

News publication

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| Title | Researchers of the University of Navarra, UPNA, get safer tractors to prevent the death of their drivers in case of rollover. |
| Description | <i>The resulting recommendations have been included in the new OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) Standard Codes for the Official Testing of Agricultural and Forestry Tractors published in January 2012.</i> |
| Text | <p>Tractor is the farming tool that involves the highest number of fatal accidents, and most of them resulted when drivers are crushed under the weight of the tractor during rollover.</p> <p>The research carried out by experts of UPNA and funded by the Ministry of Agriculture, proposed the modification and improvement of the OECD regulation that set up the standardization criteria for approval of tractors with the aim of ensuring a sufficient level of real security and preventing deaths by crushing.</p> <p>The previous legislation had saved many lives, but in recent year it had lost its effectiveness. The reason is that some manufacturers considered technical parameters that, in spite of being lawful, caused that drivers of approved tractors died during rollover due to the collapse of the cab.</p> <p>As a result of the research, in January 2012 OECD legislation was consequently amended.</p> <p>To know OECD Standard Codes for the Official Testing of Agricultural and Forestry Tractors – 2012, click in the following link: http://www.oecd.org/document/10/0,3746,en_2649_33905_34735882_1_1_1_1,00.html</p> |



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Picture of a tractor equipped with a cabin that successfully passed the new OECD Standard Codes for Official Testing.