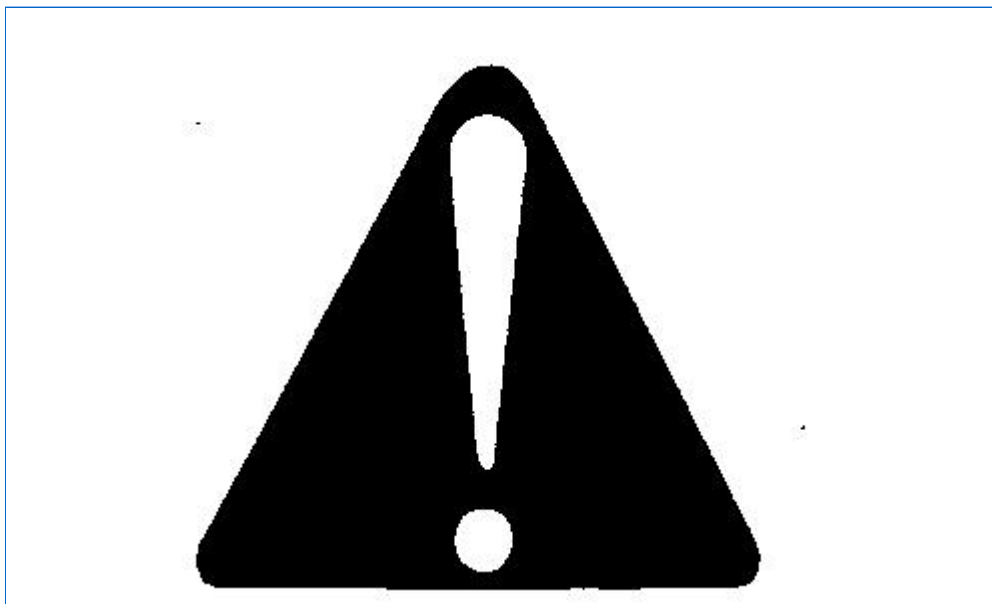


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## Recognize Safety Information

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### Recognize Safety Information



T81389-UN: Safety-alert symbol

This is a 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

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### Understand Signal Words



TS187-19: 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

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### Follow Safety Instructions



TS201-UN: Safety Messages

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.

There can be additional safety information contained on parts and components sourced from suppliers that is not reproduced in this operator's manual.

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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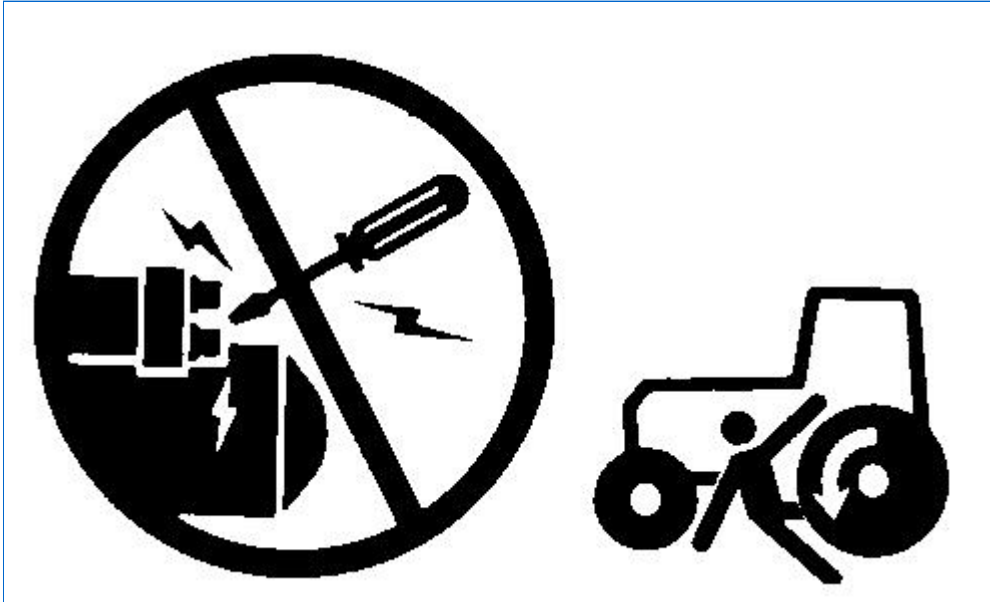
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## OMSJ291632 - 76F Orchard and Vineyard Tractors Prevent Machine Runaway

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### Prevent Machine Runaway



TS177-UN: Machinery Runaway

Avoid possible injury or death from machinery runaway.

