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Sample General Safe Work Practice for Skid Steer

- Always Inspect area for hazards.
- Complete pre-operation inspection of Skid Steer.
- ONLY certified operators must run skid steer in hazardous situations.
- Understand the written instructions, rules, and regulations.
- Wear safety glasses, hearing protections, CSA approved footwear, and hard hat.
- KNOW your load capacities for forks & bucket & NEVER exceed them.
- Know the location of all workers & public at all times.
- Always know where overhead power lines are.
- No riders allowed.
- Always operate in a well ventilated area.
- Always carry heavy end uphill.
- Always wear seat belt.
- ONLY operate machine with lift bar down.
- Keep away from pinch points at all times.
- ONLY qualified personnel will “boost” skid steers.
- ALWAYS install lift arm stop when working on machinery while lift arms are up.
- Place jack stands at rear before lifting operator cab.
- ALWAYS use 3 points of contact while entering & exiting the skid steer.
- Follow safe practices & procedures for fueling.
- Before leaving skid steer, ensure lift arms are lowered, parking brake is on, and engine is stopped.
- ALWAYS double check that attachments are installed properly.
- Drive skid steer backwards onto trailers and secure according to manufacturers instruction.
- Always travel up & down slopes

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