Hooking Up Implement to Tractor

Facility:	Written By:	Approved By:	Date Created:	Date of Last Revision

Hazards Present:	PPE or Devices Required:	Additional Training Required:
Tripping/slipping	Communication device	Working Alone Procedures
Hydraulic leaks	Gloves	Tractor Operation
Getting caught/pinched	Eye Protection	Use of PPE
Getting run over		Equipment Operation
		Operators Manual
		Walk Around Inspections
		Hand Signals

Safe Work Procedure:

- 1) If working alone ensure you have means of communication with you in the event of an emergency
- 2) If another worker is assisting you, agree on Hand Signals to be used for various machine movements
- 3) Put on required personal protective equipment (PPE)
- 4) Carry out walk around inspection of tractor and piece of equipment to be hooked up-Check the compatibility of the equipment (hitches and power) and conditions of pins and safety chains
- 5) Check area for obstructions/debris and assess ground conditions (slope, moisture etc.)
- 6) Ensure adequate clearance of any overhead power lines, building, and other equipment
- 7) Check that the implement hitch/hook up is set to correct height for connection to tractor
- 8) Get into tractor and start engine
- 9) Back up slowly and at low RPM to reduce risk of losing control of tractor or bumping the implement
- 10) When tractor hook up is in line with implement hook up, shift transmission into park, apply brake and shut off engine
- 11) Remove ignition key (to prevent start up by any other person) and dismount
- 12) Hook up required connections to the tractor (hydraulic hoses, electrical lines, PTO) and connect all safety pins or chains
- 13) Get back into tractor, ensure that no persons are in the path of the equipment and start engine

If an emergency situation occurs while conducting this task, or there is an equipment malfunction, engage the emergency stop and follow the lock out procedure

REPORT ANY HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS TO YOUR SUPERVISOR

Guidance Documents/Standards:	This Safe Work Procedure will be reviewed any time
	the task, equipment or materials change and at a
MB Workplace Safety & Health Act & Regulations:	minimum of every three years
Working Alone Policy	Reviewed By WSH Committee:
	Date: