OECD STANDARD CODES FOR THE OFFICIAL TESTING OF AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY TRACTORS

OECD Trade and Agriculture Directorate Agricultural Codes and Schemes 2016





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 - What are the OECD Tractor Codes?
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- Inter-governmental Organisation
 - Established in 1961
 - 35 Member countries
 - Works with > 80 partners, developing and transition economies
 - Works with > 30 international organisations (IOs)

Multilateral Forum ...

- Addresses economic, social, environmental, trade and agricultural challenges
- Economic analyses ...



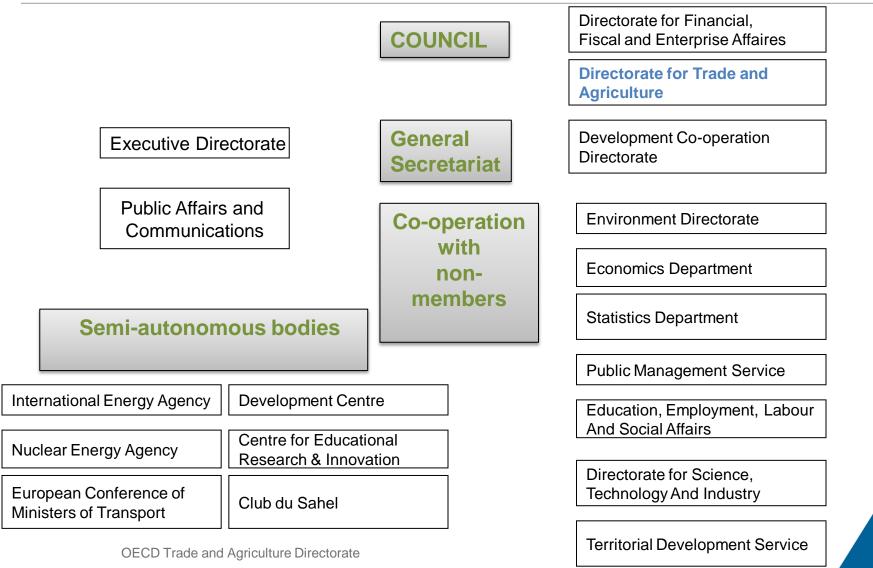


Multilateral Forum ...

- Provides comparative data to underpin multilateral cooperation
- Policy recommendations
- Shares experiences and good practices
- Aims...
 - raise living standards
 - develop better policies for better lives
 - sustain stronger, cleaner, fairer world



Structure of OECD





OECD Tractor Codes

• What are the OECD Tractor Codes?



The OECD Standard Codes for the official testing of agricultural and forestry tractors are a set of rules and procedures for tractor testing with the aim to facilitate trade by updating international rules to certify tractors and their protective structures.

