TOOLBOX TALKS

MACHINE SAFETY—ROLLOVERS

Toolbox Talks are designed to promote safety discussions and best practices on the jobsite. To see more Toolbox Talks, please visit cat.com/toolboxtalks.

Before operating any machine, always read and understand the Operation and Maintenance manual (OMM). Check that the machine is fitted with a Rollover Protection System (ROPS), ensuring it bears the ROPS film. If the machine is fitted with a ROPS, ALWAYS wear your seat belt.

WHAT TO DO

- Avoid any situation that may create machine instability
- Read and understand the OMM
- Always keep the load and implement as low as possible
- Avoid moving on a lateral grade
- If fitted, use stabilizer whenever possible
- If you feel your machine begin to lean in an unstable way, make sure to lower all implements. This will lower the center of gravity and increase stability
- If your machine does overturn:
  - Stay in the cab until someone can check the outside situation unless it is unsafe (e.g., water entering, fire, etc.)
  - Try to contact coworkers to get help
  - If you need to exit, ensure the machine is stable in its current position and, when possible, exit from the primary exist
  - Call for assistance as quickly as possible
- Your seatbelt is designed to minimize injury, and the cab structure provides more protection than you'll find anywhere else nearby
- Heavy equipment and their loads sometimes come to rest in delicately balanced positions— if you try to get out of the cab, you may upset that balance

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