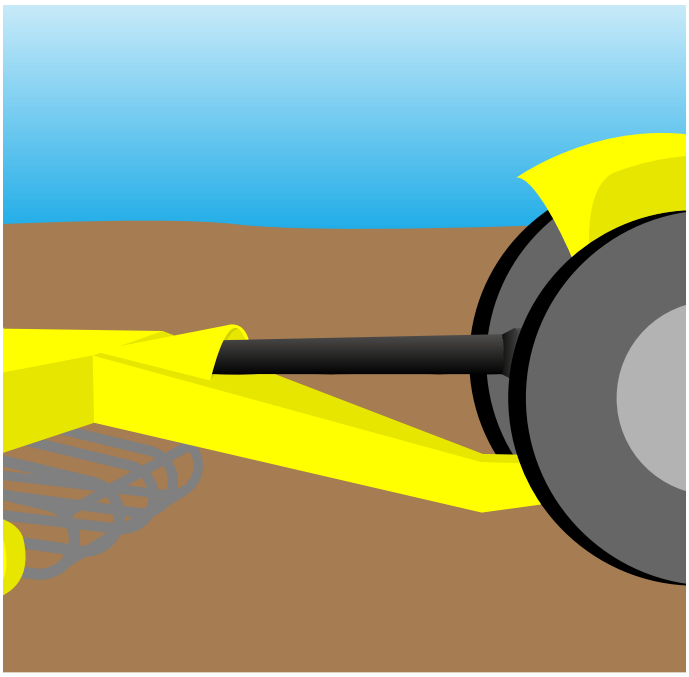
Fieldwork with an Implement
(trailed, 3-point, power take-off (PTO), hydraulics)

Can youth do this job safely?

Youth must be able to do/have all of the following to perform this job safely:

- Avoid loose clothing, clothes with strings, tie up long hair
- Safely drive a tractor
- Hitch/unhitch the implement
- Connect/disconnect the PTO, 3-point hitch, or hydraulics
- Good peripheral vision
- Understand the importance of avoiding contact with implement components (e.g. PTO)
- Stay focused on a task up to 50 minutes
- Recognize a hazard, problem solve, and respond appropriately
- Mature enough to consistently do what is expected
- Think through actions and consequences before acting
- Safely demonstrate the job 4 to 5 times
- Maintain two-way communication link



Adult Responsibilities

- Comply with working outdoors guideline
- Ensure implement is mechanically sound and safety features are in place
- Ensure work area is free from as many hazards as possible
- Educate youth on avoiding/addressing remaining hazards
- Provide appropriate training
- Demonstrate how to safely do fieldwork with an implement
- Fit youth for a respirator and demonstrate proper use if needed
- Provide at least one ten-minute break every hour
- Ensure no extra riders on tractor or implement
- Train youth to call adult in case of equipment malfunction

Supervision

14-15 yrs	Intermittent supervision
16+ yrs	Intermittent supervision progressing to periodic

Hazards



Entanglement | Hydraulic hose rupture/ injection | Rollover | Run-over | Collision with objects

Protective Strategies



Gloves | Non-skid shoes | Operator's manual | Respirator (if needed) | Hearing protection (if needed)



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