

Cat[®] 988 Wheel Loader

The Cat[®] 988 Wheel Loader helps you move more material in less time, at a low cost per ton, for a fast return on your investment. This machine offers significant fuel savings with durability to achieve multiple lifecycles.

Proven Reliability

- Cat C18 engine is built and tested to meet your most demanding applications.
- Cat torque converter with lock-up clutch helps eliminate torque converter losses and lowers system heat.
- Maximum responsiveness with Steering and Transmission Integrated Control (STIC™).
- Moves more material efficiently with improved power and control.
- Durable construction withstands the toughest loading conditions and multiple lifecycles.

Durability

- World-class transmission for long life and consistent, smooth shifting; specifically designed for mining applications.
- Advanced productivity electronic control strategy (APECS) transmission controls for optimal momentum on grades.
- Positive flow control (PFC) hydraulic system helps increase efficiency, bucket feel, and responsiveness with consistent performance.
- Advanced filtration system for extended performance and reliability of the hydraulic system.
- Impeller clutch torque converter (ICTC) helps minimize tire spin by allowing torque to adjust to underfoot conditions.

Achieve Greater Productivity

- Superior digging, higher bucket fill factors, reduced dig times.
- Improved visibility over the top of the linkage.
- Operators can now monitor tire pressure during operation. Any change sending a fault code to VisionLink® helps prevent premature tire failure.
- Convenient, responsive electro-hydraulic controls help increase operator productivity.

Superior Fuel Efficiency

- Economy mode helps optimize engine speed control for reduced fuel consumption, no matter if operating in manual throttle or throttle lock.
- Flow sharing hydraulics provide full flow at reduced engine rpm.
- Fully integrated electronic engine controls help make your fuel go farther.
- Engine idle shutdown for less fuel used while idling.
- Increased hydraulic speed and fast cycle times help decrease idle and fuel burn with optimal efficiency.

Increase Productivity and Efficiency with Integrated Technologies

- Cat Technologies developed to monitor, manage, and enhance your job site operations.
- Cat Payload provides accurate weighing* of the materials you are loading and hauling. Payload data is displayed in real-time to improve productivity and reduce overloading.
- Cat Detect enhances awareness of the environment around working equipment and provides alerts to help keep people and assets safe on the job site.
- Product Link[™] wirelessly connects you to your equipment, giving you access to essential information you need to know to run your business.
- Gain valuable insight into how your machine or fleet is performing.
- Optional advanced productivity plan provides comprehensive, actionable information to help you manage and improve the productivity and profitability of your operations.
- Improved cycle times and bucket fill factors with optional operator coaching.
- Optimized dig segment cycle with optional operator assist tire slip prevention, auto set tires, and lift stall prevention.



*Not legal for trade.

Safety Features

- Achieve precise positioning for easy loading in tight areas with 43 degrees of steering articulation.
- Precise machine control by load-sensing hydraulic steering system.
- Reduced stairway angles and standard stairway lighting provide reduced risk of slips, trips, and falls due to better visbility of the steps and stairway.
- Computerized monitoring system with warning indicators.
- Standard Cat Vision enhances visibility behind the machine, helping you work safely and confidently.
- Pressurized cabin with filtered air and reduced sound levels.

Reduced Maintenance Time and Costs

- Grouped service points provide easy access to critical daily service checks.
- Swing-out engine compartment service doors.
- Reduced waste with maintenance-free batteries.
- Optional engine compartment lighting for great visibility while servicing the engine.
- Ecology drains to prevent spills and allow for easier service.
- Vehicle Information Management System (VIMS™) notifications to help resolve problems before failure.
- Ground level access to transmission control valves.
- Long life, rebuildability, and high resale value.

Easy, Comfortable Operator Environment

- World-class operator comfort and ergonomics.
- Cat Premium Plus seat with standard features, including leather finish, forced air heating and cooling, two-way thigh adjustment, power lumbar and back bolster adjustment, and dynamic end dampening to provide total comfort throughout the workday.
- Easy-to-reach levers and seat-mounted implement pod to help reduce fatigue.
- Ergonomic switch placement and displays with LED indicators.
- Two-position rocker switch activates the electro-hydraulic parking brake.
- Reduced vibrations from isolated cab mounts and seat air suspension.
- Automatic cab temperature controls.

