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GATOR® Utility Vehicle
Worksite

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OPERATOR'S MANUAL



WARNING: The Engine Exhaust
from this product contains chemicals known
to the State of California to cause cancer,
birth defects or other reproductive harm.

California Proposition 65 Warning

North American Version
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INTRODUCTION

Thank You for Purchasing a John Deere Product

We appreciate having you as a customer and wish you many years of safe and satisfied use of your machine.

IMPORTANT: Avoid damage! This text is used to tell the operator of actions or conditions that might result in damage to the machine.

NOTE: General information is given throughout the manual that may help the operator in the operation or service of the machine.

Using Your Operator's Manual

This manual is an important part of your machine and should remain with the machine when you sell it.

Reading your operator's manual will help you and others avoid personal injury or damage to the machine. Information given in this manual will provide the operator with the safest and most effective use of the machine. Knowing how to operate this machine safely and correctly will allow you to train others who may operate this machine.

This manual and safety signs on your machine may also be available in other languages (see your John Deere dealer to order).

Sections in your operator's manual are placed in a specific order to help you understand all the safety messages and learn the controls so you can operate this machine safely. You can also use this manual to answer any specific operating or servicing questions. A convenient index located at the end of this book will help you to find needed information quickly.

The machine shown in this manual may differ slightly from your machine, but will be similar enough to help you understand our instructions.

RIGHT-HAND and LEFT-HAND sides are determined by facing in the direction the machine will travel when going forward. When you see a broken line arrow (----->), the item referred to is hidden from view.

Before delivering this machine, your dealer performed a predelivery inspection to ensure best performance.

Special Messages

Your manual contains special messages to bring attention to potential safety concerns, machine damage as well as helpful operating and servicing information. Please read all the information carefully to avoid injury and machine damage.



CAUTION: Avoid injury! This symbol and text highlight potential hazards or death to the operator or bystanders that may occur if the hazards or procedures are ignored.

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

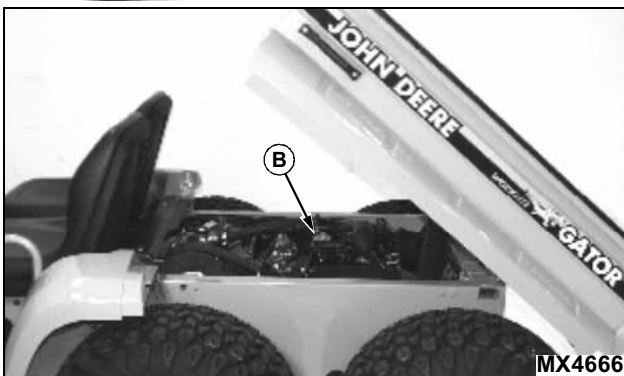
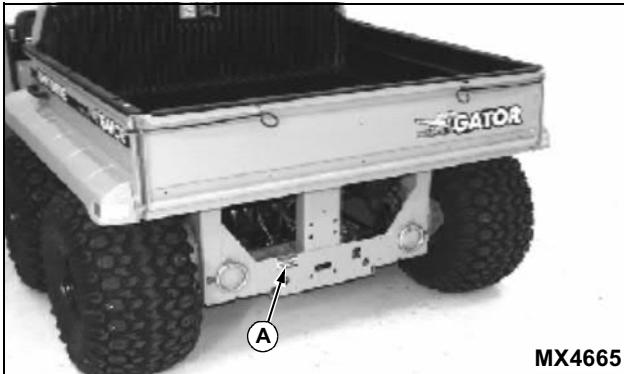
Record Identification Numbers

GATOR® Utility Vehicle

Worksite PIN (001001-)

If you need to contact an Authorized Service Center for information on servicing, always provide the product model and identification numbers.

You will need to locate the identification numbers for the product. Record the information in the spaces provided below.



DATE OF PURCHASE:

DEALER NAME:

DEALER PHONE:

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (A):

ENGINE SERIAL NUMBER (B):

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SAFETY

Understanding The Machine Safety Labels

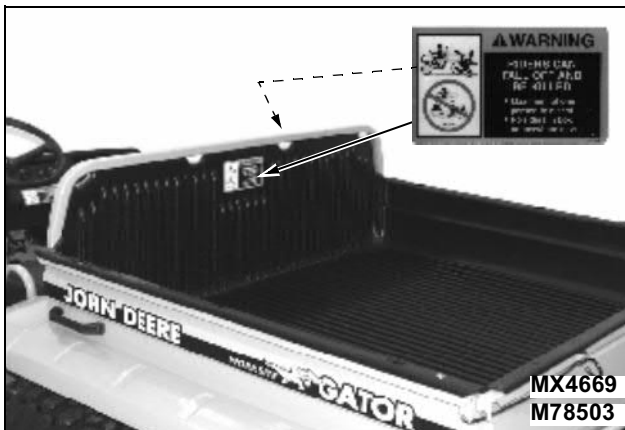


The machine safety labels shown in this section are placed in important areas on your machine to draw attention to potential safety hazards.

