



NORTH CAROLINA FARM BUREAU

NC Farm Bureau is committed to helping Farm Bureau members minimize farm hazards through education and proactive programs that assist members create safer farm operations. Through the ROPS Incentive Program, Farm Bureau members are encouraged to equip older farm tractors with a ROPS and seat belt, that when properly used, will help reduce injury and/or loss of life during a tractor overturn.




Current NC Farm Bureau Members are eligible to apply for reimbursement up to \$1,000 to retrofit their farm tractor with a factory-built, dealer-installed Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) and seat belt.

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Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) Incentive Program

FAQs

Why do I need a ROPS on my tractor?

Farm tractor rollovers are the leading cause of tractor-related fatalities. A ROPS, when used with a seatbelt, is considered the single most effective way to reduce the number of overturn fatalities.

Why can't I make my own ROPS?

In the event of an overturn, the ROPS must endure tremendous force, so it must be specifically engineered and tested prior to use. The ROPS is designed to flex just enough to maintain the integrity of the tractor while remaining rigid enough to protect the driver. Factory-built ROPS have passed government standards. Factory retrofits provide the best possible chance of surviving an overturn.

What if I buy a used ROPS?

The used ROPS may not be the right model or fit for your tractor, and could have been involved in a previous accident.

Why can't I install the ROPS?

Along with precise engineering, ROPS have special mounting hardware that must be set exactly to factory specifications. Your dealer has the equipment to ensure proper installation.

Why do I need a seat belt installed with my ROPS?

The ROPS provides a zone of protection for the operator. The seat belt is the best means of keeping the operator in the protected area in the event of an overturn. Make sure your dealer installs the best seat belt available.

Eligibility

- A current NC Farm Bureau member must own the tractor.
- Tractor must not have had a ROPS at the time of original purchase. Farm Tractors equipped with a ROPS at the time of purchase are NOT eligible for installation reimbursement.
- Have available a factory retrofitted ROPS designed and fitted by a manufacturer and installed by an authorized dealer.

After the completed application is received by NCFB, and if approved, the member will receive a Certification Form. The member should have an authorized dealer install the ROPS and seat belt. The completed Certification Form must be returned to NCFB within 90 days of the date of application approval.

Application

Member Name _____

County of Residence _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

NCFB Member # _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Tractor Make _____ Model _____

Year _____ Serial # _____

Return Completed Application to:

NCFB Safety Attn DeShon Cromartie
PO Box 27766
Raleigh, NC 27611

Scan to Apply Online

