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At the time the tractor was delivered, the John Deere dealer discussed with you its safe operation and proper care. However, before putting the tractor to work, read this manual. It contains complete instructions for operating the tractor, caring for it, and taking full advantage of its many time- and labor-saving features. After reading the manual, keep it in a convenient place for quick and easy reference if questions arise concerning operation, lubrication, or service.

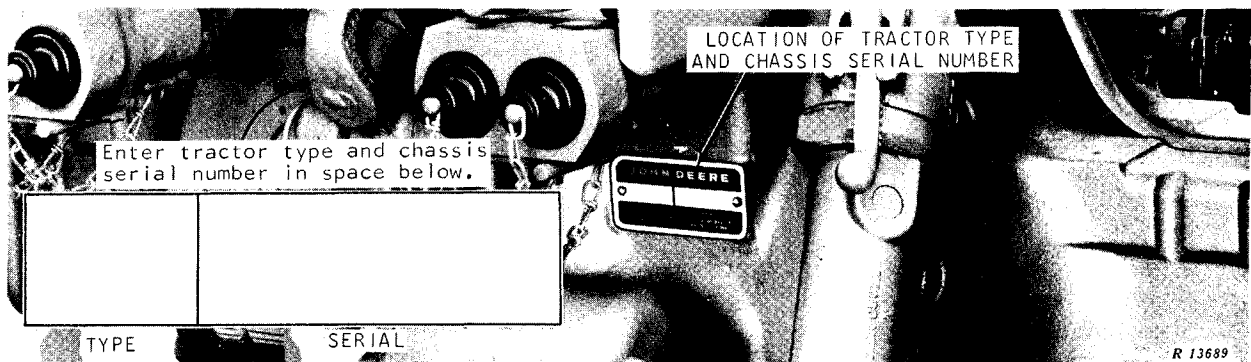
The warranty of this tractor appears on your copy of the purchase order which you should have received from your dealer when you purchased the tractor.

Your John Deere dealer wants to help you get the most value from your tractor. His skilled servicemen can handle every job efficiently. These men are trained in modern service methods; they have all necessary tools and equipment. If new parts are needed, only genuine John Deere parts will be installed. These parts are exact duplicates of the originals, made from the same patterns and of the same high-quality materials.

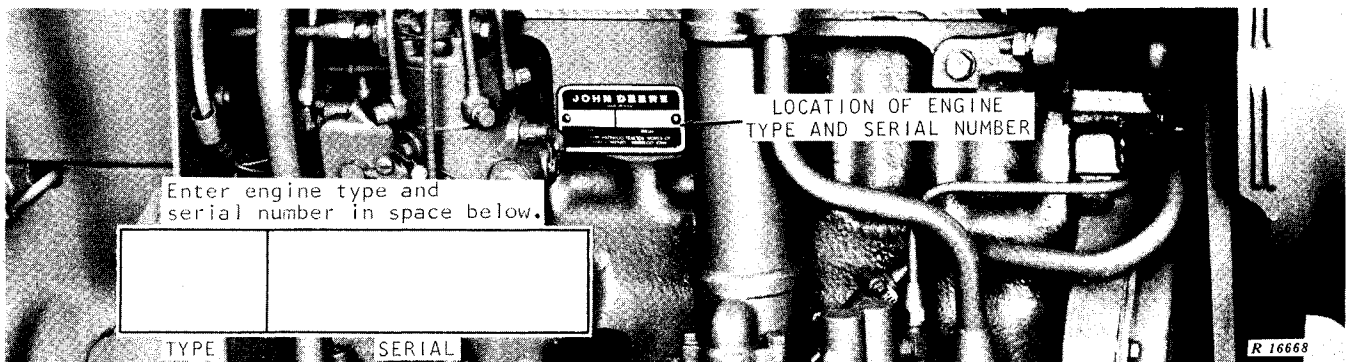
When in need of new parts, be prepared to furnish your dealer with the tractor type, complete tractor chassis serial number, engine type, and complete engine serial number. For ready reference, locate and record the above information in the spaces provided in the illustrations below.