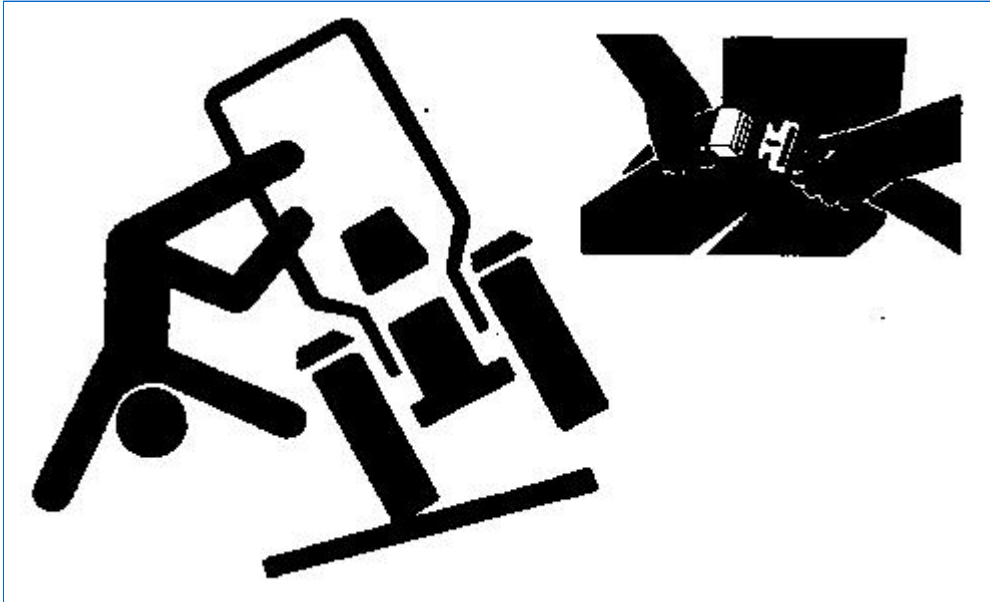
Do not start engine by shorting across starter terminals. Machine will start in gear if normal circuitry is bypassed.

NEVER start engine while standing on ground. Start engine only from operator's seat, with transmission in neutral or park.

## OMSJ291632 - 76F Orchard and Vineyard Tractors Use Foldable ROPS and Seat Belt Properly

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### Use Foldable ROPS and Seat Belt Properly



TS205-UN: Fasten Your Seat Belt

If this tractor is equipped with a foldable ROPS, keep the ROPS in the fully extended and locked position. If the tractor is ever operated with ROPS folded (e.g., to enter a low building), drive with extreme caution. Do NOT use seat belt with the ROPS folded.

Return the ROPS to the raised, fully extended and locked position as soon as the tractor is operated under normal conditions. Always fasten your seat belt when the ROPS is fully extended and locked.

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## Operate Tractor Safely

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### Operate Tractor Safely

#### CAUTION

1. Read Operator's Manual before operating this tractor.
2. Keep all shields in place.
3. Hitch towed loads only to drawbar to avoid rearward upset.
4. Make certain everyone is clear of machine before starting engine or operation.
5. Keep all riders off tractor and equipment.
6. Keep hands, feet and clothing away from power-driven parts.
7. Reduce speed when turning or applying individual brakes or operating around hazards, on rough ground or steep slopes.
8. Couple brake pedals together for road travel.
9. Use flashing warning lights on highway unless prohibited by law.
10. Stop engine, lower implement to ground and shift to "PARK" or set brakes(s) securely before dismounting.
11. Wait for all movement to stop before servicing machinery.
12. Remove key if leaving tractor unattended.



