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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 74/150/EEC of 4 March 1974 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the type-approval of wheeled agricultural or forestry tractors [1], as last amended by European Parliament and Council Directive 97/54/EC [2], and in particular Article 11 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 89/173/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to certain components and characteristics of wheeled agricultural or forestry tractors [3], as last amended by Directive 97/54/EC, and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In order to take account of technical progress, it is now necessary to revise certain provisions concerning dimensions and masses, and in particular those of the mechanical couplings, in order to make the best possible use of ISO standards; and, in order to improve safety, the testing arrangements should be specified in Directive 89/173/EEC, for all possible configurations.

(2) The provisions of this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for Adaptation to Technical Progress established by Article 12 of Directive 74/150/EEC,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

Annexes I, II, IV and V to Directive 89/173/EEC are hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Directive.

Article 2

1. From 1 July 2000, Member States may not:

— refuse to grant EC type-approval, to issue the document provided for in the third indent of Article 10(1) of Directive 74/150/EEC, or to grant national type-approval, in respect of a type of tractor, or

— prohibit the entry into service of tractors,

if the tractors in question meet the requirements of Directive 89/173/EEC, as amended by this Directive.

2. From 1 January 2001, Member States:

— may no longer issue the document provided for in the third indent of Article 10(1) of Directive 74/150/EEC in respect of a type of tractor which does not meet the requirements of Directive 89/173/EEC, as amended by this Directive,

— may refuse to grant national type-approval in respect of a type of tractor which does not meet the requirements of Directive 89/173/EEC, as amended by this Directive.

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[1] OJ L 84, 28.3.1974, p. 10.
[2] OJ L 277, 10.10.1997, p. 24.
[3] OJ L 67, 10.3.1989, p. 1.

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Article 3

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 30 June 2000 at the latest. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

2. Member States shall communicate to the Commission the text of the main provisions of domestic law that they adopt in the field governed by this Directive.

Article 4

This Directive shall enter into force on the 20th day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Article 5

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

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ANNEX

Annexes I, II, IV and V to Directive 89/173/EEC are amended as follows:

Annex I:

In point 2.1.2, '2,5 m' is replaced by '2,55 m (ignoring any bulging of the part of the tyres that is in contact with the ground)'.

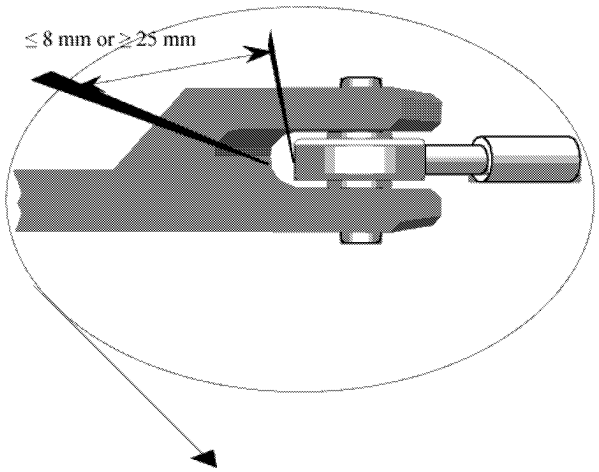
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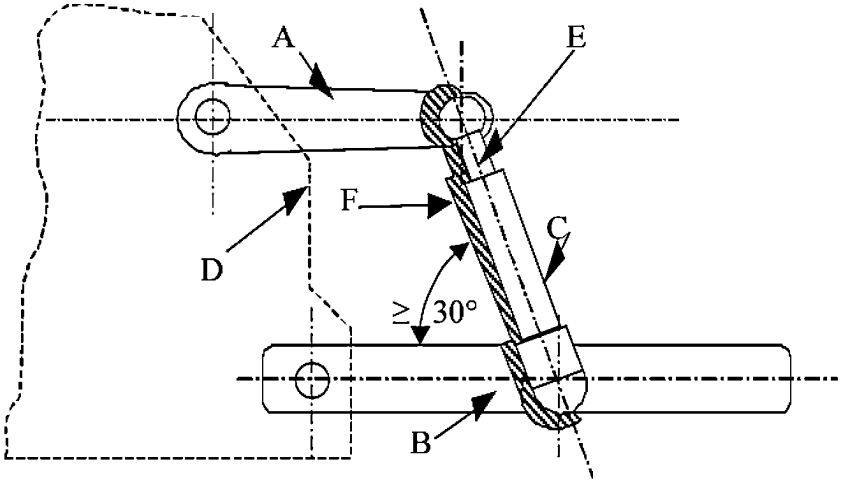
1. In point 2.3.2.7.1:

   (a) The following sentence is inserted. 'Where the lower links are directly activated by the lifting mechanism, the reference plane is determined by the median transverse vertifical plane of those links.'

   (b) Figure 3 is replaced by the following figure:

'*Figure 3*





Legend:

A = Lift arm

B = Lower link

C = Lift rod

D = Tractor chassis

E = Plane passing through the axes of the lift rod pivot points

F = Clearance envelope'.