

10. Safety in Agricultural Operations

Agriculture ranks among the most dangerous industries.

Between 2003 and 2011, 5,816 agricultural workers died from work-related injuries in the US

Safety precautions, when use a tractor

1. Only qualified people should operate the tractor
2. Know the accepted hand signals.

Engine noise prevents effective a communication and misunderstandings may occur.

3. Pre operational checks are important to your safety.

Know the operator's manual.

If tractor is stored inside, open door before starting so poisonous exhaust fumes will be ventilated.

Clean tractor of trash, mud, oil, grease

Be sure all control lights and gauges are working.

Make sure all shields and covers are in place.

Adjust seat to the comfortable position.

4. Use caution when fueling.

Stop engine and allow it to cool before refueling.

Never smoke nor have an open flame near the fuel.

Never overfill and if fuel is spilled, clean it up immediately.

be sure to use the correct fuel.

Ground the fuel funnel or nozzle against the filler neck to prevent sparks.

Replace fuel cap.

5. If tractor is equipped with a rollover protective structure (ROPS), the seat belt should be fastened.