### TS276-UN: Operate Tractor Safely

Features designed into your tractor make operation safer and let it perform a wide variety of jobs. Use your tractor only for specified jobs it was designed to perform: implement carrier, load mover, remote power source, or transport unit—not a recreational vehicle.

Careless use or misuse can result in unnecessary accidents. Be alert to hazards of tractor operation. Understand causes of accidents and take every precaution to avoid them. Most common accidents are caused from:

- Tractor upsets
- Improper starting procedures
- Crushing and pinching during hitching
- Collisions with other motor vehicles
- Getting entangled in PTO shafts
- Falls from tractors

Avoid accidents by taking the following precautions:

Engage the PARK brake lever before dismounting. Leaving transmission in gear with engine stopped will NOT prevent the tractor from moving.

Be sure everyone is clear of tractor and attached equipment before starting engine.

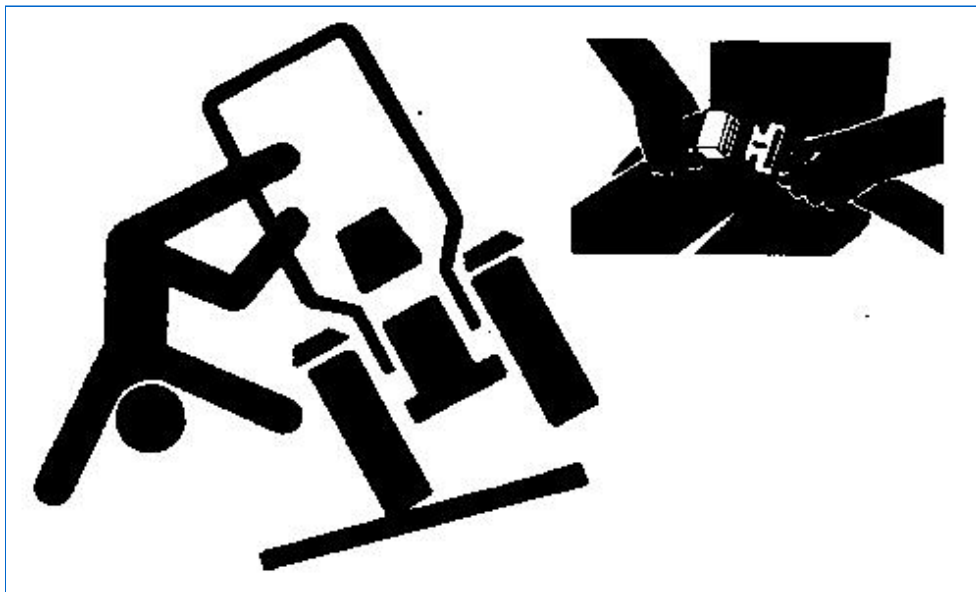
Never try to get on or off a moving tractor.

When tractor is left unattended, engage PARK brake lever, lower implements to the ground, stop the engine, and remove the key.

## OMSJ291632 - 76F Orchard and Vineyard Tractors Use Caution on Hillsides

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### Use Caution on Hillsides



TS205-UN: Wear Seat belt

Always wear seat belt with ROPS in upper position.

Avoid holes, ditches, and obstructions which cause the tractor to tip, especially on hillsides. Avoid sharp, uphill turns.

Never drive near the edge of a gully or steep embankment -- it might cave in.

Driving forward out of a ditch or mired condition or up a steep slope could cause tractor to tip over rearward. Back out of these situations if possible.



