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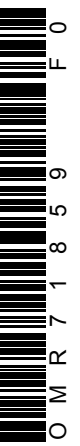
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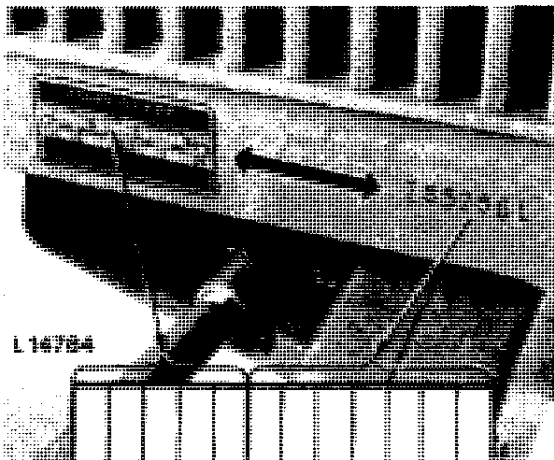
Your new John Deere Tractor meets the exacting requirements of modern farming.

Operating ease and comfort, hydraulic power when and where you need it, the ability to match engine power and transmission speed to any job, outstanding economy and dependability, modern styling, and simplicity of lubrication and service are all special features of this tractor.

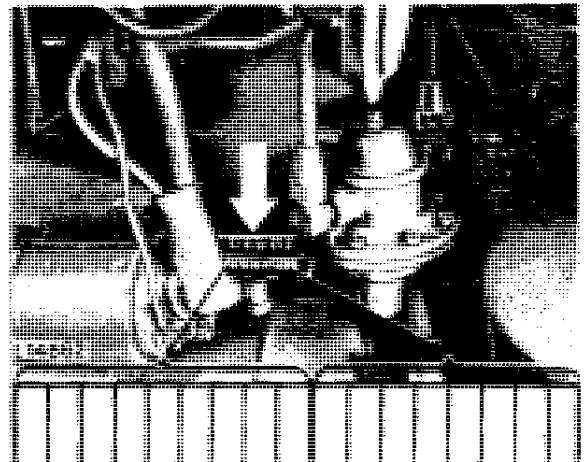
At the time the tractor was delivered, the John Deere dealer discussed with you its safe operation and proper care. However, before putting the tractor to work, read this manual.



This safety alert symbol indicates 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.



Record Tractor Serial Number Here



Record Engine Serial Number Here

For ready reference, locate and record these serial numbers in the spaces provided below each illustration. Your John Deere dealer requires this information for warranty claims* and to give you prompt, efficient service when you order replacement parts**

* *It is extremely important to quote complete serial number and all letters of both machine and engine on all warranty claims or correspondence pertaining to this machine. This point cannot be overemphasized.*

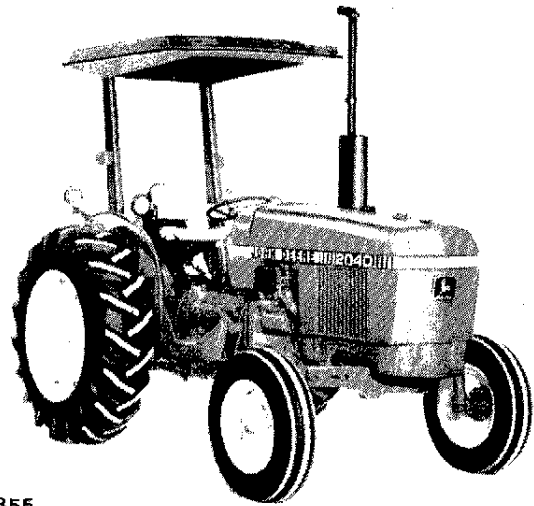
** *When ordering new parts, state only number group – without letters – of machine and engine serial numbers.*

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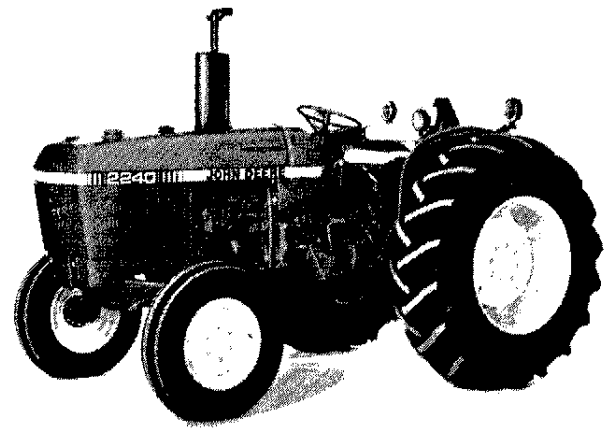
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Safety

PLAN AHEAD —prevent accidents



Power take-off guards, shields, and other safety features are built into the tractor whenever possible. However, investigation of thousands of accidents shows that careless use of machinery causes a high percentage of accidents. You can avoid many accidents by observing the rules for safety given here. Study these rules carefully and insist that they be followed by those working with you and for you.

