JOHN DEERE 9R IT4
Ag Pro Undercarriage
Installation Instructions

For Models:
To The Owner

This manual contains information concerning the installation of the undercarriage. You have purchased dependable, long lasting equipment, but only by proper care and operation can you expect to receive the performance and long service built into our products. Please have all operators read this manual carefully and keep the manual available for ready reference. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Grouser Products.

Caution:
• Always use caution when working around any equipment.
• Always wear safety glasses.
• Follow tractor manufacturer’s safety guidelines when installing this product.
• Use paint where necessary to prevent rust.
• Do not modify or permit anyone else to modify or alter the equipment and its components without first consulting Grouser Products.

Note:
• When installing hardware, only finger tighten until all hardware is in place.
• A full diagram of the assembly with the full list of parts is on pages 6-7.
• Unstrap and remove any components that are attached for shipping.
• Read all instructions prior to performing installation.
• Tractor frame not shown in some diagrams for clarity.

To ensure the safety of those working under and around the machine, apply parking brake, remove key from ignition, and block tires before working on the machine.

Pre-Installation

1. If applicable, remove front weights, weight bracket, toolbox, and front axle brace from front of tractor.

2. Locate the steering hydraulics behind the right axle and remove valve bracket bolts and move valve and bracket out of the way to gain access to the 3 holes (A).

3. If applicable, remove hardware from drive shaft sensor controller (B) on left inside frame of tractor. The sensor will be reattached with new hardware in Step #12-13.

4. Attach axle brackets to front axle vertical holes with 12 - 24mm x 150mm bolts and 12 - 1.05” ID washers (C).

5. Push brackets outwards away from center of tractor to make room for installing undercarriage.

NOTE: Some tractors only have 4 holes in axle. The installation instructions are still compatible, but only use 4 bolts and washers instead of 6 on each side for Step #4.

6. Install 4 - 7/8” x 2-1/2” bolts and 4 - 7/8” heavy duty flat washers from inside of undercarriage into 2 center bolting locations for the axle brackets (D).
7. Position undercarriage under tractor, center on frame of tractor. Lift undercarriage until holes of undercarriage line up with holes in side of tractor frame.

   **NOTE:** When lifting undercarriage, watch bolts that were installed in Step #6 so they do not hit installed axle brackets on tractor and watch for any potential pinching of hoses or any other components to prevent any damage.

   **NOTE:** Add shims between undercarriage and tractor frame to reduce any gap if necessary. Use shims until there is a gap of 1/16” or less on front. See attached diagram for proper location and orientation of each shim. Do Not put all of shims on one side of undercarriage. For Steps #8-15, only a few bolts will be installed to hold shims in place until the correct amount of shims are installed on each side.

8. Install 2 - 7/8” x 3” bolts and 2 - 7/8” hardened flat washers on left side through front holes on undercarriage, shims, and tractor frame (E).

9. After 2 bolts are through tractor frame, attach with 2 - 7/8” hardened washers and 2 - 7/8” nuts (F).

10. Install 2 - 7/8 ” x 3” bolts and 2 - 7/8” ID thick washers on left side through 2nd set of holes on undercarriage, shims, and tractor frame (G).

11. After 2 bolts are through tractor frame, attach with 2 - 7/8” heavy duty flat washers and 2 - 7/8” nuts (H).

12. Install 2 - 7/8 ” x 2-1/2” bolts and 2 - 7/8” ID thick washers on left side through 3rd set of holes on undercarriage, shims, and tractor frame (I).

13. After 2 bolts are through tractor frame, attach the controller from Step #3 in the original location with 2 - 7/8” heavy duty flat washers and 2 - 7/8” nuts (J).

14. Install 2 - 7/8 ” x 2-1/2” bolts and 2 - 7/8” ID thick washers on left side through last set of holes on undercarriage, shims, and tractor frame (K).

15. After 2 bolts are through tractor frame, attach with 2 - 7/8” heavy duty flat washers and 6 - 7/8” nuts (L).

16. Tighten hardware on the left side of undercarriage until snug. If necessary, add more shims on the right side until a gap of 1/16” or less is on the right side.

17. Follow Steps #8-16 for the right side.

18. After correct number of shims are installed on each side, follow steps #8-15 to install remaining hardware for each set of holes on the undercarriage.

19. Slide axle brackets toward center of tractor.

20. Install 4 - 7/8” x 3” bolts and 4 - 7/8” clipped washers from inside in front 4 slots on axle brackets (M). Turn the washers until the flat edge is facing up.

21. Install 6 - 7/8” x 3” bolts and 6 - 7/8” ID thick washers from inside in rear 6 slots on axle brackets (N).

22. Attach axle brackets to undercarriage with 14 - 7/8” ID thick washers and 14 - 7/8” nuts (O).

23. Tighten vertical 24mm bolts on the axle brackets (C).

24. Torque all 7/8” undercarriage bolts (E-O) on each side of tractor frame to 600 ft-lbs.

25. Reattach the valve bracket with the original hardware that was moved out of the way in Step #2.

26. Torque vertical 24mm bolts (C) to 909 ft-lbs.
Hose Routing

1. At pivot area of tractor, remove bolts from pin retaining plates. Install hose routing plate over pin retaining plates with new 12mm flange bolts. Torque 12mm bolts to 105 ft-lbs (Q).

