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1 Purpose and scope
1.1 This Standard provides dimensions and vertical static load limits for drawbars of agricultural wheel type tractors.
1.1.1 To facilitate interchangeability of towed implements and wheeled type tractors within established power categories.
1.1.2 To facilitate interchangeability of drawbar attachments such as drawbar extenders and safety chain attachments.
1.1.3 To provide limits for vertical static loads imposed by towed implements.
1.1.4 To provide dimensions relating the drawbar to the tractor power take-off shaft.
1.2 Dimensions comprising the standard specifications are divided into four categories:

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2 Normative references
The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Standards organizations maintain registers of currently valid standards.

ANSI/ASAE S338.2 JUL93, Safety Chain for Towed Equipment
ASAE S203.13 MAR94, Front and Rear Power Take-Off for Agricultural Tractors

3 Definitions
3.1 maximum drawbar power: Power obtained per SAE J708 and SAE J2708.
3.2 regular drawbar: The operating position of the drawbar matching the standard dimension from hitch pin hole to end of PTO shaft for the particular type PTO shaft on the tractor.

NOTE: Plane is determined when the tractor and implement are resting on a common horizontal plane.
3.3 extendible drawbar: An adjustable multiple operating position drawbar matching the standard longitudinal dimension from hitch pin hole to end of PTO shaft for the particular type PTO shaft on the tractor plus providing extended and/or retracted hitch pin hole dimensions.

3.4 drawbar extender: An add-on bar or similar means attached to the tractor drawbar to lengthen the distance from end of PTO to hitch pin hole beyond the standard dimension.

3.5 short drawbar position: A position intended to connect non-PTO driven equipment that applies a high vertical load to the drawbar.

3.6 extended drawbar position: A position intended for a special PTO drive shaft condition where equal angularity of the drive shaft joints cannot be obtained using the regular position.

3.7 driveline clearance plane: The imaginary horizontal plane which establishes the uppermost permissible limit of protrusion of the drawbar hitch assembly, when the tractor and implement are a common horizontal plane.

4 Specifications

4.1 The drawbar dimensions shall conform to figures 1, 2, and 3 and tables 1 and 2.

4.2 Dimension L in figure 1 applies to the regular drawbar position of the PTO usage.

4.3 Provision shall be made for safety chain intermediate support as specified by ASAE/ANSI S338.

4.4 The vertical location of the drawbar below the PTO centerline shall consider the drawbar pin, pin retention device, and clevis for the driveline clearance plane, dimension $R$ (see figure 3). The clevis may be removed to maintain the $R$ dimension for PTO operation. If so, the operators manual should state that the drawbar with clevis installed is not compatible for use with PTO drives.

4.5 The drawbar hitch point shall be directly in line with the centerline of the tractor PTO shaft, and provision shall be made on the tractor for locking the drawbar in this position.

5 Vertical loads on drawbars

5.1 The maximum vertical static loads which the implement shall impose upon the tractor drawbar are shown in table 1, for the regular drawbar. Loads for short and extended drawbar positions are shown in table 2. The point of loading $N$ (see figure 1) shall correspond to the regular, short, or extended dimension as specified in table 2. (The dynamic loads imposed upon the tractor drawbar and implement hitch are considerably higher than static loads.)