"Right-hand" and "left-hand" sides are determined by facing in the direction of tractor forward travel.

 This safety alert symbol identifies important safety messages in this manual. When you see this symbol, be alert to the possibility of personal injury and carefully read the message that follows.



Tractor Type and Chassis Serial Number

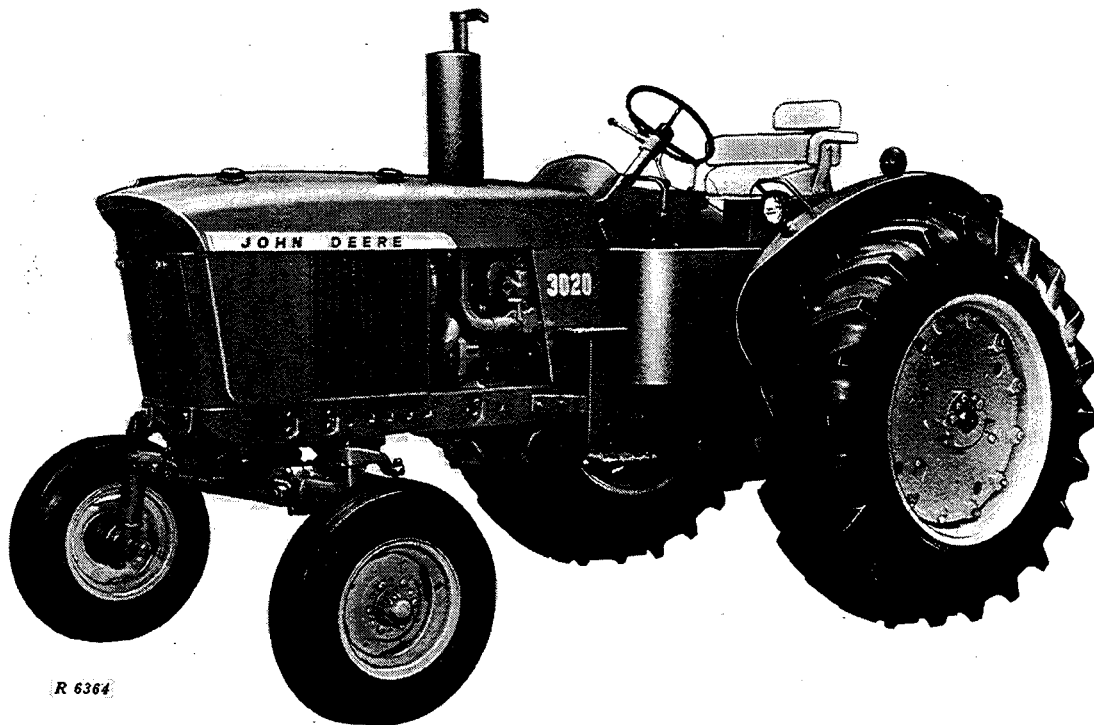


Engine Type and Serial Number



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John Deere 3020 Standard Tractor with Gasoline Engine



SPECIFICATIONS

HORSEPOWER (observed):*	<i>Diesel</i>	<i>Gasoline</i>	<i>LP-Gas</i>
Syncro-Range Transmission	71.26 h.p.	71.37 h.p.	70.66 h.p.
Power-Shift Transmission	64.70 h.p.	67.13 h.p.	65.28 h.p.

