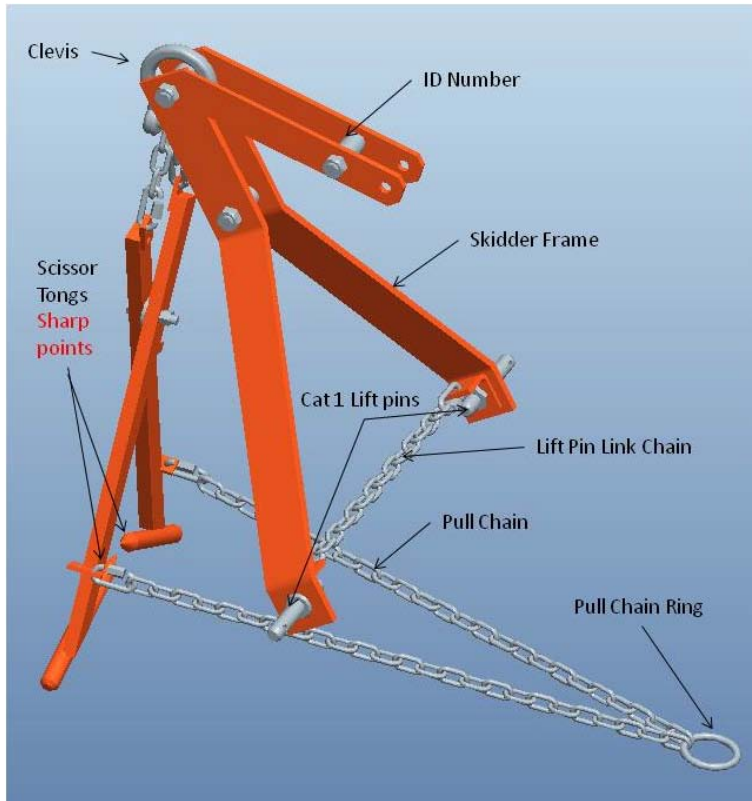


CATEGORY 1, 3-Point Hitch Log Skid Attachment



WARNINGS:

WHEN USING THIS ATTACHMENT ALWAYS INSURE THAT THE PULL CHAIN IS SECURLY ATTACHED TO THE TRACTOR TOW HOOK. FAILURE TO PROPERLY ATTACH THE PULL CHAIN TO THE TRACTOR MAY CONTRIBUTE TO A FLIP OVER CONDITION CAUSING DEATH OR INJURY TO THE OPERATOR.

NEVER EXCEED THE TRACTORS 3-POINT HITCH LIFT CAPACITY. REFER TO THE TRACTOR SPECIFICATIONS.

NEVER EXCEED THE TRACTORS TOW WEIGHT CAPACITY. REFER TO THE TRACTOR SPECIFICATIONS.

THE TONG POINTS ARE SHARP AND MAY CAUSE INJURY.

ALWAYS INSURE THAT THIS IMPLEMENT IS PROPERLY INSTALLED WITH LOCKING PINS IN PLACE ON BOTH LIFT PINS AND THE LINK PIN.

ASSEMBLY: ATTACH TONG ASSEMBLY CLEVIS AT POINT SHOWN.



Installation Instructions

1. It is recommended to remove the **Scissor Tong** assembly by opening the clevis and setting the **Scissor Tongs** aside.
2. Check to insure the 3 point lift arms can be adjusted to restrict lateral swing of the lift arms. Each lift arm must be adjusted to prevent lateral swing greater than 13.5 inches beyond the tractor center line (that will permit 27 inches between the two lift arms when swung outward to the adjusted maximum swing positions). When properly adjusted and the **Skidder Attachment** is installed, the lift arms must be restricted from swinging toward the tractor tires. There must be minimal play of **Skidder Attachment** from side to side.
3. Assemble the **Skidder Frame** onto the tractor's 3 point hitch arms and lift link. Adjust the lift link length to position the main beams of the **Skidder Frame** approximately at a 45 degree angle with the ground.
4. Adjust the 3 point lift arms to eliminate any horizontal swing when the Skidder attachment is properly engaged on the 3 point pins. The lift arms must not be permitted to spread apart wider than 27 inches. If the tractor's lift arms can not be restricted to 27 inches apart at the lift pin bearings, then a **Lift Arm Link** must be installed to the Skidder attachment to prevent over stressing the **Skidder Frame**.
5. Install safety pins in the lift pins and the link pin.
6. Verify that the **Skidder attachment** will not swing side to side.
7. Secure the **Pull Chain Ring** to the tractor's tow hitch clevis or pintle hitch.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS:

NOTE: FOR BEST PERFORMANCE INSURE THE TONG POINTS ARE SHARPENED BY HAND FILING OR GRINDING.



To hook up to a log, back the tractor up to the log end . For best hook up, the tractor should be closely aligned and centered on the log.

When the tongs are hanging over the log end as shown in the picture to the left, lower the 3 point lift arms to allow the tongs to descend onto the log.



When properly positioned, the whiskers will contact the log and will spread the tongs open and allow the tongs to settle down the sides of the log.



When the tong points are slightly lower than the widest part of the log, lift the 3-point lift arms to allow the tongs to engage the log. Before moving, insure that the pull chain is properly attached to the tractor pull hook and the chain is not tangled with the whiskers or ground debris.

If using the **optional** choker, it could be set at this time. **Never** put your hands or feet under the log while setting the choker to avoid possible injury if the log should fall. **Insure the choker is properly attached to the tractor towing hook up.**



As described above, the tongs are most effective when the tractor is aligned with the log and the tongs are centered over the log.



The tongs are effective in gripping as long as the tractor is positioned within approximately 30 degrees of alignment with the log.

To Release the Log

1. Lower the 3-point hitch to the full down position. The Tongs will release when the log is fully resting on the ground.
2. Drive forward a short distance to allow the Scissor Tongs to clear the log.
3. Lift the 3-point hitch to a reasonable and safe height to prevent the Scissor Tongs from dragging on the ground.