

## John Deere 1600 Turbo Series 3 ROPS



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This ROPS is designed and built to fit the John Deere 1600 Turbo Series 2.

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### Caution

- \*\* Please read installation instructions and follow all safety statements before attempting operating this ROPS product.
- \*\* A copy of this operator manual should be kept with the machine operating manuals.
- \*\* If this manual is lost, please contact your local John Deere dealer for a replacement.

Tektite Manufacturing Incorporated thanks you for purchasing a John Deere 1600 WAM Turbo Series 2 ROPS! Tektite has worked very hard to design and build this ROPS product and we hope that it provides you with many years of ROPS protection.

Tektite's ROPS products are designed to provide safe and dependable service during operation when they are properly maintained according to the instructions. Please read this operator manual carefully before using this ROPS product.

The photos/illustrations provided in this manual may not provide all the detail needed, and are for reference only.

All directions provided are from the reference point of the tractor seat facing the steering wheel. All left and right references are from this view point.

For reference, please fill in the information below. This will assist your dealer in providing service for this ROPS. It is advisable that this information be provided to your insurance company as well in the event that the tractor is lost or damaged.

Vehicle Model: \_\_\_\_\_

ROPS Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Purchase: \_\_\_\_\_

Dealer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Safety Precautions

### *Safety First*

Read these instructions carefully. It is essential that you read the instructions and safety regulations before you attempt to assemble or use the features that are on this cab/ROPS.

**Danger:** Indicates an immediate hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

**Warning:** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in death or serious injury.

**Caution:** Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

**Important:** Indicates that cab or property damage may result if instructions are not carefully followed.

**NOTE:** All products are designed to give safe, dependable service if they are operated and maintained according to instructions. It is the owner's responsibility to be certain anyone operating this product reads this manual, and all other applicable manuals, to become familiar with this cab and all safety precautions. Failure to do so could result in serious personal injury or cab damage. If you have any questions, consult your dealer. Read and understand this manual before operation.

**NOTE:** A safe operator is the best assurance against accidents. All operators, no matter how experienced they may be, should read this operator manual and all other related manuals before attempting to operate features in this cab/ROPS and operate the base tractor. Please read the following section and pay particular attention to all safety recommendations contained in this manual and those labelled on the cab and on the tractor.

## General Safety

1. Never let an unqualified or untrained driver operate the mower.
2. Keep a fire extinguisher, with ABC rating securely fastened in the ROPS. Maintain it and be familiar with its use.
3. Do not carry passengers.
4. Never operate the mower in a closed building for a prolonged period. Ensure adequate ventilation is present, as engine exhaust fumes are poisonous and can kill.
5. Always keep sleeves, jackets or other loose clothing relatively tight and belted. Loose clothing may catch on moving parts and result in severe personal injury or death.
6. Provide a first-aid kit, securely attached inside of the ROPS for use in case of accident.
7. Never jump from the mower. There is a danger of tripping or falling on protruding parts.
8. Use steps and hand holds when mounting and dismounting the mower, or for servicing components too high to reach from the ground.
9. When seated in the ROPS, fasten seat belt before starting the engine. A proper seat belt must be worn at all times when using a ROPS.
10. Safety devices and shields are intended to protect operators from injury or death. Under no circumstances should they be modified, disabled or removed.

## Operating Safety

1. Always operate the mower controls while sitting in the operator's seat.
2. Lock seat in position and buckle seat belt before operating the mower.
3. Avoid abrupt sharp turns at high speeds.
4. On sloped terrain, do not make sharp turns as machine stability could be compromised.
5. Operate the mower smoothly, avoid abrupt starts and stops.
6. Keep all shields in place when operating the mower.
7. Do not operate the mower when you are tired, sick, or impaired.
8. Never operate the mower in confined areas; visibility next to the tractor is reduced. Injury to bystanders or damage to the ROPS or equipment may result.

## Safety

Carefully review the procedures given in this manual and the mower operator's manual with all operators annually. It is important that all operators become familiar with, and follow safety precautions. Operating instructions must be given to everyone using the tractor before operation and at least once yearly thereafter in compliance with OSHA Regulations 1928.57 (United States).

### **Safe Operation on Rough Terrain**

1. Drive the mower slowly on hillsides and curves to eliminate the danger of tipping. Avoid slopes which are too steep for safe operation. Avoid sharp uphill turns.
2. Always drive slowly enough over rough ground or obstructions. Drive at speeds slow enough to ensure your safety.
3. When driving out of a ditch, gully, or up a steep hillside, engage the clutch slowly. Avoid sharp uphill turns.
4. When descending steep grades, select a sufficiently low gear to maintain control with minimum use of braking.
5. Use caution when driving near the edge of a ditch or gully. It may cave in, causing the mower to roll over.
6. Be alert when operating near trees, slopes and around obstructions. Tree branches can cause damage to ROPS components.