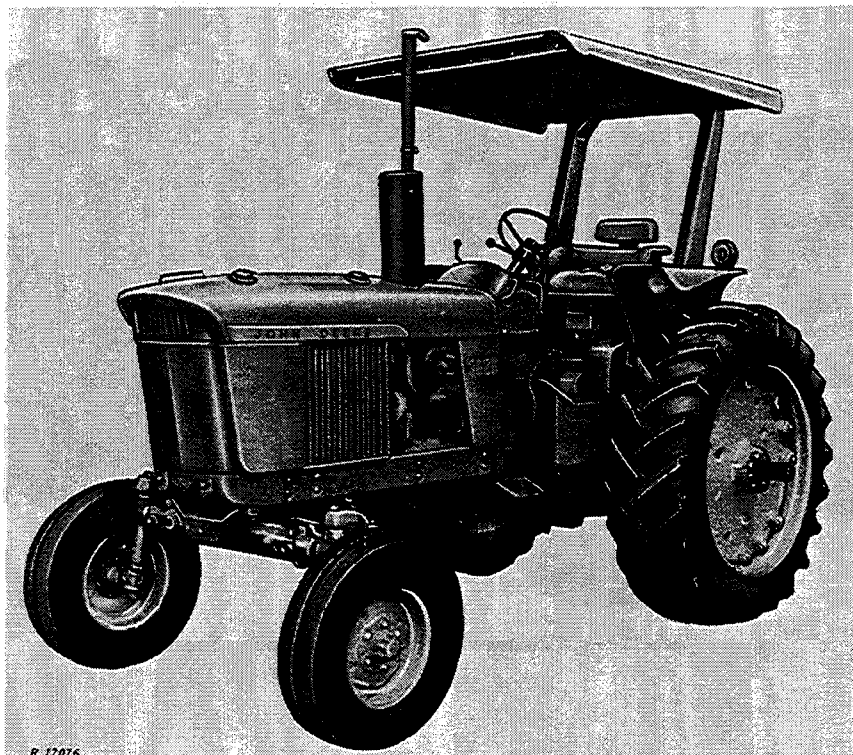
ENGINE:

Type	4-cylinder, in-line, valve-in-head		
Engine speeds:			
Normal slow idle	800 rpm	800 rpm	800 rpm
Working range	1500 to 2500 rpm	1500 to 2500 rpm	1500 to 2500 rpm
Bore and stroke	4-1/4 in. x 4-3/4 in.	4-1/4 in. x 4-1/4 in.	4-1/4 in. x 4-1/4 in.
Displacement	270 cu. in.	241 cu. in.	241 cu. in.
Compression ratio	17.0 to 1	7.5 to 1	9.0 to 1
Firing order	1-3-4-2	1-3-4-2	1-3-4-2
Intake valve clearance	0.018 in.	0.015 in.	0.015 in.
Exhaust valve clearance	0.018 in.	0.028 in. (hot)	0.028 in. (hot)
Injection pump timing	TDC	.....	.....
Distributor timing (see page 68 for engine speed) . . . . .	.....	20° BTDC	25° BTDC
Distributor point gap . . . . .	.....	0.022 in.	0.022 in.
Spark plug gap . . . . .	.....	0.025 in.	0.015 in.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:

Electrical system voltage	12 volts	12 volts	12 volts
Batteries (see page 72)	Two (connected in series)	One	One

**Maximum observed horsepower measured at the PTO at 2500 rpm in official tests.*

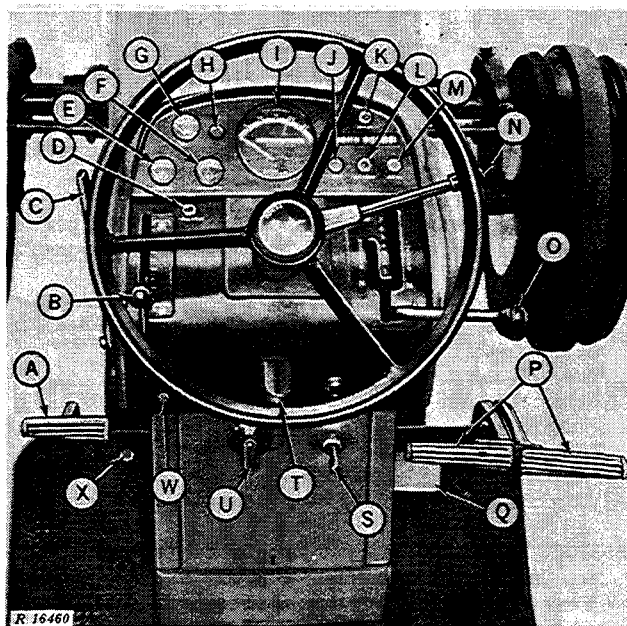


John Deere 3020 Row-Crop Tractor with Gasoline Engine and Power Shift Transmission

