

Fatality Assessment & Control Evaluation

Prevention through comprehensive research and investigation

INVESTIGATION/RESEARCH

In Michigan, since 2001, there have been 21 tractor overturns to the side or rear that have resulted in the death of the tractor operator. None of the tractors involved in the overturns were equipped with a Rollover Protection Structure (ROPS) and seat belt. ROPS/seatbelt retrofits are available for most of the tractors used in Michigan. By wearing a seat belt in a ROPS-equipped tractor, the operator most likely will not die or suffer a serious injury during a tractor overturn because he/she is kept within the "zone of protection" provided by the ROPS.

Note photo to left: Operator belted and within zone of protection.



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WHY BOTHER WITH A ROPS RETROFIT?

IN ORDER TO PREVENT SIMILAR INCIDENTS IN THE FUTURE

- **Maintain safe speed.** Match speed with terrain conditions.
- **Don't Let Tractor Bounce.** Could lose steering control.
- **Be alert.** Don't travel too close to embankment edge.
- **Turn Slowly.** Sudden turns create unstable conditions due to centrifugal force.
- **Start Slowly.** Do not rev engine or pop clutch.
- **Hitch Low.** Hitch to Drawbar. **Do Not** hitch above axle.
- **Increase stability.** Add wheel weights and use widest practical wheel spacing front and rear.
- **Keep heavy end of tractor pointed uphill on slope.** Back up steep slopes. Keep side-mounted equipment uphill.
- **Lock brake pedals** together before driving at transport speeds.
- **Back Out** if stuck in ditch, mud or if frozen to ground.
- **Do Not Coast** downhill on a slope. Keep in gear.
- **Wear seat belt** if tractor equipped with ROPS.



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DID YOU KNOW?

- 1 of every 10 tractor operators overturns a tractor in his/her lifetime.
- ROPS/seatbelt use is 99% effective in preventing death or serious injury if tractor overturns.
- Average cost of a retrofit ROPS/seatbelt kit is \$1000.
- Total direct and indirect cost of a fatal occupational injury on a farm is \$665,000.
- A homemade bar attached to the tractor axle may not protect the operator if the tractor overturns.
- All ROPS, including homemade, must be certified and have a certification label.
- Many farm tractors manufactured after 1960 have a ROPS retrofit available.
- Find out if a ROPS is available for your tractor: www.marshfieldclinic.org/nfmc/pages/default/

MIFACE: www.oem.msu.edu
MSU Extension: www.msue.msu.edu/portal/
Penn State Extension: www.ags.psu.edu/extension
National Ag Safety Database: www.cdc/nasd/
MIOSHA Standards: www.michigan.gov/mioshastandards
TRAC-SAFE Facilitator's Manual: www.cdc.gov/niosh/pdfs/tracsafe.pdf
Clemson Extension: www.clemson.edu/extension/

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