2. Route hoses through the hose loops on undercarriage. Continue through tractor frame and a u-bolt. Attach u-bolt to hose routing plate (R).

3. Attach hose routing plate to tractor frame below the PTO with 2 - 10mm x 25mm bolts (S).

4. Route hoses through a u-bolt and attach u-bolt to the hose routing plate (T).

5. Route hoses up along right side of rear frame and group hoses together with a velcro strap. Attach velcro strap to the PTO shield with original hardware (U).

6. Use a velcro strap to group hoses together and attach to the PTO shield with 1 - 5/16" x 1" bolt and 1- 5/16" flat washer (V).

NOTE: With an adjustable blade, repeat steps #2-6 on left side of tractor for adjustable blade hydraulic hoses. For Step #6, route hoses over the PTO shield and use a 2nd velcro strap to secure adjustable blade hydraulic hoses in the same location as the strap and hoses from the right side.

7. Plug hoses into open SCV's at back of tractor.

8. Make sure there is some slack in hoses. Turn and oscillate tractor to verify there is enough slack. If hoses are too loose, they may catch on moving parts or debris.

NOTE: The quantity of hoses may vary depending on blade system.
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**Maintenance**

1. After first 8 hours of use, re-torque all bolts.
2. Check all fasteners regularly to ensure proper operation of equipment.
3. Inspect all equipment for existing or potential damages every 10 hours or less.

**Tow Cable Support Bracket Assembly**

NOTE: Kit (PN: 41788-A) is required if tractor has a tow cable.
1. Attach the tow cable bracket and the tow cable as shown below. Torque the 7/8" bolts to 600 ft-lbs.

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### Details A

**Scale 1:16**

#### ITEM NO. QTY. PART NO. DESCRIPTION

1. **2** 16-1015025 10mm x 1.50mm x 25mm Metric Hex Bolt Gr 10.9 Coarse
2. **12** 16-1875 24mm x 3.00mm x 150mm Hex Bolt
3. **4** 16-18879 12mm x 1.75mm x 35mm Serrated Flange Bolt 10.9 CZ
4. **4** 16-20124 1/2" x 1" Hex Bolt Gr 5 NC
5. **6** 16-20220 3/4" x 2-1/2" Hex Bolt Gr 5 NC
6. **18** 16-20540 7/8" x 2-1/2" Hex Bolt Gr 8 NC
7. **28** 16-20542 7/8" x 3" Hex Bolt Gr 8 NC
8. **2** 16-42375 Cushioned U-Bolt with Nuts
9. **1** 18-15380-L Bracket, Axle Weld
10. **1** 18-15380-R Bracket, Axle Weld
11. **1** 18-18059 Grill Guard Weld
12. **1** NA Grouser Dozer Metal Serial Tag
13. **1** 27-18882 Not For Pushing or Pulling Decal
14. **1** 27-18887 Grouser Name Plate Decal
15. **2** 27-40983 Ag Pro Decal
16. **2** 44-11847R1 Plate, Mid-Front
17. **2** 44-11849R1 Plate, Rear
18. **2** 44-15543R1 Plate, Front

#### See Detail A For Front View
ITEM NO.  | QTY.  | PART NO.  | DESCRIPTION
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19  | 2  | 44-15573R1 | Plate, Mid-Rear
20  | 2  | 44-16811R1 | Plate, Front
21  | 1  | 44-40504 | Plate, Cover
22  | 1  | 44-42298 | Plate
23  | 1  | 44-42299 | Bracket, Hose Routing
24  | 1  | 54-40520 | Undercarriage Weld
25  | 4  | 57-15594 | 7/8" ID x 2-1/4" OD x .375" Heavy Washer CZ Plated
26  | 7  | 57-20744 | 1/2" Washer
27  | 12 | 57-20757 | 3/4" Flat Washer - 1-1/2" OD
28  | 24 | 57-20758 | 7/8" SAE Hardened Flat Washer - 1-3/4" OD
29  | 24 | 57-20818 | 7/8" Flat Washer Heavy Duty Gr 8 (USS)
30  | 12 | 57-3098 | 1.05" ID x 2.50" OD - JD Axle Mount Washer
31  | 40 | 57-3681 | 7/8" ID x 2-1/4" OD x .375" Heavy Washer
32* | 2  | 59-16899-X | Heavy Duty Velcro Strap
33  | 46 | 70-20598 | 7/8" Hex Nut Gr 8 NC
34  | 1  | 70-20604 | 1/2" Hex Center Lock Nut Gr 2 NC
35  | 6  | 70-20607 | 3/4" Center Lock Hex Nut Gr 2 NC

Note: For Item #8 & 32, use quantity of 4 when used with an adjustable blade.
* Parts Not Shown
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