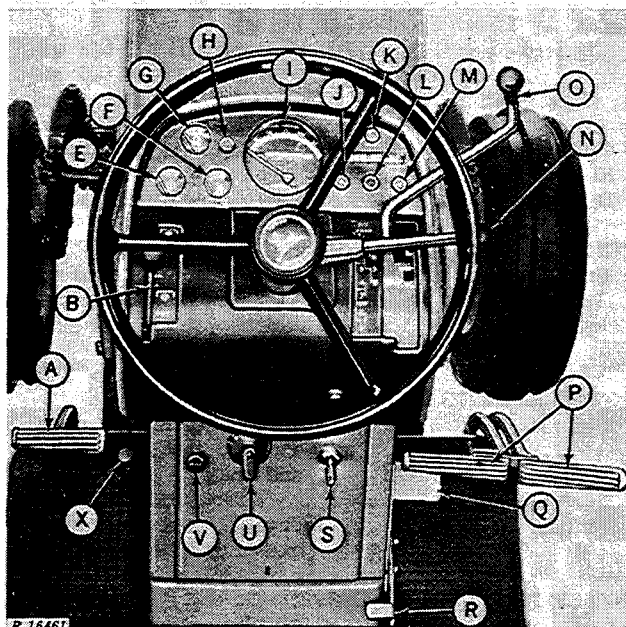


CONTROLS AND INSTRUMENTS

Before attempting to operate your new tractor, become familiar with the location and purpose of its controls and instruments. Additional information will be found on the page number following the control or instrument. Worldwide graphic symbols are used to assist identification and operation. See the inside back cover of this manual.

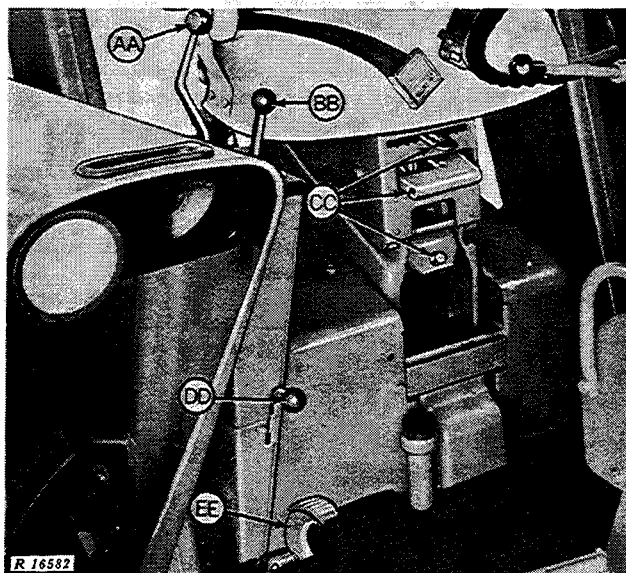


Tractor with Diesel Engine and Power Shift Transmission



Tractor with Gasoline Engine and Syncro-Range Transmission

- A - Clutch Pedal (Syncro-Range Tractors, page 13)
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- DD - Rockshaft Selector Lever (page 28)
- EE - Differential Lock Pedal (page 17)



OPERATION

Complete instructions for operating your tractor safely and efficiently are given on the following pages. By following these directions carefully, you can be sure that you are taking full advantage of the many features built into your tractor.

