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ASABE ADOPTS THREE ISO STANDARDS FOR FRONT-MOUNTED AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN—The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has completed the adoption of three recently published ISO standards for front-mounted agricultural equipment. The ISO adoptions are:

- ANSI/ASABE AD8759-1:2018, Agricultural tractors — Front-mounted equipment — Part 1: Power take-off: Safety requirements and clearance zone around PTO;
- ANSI/ASABE AD8759-3:2018, Agricultural tractors — Front-mounted equipment —Part 3: Power take-off: General specifications and location;
- ANSI/ASABE AD8759-4:2018, Agricultural tractors — Front-mounted equipment —Part 4: Three-point linkage.

All three international documents were adopted with deviations, the most notable of which is found in the ISO 8759-1 adoption and establishes specifications for use of the PTO protective device (master shield) as a step.

Substantial content of these standards was originally based on now-withdrawn ASABE standards ASAE S203, Front and Rear Power Take-Off for Agricultural Tractors, and ASAE S217, Three-Point Free-Link Attachment for Hitching Implements to Agricultural Wheel Tractors.

The adoption of these documents further harmonizes national and international standardization, a goal that facilitates manufacturing, safety advancements, and product marketing worldwide.

ASABE members with standards access and those with site-license privileges can access the full-text via electronic download on the ASABE online Technical Library at elibrary.asabe.org/. Others can obtain a copy for a fee directly from the library or by contacting ASABE headquarters at OrderStandard@asabe.org.

ASABE is recognized worldwide as a standards developing organization for food, agricultural, and biological systems, with more than 275 standards currently in publication.

Conformance to ASABE standards is voluntary, except where required by state, provincial, or other governmental requirements, and the documents are developed by consensus in accordance with procedures approved by the American National Standards Institute. For information on this or any other ASABE standard, contact Scott Cedarquist at 269-932-7031, cedarq@asabe.org. A current listing of all ASABE standards projects can be found on the ASABE web site at www.asabe.org/projects.

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