### **Maintenance Safety**

1. Remove mud, crop residue, chains, and tools from steps and operator's platform. They may interfere with pedal operation or entry/exit from mower.
2. When servicing components are too high to reach from the ground use steps and handholds. Do not use fenders or shields that are not designed as steps.

### **Safe Highway Operation**

1. Before operating the mower on, or near, public roadways check with your local authorities for any local regulations that will affect you.
2. Equip towed implements with slow moving vehicle (SMV) signs when traveling on public roads.
3. Install additional lights on implement rear to safeguard against rear end collisions.
4. Use hazard warning flashers as required by law when transporting or driving on public roads. If the mower had warning flashers removed when mounting the ROPS, they must be replaced prior to operation on public roads.
5. Keep to the right, yielding right-of-way traffic, especially if pulling implements. Pull off the road and stop to allow motorists to pass. Drive on the road shoulder, if permitted by law.
6. Use extreme caution when pulling heavy loads at road speeds. Avoid hard application of the mower brakes at high speed.
7. Always drive slowly near curbs, approaches or ditches.
8. If equipped, ensure headlights are aligned so they will not blind the operator's of oncoming vehicles. If the mower is not equipped with turn signals and law requires them, install them prior to operating on or near public roads.

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### **Safety Decals**

1. Keep decals clean. Remove dirt with a wet clean cloth when necessary.
2. Replace safety decals if destroyed, missing, painted over or unreadable. If any safety decals are covered or obscured when the ROPS is mounted, it is recommended that you purchase replacement decals from the mower manufacturer. Mount them in a readable location at, or near, their original location before operating the mower.
3. New ROPS decals and mower decals are available from your mower dealer.

### **ROPS Safety**

1. Install the ROPS in accordance with Tektite mounting instructions. Failure to do so may affect the ROPS ability to withstand a roll over.
2. If the ROPS is subjected to alteration, structural damage or involved in an over turn accident, the entire structure must be replaced. Failure to do so may result in injury or death in the event of a roll over.
3. If the mower is not equipped with seat belts, purchase approved seat belts from the mower manufacturer or Tektite prior to operating the mower.
4. Always fasten seat belts prior to operating the mower.
5. Always operate the mower from the operator's seat.
6. Remove mud, crop residue, chains and tools from steps and operator's platform. They may interfere with pedal operation or entry/exit from the mower.
7. Remove all loose chains, tools, and equipment from the operator's platform. Failure to do so may cause injury or death in the event of a roll over.
8. Do not install the ROPS on a mower model that the ROPS is not designated for (compatible mower designations are printed on the ROPS serial number plate). The ROPS is designed specifically for individual models to ensure ROPS requirements will be met. Installing the ROPS on a non designated mower may result in injury or death.

### **Emergency Exits**

This ROPS cab has 2 exits, which may be used in an emergency: left and right side doors.

## **Operating Instructions**

### **Important**

The following section locates, identifies and briefly describes the functions of all ROPS controls. All operators should familiarize themselves with control location and function prior to operating the mower. Failure to do so may result in unsafe operation of the mower and possible injury or death to operators and bystanders.

The switch plate is located beside the upper A-A cross member near the ROPS roof. The following switches are available and their functionality is described.

#### **1. Front Work Lights Rocker Switch (optional)**

Low position: Off

High position: On

#### **2. Rear Work Light (s) Rocker Switch (optional)**

Low position: Off

High position: On

#### **3. 4 - way Flashers Rocker Switch (optional)**

Low position: Off

High position: On

#### **4. Turn Signal Rocker Switch (optional)**

Left position: Left

Centre position: Off

Right position: Right

#### **5. Front Wiper Rocker Switch (optional)**

Low position: Low speed

Center position: Off

High position: High speed

#### **6. Head Lights Rocker Switch (optional)**

Low position: Off

High position: On

#### **7. Beacon Rocker Switch (optional)**

Low position: Off

High position: On

## **After your ROPS Cab has been installed:**

Before starting a mower equipped with a Tektite ROPS:

1. Clear the operator platform of all tools. Tools left in or around the ROPS and mower can cause operator interference which could lead to bodily injury and/or damage the machine.
2. Inspect the ROPS and mower to ensure all bolts are tight and re-tighten if required.
3. Ensure that all pedals, levers, and controls have adequate clearance for normal operation.
4. Ensure that all electrical components of both the ROPS and mower operate normally.
5. Ensure your door latches properly onto the striker pin. Immediately after installation, the ROPS frame may flex slightly from installation, and the door latch will need to be re-aligned for proper operation. Loosen the striker pin, striker mounting plate and door latch as necessary to get a proper alignment of the door striker.

## **Service Parts Breakdowns:**

Following are parts breakdowns for components that may require service parts replacement during the life of the ROPS. If you require replacement parts, please contact the dealer that you purchased the ROPS from and indicate which parts you require.