OPERATING THE ENGINE

PRESTARTING CHECKS

Perform the following checks and services before starting the engine for the first time each day:

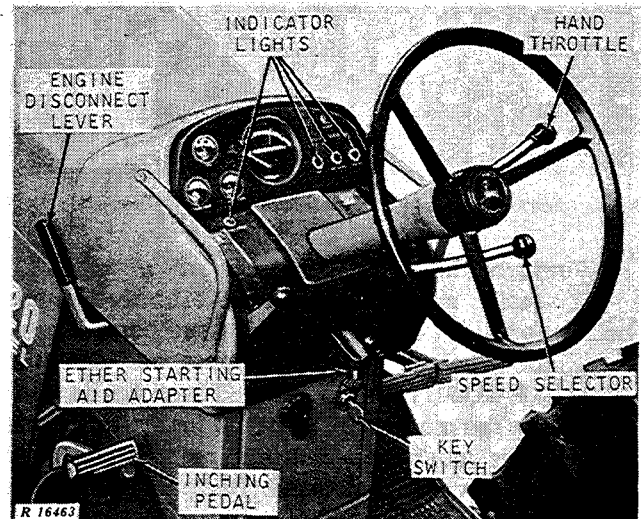
- (1) Check the engine crankcase oil level - see page 54.
- (2) Check the radiator coolant level - see page 54.
- (3) If tractor has a precleaner, check the collector bowl - see page 55.
- (4) Grease the wide-swing drawbar rollers, Hi-Crop rear axles, and the Roll-O-Matic or wide front axle grease fittings - see page 55.
- (5) Grease the front wheel bearings if the tractor has been operated in extremely wet or muddy conditions - see page 55.

STARTING THE DIESEL ENGINE

NOTE: If the prevailing temperature is 40 degrees Fahrenheit or lower, it may be necessary to use a cold weather starting aid to start the engine (page 7).

Perform the prestarting checks listed above.

- (1) Make sure the fuel shut-off valve on the bottom of the fuel tank is open—see page 62.
- (2) See that the shift lever or speed selector is in "PARK" position, the PTO clutch is disengaged, the rockshaft control lever is in "lowered" position, and the remote cylinder operating levers in neutral. Depress the clutch pedal or the inching pedal.
- (3) PLACE THE HAND THROTTLE IN THE 1200 RPM POSITION, approximately one-third of its travel downward.
- (4) Turn the key switch clockwise to the first position. The alternator and oil pressure indicator lights should glow. Turning the key switch further to the start position should cause the air cleaner indicator light to glow. On Power Shift tractors the transmission oil filter indicator light should glow. If any light fails to glow, turn off the key switch and determine the cause.



Diesel Starting Controls

- (5) Turn the key switch all the way to the right to start the engine. Do not operate the starter for more than 30 seconds at a time. To do so may overheat the starter. If the engine does not start the first time, wait for a minute or two before trying again. If it does not start after four attempts, see "Trouble Shooting."

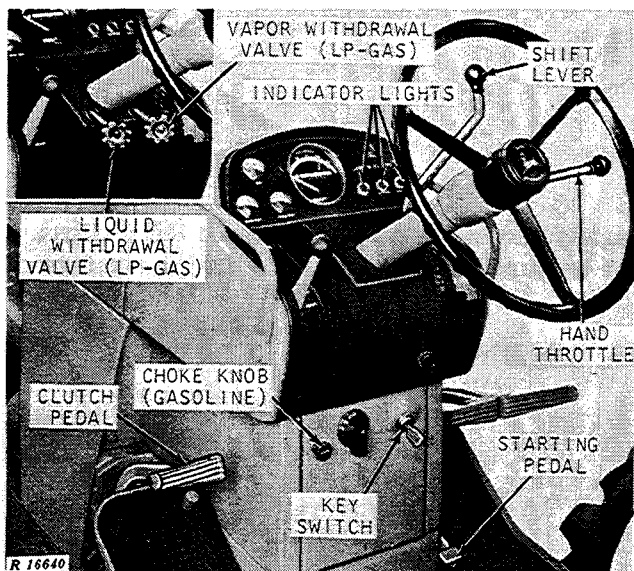
If the key switch is released before the engine starts, wait until the starter and the engine stop before trying again. This will prevent possible damage to the starter.

