



# SAFETY POLICY AND PROCEDURE

## SECTION 6 GASOLINE, KEROSENE, DIESEL AND PROPANE TRACTORS DISPLAYS

**Anyone exhibiting or participating at any EDGE&TA event MUST be a member of an EDGE&TA Branch.**

**NO ALCOHOL is permitted at any EDGE&TA event.**

1. Area Coordinators will determine placement of tractors.
2. Owners or authorized operators must be in attendance while a tractor's engine is running.
3. All EDGE&TA members can display farm tractors or any other farm equipment at a branch show. If the equipment is to be paraded or driven on a public road the driver must have a valid driver's license (or learner's permit) as required by the state law in the state that the driver resides.
4. To drive a tractor at an EDGE&TA event, all under age or unlicensed drivers age 12-16 years must have completed the EDGE&TA Youth Driver Training Program and have passed the Youth Driver Training Test and have a Youth Driver Training Certification Card in their possession. If you are underage or unlicensed and want to display only that is fine, but you will have to have a licensed driver move the tractor or equipment. All EDGE&TA branches are encouraged to participate in the EDGE&TA Youth Driver Training/Certification Program for all the EDGE&TA Youth members who are 12 or older, but less than the legal driver age required to hold a drivers license in the state they reside. This will allow the younger members to participate in EDGE&TA sponsored shows, events and parades until becoming licensed drivers.
5. The driver should be the only person on a tractor when moving unless there are provisions for others and the provisions meet the Safety Officers approval.
6. Tractors with spade lugs or tracks are to be moved or operated only in areas designated by Area Coordinator.
7. All Tractors must have a kill switch or device accessible from the operator's seat to kill the engine.
8. All tractor demonstrations must have a rope or other barrier between the demonstration and the viewing public.
9. All tractor-powered equipment, i.e. threshing machines, balers and saws, shall have an operator in the tractor seat all times.
10. All tractors shall have good working brakes if so equipped.
11. All tractors shall have good parking brakes if so equipped and/or wheel blocks or chocks while parked for display on an incline where there is a possibility the tractor could roll. Although not a safety issue, blocks or chocks can be used to mark your spot.
12. Tractor operators/drivers need to be very careful when starting a tractor. Be sure the brake is properly set if it is equipped with a parking brake. Wheel blocks or chocks can be used but remember they will not stop a tractor from rolling over the block or chock if it is started in gear. Check to be sure the tractor is out of gear and then check it a second time to be absolutely sure.
13. There should be a second person to observe the public and act as a safety person while moving large tractors or tractors with restricted view.

14. Never leave a tractor in gear when parked. (This will prevent someone from accidentally starting the tractor and running over themselves, others or equipment).
15. Use extreme care when fueling any tractor. Always kill the engine before fueling.
16. All oil or fuel leaks should have a flat tray containing a non-flammable material, such as, cat litter or oil dry to catch any leaking fluids.
17. Display areas should be kept free of debris.
18. All drivers of lawn and garden tractors who do not have a valid Motor Vehicle Operators License must have completed the Youth Drivers Training program. Our insurance carrier agreed to allow the youth who are members of EDGE&TA between 12 and 16 years of age or until the youth reaches the age a Motor Vehicle Operators License from the state in which he/she resides can be obtained who have completed the EDGE&TA Youth Driver Training Program and passed the Operational Safety Tests to operate tractors and other motorized vehicles they are approved to drive at EDGE&TA functions.
19. The Safety Officer, either Branch or EDGE&TA, including the EDGE&TA Insurance advisor, may shut down anyone for unsafe operation.

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