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# Introduction

**Read this manual** carefully to learn how to operate and service your machine correctly. Failure to do so could result in personal injury or equipment damage.

This manual should be considered a permanent part of your machine and should remain with the machine when you sell it.

**Measurements** in this manual are U.S. customary units and their metric equivalents.

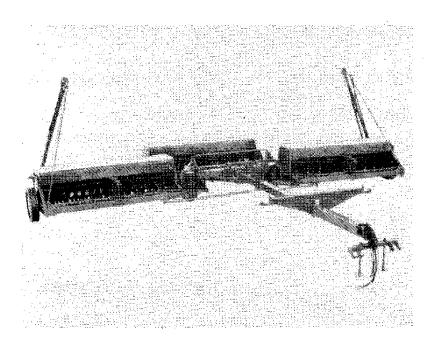
**Right-hand and left-hand** sides are determined by facing in the direction the implement will travel when going forward.

Write product identification numbers in the Specifications section. Accurately record all the numbers to help in tracing the machine should it be stolen. Your dealer also needs these numbers when you order parts. If this manual is kept on the machine, also file the identification numbers in a secure place off the machine.

Warranty is provided as part of John Deere's support program for customers who operate and maintain their equipment as described in this manual. The warranty is explained on the warranty certificate which you should have received from your dealer.

This warranty provides you the assurance that John Deere will back its products where defects appear within the warranty period. In some circumstances, John Deere also provides field improvements, often without charge to the customer, even if the product is out of warranty. Should the equipment be abused, or modified to change its performance beyond the original factory specifications, the warranty will become void and field improvements may be denied. Setting fuel delivery above specifications or otherwise overpowering machines will result in such action.

The tire manufacturer's warranty supplied with your machine may not apply outside the U.S.



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# Safety

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#### RECOGNIZE SAFETY INFORMATION

This is the safety-alert symbol. When you see this symbol on your machine or in this manual, be alert to the potential for personal injury.

Follow recommended precautions and safe operating practices.



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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.



# **AWARNING**

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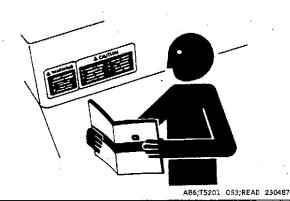
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#### **FOLLOW SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

Carefully read all safety messages in this manual and on your machine safety signs. Keep safety signs in good condition. Replace missing or damaged safety signs.

Learn how to operate the machine and how to use controls properly. Do not let anyone operate without instruction.

Keep your machine in proper working condition. Unauthorized modifications to the machine may impair the function and/or safety and affect machine life.





#### **OPERATE SAFELY**

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{DO}}$  NOT operate drill with more than one person on the tractor.

DO NOT allow anyone to ride on the drill.

DO NOT operate close to a ditch or creek.

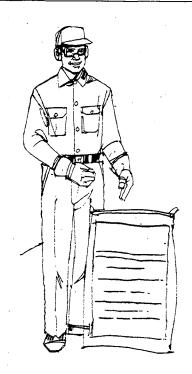
Drive slowly over rough ground.

Shift the tractor into a lower gear when operating on steep slopes.

If your tractor is equipped with a ROLL-GARD®Safety Canopy and seat belt be sure to keep your seat belt fastened when operating or transporting the drill.

Handle and apply chemically treated seeds according to manufacturers recommendations. Properly dispose of unused treated seeds and their containers.

Always shut off tractor engine and shift to park when leaving tractor. Remove key when leaving tractor unattended.



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#### **AVOID TIP-OVERS**

Use a seat belt under almost all operating conditions.

Avoid holes, ditches, and obstructions which may cause the machine to tip, especially on hillsides.

Never drive near the edge of a gully or steep embankment—it might cave in.

Slow down for hillsides, rough ground, and sharp turns.



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### KEEP RIDERS OFF MACHINE

Only allow the operator on the machine. Keep riders off.

Riders on machine are subject to injury such as being struck by foreign objects and being thrown off of the machine. Riders also obstruct the operator's view resulting in the machine being operated in an unsafe manner.



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#### PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES

Be prepared if a fire starts.

Keep a first aid kit and fire extinguisher handy.

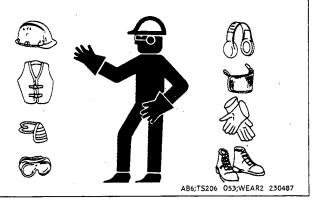
Keep emergency numbers for doctors, ambulance service, hospital, and fire department near your telephone.



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#### WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

Wear close fitting clothing and safety equipment appropriate to the job.



### PROTECT AGAINST NOISE

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

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



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# HANDLE PESTICIDES AND FERTILIZERS CAREFULLY

Keep dust away from skin and hair.

Keep containers low when pouring.

Let the wind blow fumes away from you when mixing with seed or when filling tank.

Wear a filtered respirator if you cannot avoid dust.

Wear goggles to protect your eyes.

Wash exposed skin areas frequently — do not leave pesticide on your skin.

Do not smoke while handling pesticides.

Properly dispose of pesticide container, unused pesticide and left-over treated seed and fertilizer.

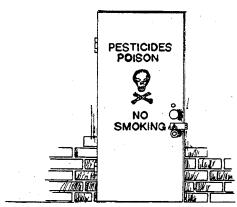
Read and observe manufacturers recommendations.

Store pesticides in a separate, plainly marked LOCKED building.

Store pesticides in original containers with labels intact.









#### **USE SAFETY LIGHTS AND DEVICES**

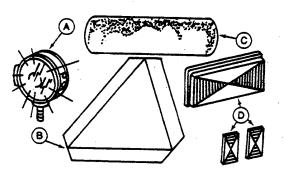
Flashing warning lights and turn signals are recommended when towing this equipment on public roads unless prohibited by state or local regulations. A safety lighting kit is available from your John Deere dealer.

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

A-Lights

C-Reflector Tape

B-Slow Moving Vehicle Emblem D-Reflectors



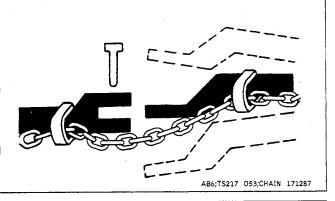
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## **USE A SAFETY CHAIN**

A safety chain will help control drawn equipment should it accidentally separate from the drawbar.

Using the appropriate adapter parts, attach the chain to the tractor drawbar support or other specified anchor location. Provide only enough slack in the chain to permit turning.

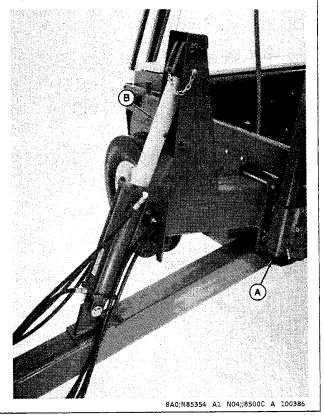
See your John Deere dealer for a chain with a strength rating equal to or greater than the gross weight of the towed machine. Do not use safety chain for towing.



#### TRANSPORT SAFELY—DRAWN MODELS

Raise parking stand (A).

Install safety clevis (B) over cylinder rod and pin in place.



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