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ASABE ADOPTS INTERNATIONAL STANDARD ON PICK-UP BALERS

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN—The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has adopted with deviations international standard ISO 4254-11:2010, Agricultural machinery—Safety—Part 11: Pick-up balers.

The ASABE document, ANSI/ASABE AD4254-11:2010 (JAN2012), Agricultural machinery – Safety – Part 11: Pick-up balers, was adopted to clarify the North American position related to baler guarding and pick-ups.

The adoption further harmonizes national and international standardization, a goal that facilitates manufacturing, safety advancements and product marketing worldwide, while the deviation recognizes those areas in which North American practices differ from those described in the ISO document.

ASABE members with standards access and those with site-license privileges can access the full-text of the standard by electronic download in about one week. 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 from ASABE headquarters at: martin@asabe.org.

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