#### **CAUTION:**

*While mechanical front wheel drive greatly increases traction, it DOES NOT increase stability of the tractor. With mechanical front wheel drive engaged, the tractor can climb steeper slopes but it does not become more stable. When this option is used, extra caution is needed on slopes. Compared to a 2-wheel drive, a front-wheel drive tractor maintains traction on steeper slopes, increasing the possibility of a tip over.*

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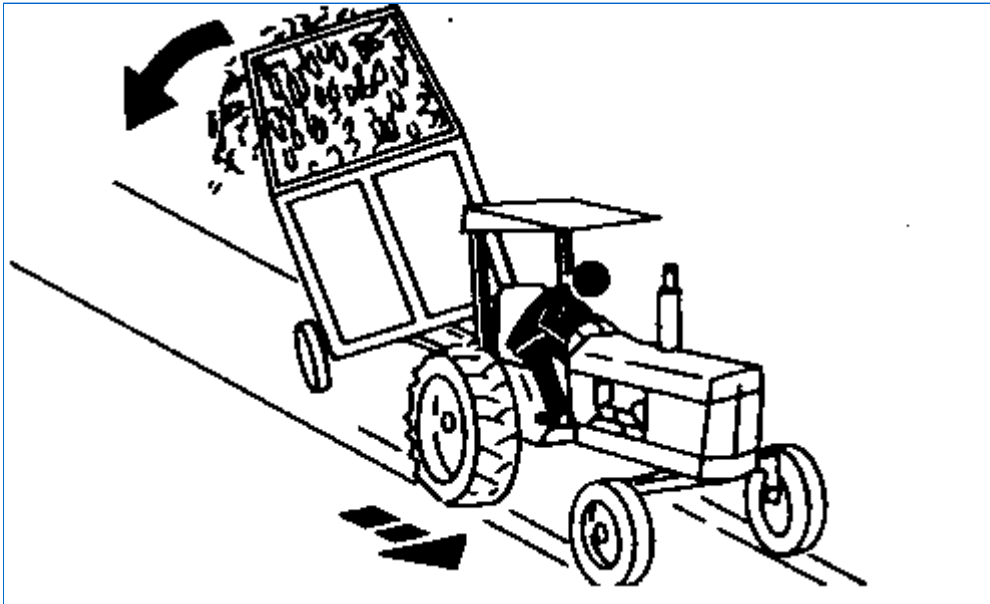
Danger of overturn increases greatly with narrow tread setting, at high speed.

Hitch towed loads only to drawbar. When using a chain, take up the slack slowly.

## OMSJ291632 - 76F Orchard and Vineyard Tractors Shift to Low Gear on Hills

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### Shift to Low Gear on Hills



TS216-UN: Shift to Low Gear

Shift to a low gear before descending a steep hill to improve your control of the tractor with little or no braking. Use engine braking to reduce speed before applying tractor brakes. Run-away tractors often tip over. Never coast downhill.

When driving on icy, wet or graveled surfaces, reduce speed and be sure tractor is properly ballasted to avoid skidding and loss of steering control. For best control, engage mechanical front wheel drive (if equipped).

Additional ballast may be needed for transporting heavy hitch mounted implements. When implement is raised, drive slowly over rough ground, regardless of how much ballast is used.



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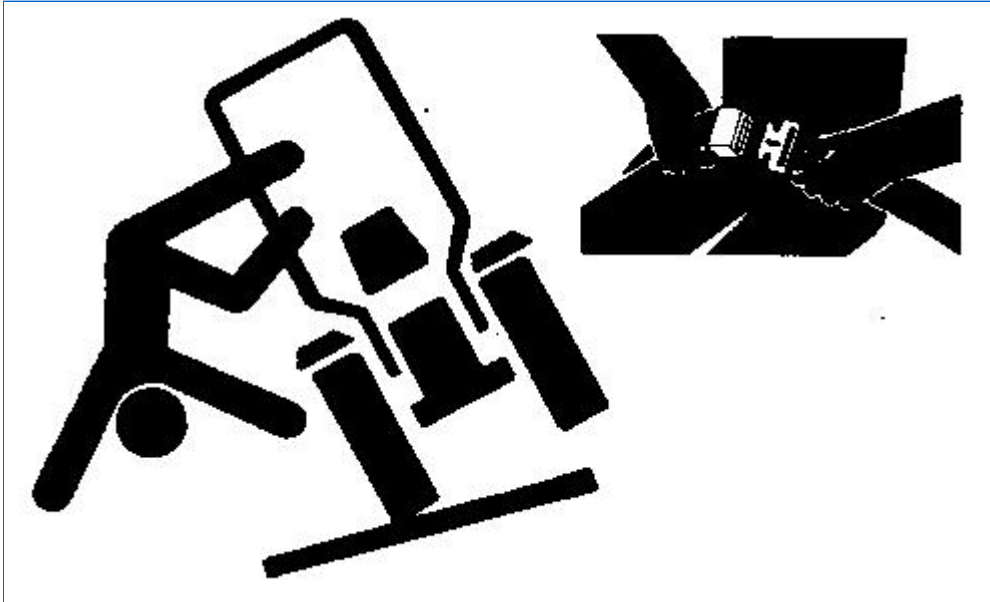
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## Avoid Tipping

