

**540A, 640A
and 740A
Loaders**
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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 and safety signs on your machine may also be available in other languages (see your John Deere dealer to order).

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 given in both metric and customary U.S. unit equivalents. Use only correct replacement parts and fasteners. Metric and inch fasteners may require a specific metric or inch wrench.

RIGHT-HAND AND LEFT-HAND sides are determined by facing the direction the implement will travel when going forward.

WRITE PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS (P.I.N.) in the Specification or Identification Numbers 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. File the identification numbers in a secure place off the machine.

BEFORE DELIVERING THIS MACHINE, your dealer performed a predelivery inspection. After operating for the first 100 hours, schedule an after-sale inspection with your dealer to ensure best performance.

THIS LOADER IS DESIGNED SOLELY for use in customary agricultural or similar operations ("INTENDED USE"). Use in any other way is considered as contrary to the intended use. The manufacturer accepts no liability for damage or injury resulting from this misuse, and these risks must be borne solely by the user. Compliance with and strict adherence to the conditions of operation, service and repair as specified by the manufacturer also constitute essential elements for the intended use.

THIS LOADER SHOULD BE OPERATED, serviced and repaired only by persons familiar with all its particular characteristics and acquainted with the relevant safety rules (accident prevention). The accident prevention regulations, all other generally recognized regulations on safety and occupational medicine and the road traffic regulations must be observed at all times. Any arbitrary modifications carried out on this loader will relieve the manufacturer of all liability for any resulting damage or injury.

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Safety

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.

DANGER or WARNING safety signs are located near specific hazards. General precautions are listed on CAUTION safety signs. CAUTION also calls attention to safety messages in this manual.



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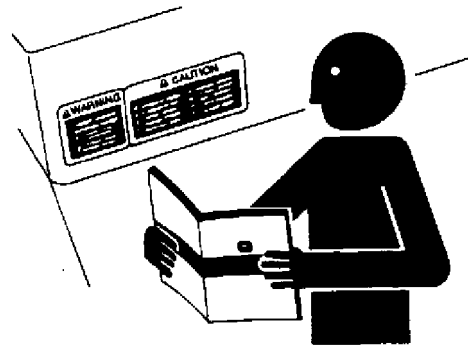
FOLLOW SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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. Be sure new equipment components and repair parts include the current safety signs. Replacement safety signs are available from your John Deere dealer.

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.

If you do not understand any part of this manual and need assistance, contact your John Deere dealer.



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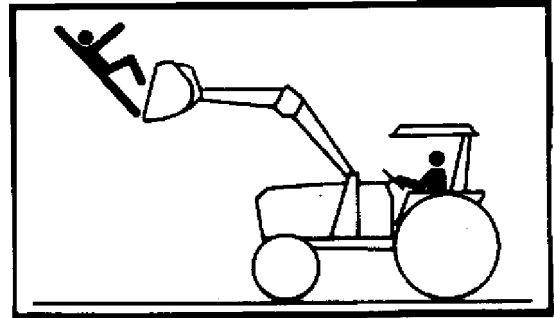
PROTECT PEOPLE AND ANIMALS

Never allow anyone to walk or work under a raised loader.

Be sure that people, livestock, or pets are not standing near the machine while operating.

Do not use the loader for a work platform.

Do not lift or carry anyone on loader or in bucket or attachment.



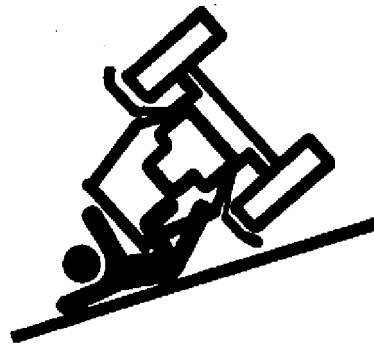
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AVOID INJURY OR DEATH FROM ROLLOVER ACCIDENTS

To avoid rollovers:

- Be careful when operating on a slope.
- Avoid holes, ditches and obstructions which may cause tractor and loader to tip over.
- Balance loads so weight is evenly distributed and load is stable.
- Carry loads close to the ground to aid visibility and lower center of gravity.
- Know capacity of loader. Do not overload.
- Reduce speed before turning. Avoid sharp turns.



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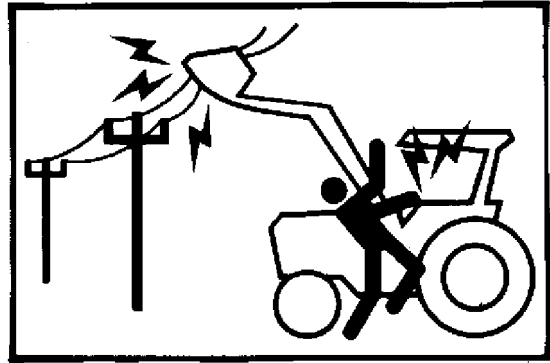


AVOID POWER LINES

Serious injury or death can result if tractor or loader contacts electric lines.

Check height clearance before raising loader.

Do not leave the operator's seat if any part of tractor or loader contacts lines.



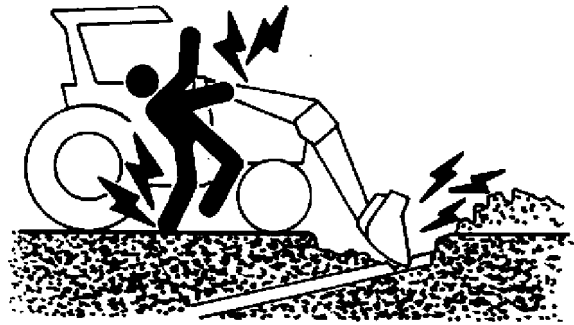
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DIG SAFELY

Before digging, check location of cables, gas lines and water mains.

Do not leave the operator's seat if any part of tractor or loader contacts cables.



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DETACH LOADER SAFELY

Detach the loader on a hard, level surface.

Before disconnecting hydraulic hoses, relieve all hydraulic pressure.



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