On your machine safety labels, the words DANGER, WARNING, and CAUTION are used with this safety-alert symbol, (▲). DANGER identifies the most serious hazards.

The operator's manual also explains any potential safety hazards whenever necessary in special safety messages that are identified with the word, CAUTION, and the safety-alert symbol, (▲).

WARNING: RIDERS CAN FALL OFF AND BE KILLED



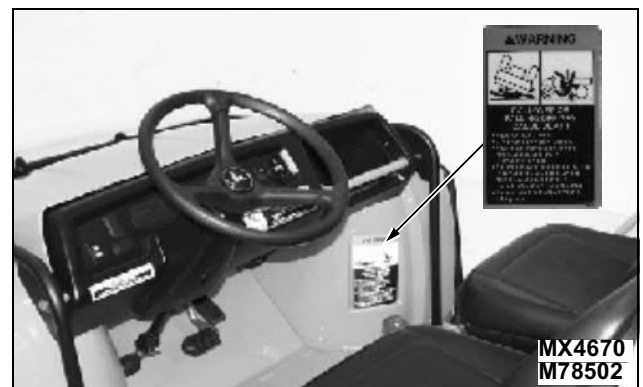
- Maximum of one person to a seat.
- No riders in box or anywhere else.

WARNING: YOUNG DRIVERS INCREASE CHANCE OF DEATH



- Young drivers may not be able to control vehicle.
- No drivers younger than 16 years old.

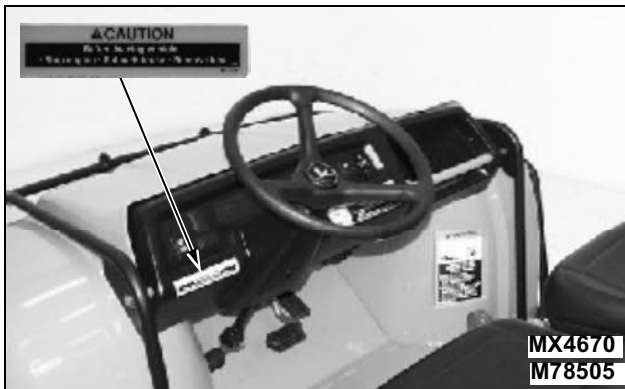
WARNING: ROLLOVER OR FALLING OFF MAY CAUSE DEATH



- Read operator's manual.
- Drive very slowly when turning.
- Always use brakes going down a slope. Vehicle can take-off (freewheel) downhill.
- No loads heavier than 500 lbs (227 kg) in 4x2, 800 lbs (363 kg) in 6x4 and 1000 lbs (454 kg) in 6x4 DIESEL. Spread load evenly. Tie loads down.
- Reduce speed and load on rough or hilly ground.

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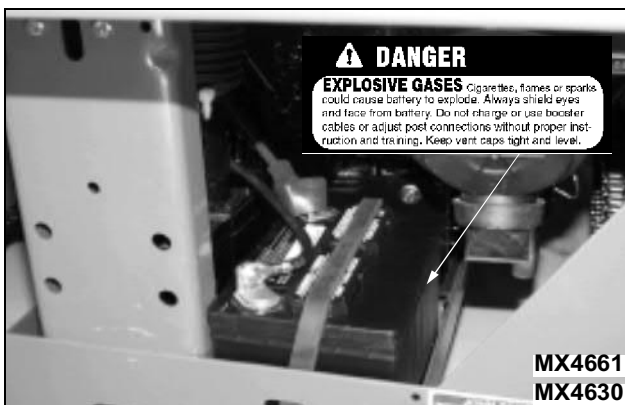
CAUTION



Before leaving vehicle:

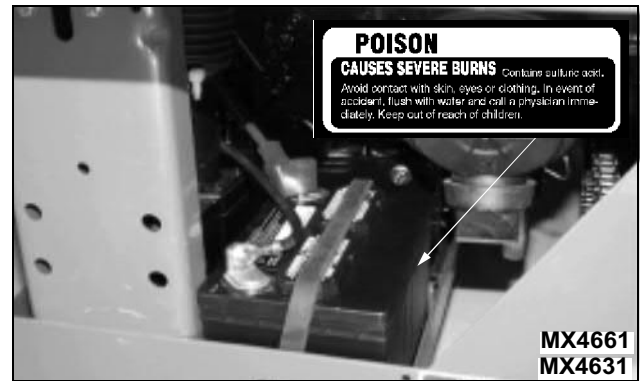
- Stop engine.
- Set park brake.
- Remove key.

