

Montana Ag Safety Program



Seeding/Planting Safety

- Read all operator's manuals; become familiar with the service requirements for each piece of equipment. Perform all schedule maintenance at specified intervals.
- Follow all safety recommendations in the machine operator's manual.
- Conduct regular "walk-arounds".
 - Use all your senses – if something looks, sounds, feels, or smells wrong; take time to investigate the cause and resolve it as soon as possible.
- Keep all moving components greased to manufacturer's specifications.
- Replace broken and worn parts.
- Utilize all shields and guards.
- Disengage ALL power before working on or around the equipment. Ensure that rotating parts have come to a complete stop BEFORE approaching.
- Lock and block all hydraulics before working on or around.
- Keep a charged fire extinguisher and basic first aid kit in each piece of equipment.
- Never operate at speeds too great for conditions, equipment capacity, or operator capability.
- Ensure the drill is properly attached to the tractor before filling to prevent overturn.
- Handle all seed and chemical properly. Improper use could result in serious injury or damage.
 - Never allow riders on the tractor or implement during operation or machine adjustment. Only one person – the operator – should be on the tractor while in operation.
- Avoid sharp turns and aggressive maneuvering.
- Ensure all transporting devices are in position and properly secured. Transport equipment in narrowest possible configuration. Follow all rural roadway safety recommendations.
- When hitching or unhitching the drill, use the parking stands or jacks to support the drill.

These safety rules have been written and provided to you for your safety. Your signature below indicates you have read and understand these rules, and further, that you accept the responsibility of always using good judgment to make workplace safety your number one priority.

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