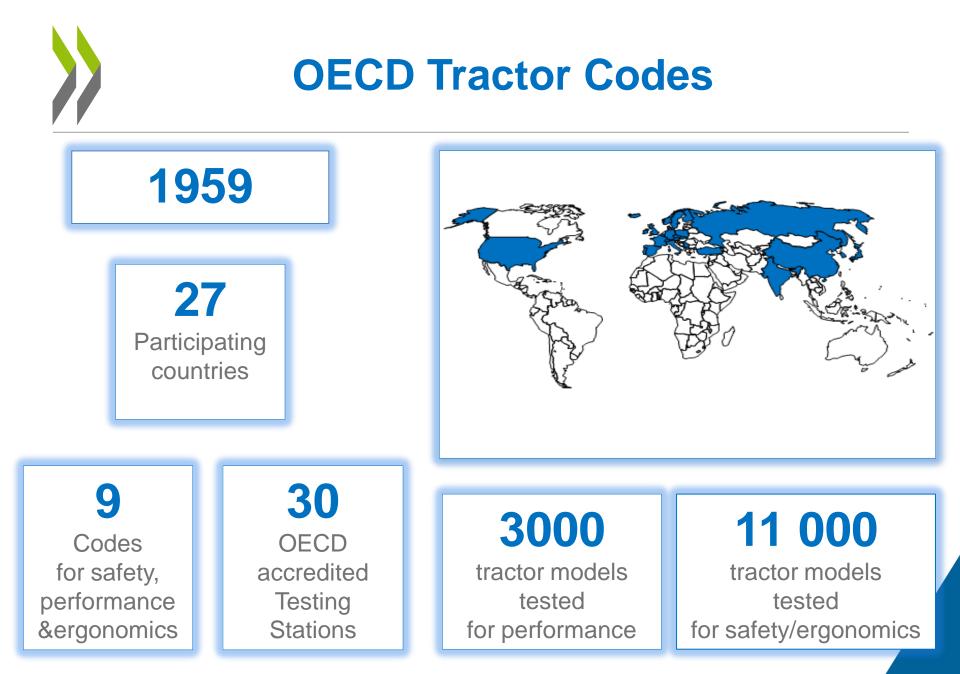


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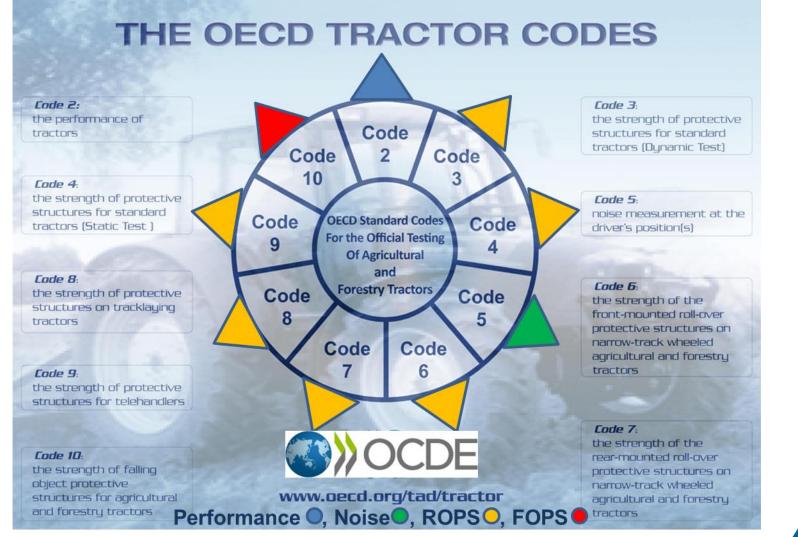
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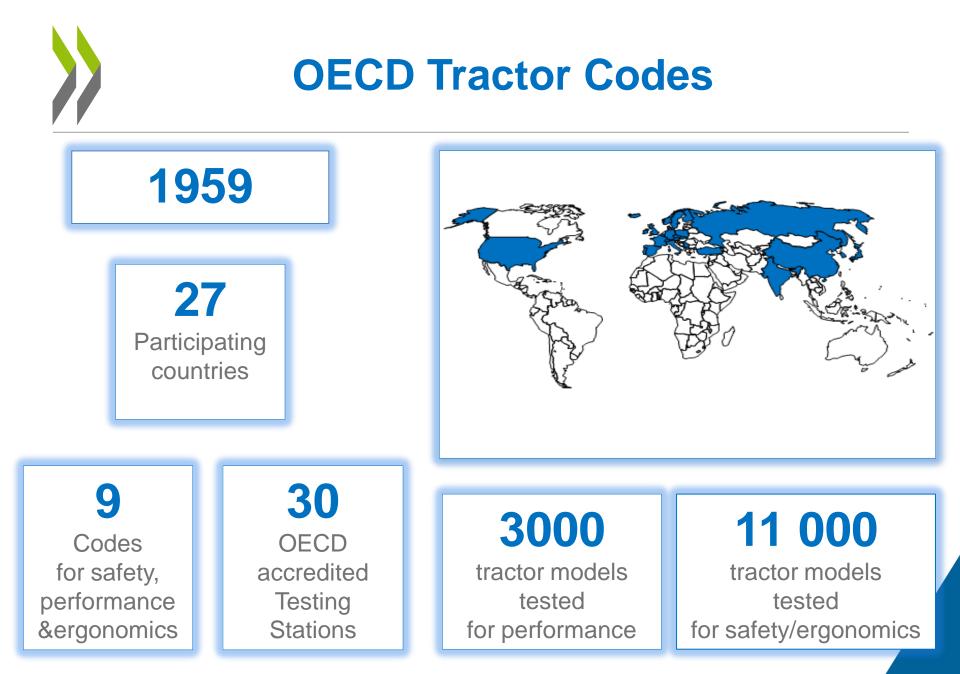