PURPOSE-BUILT SPECIALTY ARRANGEMENTS

Block Handler

- Delivers stability and durability with an optimized counterweight for block handling applications.
- A high rimpull powertrain features a torque converter and transmission specially designed for this application to maximize rimpull.
- An additional hydraulic valve with the quick coupler allows the operator to switch work tools and immediately lock the work tool during load and carry applications.
- Purpose-built tilt and lift cylinders on the linkage help improve load control and ensure safe and long lasting operation.
- Ride control acts as a shock absorber, providing the operator with a smoother ride over rough terrain.

Millyard

- Unload a typical full-length log truck in a single pass with the larger lift and tilt cylinders and a unique tilt lever to maximize linkage force. Designed with more lift capacity and 26% more tilt capacity over the standard 988.
- Swing-out fan radiator design for easy service in high-debris millyard applications, helping to reduce maintenance and service downtime. Auto reversing fan system to help dislodge debris and keep air flowing across the radiator cores.
- Additional counterweight to help increase stability for improved confidence while maneuvering with full loads.
- Purpose-built lift arm with lowered cross member to help increase visibility to the tips of the forks, helping to increase the speed when lining up the load and reduce operator movements to see the forks.

Steel Mill Arrangement

- Durable and reinforced attachments for operator comfort, safety, and easy machine access.
- Radiator is designed for easy cleaning and to keep material from building up.
- Auto reversing fan and easy access to cooling cores help keep cab at comfortable temperature.
- Equipped with extra guarding and heat protection for critical machine functions.
- Flame-resistant ecosafe hydraulic fluid available as an option.
- Performance series, serrated edge slag, straight edge slag, and slag buckets help maximize material retention and minimize dig time.

Standard and Optional Equipment

Standard and optional equipment may vary. Consult your Cat® dealer for details.

	Standard	Optional
ELECTRICAL		
Alarm, back-up	~	
Alternator, single 150 amp	√	
Converter, 10/15 amp, 24V to 12V	√	
Lighting system (halogen, work lights, access and service platform lighting)	\checkmark	
Starting and charging system, 24V	\checkmark	
Auxiliary start receptacle	\checkmark	
Starter lockout in bumper	√	
Transmission lockout in bumper	~	
OPERATOR ENVIRONMENT		
Air conditioner	✓	
Cab precleaner		~
Cab, sound suppressed and pressurized, integrated rollover protective structure/falling objects protective structure (ROPS/FOPS) radio ready for entertainment, includes antenna, speakers and converter (12-volt 5-amp) and power port	√	
Cat Detect, object detection system		\checkmark
Cat Vision, rear vision camera system	\checkmark	
Heater, defroster	~	
Horn, electric	\checkmark	
LED warning strobe		\checkmark
Light, directional	\checkmark	
Lights, high intensity discharge (HID) or LED		✓
Lunchbox, beverage holders	\checkmark	
Mirrors, heated		
Mirrors, rearview (externally mounted)	✓	
Radio, AM/FM/CD/MP3 Bluetooth® with Satellite Sirius		~
Radio, CB ready		✓
Rimpull control system (RCS)		•
Seat, deluxe	✓	
Seat, cab – heated and ventilated		~
Seat belt minder	✓	
Seat belt, retractable, 76 mm (3 in) wide	√	
Slope indication	\checkmark	
Steering and Transmission Integrated Control (STIC™) system	\checkmark	
UV glass	\checkmark	
Wet-arm wipers/washers (front and rear) – intermittent front and rear wipers	\checkmark	
Window pull-down visor		✓
POWERTRAIN		
Antifreeze -50° C (-58° F)		✓
Brakes, oil-cooled, multi-disc, service/ secondary	\checkmark	
Case drain screens	\checkmark	
Cat Production Measurement		\checkmark

