

PLANTER INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Take a look inside for genuine John Deere parts to ensure maximum performance this planting season.



What are worn planter parts costing you? – Don't risk it!

PRIMARY AGRONOMIC FACTORS AFFECTED BY PLANTING THAT IMPACT YIELD						
Correct population	Uniform spacing	Uniform emergence	Planting window			
PERFORMANCE DRIVERS OF EACH OF THE ABOVE AGRONOMIC THEMES						
Population	Singulation	Depth	Planting days			
Vacuum level	Ride quality	Seed to soil contact				
Skips/multiples		Residue mgnt.				
Double eliminator settings						

Do you think that your planter can make it one more season without inspection? You might be surprised just how much worn parts can impact your bottom line. meter wear parts that can negatively impact your planter's ability to deliver the correct population, or uniform spacing within a vacuum meter include knockout wheels, seed meter brushes, and vacuum meter seals.

Correct population, uniform spacing, and emergence can impact yield potential. Some of the most commonly replaced

THERE IS SO MUCH POTENTIAL IN YOUR FIELD

Let's make the most of it!

Turning potential into profit sounds simple enough on paper. But in the field, your pre-season plan does not always go according to script. That is why you need the kind of planting equipment that can perform as expected, but also adapt to whatever conditions are thrown its way. Equipment that is

cutting-edge to help you push past traditional norms on your way to higher yields. Well, the full suite of new John Deere planting equipment does just that – all so you can maximise the true potential of your operation.

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1750 Planter Dry and Liquid Fertiliser (MaxEmerge Plus, XP)

1720 - 1770NT Series Planter (MaxEmerge Plus, XP Pro)



1755 Planter Dry and Liquid Fertilizer (MaxEmerge5 Plus, XP)

FX Series Planter (MaxEmerge Plus, XP Pro)



1725 - 1775NT Planter Dry and Liquid Fertiliser (MaxEmerge5 Plus, XP)

PLANTER ROW UNITS COVERED BY THIS INSPECTION CHECKLIST



MaxEmerge Plus Row Unit



MaxEmerge XP, XP Pro Row Units



MaxEmerge5 Row Unit



John Deere MaxEmerge5 Series Row Units

MaxEmerge5 Meter Vacuum Dome



KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED P
1	A94259	Chamber	1
2	A74191	Seal	1
3	AA79993	Wiper blade	1



KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PE
1	AA81736	Knocker	1
	BA32659	Knocker	1
	BA33567	Scraper	1
2	H136447	Arm	1
3	H136449	Pin fastener	1
4	M61287	Compression spring	1
5	A52389	Wheel	1



Vacuum dome

Use with A52391

MaxEmerge5 Seed knocker (Clip in type)

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Includes AA81736 and A52391 flat seed disk with knock-out

5 point

MaxEmerge5 Tru-Vee Opener

MaxEmerge5 Gauge Wheel Arms



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KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1	A89736	Groove pin	1		
2	N105572	Snap ring	1		
3	A92817	Arm	2		
4	A92818	Self-aligning bushing	2		
5	JD7844	Lubrication fitting	2		
6	19M8020	Cap screw	2		M16 x 100
7	N282054	Washer	6		
8	19M7719	Cap screw	2		M16 x 70

KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1	14M7260	Nut]		M16 - RH
2	14M7382	Nut	1		M16 - LH
3	19M7791	Bolt	3		M12 x 40
4	A78218	Plug	2		
5	A93664	Shank]		Shank head
6	AA65219	Disk	2		
7	AA79678	Shank	1		Tail assembly
8	A78210	Stud	1		RH
9	A79254	Stud	1		LH
10	34H284	Spring pin	1		3/16" x 1 - 1/4"
11	J16160	Shim	14		TK = 0.76 mm
12	AA59196	Ball bearing	1		





Maxemerge5 Tru-Vee Opener Shank

General Fertiliser Opener

PART NO: BA28680





KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1A	AA79678	Shank	1		-790100
1B	AA96129	Shank	1		790101-
2	34H284	Spring pin	1		3/16" x 1 - 1/4"
3	A78210	Stud	1		
4	A79254	Stud	1		
5	J16160	Shim	14		TK = 0.76 mm
6	AA59196	Ball bearing	2		
7	AA65248	Disk	2		Includes A78218
8	14M7382	Nut	1		M16-RH
8	14M7382	Nut	1		M16-LH
9	A78218	Plug	2		
10A	A93664	Shank	1		-770100
10B	A107163	Shank	1		770101-
11	19M7791	Bolt	3		M12 x 40

MaxEmerge5, XP, XP Pro Closing Wheel – Cast



KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1	AA73763	Wheel	2		
2	AN212132	Ball bearing	2		
3	L1610N	Snap ring	2		
4	A52556	Spacer	2		
5	14M7276	Nut	1		M16
6	14M7543	Nut	1		M16-LH thread
7	19M7609	Cap screw	1		M16 x 90
8	19M9018	Cap screw	1		M16 x 90 LH thread
9	24M70553	Washer	2		17 x 30 x 3