Only one person — the operator — should be permitted on the tractor when it is in operation. Never allow a person to ride on the drawbar.

Before starting engine make sure rockshaft control lever is in forward (equipment lowered) position.

Never attempt to start or to operate the tractor except from the operator's station.

Never operate the tractor engine in a closed building.

Since loose clothing might catch in moving parts, always keep sleeves, jackets, or other clothing relatively tight and belted.

Provide a first-aid kit for use in case of accident.

It is a good practice to have a fire extinguisher nearby. Be sure that the extinguisher is properly maintained and be familiar with its proper use.

A protective ROLL-GARD® with seat belt is available for your tractor. A canopy that fits on top of the ROLL-GARD is also available.

Under almost all operating conditions:

1. The use of a seat belt with optional JOHN DEERE ROLL-GARD is recommended.
2. Its use without roll-over protective equipment is not recommended.

Under no circumstances modify structural members of roll-gard by welding on additional parts or by drilling any holes.

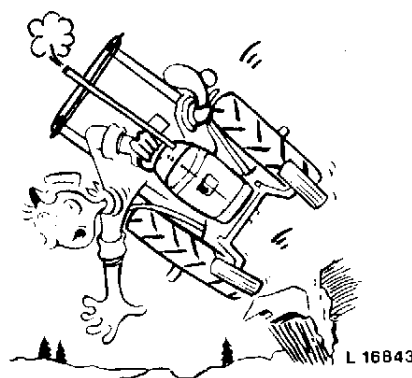
If ROLL-GARD protective equipment is loosened or removed for any reason, make certain all parts are reinstalled correctly. Tighten mounting bolts to proper torque, see page 93.

When driving out of a ditch, gully, or up a steep hillside, engage the clutch slowly. Be prepared to disengage the clutch promptly should the front wheels rise off the ground. Observe the same precautions if the rear wheels become mired in soft ground or drop in a hole. Back the tractor out of these situations.

Do not drive near the edge of a ditch or gully.

The rate of tractor travel on hillsides and curves should always be such that there is no danger from tipping.

Be careful to prevent the tractor from tipping sideways if it strikes a hole, ditch, or other irregularity, especially when operating on hillsides.



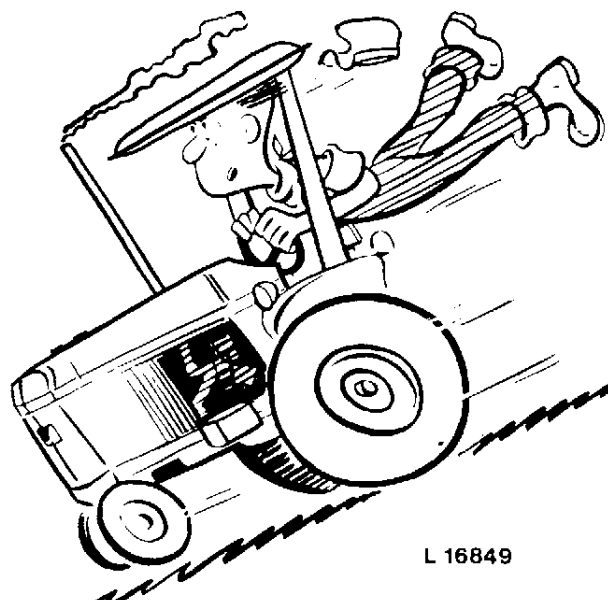
Keep a firm grip on the steering wheel at all times when speed is increased.

Reduce speed before turning quickly or applying brakes. Couple the brake pedals together when traveling at high speeds. Brake both wheels simultaneously when making an emergency stop. Always drive slowly over rough ground. Drive at speeds slow enough to insure your safety.

Always keep the tractor in gear when going down steep hills or grades.

When pulling heavy towed loads at road speeds, use extreme caution and avoid hard applications of the tractor brakes at high speeds. When descending steep grades, select a sufficiently low gear to maintain control with minimum braking.

Towed loads that weigh more than twice the weight of the tractor should have brakes. If not, reduce speed and avoid inclines.



When hitching drawn equipment to the drawbar, back the tractor past the clevis. Then move forward so that, in making the connection, the tractor will be moving away from the equipment.

When hitching a heavy towed load to the tractor, always hitch to the drawbar. When using a chain, attach it to the drawbar and be sure to take up the slack in the chain slowly.

Front ballast may be required for stability and steering control when implement is attached.

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