DANGER: EXPLOSIVE GASES



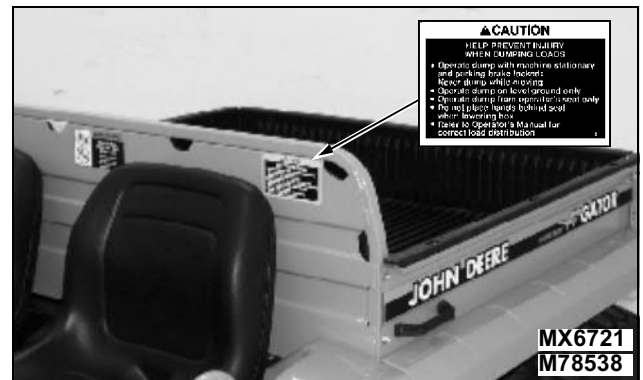
Cigarettes, flames or sparks could cause battery to explode. Always shield eyes and face from battery. Do not charge or use booster cables or adjust post connections without proper instruction and training. Keep vent caps tight and level.

POISON: CAUSES SEVERE BURNS



Contains sulfuric acid. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. In event of accident, flush with water and call a physician immediately. Keep out of reach of children.

CAUTION: HELP PREVENT INJURY WHEN DUMPING LOADS

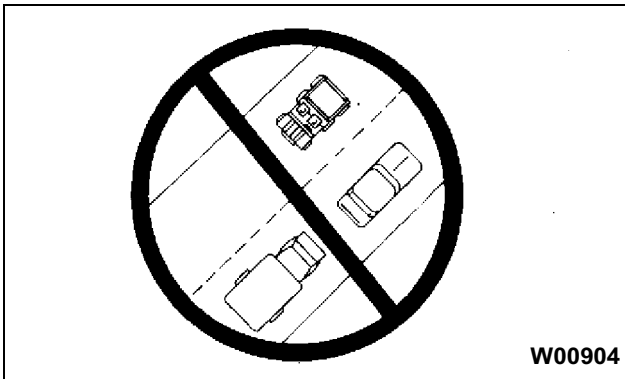


- Operate dump with machine stationary and parking brake locked: Never dump while moving.
- Operate dump on level ground only.
- Operate dump from operator's seat only.
- Do not place hands behind seat when lowering box.
- Refer to Operator's Manual for correct load distribution.

Operating Safely

- View the videotape provided with the vehicle for safe operating practices.
- Do not misuse the utility vehicle. It is a utility vehicle, not a recreation vehicle.

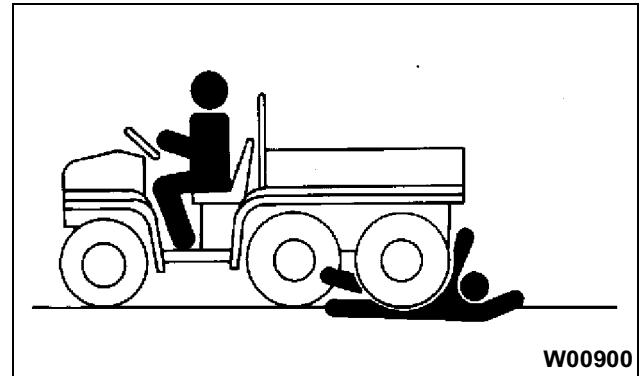
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- The utility vehicle is not intended for use on highways or public roads. Do not operate vehicle on a road where the vehicle may be a hazard to faster-moving traffic.
- Horseplay or recreational riding can lead to accidents, severe bodily injury or death.
- Sit on the center of the seat and keep both feet within the foot platform perimeter. Clean foot platform if dirty, and remove any debris from around foot controls.
- Check for debris in engine compartment, especially around brake linkage on each side of the transaxle.
- Always use both hands for steering.
- Know location of controls and how and what they operate.
- Never operate utility vehicle while standing.
- Never operate utility vehicle with the cargo box raised.
- Check brake action before beginning vehicle operation. Adjust or service the brakes as necessary.
- To provide adequate braking ability and traction, do not tow any attachment or loaded trailer unless the utility vehicle cargo box is fully loaded.
- Inspect vehicle before operating. Be sure hardware is tight. Repair or replace damaged, badly worn, or missing parts. Be sure guards and shields are in good condition and fastened in place. Make any necessary adjustments before operating.
- Keep people and pets out of the work area. Stop the vehicle if anyone enters the area. If an object is hit, stop and inspect the vehicle for damage. Make repairs before operating.
- Do not leave vehicle unattended when it is running.
- Only operate during daylight or with good artificial light.
- Be careful of traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- This vehicle is not intended for use on highways or public roadways. It is to be used for off-road use only.
- Avoid sudden starts, stops, or turns.

