

# Important Safety Message

## For Owners and Operators of Rotary Cutters



**To Avoid Serious Injury or Death, Follow Some Basic Safety Rules:**

**Before Operating Equipment Read, Understand & Review Annually:**

- Operator's Manual
- Safety Signs



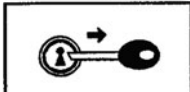
**To Avoid Falling Off:**

- Operate only with ROPS equipped tractors
- Always wear a seat belt
- Allow no riders on tractor or cutter



**Before Dismounting Tractor:**

- Lower cutter to ground
- Allow moving parts to stop
- Stop engine
- Set brake
- Remove key for unattended equipment



**Rotating Blades & Driveline:**

- KEEP AWAY
- Keep guards & shields in place & in good repair
- Allow moving parts to stop before repair



**Thrown Object Hazard:**

- Before cutting, INSPECT area to be mowed—remove all foreign debris
- Do not allow cutter blades to hit rock or ground
- Do not cut with bystanders in area



**Raised Cutter Hazard:**

- Securely support cutter before working underneath
- Lock up raised wings before transport
- Do not cut in raised transport position



**Highway Transport:**

- Transport with clean reflectors, SMV and lights as required by Federal, State and local laws.



**Safety is Important to You!**

**Why?**

- Accidents Disable & Kill
- Accidents Cost
- Accidents Can be Avoided

Safety is the manufacturer's primary concern in design, manufacture, sale & use of rotary cutters.

In addition to the equipment design & configuration, hazard control & accident prevention are dependent upon the owner's & operator's awareness, concern, prudence & proper training in the operation, transport, maintenance & storage of equipment

**Accidents have occurred by:**

- Unqualified operators attempting to use rented or loaned rotary cutters
- Being entangled in moving parts of drivelines by failure to maintain or keep guards & shields in place over exposed rotating parts
- Hitting bystanders with thrown objects by cutting with bystanders in area or failure to maintain or keep discharge deflectors or guards in place
- Riders or operators not using seatbelts, falling off machine & being run over by equipment
- Not stopping engines & allowing moving parts to stop before adjustments, repairs, or maintenance operations
- Raised cutter or wing falling on person working underneath from failure to securely support the cutter

Contact your dealer today to replace any missing or damaged driveline & discharge shielding or guard, safety signs & operator's manual. Also, consider ROPS and seatbelt installation for non-equipped tractors.

**Safety is important to responsible owners and operators of rotary cutters.**

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