MaxEmerge5, XP, XP Pro Closing Wheel – Rubber Tyre



KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1	AA39968	Wheel	2		
2	AN212132	Ball bearing	2		
3	A22325	Tyre	2		
4	A56566	Wheel	4		
5	19M7863	Screw	12		M6 x 25
6	A52556	Spacer	4		
7	14M7276	Nut	2		M16
8	19M7501	Cap screw	2		M16 x 110
9	24M703	Washer	6		17 x 30 x 3 mm
10	H137327	Lock nut	12		M6
11	CJ18111	Washer	4		

MaxEmerge5 Chain Sprocket – Chain Drive



MaxEmerge5 Seed Tube Guide

PART NO: A97107



KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1	AA49877	Chain sprocket	1		Z = 28
2	AA34134	Ball bearing	2		
3	A55343	Flange	1		
4	R64525	Thrust washer	2		
5	14M7274	Nut	1		M10
6	19M7724	Cap screw	1		M10 x 45
7	03M7183	Bolt	3		M8 x 16
8	14M7298	Flange nut	3		M8
9	A62143	Bushing	1		
10	A62180	Bushing	2		
11	24H1296	Washer	1		11/32" x 1 - 3/8" x 0.134"
12	14M7273	Nut	1		M8
13	03M7295	Bolt	1		M8 x 90
14	A82137	Torsion spring	1		
15	AA46927	Idler	1		
16	AA61644	Roller chain	1		(Type ANSI 41) L = 111

MaxEmerge5, XP, XP Pro Gauge Wheel Narrow – Spoked

Seed Disk



KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1	A85133	Tyre	1		3" x 16"
2	A102128	Rim	1		
3	A101571	Rim	1		Wheel half
4	AN212132	Ball bearing	1		
5	40M7304	Snap ring	1		
6	19M7868	Screw	6		M8 x 30
7	14M7396	Lock nut	6		M8
8	AA85465	Wheel	1		



MaxEmerge5, XP, XP Pro Gauge Wheel – Regular

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KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION
1	H136468	Seed plate for small bean
	A51696	Seed plate for average bean
	H136092	Seed plate for large bean
	H138722	Seed plate for peanut
	H136478	Seed plate for sunflower
	A43215	Seed plate for small maize
	A50617	Seed plate for standard maize
	A52802	Seed plate for sorghum high distribu
	A43066	Seed plate for sorghum
	A56251	Seed plate for acid delinted cotton
	A65622	Seed plate for cotton hilldrop
	A42586	Seed plate for soya bean
	A52391	Seed plate for large maize
	A52554	Seed plate for special seed
	A52390	Seed plate for small sweetcorn
	H136445	Seed plate for sugarbeet
	A102717	Seed plate for small seed

KEY	PART NO	PART DESCRIPTION	QTY USED PER ROW	ORDER LIST QTY	REMARKS
1	14M7396	Lock nut	22		M8
2	A77880	Wheel	2		
3	A84062	Tyre	2		
4	A56565	Wheel	2		
5	19M8318	Screw	16		M8 x 45
6	AN212132	Ball bearing	2		
7	19M7867	Screw	6		M8 x 25
8	AA66604	Wheel	2		



REMARKS



JOHN DEERE PLANTER INSPECTION

CUSTOMER INFORMATION	PLANTER INFORMATION				
Name:	Planter hectares:				
Address:	Serial number:				
City and province:					Warranty end date:
Phone:	C)ate:			
		Condition		Customer	
Section	ОК	Repair/ Replace	Adjust	OK's Repair	Replacement specification
FRAME AND WHEELS					
Safety chain					Is the chain present? Does the chain show excessive wear?
Parking stand					Check for cracked welds or missing pins.
Check tyre inflation					Verify tyre pressure meets specific tyre spec.
Check wheel bolt torque					Verify specific torque value for each model in the TM.
Inspect hitch strap bolt torque					Verify specific torque value for each model in the TM.
Check wheel bearings					Excessive play may indicate that the wheel bearing is worn and needs adjustment or replacement.
Check all safety decals, reflectors, and SMV sign					Are all decals, reflectors and SMV signs in place and visible?
Inspect all safety shields and warning lamps					Are all safety shields and warning lights in place and operational?
Check transport lock					Verify the transport lock is present.
Check all electrical harnesses					Check for stretched, cracked, broken, burnt wires and connectors. No worn harnesses or broken connectors, secure as required.
Check frame switches and sensors					Verify functionality of frame operation including fold switches, rockshaft switches, height switch, motion sensor. Replace/repair sensor(s) as need- ed. Re-route harnesses as needed.
Check all drive chain components: Sprockets, idlers, transmission, bearings					Check for worn/kinked links and sprockets, purging grease/looseness, loose worn/sprockets, and proper chain tension. Follow OM for lubrication guidelines.
Inspect condition of hydraulic hoses, routings and hose supports					No leaks, fittings tight, hoses worn. Replace/ repair hose/fitting as needed. Re-route hoses as needed.
Inspect marker components					Check coulters, bearings, and cylinders. Ensure hardware is in place and no leaks are present. See TM for instructions on bearing replacement/ adjustment.
Rockshaft cylinder					Check for visible leaks and hose abrasion.
Rockshaft					Inspect welds and hardware.
Check marker sequence valve					Ensure markers properly alternate.

