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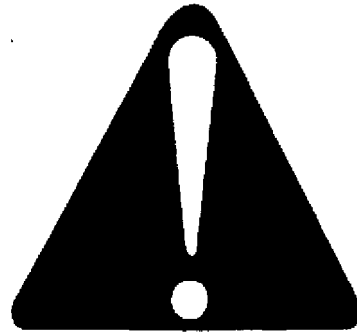
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# Safety

## 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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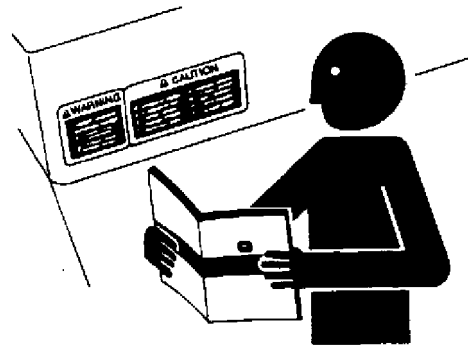
## FOLLOW SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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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## CHECK BEFORE OPERATING

Check condition of hydraulic hoses and connections.

Become familiar with all controls.

Check hardware and machine condition.

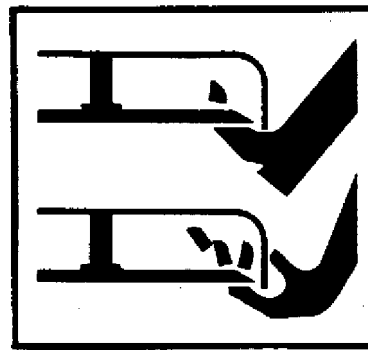
Remove foreign objects from machine.

Be sure no one is near machine or tractor.

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## STAY CLEAR OF ROTATING BLADES

Rotating blades can cut or dismember, causing personal injury or death. Keep hands and feet from under cutter deck.



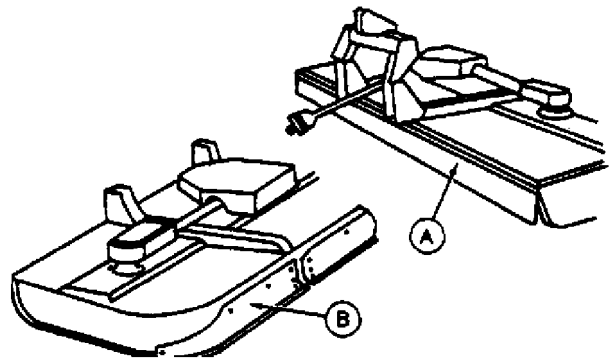
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## USE FRONT AND REAR SAFETY SHIELDS

Use both front and rear safety shields to reduce the possibility of objects being thrown by the blades.

Adjustable rear shields should be kept in lowest possible position.



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## PROTECT BYSTANDERS

Never operate the cutter near people. Do not stand near the cutter while blades are in motion. Debris can be thrown hundreds of feet.

DO NOT allow children to operate tractor or cutter.

Operate the cutter from tractor seat only.



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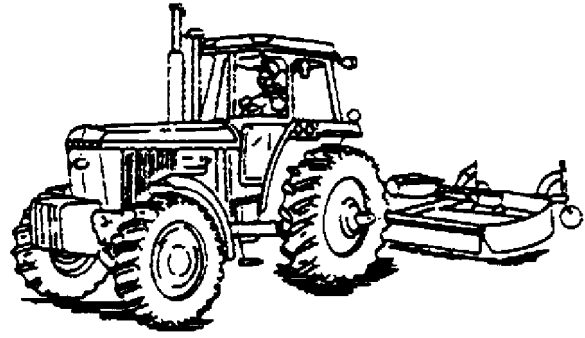
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## OPERATE TRACTOR AND CUTTER SAFELY

All rotary cutters are potentially dangerous machines. This rotary cutter has been designed to minimize the chance of accidents but there is no substitute for a careful operator.

Flywheel effect of blade holder will drive tractors with transmission drive PTO's forward, even when tractor clutch is disengaged. Travel slowly near ditches, trees, or large objects. To stop, slow engine speed and apply brakes before disengaging clutch.



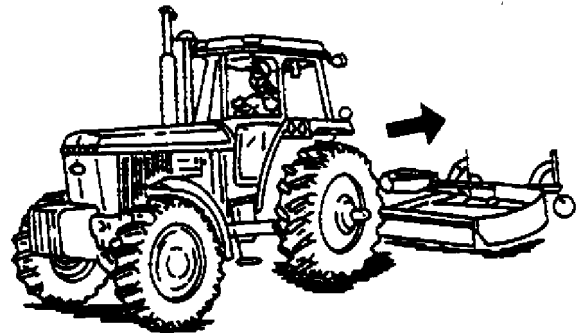
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## BACK UP SAFELY

Do not operate the cutter in reverse unless necessary. First, look carefully behind the cutter.

