

# Skid Steer Safety – Picture This

## SKID STEER LOADER SAFETY



Skid steer loaders are a useful tool on nearly every construction jobsite. Whether you're digging, loading, pushing or grading, this jack-of-all-trades tool can be counted on to get the job done.

Do you know how to operate this versatile machinery? Are you familiar with the necessary safety precautions to protect yourself and others while using the equipment?

### CHECK OUT THE HELPFUL TIPS BELOW TO UTILIZE YOUR SKID STEER LOADER PROPERLY:



Always read and understand the operator's manual before using the piece of equipment. Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations and specifications when operating it.



Once the skid steer loader's engine is on, do not leave the operator's seat. Never attempt to activate controls unless properly seated, with the seatbelt properly fastened and the seat bar lowered. Keep all body parts inside the cab at all times.



Never permit riders on skid steer loaders, in the bucket or attachment, or in the operator's compartment, unless it's designed to accommodate a second rider.



Never attempt maintenance or other work while lift arms or attachments are raised, without using an approved lift arm support device.



Never modify, bypass, disable or override safety systems. Also, never operate equipment in which safety systems have been modified or are not working properly.



Equipment with modified or malfunctioning safety systems should be taken out of service until repaired or replaced.



When not in use, be sure the bucket or attachment is lowered to flat on the ground. Do not attempt to activate the skid steer loader's controls from outside the operator's compartment.

For more information, please contact your local Amerisure risk management consultant at (800) 257 – 1900 or [riskmanagement@amerisure.com](mailto:riskmanagement@amerisure.com).

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