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## **ATTENTION: IMPORTANT safety notice for Holder series A, B, C, F, L, M, S, and V vehicles<sup>1</sup>**

**To avoid accidents or fatal injury, please observe the following  
notice effective immediately!**

As a quality manufacturer, we consider the safety of our products as the highest importance. Following a safety review, we have identified various vehicle behaviors that **pose danger to life and limb**.

Affected are all vehicles of the Holder branded series **A, B, C, F, L, M, S und V as well as Muvo** in its current and previous production series which have been produced between 1995 and July 2020.

**Series B, C, M, and S vehicles** may **accelerate unexpectedly** during operation. Depending on the specific circumstances, this may particularly occur if:

- The **driving level, direction switch, or fine adjustment wheel<sup>2</sup>** on the joystick are accidentally moved;
- The **"transport mode" driving level** is selected when an **increased engine speed** is preselected;
- When the vehicle slows down abruptly when in the **"constant drive" drive program** and the drive program is then set to **drive program 0** without the direction switch first being set to N.

Further, depending on the vehicle settings chosen, simply starting the engine of a vehicle of any of the vehicle types specified above (**A, B, C, F, L, M, S, V**) may also result in the **unintended start-up of the PTOs. This behavior affects all vehicles specified above.**

We are developing constructive solutions for the vehicles affected to the extent possible. We urgently request that you contact us at tractor@max-holder.com, [www.max-holder.com](http://www.max-holder.com) to discuss retrofitting and the further procedure.








To avoid fatal injury, you must observe the following safety notice **effective immediately until your vehicles can be retrofitted**. We urgently request that you place a **copy of this safety notice in a well visible place in the cabin and put another copy into the manual** and **notify other drivers** of this notice.

We also urgently request that you **forward this safety notice to all persons you know** who may have one of the vehicles affected. Alternatively, we would be happy to contact these persons directly if you send us their contact details.

Motor Vehicle Safety Recall Number:

<sup>1</sup> You can find a list of the specifically affected vehicle type in the Annex attached to this notice.

<sup>2</sup> The fine adjustment wheel is also referred to as the fine control knob.

	<b>Caution! PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!</b>
	<p>When <b>switching to the drive programs</b>  </p> <p>    or using the <b>direction switch</b>, the vehicle may unexpectedly begin to move if the engine is running at higher speeds.</p>

This can occur in particular when changing drive programs or when the engine speed is increased using the constant **Engine speed fine adjustment knob**. In this case the vehicle can reach speeds of up to 40 Km/h within seconds. Persons close to the vehicle can be struck and injured or even killed. The following therefore applies:

## 1. Switching drive programs

Please take the following steps beforehand:





- **Vehicle:** stop
- **Direction switch:** neutral
- **Inch pedal:** pressed
- **Engine speed fine adjustment knob:** 0

Additional setting when switching to constant drive:

- **Fine adjustment wheel<sup>1</sup>:** 0

## 2. Increase engine speed using the Engine speed fine adjustment knob

Before doing so, please take the following steps:



- **Direction switch:** neutral
- **Drive program control:** **NOT** set to    
- **Fine adjustment wheel<sup>1</sup>:** 0


## 3. During standstill and when operating attachments

Please take the following steps when using operating elements when the vehicle is stopped:

- **Direction switch:** neutral
- **Drive program control:** 0
- **Fine adjustment wheel<sup>1</sup>:** 0 (prevent inadvertent adjustment)
- **Parking brake system:** activate

<sup>1</sup> The fine adjustment wheel is also referred to as the fine control knob.

	<b>Caution! PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!</b>
	When in <b>drive program</b>  , the vehicle may experience unexpected and uncontrolled acceleration.

In drive program  (where the speed is set using the fine adjustment wheel<sup>1</sup> on the joystick) unintended contact with the fine adjustment wheel<sup>1</sup> on the joystick may lead to unexpected acceleration of the vehicle. In this case the vehicle can reach speeds of up to 20 km/h within seconds. Persons close to the vehicle can be struck and injured or even killed. The following therefore applies:

## 1. Exiting the cab


Before doing so, please take the following steps:

- **Direction switch:** neutral
- **Drive program control:** 0
- **Fine adjustment wheel<sup>1</sup>:** 0
- **Parking brake system:** activate

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- **Parking brake system:** activate

	<b>Caution! PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!</b>
	When <b>starting the engine</b> , power take-offs may unexpectedly start up.




The mechanical and hydraulic PTOs (PTO shaft) are not protected against automatic start-up once the engine is running. This means that a person close to the vehicle may be struck by flying objects or attachments, and injured or even killed. The instructions below are intended to avoid the risk of unexpected start-up of PTOs. They **must be followed at all times**.

## 1. Engine start

Before starting the engine, always ensure the following settings have been made:

- **Mechanical PTO shaft:** off
- **Hydraulic implement servopump:** off
- **Hydraulic volume divider:** off

PTOs can be:

	PTO shafts, PTO shaft rear, PTO shaft front
	Flow divider, volume controller, PTO, way valve, control units
	Power hydraulics, working hydraulics, circulating oil

**Always use seat belts while operating the vehicle. Please refer to operator's manuals for safe operation procedures.**

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## Affected vehicles:

Type	Year of production from -till	Safety notice Drivetrain	Safety notice otice PTO
S 100 S 115 S 130	06.2017 - today	x	
B 55 SC C 55 SC / TC C 65 SC / TC C 70 SC / TC	03.2016 - today	x	x
C 9.92 S 990 S 1090	05.2009 - today	x	x
B 250 C 250, C 350 C 270, C 270 PD, C 370	03.2011 - 11.2019	x	x
C 4.74 C 4.80 M 480	11.2004 - 03.2018	x	x
F 770, L 770 F 780, L 780	04.2009 - 11.2017		x
F 560 L 560	04.2009 - 09.2015		x
V 130	01.2008 - 12.2012		x
C 9.78 H, C 9.88 H C 9.72 H C 9800 H, C 9700 H	10.1998 - 03.2009	x	x
C 770 H, C 870 H	05.1995 - 05.2008	x	x
C 2.42, C 3.42 C 245, C 345 C 3.58 C 2.34, C 3.34 C 220, C230, C240 C 330, C 340	10.1996 - 11.2011	x	x
A 5.62 A 5.62 P A 5.58 A 5.58 P	10.2001 - 08.2015		x
A 7.80, A 7.80 P A 7.72 A 7.74, A 7.74 P A 7.62 P	03.2001 - 03.2009		x

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A 750 / C 750 A 760 / C 760 A 770 / C 770 C 860, C 860 F C 870	02.1994 - 09.2008		x
C 9600 C 9700	09.1994 - 05.2003		x
C 9.72 C 9.78	09.1994 - 05.2003		x