Be very careful when you back the tractor with the PTO engaged. Material can be discharged from the front of the cutter. This increases risk of injury to the operator from thrown objects.

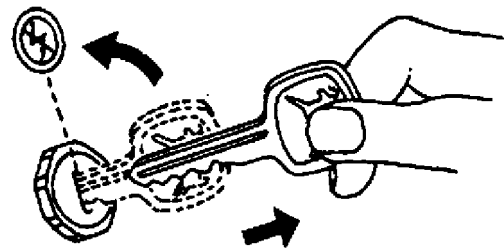


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## LEAVING CUTTER UNATTENDED

Lower the cutter to the ground, disengage PTO, engage parking brake or place transmission in "PARK", shut off tractor, and remove key.



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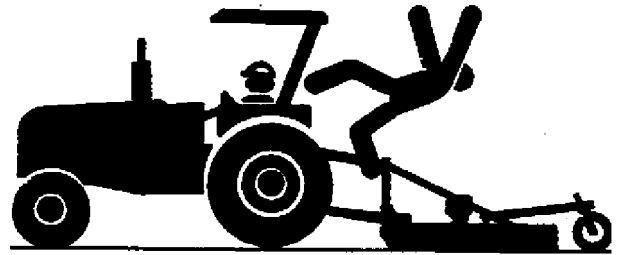
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## KEEP RIDERS OFF MACHINE

KEEP RIDERS OFF.

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



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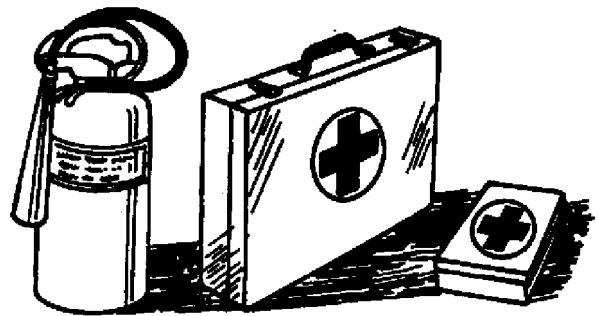
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## PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES

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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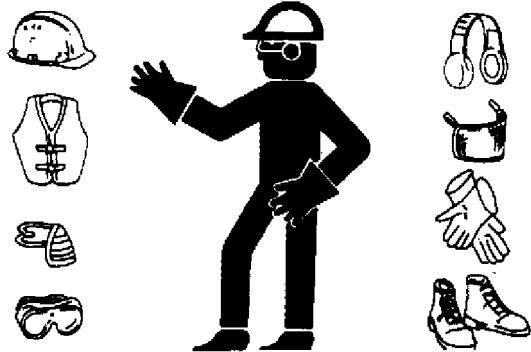
## WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

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

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.

Operating equipment safely requires the full attention of the operator. Do not wear radio or music headphones while operating machine.



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## STAY CLEAR OF ROTATING DRIVELINES

Entanglement in rotating driveline can cause serious injury or death.

Keep tractor master shield and driveline shields in place at all times. Make sure rotating shields turn freely.

Wear close fitting clothing. Stop the engine and be sure PTO driveline is stopped before making adjustments, connections, or cleaning out PTO driven equipment.



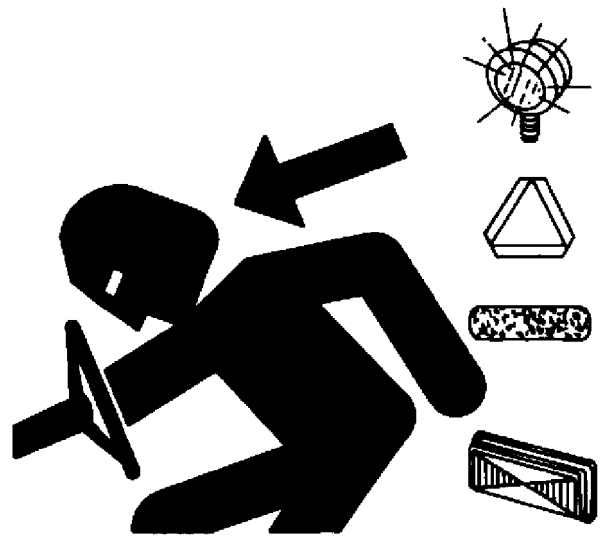
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## USE SAFETY LIGHTS AND DEVICES

Prevent collisions between other road users, slow moving tractors with attachments or towed equipment, and self-propelled machines on public roads. Frequently check for traffic from the rear, especially in turns, and use hand signals or turn signal lights.

Use headlights, flashing warning lights, and turn signals day and night. Follow local regulations for equipment lighting and marking. Keep lighting and marking visible and in good working order. Replace or repair lighting and marking that has been damaged or lost. An implement safety lighting kit is available from your John Deere dealer.



