WARNING GRAPPLE BUCKET SAFETY

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. <u>YOU</u> are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. <u>IF</u> any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced, or rendered inoperable, <u>DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!</u>

WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals including naphthalene and chromium from petroleum products which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to <u>www.P65warnings.ca.gov</u>

DANGER: Exercise special care whenever entering or exiting a skid steer loader with an auxiliary attachment installed.

Hoses, mounting brackets, & even the attachment itself can be a trip hazard & could cause you to fall. NEVER lift, hoist, or carry humans in the bucket or on any portion of the loader or loader attachments. Failure to heed may result in serious injury or death.

WARNING: Escaping hydraulic oil under pressure can penetrate the skin. Never use any part of your body to check for hydraulic leaks. Use cardboard when checking for leaks. Relieve hydraulic pressure before disconnecting any hydraulic line. Failure to heed may result in serious injury or death.

DANGER: This equipment has multiple pinch points that can cause dismemberment or death. Keep hands, feet and all other body parts clear at all times.

Warning metal conducts electricity. Do Not use this Bucket where it may come into contact with power lines or other electric circuits. Failure to comply to this warning will result in serious personal injury or death. Keep appropriate distances from High Voltage lines.

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WARNING: The Equipment Protection Plan Does Not Cover Damage to Hoses & Fittings. Customer Is Responsible for All Hose & Fitting Damage!

IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES TO FOLLOW

Prior to operation, inspect the loader for system leaks and damaged, missing, or malfunctioning components in an effort to avoid the possibility of a dangerous failure involving structural members or the hydraulic system. Be certain all bystanders are clear of the machine and operation area prior to operation.

Be extremely careful when working on inclines or near loose fill, rocks, and holes as they can cause tipping or upsetting, which may result in serious injury or death.

Be certain to avoid overhead electrical wires when operating loader. Contact with power lines may cause serious injury or death.

Avoid sudden stops when lowering or lifting the loader boom to prevent loss of control over the machine and/or load, which may result in serious injury or death.

Never get under bucket or lift arms or reach through the lift arms or bucket linkage when the loader is in operation. Inadvertent movement may cause serious injury or death.

Always wear eye protection when using this bucket.

OPERATING THE GRAPPLE BUCKET:

With the forks fully opened, approach and enter the pile slowly. Adjust attachment tilt, as necessary. Never lift off center. After entering the pile, slowly close the grapple and roll attachment back. Raise loader only enough to permit maneuvering. Before moving, carefully check for hazards and/or obstructions.

FOLLOWING OPERATION:

Whenever machine is not in operation, lower the loader boom and set the tractor brakes, disengage drive, shut the engine off, and remove the ignition key before dismounting the tractor.

If loader is to be disengaged from tractor, be sure that loader is securely supported on a hard, level surface. Be certain all connections between tractor and loader are free before disengaging.

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. **IF** there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment,

DO NOT USE!!! CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!!

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH