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Tractor Pto Shaft Guard Safety Inspection Inspection Checklist

Operational Scope: This tractor PTO shaft guard safety inspection inspection checklist governs all agricultural power take-off machinery to mitigate severe entanglement and amputation hazards. It ensures mandatory compliance with machinery guarding standards prior to daily field operations.

MANDATORY PPE:	Safety Glasses (ANSI Z87.1), Steel-Toe Boots (ASTM F2413), High-Visibility Vest, Fitted Work Gloves (No loose cuffs), Hearing Protection
PREREQUISITES:	Ensure tractor engine is completely shut off and the ignition key is removed. | Verify the PTO clutch lever is disengaged and the implement has come to a full stop. | Ensure the workspace is well-lit and clear of slipping or tripping hazards.

MASTER SHIELD AND GUARD INTEGRITY

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
1	**Tractor Master Shield**	Master shield is securely bolted in place above the tractor PTO stub shaft, showing no cracks, structural bending, or loose mounting hardware.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
2	**Shield Cone and Bell Ends**	Plastic/metal safety cones at both ends of the driveshaft are undamaged, cover the universal joints completely, and are free of deep gouges or structural deformation.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
3	**Telescoping Guard Tube**	Outer and inner plastic guard tubes overlap adequately across all operating lengths and show no signs of splitting or thermal degradation.	**Warning**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

BEARINGS, LUBRICATION, AND RESTRAINING DEVICES

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
4	**Guard Bearings and Free Rotation**	Guard bearings rotate independently around the driveshaft without binding, catching, or emitting excessive friction heat when manually spun.	**Warning**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
5	**Anti-Rotation Chains / Straps**	All restraint chains or anchor straps are securely fastened to non-rotating tractor and implement points to prevent the guard from rotating with the shaft.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
6	**Quick-Disconnect Pins**	Spring-loaded locking pins, collars, or quick-release yokes lock securely onto the tractor PTO stub and implement shaft without excessive play.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

DRIVESHAFT DRIVELINE AND LUBRICATION

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
7	**Universal Joints (U-Joints)**	U-joints are properly greased, free of excessive radial play, and lack cracked cross-kits or missing needle bearing caps.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**
8	**Warning Decals and Signage**	All manufacturer safety decals regarding rotating PTO hazards and missing guards are fully legible and intact on the shield surfaces.	**Standard**	**[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A**

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