OECD TRACTOR TESTS

Since 1988 SZZPLS, J.S.C. has been acting in the sphere of tractors and their protective structures testing in the international testing system of OECD.

OECD STANDARD CODES FOR OFFICIAL TESTING

- **Code 2** – technical parameters;
- **Code 3** – protective structures of agricultural and forestry tractors (dynamic test);
- **Code 4** – protective structures of agricultural and forestry tractors (static test);
- **Code 5** – measurement of noise level in the driver’s seat of agricultural and forestry tractors;
- **Code 6** – front mounted roll-over protective structures (ROPS) of narrow-track wheeled agricultural and forestry tractors;
- **Code 7** – rear mounted roll-over protective structures (ROPS) of narrow-track wheeled agricultural and forestry tractors;
- **Code 8** – protective structures of agricultural and forestry track laying tractors;
- **Code 9** – protective structures of telescopic mast;
- **Code 10** – falling objects protective structures (FOPS) of agricultural and forestry tractors.

Active cooperation of the world

The secretariat of OECD in Paris along with the coordinating centre in Roma controls the cooperation of testing laboratories of tractors and agricultural machinery. 29 states of Europe, North America and Asia are involved in OECD codes for tractors. They are: Belgium, Czech Republic, China, Denmark, Finland, France, India, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Luxembourg, Germany, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Austria, Russia, the United Kingdom, Serbia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the USA.

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ADVANTAGES OF THE OECD TRACTOR CODES

- **Global Certificate**
  OECD approval numbers are recognized in 26 countries including 4 non-OECD members (China, India, the Russian Federation and Serbia).

- **Global Network of Testing Stations**
  OECD has currently 30 testing stations located in Europe, Asia and America, which ensure compliance with OECD tests and procedures.

- **Fast Turnaround**
  Average approval time is less than 5 days.

- **EU Equivalence**
  Equivalence of OECD Tractor Codes to EU Directives

- **Enhanced Credibility and Fair Trade**
  Tests done in a member country are always validated by the OECD’s Co-ordinating Centre. This enhances credibility of tests for operators and guarantees compliance of manufacturers with rules and regulations promoting fair trade.

- **Operator Safety**
  Operator safety is one of the main pillars of the OECD Tractor Codes. The certification of adequate Roll-over protective structures (ROPS) and falling object protective structures (FOPS) has contributed to the reduction of tractor fatal accidents.

- **Constant Evolution**
  OECD Tractor Codes are updated regularly to take into account improvements in technical performance, safety and environmental protection.

- **New Markets**
  OECD Tractor Codes membership is constantly expanding bringing new market opportunities.

- **Export Growth**
  On average OECD Tractor Codes member countries report a 30 percent increase in tractor exports.