Before the starter will operate, the shift lever or the speed selector lever must be in "PARK" or neutral.

- (6) After the engine starts, the indicator lights should go out. The transmission oil filter indicator light may continue to glow when the oil is cold. If any other light continues to glow after the engine has been running 10 seconds, stop the engine and determine the cause.

If the Power Shift engine disconnect clutch was disengaged, engage the clutch immediately after starting the engine. This will prevent damage to the tractor.

STARTING THE GASOLINE ENGINE



Starting Controls on Gasoline and LP-gas Tractors

Perform the Prestarting checks on page 5.

(1) Make sure the fuel shut-off valve on the bottom of the fuel tank is open—see page 62.

(2) See that the shift lever or speed selector is in "PARK" position, the PTO clutch is disengaged, the rockshaft control lever is in the "lowered" position, and the remote cylinder operating levers in neutral. Depress the clutch pedal or the inching pedal.

(3) Move the hand throttle all the way up. Depress the starting pedal to close the carburetor throttle. This prevents the hard starting that might occur if the carburetor throttle were open.

(4) PULL THE ENGINE CHOKE KNOB OUT.

NOTE: At low temperatures it may be necessary to use a cold weather starting aid (page 7).

(5) Turn the key switch clockwise to the first position. The alternator and oil pressure indicator lights should glow. Turning the key switch further to the start position should cause the air cleaner indicator light to glow. On Power Shift tractors the transmission oil filter indicator light should glow. If any light fails to glow, turn off the key switch and determine the cause.

(6) Turn the key switch all the way to the right to start the engine. If the engine is warm, push the choke knob in after a few revolutions. To prevent overheating the starter, do not operate the starter for more than 30 seconds at a time. Then wait a minute or two before trying again. If the engine does not start after four such attempts, see "Trouble Shooting."

If the key switch is released before the engine starts, wait until the starter and the engine stop before trying again. This will prevent possible damage to the starter.

Before the starter will operate, the shift lever or the speed selector lever must be in "PARK" or neutral.

(7) If the engine is cold, push the choke knob in after the engine starts. In cold weather, it may be necessary to leave the choke partially on for the first few minutes.

(8) After the engine starts, the indicator lights should go out. The transmission oil filter indicator light may continue to glow when the oil is cold. If any other light continues to glow after the engine has been running 10 seconds, stop the engine and determine the cause.

If the Power Shift engine disconnect clutch was disengaged, engage the clutch immediately after starting the engine. This will prevent damage to the tractor.

STARTING THE LP-GAS ENGINE

Perform the Prestarting checks on page 5.

(1) See that the shift lever or speed selector is in "PARK" position, the PTO clutch is disengaged, the rockshaft control lever is in the "lowered" position, and the remote cylinder operating levers in neutral. Depress the clutch pedal or the inching pedal.

(2) Move the hand throttle all the way up. Depress the starting pedal to close the carburetor throttle. This prevents the hard starting that might occur if the carburetor throttle were open.

(3) Open the VAPOR withdrawal valve slowly. If the valve is opened too fast, it may cause the excess flow valve (inside the withdrawal valve) to close and prevent normal flow of vapor. If this happens, close the vapor withdrawal valve and open it more slowly. Engine will not start on liquid fuel.

(4) Turn the key switch clockwise to the first position. The alternator and oil pressure indicator lights should glow. Turning the key switch further to the start position should cause the air cleaner indicator light to glow. On Power Shift tractors the transmission oil filter indicator light should glow. If any light fails to glow, turn off the key switch and determine the cause.

(5) Turn the key switch all the way to the right to start the engine. Before the starter will operate, the shift lever or the speed selector must be in "PARK" or neutral.

(6) Do not move hand throttle from the slow idle position until the engine fires regularly. If the temperature is 20° F. or lower, it may be necessary to slowly move the hand throttle downward AFTER the engine has fired. Release the starter when it no longer is turning the engine.