- Always use a level turn-around area.
- Do not wear headphones while operating.

Protect Children and Prevent Accidents



- Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them. Stay alert to the presence of children.
- Never carry children in the cargo box area. DO NOT let children ride in the cargo box of the utility vehicle or any attachment. DO NOT tow children in a cart or trailer.
- Use extra care when coming to blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other objects that may block vision.
- DO NOT let children or an untrained person operate the vehicle.
- Before backing or turning, look behind and around the utility vehicle for children.
- Be alert at all times, drive forward and in reverse carefully. People, especially children, can move quickly into an area of operation.
- Back carefully. Look behind the vehicle, especially for children, before backing up.
- DO NOT operate vehicle if under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.
- Misuse and recreational riding can lead to accidents, severe bodily injury or death.

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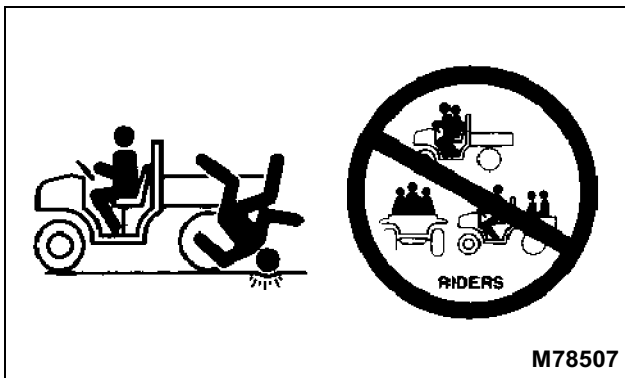
Operator Training Required



Study operation and safety sections of this manual before operating the vehicle.

- Operate vehicle in an open, unobstructed area under the direction of an experienced operator.
- Learn the use of all controls.
- Operator experience is required to learn the moving, stopping, turning and other operating characteristics of the vehicle.
- Young drivers may not have the strength or experience to control the utility vehicle. This increases the chances of rolling the vehicle over resulting in severe bodily injury or death.
- The utility vehicle should NOT be operated by anyone under the age of 16 years.

Keep Riders Off Vehicle



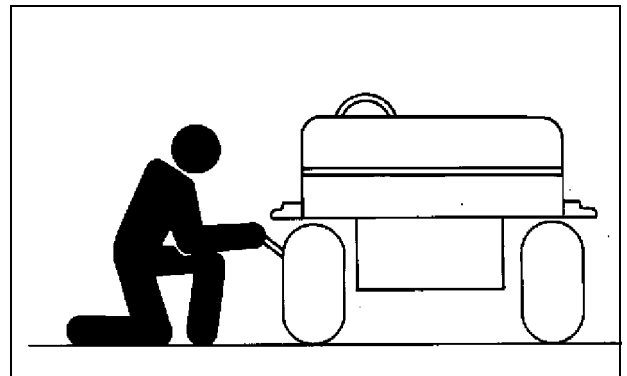
- Seating is provided for operator and one passenger. No riders are allowed in cargo box or anywhere else on vehicle.
- Riders on vehicle are subject to injury such as being struck by foreign objects or being thrown off of the vehicle and severely injured or killed.
- Riders affect the operator's ability to control the vehicle

as well as its center of gravity. Also, riders could obstruct the operator's view resulting in the vehicle being operated in an unsafe manner.

- Never allow riders in the cargo box or other areas where seats are not provided.

Before Driving

1. Clean foot platform if dirty, and remove any debris from around foot controls. Sit on the center of seat and keep both feet inside foot platform perimeter.
2. Know location of controls and how and what they operate.
3. Inspect utility vehicle for signs of wear or damage.
4. All safety equipment must be in good condition and fastened in place:
 - Load guard.
 - Lights.
 - Shields.
 - Safety start devices.
5. Before moving, check around utility vehicle, be sure no one is near it.



6. Inspect mechanical condition of your vehicle before each use to minimize chance of injury or being stranded. Remember, you can ride farther in an hour than you can walk in a day.

