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## News Release

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## UPDATES TO AGRICULTURAL POWER TAKE-OFF STANDARDS ANNOUNCED

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN— The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) announces the completion of three standards projects related to power take-off drive shafts and related equipment.

The new standards are:

- Revision ANSI/ASABE S604.1, Safety for Power Take-off (PTO), PTO Drive Shafts, and Power Input Connection (PIC) for Agricultural Field Equipment
- Adoption with deviations of ISO 5673-1:2005, ANSI/ASABE AD5673-1:2005, Agricultural tractors and machinery — Power take-off drive shafts and powerinput connection — Part 1: General manufacturing and safety requirements
- Adoption with deviations of ISO 5673-2:2005, ANSIASABE AD5673-2:2005, Agricultural tractors and machinery — Power take-off drive shafts and powerinput connection — Part 2: Specification for use of PTO drive shafts and position and clearance of PTO drive line and PIC for various attachments

The adoption of ISO 5673-1 and 5673-2 increases the visibility and use of standards and benefits international trade. Each adoption further harmonizes national and international standardization, a goal that facilitates manufacturing, safety advancements, and product marketing worldwide.

ASABE members with standards access and those with site-license privileges can access the full-text of the standard by electronic download in about two weeks. Location for the download is on the ASABE online Technical Library at: elibrary.asabe.org. Others can obtain a copy for a fee directly from the library or by contacting ASABE headquarters at Schultz@asabe.org.

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