	Standard	Ontional
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POWERTRAIN (CONTINUED)		
Cat Production Measurement ready	•	
Crankcase guard	✓	
Electro-hydraulic parking brake	\checkmark	
Engine block heater 120V or 240V		~
Engine, C18 Mechanically Actuated Electronic Unit Injection (MEUI™) diesel, turbocharged/ aftercooled	\checkmark	
Engine oil change system, high speed, Wiggins		\checkmark
Ground level engine shutoff	\checkmark	
High ambient cooling – software		\checkmark
Turbine precleaner, engine air intake	√	
Radiator, aluminum modular radiator (AMR)	✓	
Starting aid, ether, automatic	√	
Throttle lock, electronic		
Torque converter, impeller clutch torque converter (ICTC) with lock-up clutch (LUC), rimpull control system	<i>√</i>	
Transmission, planetary powershift, 4F/3R electronic control	\checkmark	
Manual switch and automatic fuel priming	\checkmark	
ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT		
Aggregate handler		✓
Automatic bucket lift kickout/positioner	\checkmark	
Base machine price includes a rim allowance	\checkmark	
Block handler		\checkmark
Cat Clean Emission Module (CEM)	\checkmark	
Cold weather package: additional starter and 2 batteries, engine block heater 120V or 240V, heated fuel lines		~
Doors, service access (locking)	✓	
Ecology drains for engine, radiator, hydraulic tank	\checkmark	
Fast fill fuel system (Shaw-Aero)		\checkmark
Front and rear roading fenders		✓
Hitch, drawbar with pin		
Hydraulic, steering and brake filtration/ screening system	~	
Hydraulically driven demand fan		
Configurable machine overload prevention	✓	
Load and carry counterweight		•
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Oil sampling valves Premixed 50% concentration of extended life		
coolant with freeze protection to -34° C (-29° F)	•	
Rear access to cab and service platform	✓	
Steel mill		✓
Steering, load sensing	√	
Tire pressure monitoring system		✓
Toe kicks	• •	
Vandalism protection caplocks	✓	

Technical Specifications

E	ngine	
Engine Model	C18	}
Rated Speed	1,700 rpm	
Peak Power Speed	1,500 rpm	
Engine – ISO 14396:2002	432 kW	580 hp
Gross – SAE J1995:2014	439 kW	588 hp
Net Power – SAE J1349:2011	401 kW	541 hp
Bore	145 mm	5.7 in
Stroke	183 mm	7.2 in
Displacement	18.1 L	1,105 in ³
Peak Torque @ 1,200 rpm	3023 N⋅m	2,230 lb-ft
Torque Rise	58%	, D

Three engine emission options are available:

1. Meets U.S. EPA Tier 4 Final, EU Stage V, and Japan 2014 emission standards.

2. Meets Brazil MAR-1 emission standards, equivalent to U.S. EPA Tier 3 and

EU Stage IIIA.

3. Meets China Nonroad Stage IV emission standards.

• Net power advertised is the power available at the flywheel when the engine is equipped with fan at minimum speed, air intake system, exhaust system, and alternator.

Operating Specifications			
Operating Weight	51 062 kg	112,574 lb	
Rated Payload – Quarry Face	11.3 tonnes	12.5 tons	
Rated Payload – Loose Material	14.5 tonnes	16 tons	
Bucket Capacity Range	4.7-13 m ³	6.2-17 yd ³	
Cat Truck Match – Standard	770-772		
Cat Truck Match – High Lift	773-775		

	Transmission					
	Transmission Type	Cat Planetary Power Shift				
Speed km/h mph Speed km/h m				mph		
	Forward 1	6.5	4.0	Direct Drive Forward 1	Lock-up	disabled
	Forward 2	11.6	7.2	Direct Drive Forward 2	12.5	7.8
	Forward 3	20.4	12.7	Direct Drive Forward 3	22.3	13.9
	Forward 4	34.7	21.6	Direct Drive Forward 4	39.3	24.4
	Reverse 1	7.5	4.7	Direct Drive Reverse 1	8.0	5.0
	Reverse 2	13.3	8.3	Direct Drive Reverse 2	14.3	8.9
	Reverse 3	23.2	14.4	Direct Drive Reverse 3	25.5	15.8

Travel speeds based on 35/65-R33 tires.