Be sure to check condition of tires and wheels, wheel hardware torque, and maintain proper tire pressure.

7. Securely anchor all loads.

Parking Safely

1. Stop the vehicle on a level surface, not on a slope.
2. Lock park brake.

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3. STOP engine.
4. Remove key.
5. Before you leave the operator's seat, wait for engine and all moving parts to STOP.

Transport Loads Safely

Be sure load guard is properly installed.

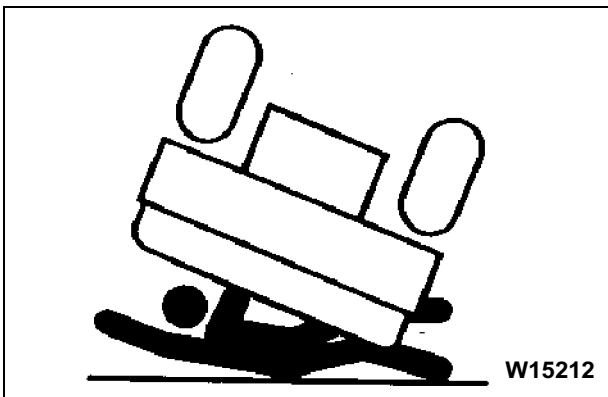
Be sure load is evenly distributed.

Do not load above load guard.

Securely anchor all loads in cargo box.

Reduce cargo box capacity when operating on rough or hilly terrain.

Avoid Tipping

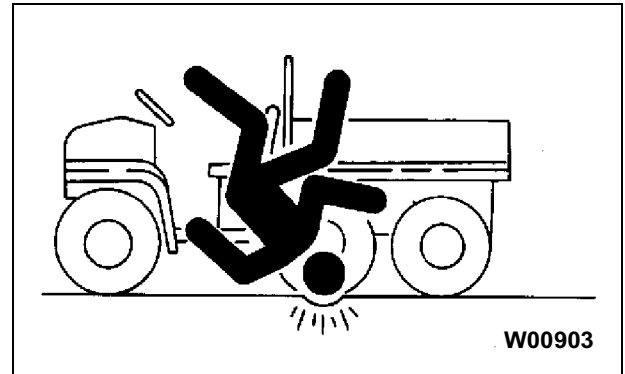


Accidents resulting in serious injury or death can occur from tipping the utility vehicle. Observe the following practices to help prevent accidents:

- DO NOT misuse the utility vehicle. The utility vehicle is not designed for recreational riding.
- Drive very slowly when turning. Sharp turns could cause the utility vehicle to tip over.
- Reduce speed and exercise extreme caution on slopes or on rough ground.
- DO NOT overload vehicle and avoid shifting loads. Reduce load when operating over rough or hilly terrain.
- DO NOT stop or start suddenly when going uphill or downhill. Be especially cautious when changing direction on slopes.
- Stay alert for holes, rocks, and other hidden hazards in the terrain.
- Keep front wheels straight at crest of hill or going over bumps.

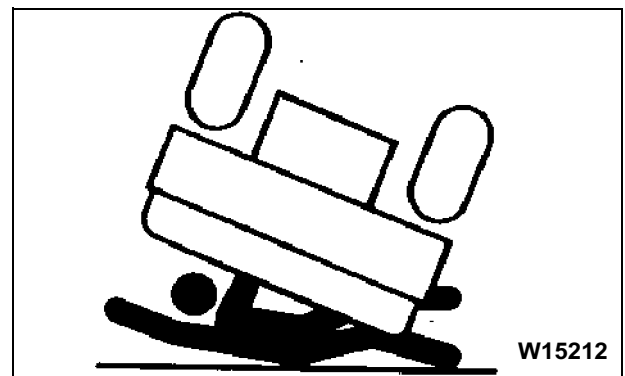
- When descending a hill, remove foot from accelerator and apply brakes to reduce speed and maintain control.
- DO NOT make changes or modifications to the utility vehicle.
- Use of a helmet and/or protective gear is recommended for certain operating conditions.

Driving On Rough Terrain



- Use existing trails. Avoid terrain such as dangerous slopes and impassable swamps. Watch carefully for sharp bumps, holes, ruts, or obstacles.
- Look ahead at terrain. Know what is coming and be prepared to react. Be alert for hazards.
- Keep front wheels straight at crest of hill or going over bumps.
- Reduce speed according to trail, terrain, and visibility conditions.
- Use of a helmet and or protective gear is recommended for certain operating conditions.

Climbing Or Descending A Hill



- Always use the brakes when going down slopes, the utility vehicle can speed up (freewheel) going down a slope.



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