Operating the starter for more than 30 seconds at a time may overheat the starter. If the engine does not start the first time, wait for a minute or two before trying it again. If it does not start after four attempts, see "Trouble Shooting."

If the key switch is released before the engine starts, wait until the starter and the engine stop before trying again. This will prevent possible damage to the starter.

(7) After the engine starts, the indicator lights should go out. The transmission oil filter indicator light may continue to glow when the oil is cold. If any other light continues to glow after the engine has been running for 10 seconds, stop the engine and determine the cause.

If the Power Shift engine disconnect clutch was disengaged, engage the clutch immediately after starting the engine. This will prevent damage to the tractor.

(8) Operate the engine on vapor until the cooling system is warm. Then slowly open the liquid withdrawal valve and close the vapor valve. Opening the liquid withdrawal valve too fast may cause the excess flow valve to close and prevent normal flow of liquid. If this happens, close the withdrawal valve and open it more slowly.



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CAUTION: Before starting the tractor engine, be sure there is plenty of ventilation. Never operate the tractor in a closed shed or garage.

COLD WEATHER STARTING AIDS

For cold weather starting, the diesel tractor may be equipped with an ether starting fluid adapter. The Power Shift transmission tractor may be equipped with an engine disconnect lever. Other starting aids are available from your John Deere dealer.

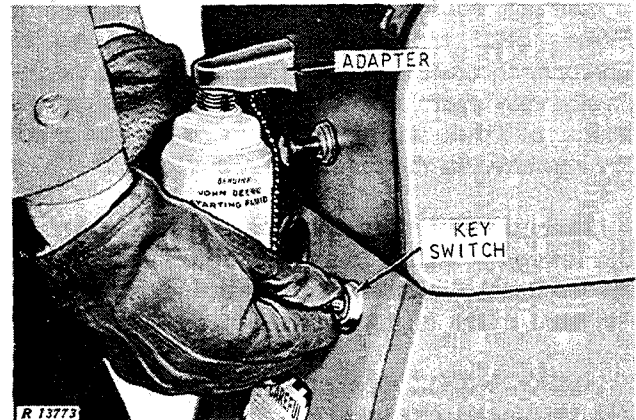
These aids are effective at low temperatures, only when the engine is otherwise operating satisfactorily. They will not correct such deficiencies as low battery charge, crankcase oil of heavy viscosity, and high electrical resistance which may prevent the engine from starting.

ETHER STARTING FLUID ADAPTER (Diesel Tractors)

A diesel tractor may be equipped with this adapter which is used to inject atomized starting fluid into the engine air intake system. Pressurized cans of starting fluid are available from your John Deere dealer.

CAUTION: Ether starting fluid is highly flammable. Do not use near fire, sparks, or flames. Read the cautionary information on the container.

To use the can of starting fluid, remove the safety cap and plastic spray button from the can. Remove the cap from the adapter and position the can under the adapter.



Injecting Starting Fluid

To inject a "shot" of starting fluid, momentarily push up on the can.

IMPORTANT: To avoid damage, turn engine with starter one or two revolutions before injecting starting fluid. Inject starting fluid only while the engine is turning.

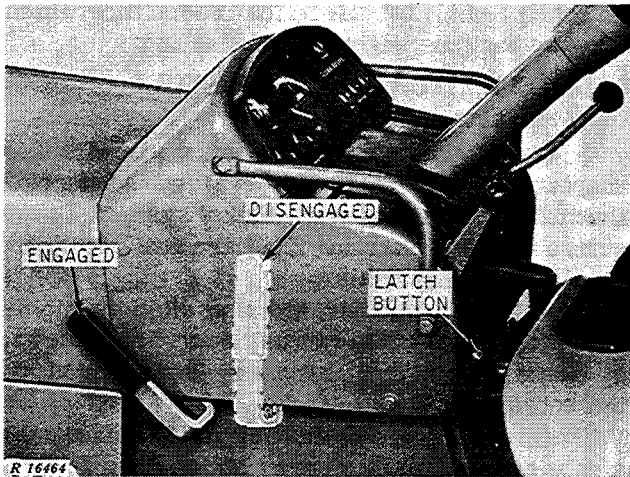
Relax pressure on the can between "shots" of starting fluid. Stop injecting fluid after the engine starts. If the engine begins to die during the first few minutes of operation, inject another "shot" of fluid. When the engine is operating satisfactorily, remove the can from the adapter. Replace the safety cap on the can to avoid accidental discharge.

