### **FOLLOW SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

Carefully read all safety messages in this manual and on your machine safety signs. Follow recommended precautions and safe operating practices.

Keep safety signs in good condition. Replace missing or damaged safety signs.



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#### **UNDERSTAND SIGNAL WORDS**

A signal word—DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION—is used with the safety-alert symbol. DANGER identifies the most serious hazards.

Safety signs with signal word DANGER or WARNING are typically near specific hazards.

General precautions are listed on CAUTION safety signs. CAUTION also calls attention to safety messages in this manual.

## **A** DANGER

# **AWARNING ACAUTION**

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## **Safety**

#### **OPERATE THE PLANTER SAFELY**

Be careful when operating planter to avoid injury.

If the planter must be in raised position while working on or near it, be certain service locks are installed.

Never ride or permit others to ride on the drawbar of the tractor or on the planter.

Serious injury or death can result from contact with electric lines. Use care when moving or operating this machine near electric lines to avoid contact.

Be careful when operating on hillsides; tractor can tip sideways if it strikes a hole, ditch or other irregularity.

Permit only one person, the operator, on tractor platform while tractor and planter are in operation.

Lower planter completely to the ground before unhitching from the tractor. Be sure planter is on a level and firm surface.

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#### LUBRICATE THE PLANTER SAFELY

Do not grease, oil or adjust the planter while it is in motion.

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#### TRANSPORT SAFELY

Engage and secure transport locks before transporting.

Install marker lockup straps.

The maximum transport speed for this planter is 10 mph (16 km/h). DO NOT EXCEED. Never travel at any speed which does not permit adequate control of steering and stopping.

While transporting planter on public roads, follow safety instructions outlined under "Transporting".

Use care when transporting across rough ground.

Serious injury or death can result from contact with electric lines. Use care when moving or operating this machine near electric lines to avoid contact.

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#### **AVOID HIGH-PRESSURE FLUIDS**

Escaping fluid under pressure can penetrate the skin causing serious injury. Relieve pressure before disconnecting hydraulic or other lines. Tighten all connections before applying pressure. Keep hands and body away from pinholes and nozzles which eject fluids under high pressure. Use a piece of cardboard to search for leaks.

If ANY fluid is injected into the skin, it must be surgically removed within a few hours by a doctor familiar with this type injury or gangrene may result.



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#### HANDLE CHEMICALS PROPERLY

Agricultural chemicals can be dangerous. Improper selection or use can injure persons, animals, plants, soils or other property. BE SAFE: handle and apply with care. Follow instructions of the chemical manufacturer.

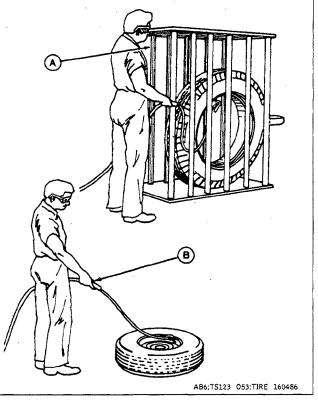
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#### SERVICE TIRES SAFELY

Failure to follow proper procedures when mounting a tire on a wheel or rim can produce an explosion which may result in serious injury or death. Do not attempt to mount a tire unless you have the proper equipment and experience to perform the job. Have it done by your John Deere dealer or a qualified tire repair service.

When sealing tire beads on rims, never exceed 35 psi (241 kPa) (2.4 bar) or maximum inflation pressures specified by tire manufacturers for mounting tires. Inflation beyond this maximum pressure may break the bead, or even the rim, with dangerous explosive force. If both beads are not seated when the maximum recommended pressure is reached, deflate, reposition tire, relubricate bead and reinflate.

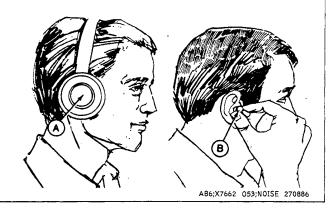
A—Use a Safety Cage if Available. B—Do Not Stand Over Tire. Use a Clip-on Chuck and Extension Hose.



#### **PROTECT AGAINST NOISE**

Prolonged exposure to loud noise can cause impairment or loss of hearing.

Wear a suitable hearing protective device such as earmuffs (A) or earplugs (B) to protect against objectionable or uncomfortable loud noises.



#### DO NOT MODIFY THE PLANTER

Unauthorized modifications to the machine may impair the function and/or safety and affect machine life.

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#### **USE IMPLEMENT WARNING LIGHTS**

When transporting the equipment on a road or highway at night or during the day, use accessory lights and devices for adequate warning to operators of other vehicles. In this regard, check local governmental regulations. Various safety devices are available from your John Deere dealer.

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## **Preparing for Use**

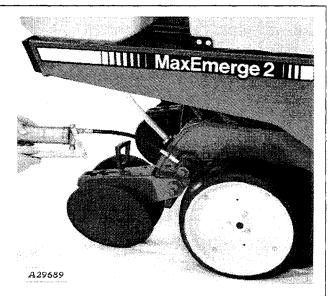
#### TIRE INFLATION

Inflate tires to 359 kPa (3.6 bar) (52 psi) of air pressure.