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### Avoid Tipping



TS205-UN: Wear Seat belt

Always wear seat belt with ROPS in upper position.

Do not drive where machine could slip or tip.

Stay alert for holes, rocks, and roots in the terrain, and other hidden hazards. Keep away from drop-offs.

Slow down before you make a sharp turn.

Use care when pulling loads or using heavy equipment:

- Use only approved drawbar hitch points.
- Limit loads to those you can safely control.
- Use counterweights or wheel weights when suggested in this operator's manual.

Reduce speed and exercise extreme caution on slopes and in sharp turns to prevent tipping or loss of control. Be especially cautious when changing direction on slopes.

Do not stop or start suddenly when going uphill or downhill.

If machine stops going up hill:

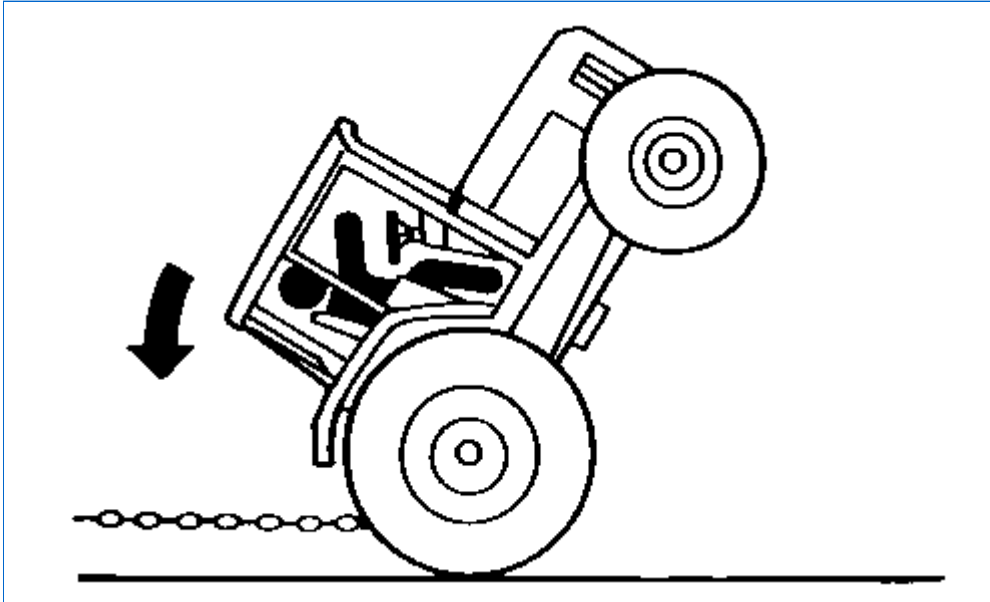
- STOP the Tractor.
- Back Down Slowly.

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## Freeing a Mired Machine

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### Freeing a Mired Machine



TS1645-UN: Tractor Tipping



TS263-UN: Cable Recoiling

Attempting to free a mired machine can involve safety hazards such as the mired tractor tipping rearward, the towing tractor overturning, and the tow chain or tow bar (a cable is not recommended) failing and recoiling from its stretched condition.

Back your tractor out if it gets mired down in mud. Unhitch any towed implements. Dig mud from behind the rear wheels. Place boards behind the wheels to provide a solid base and try to back out slowly. If necessary, dig mud from the front of all wheels and drive slowly ahead.

If necessary to tow with another unit, use a tow bar or a long chain (a cable is not recommended). Inspect the chain for flaws.

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