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Install the cap on the adapter when it is not in use. This will prevent dust from being drawn into the engine.

Store starting fluid in a cool, dry, and protected area to prevent accidental discharge. Keep the starting fluid away from extreme heat or cold.

ENGINE DISCONNECT LEVER (Power Shift Tractors)



Engine Disconnect Lever

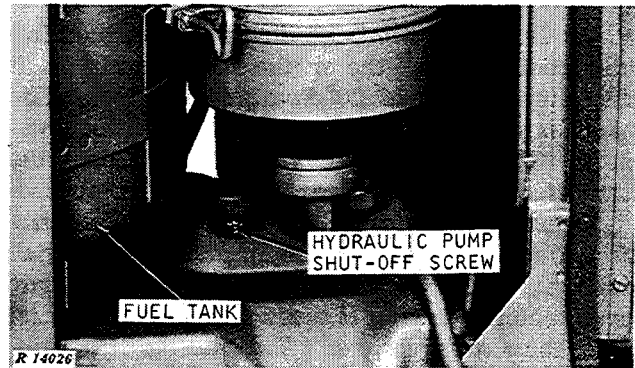
During cold weather, the starter speed on Power Shift tractors equipped with an engine disconnect clutch may be increased by disengaging the clutch so that the transmission will not turn. To do so, pull the lever rearward until it is latched in the disengaged position.

Immediately after starting the engine, engage the lever by pulling it slightly rearward. Push in on the latch button and allow the lever to move forward to the engaged position.

IMPORTANT: Operating the engine with the engine disconnect lever disengaged will damage the tractor. Be sure to engage it as soon as the engine starts. Never attempt to start a Power Shift tractor by towing or pushing.

SHUTTING OFF HYDRAULIC PUMP

If the tractor has a hydraulic pump shut-off screw, the starter speed may be increased during cold weather by shutting off the hydraulic pump so it will not build up pressure. This will also prevent inadvertent operation of the Power Front Wheel Drive.



Hydraulic Pump Shut-Off Screw

Turn the shut-off screw in (clockwise) one turn with a screwdriver. Then turn the screw in by hand until resistance is felt. Turn the screw in one more turn. After engine has partially warmed-up, stop the engine and back the shut-off screw all the way out (counterclockwise with a screwdriver). The pump will now build up pressure.

NOTE: Oil will leak past the shut-off screw if it is not backed all the way out against the internal stop.

CRANKCASE OIL AND COOLANT HEATERS

To facilitate cold weather starting, a 240-watt, 115-volt electrical crankcase oil heater may be installed in the engine oil pan at the lower front right-hand corner.

An in-block coolant heater on the left side of the engine will warm the engine coolant to reduce oil drag and shorten the warmup period.

Under normal conditions, 4 to 5 hours of heater operation may be required at temperatures between 0° F. and 20° F. or 6 to 8 hours at temperatures below 0° F.

CAUTION: To avoid shock or hazardous operation, always use a three wire heavy-duty electrical cord equipped with a 3-wire connectors. If a 2- to 3-contact adapter is used at the wall receptacle, always connect the green wire to a good ground.

ADDITIONAL BATTERY

Cold weather starting can be made easier by connecting an additional 12-volt battery in parallel with the battery or batteries on the tractor.

CAUTION: Gas given off by batteries is explosive. To avoid injury or battery damage, avoid sparks near the batteries.

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