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#### **LUBRICATION**

Be sure your planting units have been properly lubricated. (See Lubrication section.)



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## READ YOUR PLANTER OPERATOR'S MANUAL

Read the Preparing for Use section in your planter operator's manual for related information on seed meter.

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## **Operating Seed Meter**

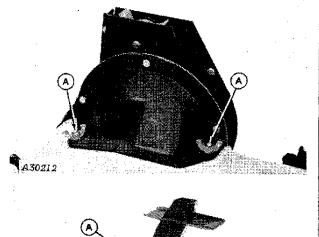
#### **PLATELESS SEED HOPPERS**

Plateless seed hoppers are for drill planting only.

The metering unit is attached directly to the bottom of the fiber glass seed hopper by two wing nuts (A).

IMPORTANT: Always keep lids on seed hoppers when planting. If lids are left off, dust and dirt can accumulate in the seed metering mechanism, causing excessive wear.

Finger Pickup Seed Metering Unit

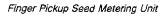




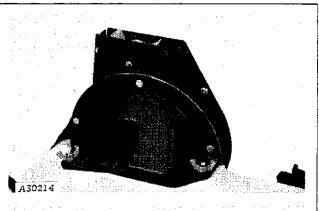
Feed Cup Seed Metering Unit

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Equip your planter with finger pickup metering units to plant all sizes (or mixed sizes) of corn and sunflower seeds.



Equip your planter with feed cup metering units to plant soybeans, edible beans or sorghum/milo or acid delinted cotton.





Feed Cup Seed Metering Unit

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#### **FEED CUP METERING UNIT**

The feed cup metering unit consists of a feed cup housing (A), feed cup (B), washer shims (C) (used with low-rate sorghum/milo metering units only) and corresponding seed guide (D).

Use feed cup metering units to plant the following types of seed:

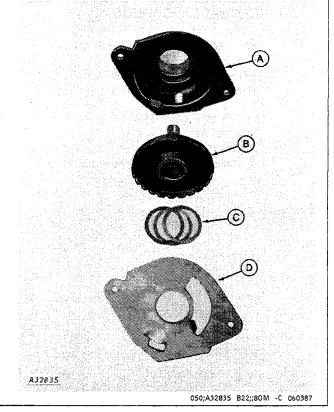
Soybeans Sorghum/Milo, Regular Rate Sorghum/Milo, Low-Rate Edible Beans Acid Delinted Cotton Small Soybeans

A—Feed Cup Housing

B-Feed Cup

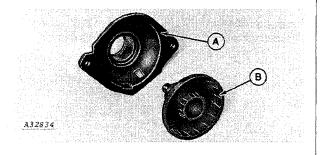
C-Washer Shims

D-Seed Guide



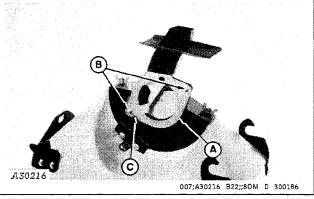
#### SOYBEANS, EDIBLE BEANS AND REGULAR-RATE SORGHUM/MILO FEED CUP

Assemble the feed cup housing (A) with the desired feed cup (B).



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Install seed guide (A) on feed cup adapter so it seats properly on the mounting studs (B). Align notch (C) in seed guide with projection on adapter.



Secure feed cup and housing to adapter with wing nuts (A). Be certain aligning notch is located so feed cup housing seats properly.

Wipe off feed cup bushings periodically to help reduce wear.

IMPORTANT: Store the feed cup metering assemblies in a clean, dry place while they are not in use.

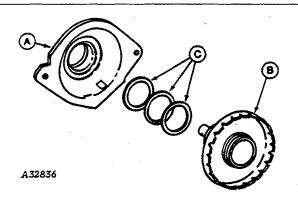


#### LOW-RATE SORGHUM/MILO

Before assembling the low-rate milo metering unit, you must determine the size of the seed. You can accomplish this by using a seed sizing kit, available from your John Deere dealer.

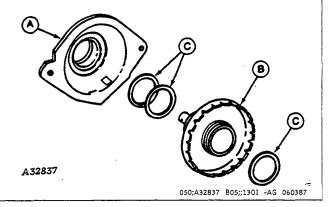
NOTE: The three washer shims must be used with the low-rate feed cup. Do not operate without all three shims.

If the seed being planted will pass through the 3 mm (9/64 in.) screen by shaking vigorously, use three washer shims (C) between feed cup (B) and housing (A) only.



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If the seed being planted will pass through the 4 mm (10/64 in.) screen and not the 3 mm (9/64 in.) screen, use two washer shims (C) between feed cup (B) and housing (A) and one washer shim (C) between feed cup and seed guide.



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