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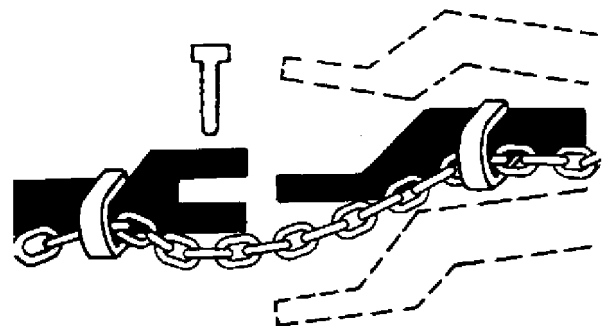
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## USE A SAFETY CHAIN

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.



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## TRANSPORT SAFELY

Disengage PTO.

Slow moving vehicle (SMV) emblem and reflectors must be clean, in good condition and visible from the rear.

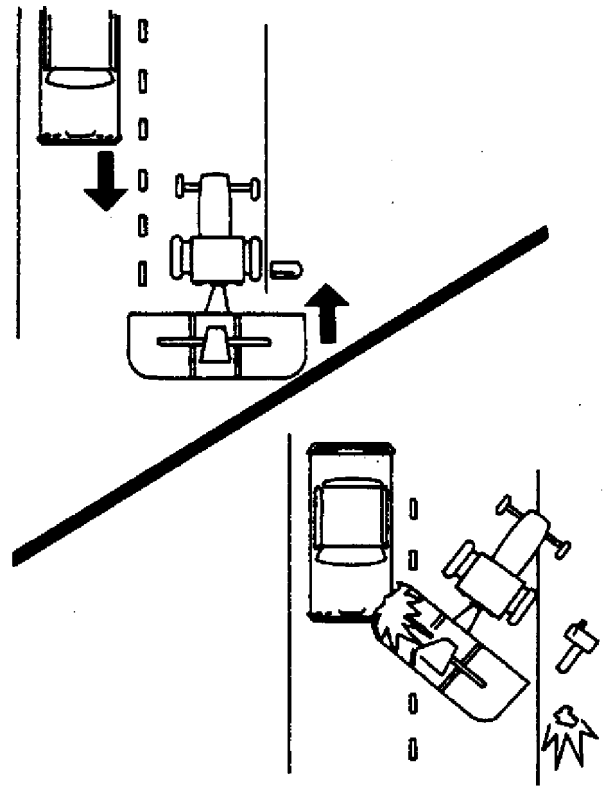
The cutter is 4.29 m (14 feet, 1 inch) wide. Beware of oncoming traffic and roadside obstructions.

Transport "3-POINT HITCH" cutter in fully raised position.

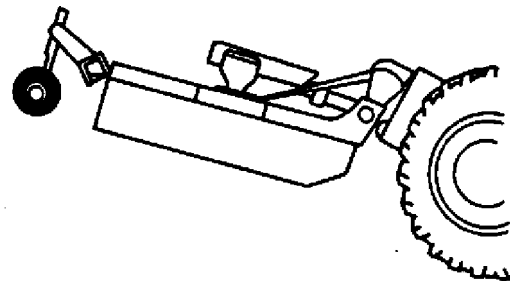
Transport "PULL-TYPE" cutter with transport link (A) engaged.

Place pin in hole toward front of bracket (as shown) for laminated tires or hole toward rear of machine for pneumatic and used aircraft tires.

Travel slowly over rough terrain.



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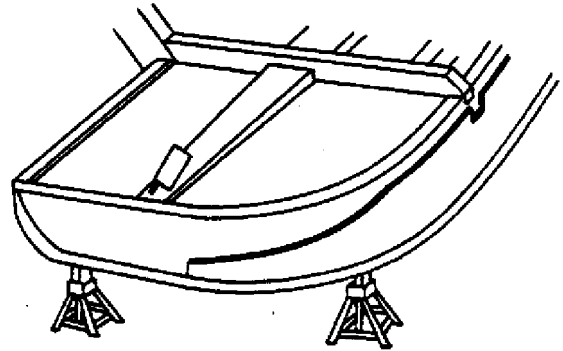
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## PRACTICE SAFE MAINTENANCE WHEN REPLACING BLADES AND BLADE HOLDER

The blades and blade holder may rotate for several minutes after PTO is shut off. Look and listen for rotating driveline to stop before working on the cutter.

When servicing blades or blade holder, it will be necessary to work underneath cutter. Be sure to support cutter frame with safety stands to prevent accidental lowering. Do not position safety stands under axle or wheel supports because these components can rotate.



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## PRACTICE SAFE MAINTENANCE

Understand service procedure before doing work. Keep area clean and dry.

Never lubricate, service, or adjust machine while it is moving. Keep hands, feet, and clothing from power-driven parts. Disengage all power and operate controls to relieve pressure. Lower equipment to the ground. Stop the engine. Remove the key. Allow machine to cool.

Securely support any machine elements that must be raised for service work.

Keep all parts in good condition and properly installed. Fix damage immediately. Replace worn or broken parts. Remove any buildup of grease, oil, or debris.

Disconnect battery ground cable (-) before making adjustments on electrical systems or welding on machine.



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