Hydraulic System – Lift/Tilt			
Lift/Tilt System – Circuit EH – Positive Flow Control, Flow Sharing			
Lift/Tilt System Variable Displacement Pisto			
Relief Valve Setting – Lift/Tilt 32 800 kPa 4,757 psi			
Hydraulic Cycle Time (1,400-1,860 rpm)			
Rackback 4.5 Seconds			
Raise 8.0 Seconds			
Dump 2.2 Seconds			
Lower Float Down 3.5 Seconds			

Total Hydraulic Cycle Time (empty bucket)

Hydraulic System – Steering			
Steering System – Circuit Pilot, load sensing			
Steering System – Pump Piston, variable displacem			
Relief Valve Setting – Steering 30 000 kPa 4,351 psi			
Total Steering Angle	86°		
Steering Cycle Time (high idle)	3.4 Seconds		
Steering Cycle Time (low idle) 5.6 Seconds			

Service Refill Capacities

Fuel Tank	712 L	188 gal
Diesel Exhaust Fluid Tank (for Tier 4 Final/Stage V or	nly) 33 L	8.7 gal

• All non-road Tier 4 Final/Stage V diesel engines are required to use:

- ULSD (ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel with 15 ppm of sulfur or less) or ULSD blended with the following lower-carbon intensity fuels** up to:
- 20% biodiesel FAME (fatty acid methyl ester)*

• 100% renewable diesel, HVO (hydrotreated vegetable oil) and GTL (gas-to-liquid) fuels Refer to guidelines for successful application. Please consult your Cat dealer or

- "Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations" (SEBU6250) for details.
- Engines with no aftertreatment devices can use higher blends, up to 100% biodiesel (for use of blends higher than 20% biodiesel, consult your Cat dealer).
- Tailpipe greenhouse gas emissions from lower-carbon intensity fuels are essentially the same as traditional fuels.
- For pre-Tier 4 engines: Cat engines are compatible with diesel fuel blended with the following lower-carbon intensity fuels** up to:
- 100% biodiesel FAME (fatty acid methyl ester)*
- 100% renewable diesel, HVO (hydrotreated vegetable oil) and GTL (gas-to-liquid) fuels Refer to guidelines for successful application. Please consult your Cat dealer or
- "Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations" (SEBU6250) for details. For use of blends higher than 20% biodiesel, consult your Cat dealer.
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Air Conditioning System

The air conditioning system on this machine contains the fluorinated greenhouse gas refrigerant R134a (Global Warming Potential = 1430). The system contains 1.8 kg of refrigerant which has a CO₂ equivalent of 2.574 metric tonnes.

Sound Performance – Tier 4 Final/Stage V			
Operator Sound Pressure Level (ISO 6396:2008)	73 dB(A)		
Machine Sound Power Level (ISO 6395:2008)	111 dB(A)		
Operator Sound Pressure Level (ISO 6396:2008)	72 dB(A)*		
Machine Sound Power Level (ISO 6395:2008)	109 dB(A)**		

Sound Performance – Tier 3/Stage IIIA Equivalent

Operator Sound Pressure Level (ISO 6396:2008)	73 dB(A)
Machine Sound Power Level (ISO 6395:2008)	112 dB(A)
Operator Sound Pressure Level (ISO 6396:2008)	72 dB(A)*
Machine Sound Power Level (ISO 6395:2008)	110 dB(A)**

- * For machines in European Union countries and in countries that adopt the "EU Directives" and "UK Directives. ** European Union Directive "2000/14/EC" as amended by "2005/88/EC" and UK Noise
- Regulation 2001 No. 1701.
- The machine sound power level was measured according to ISO 6395:2008. The measurement was conducted at 70% of the maximum engine cooling fan speed.
- The operator sound pressure level was measured according to ISO 6396:2008. The measurement was conducted at 70% of the maximum engine cooling fan speed.
- · Hearing protection may be needed when the machine is operated with a cab that is not properly maintained or when the doors or windows are open for extended periods or in a noisy environment.



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18.2 Seconds

