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Instructions for use of St. Mary's Soil Conservation District Rental Equipment

No-Till Drills

Before Use:

- Check hydraulic couplings on equipment. They will not fit all tractors.
- Secure safety chains, hydraulic cylinder safety locks, hydraulic hoses, and tongue pin for transport (*as applicable*).
- Observe slow moving vehicle speed when transporting on public roads.
- Closely follow Operator's Manual
- Check all nuts, bolts, screws, and connections for tightness.
- Do not fill seed hoppers until in the field.
- Disengage any unused drives.
- Check calibration. Use seed chart only as a guide for calibration. It is not a guarantee of the correct amount of seed to be sown due to variations in seed type and seed mixtures. Refer to the Operator's Manual for instructions on calibrating the equipment.
- Remove safety locks on hydraulic cylinders on each side of Drill for planting.

During Use:

- Keep all nuts, bolts, screws, and connections tight. Check for tightness daily.
- Watch hydraulic hoses. They can burst and cause serious injury.
- Do not turn sharp corners with Drill.
- Do not exceed recommended operating speeds.
- Do not attempt to clean or adjust the Drill while it is in motion.
- Do not allow any person to ride on the Drill.
- Do not walk near any unshielded chains or sprockets while the Drill is in motion.
- Maximum speed in favorable conditions is about 4 to 5 miles/hour.

After Use:

- Call the District at (301)475-8402 ext 108 to report total acres planted.
Hours – 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
- Help avoid spreading any obnoxious weed. Clean Drill.
- Install safety locks on hydraulic cylinders on **BOTH** sides of Drill for transport.
- Remember to replace original hydraulic couplings on equipment.