Implementation of the Codes ensures that protective structures and performance criteria are carried out on a comparative basis, thus increase transparency, simplify international trade procedures and open markets.



OECD Tractor Codes





A unique global certification system for performance & operator safety

<u>Unique Certification System</u>

OECD is the **only international organisation** that provides **independent third party certification**. 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.

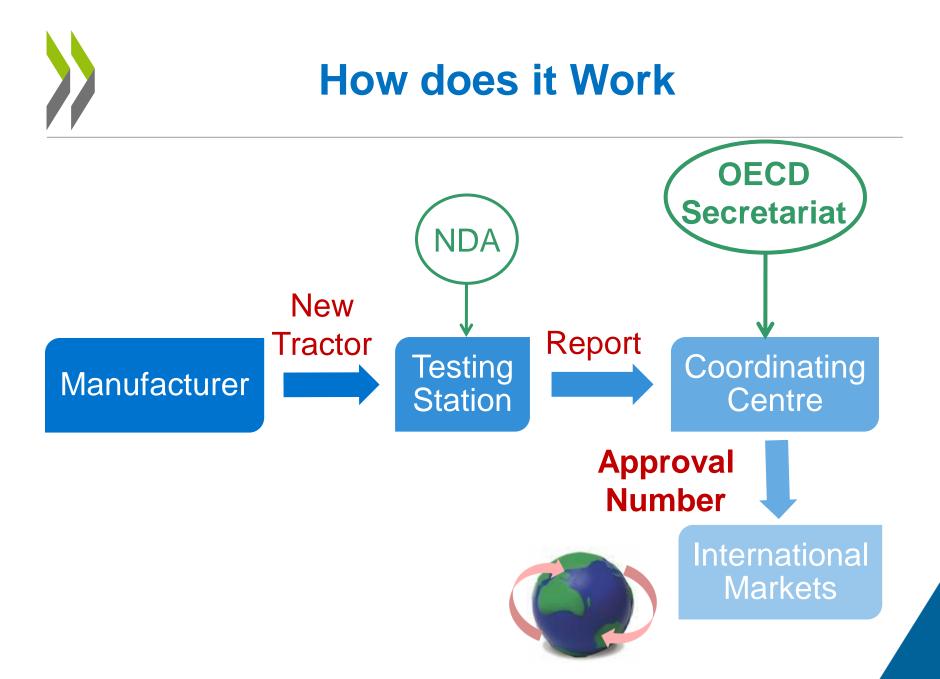
<u>Constant Evolution</u>

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

Safety

More than half of the **335** 000 workplace fatalities around the globe occur in agriculture, making farming one of the most dangerous jobs in the world and tractor overturns the leading cause of death for these farmers and farm workers.

In Europe alone, up to **70% of agriculture related fatal accidents** involving machines are due to tractor overturns.



Example of OECD Tractor Codes label & OECD Test Report

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- Updates to rules & regulations:
 - OECD Codes embedded into the new EU legislation
 - Updates to include cold weather embrittlement resistance
- Meetings:
 - OECD Meetings abroad: TWG meeting in Vienna, Austria May 2016, and Moscow, Russian Federation October 2016
- <u>Challenges:</u>
 - Virtual Tests
 - Whole-body Vibrations
 - Precision Farming



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