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ASABE ADOPTS AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY DEFINITION STANDARD

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN— The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has completed its adoption, with deviations, of ISO 12934:2013, Tractors and machinery for agriculture and forestry - Basic types – Definitions.

The new ASABE standard, ANSI/ASAE S390.6 (ISO 12934:2013), replaces ANSI/ASAE S390.5, Definitions and Classifications of Agricultural Field Equipment, which was used as a key basis document for the development of ISO 12934.

Under ordinary circumstances, designation of an ASABE's adoption of an ISO document would include the ISO document number. In this case, however, the original ASABE designation has been retained because S390 is referenced within the US Code of Federal Regulations.

The 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 via electronic download 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 OrderStandard@asabe.org.

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