ROW UNITS

Parallel arm bushings			Inspect for excessive row unit looseness.
Parallel arm attaching cap screws			Check for proper torque (Grade 8.8 = 181 N-m or Grade 10.9 = 250 N-m).
Check all row unit hopper locks and disconnects			Adjust/replace to properly secure hoppers.
Inspect routing of row unit harness to seed sensor			Secure as required to minimise pinch points.

		Condition		Customer OK's Repair	Replacement specification
Section	ОК	Repair/ Replace	Adjust		
Hopper and lid					Verified if installed and functioning correctly.
Seed tube					Inspect for wear against seed tube. Damage to the seed tube may decrease seed placement accuracy.
Check seed tube sensors					Perform monitor "Seed Tube Sensor Test" and verify sensor is functional through the display.
Seed tube guard					Inspect for wear. Replace when replacing opener blades or when the guard is no longer protecting the seed tube due to wear.
Double-disk opener shield					Ensure clearance between blade and shield.
Tru-Vee opener blade/bearing					Disk blades are sharp. Wear protective gloves and handle disks carefully to avoid being injured. Measure blade diameter using JDG11600 Opener Disk Wear Gauge or similar tool. Minimum specification is 14" diameter (356 mm). If diameter is below specification or if beveled edge is worn off, replace blades.
					 Use two small business cards, or paper of similar thickness. Slide business cards between blades until they are at each end of blade contact area. Measure distance between the two business cards and ensure that blade edge contact is at specification.
Opener blade scraper					Check scraper blade and spring for wear.
Gauge wheel arm					Proper adjustment to opener blade.
Gauge wheel assembly					Check that gauge wheel tyres touch blades, but still turn with minimal resistance. Gauge wheel tyres must be a maximum 1.5 mm (0.06 in) away from blades at closest point.
Gauge wheel tyre					Replace if upper lip near blade is worn off.
Gauge wheel bearing/bushing					Inspect for proper bearing retention.
Closing wheel handle and bushing					Inspect for proper bearing retention and excessive looseness. Check for proper alignment with seed trench.
Inspect closing wheel/bearing/tyre					Check for excessive runout of loose bearing. Ensure tyre is secured by rim with no cracks. Inspect for rough turning or grease purging.
Inspect closing wheel spring					Check for broken springs, worn hooks on springs that may break in season, and stretched springs that don't have tension in all settings.
Depth adjusting handle assembly					Inspect wear at pivot and spring.
Row unit drive assembly					Inspect sprockets and bearing for no excessive wear or play.

VACUMETER

Inspect vacuum fan	Inspect the impeller for any signs of damage – common damage from debris contact includes chips out of the impeller, blades, cracked impellers, etc. If any noticeable damage is found on the impeller, immediately replace the impeller. Additionally, inspect the impeller and the internal fan housing for signs of the impeller contacting the fan housing. See DTAC Solution 81960 for full details.
Check vacuum gauge filter	Check for dust and verify the gauge is responsive. Replace if needed.

		Condition		Customer OK's Repair		
Section	ОК	Repair/ Replace	Adjust		Replacement specification	
Inspect brush, brush holder, baffle and chute cover					If gaps are large enough to allow seed to pass through, replace brush.	
Inspect hub seal					Check for weathered or cracked conditions. Replace as necessary.	
Inspect seed disk					 Check gap between disk and housing for possible seed leakage. If leaks are present, adjust meter hub. Check for wear around perimeter of disk. Wear around perimeter of disk is acceptable up to an approximate depth of 1 mm (3/64 in). A small amount of wear around disk is acceptable, however seed must not be able to leak through between disk and housing. Inspect seed cells for wear of sharp corners and residue. Replace seed disk if size of cell is significantly increased and/or residue is excessive. Small grooves or scratches are acceptable on vacuum side of seed disk. 	
Inspect meter vacuum seal					Inspect for large cracks or wear. Replace when necessary or when replacing seed disks.	
Inspect wiper					Replace if wiper is grooved or worn excessively.	
Inspect latch/handle					Ensure proper retention of meter to hopper. Replace if cracked or broken.	
Inspect chamber					Check for talc and treatment buildup.	
Inspect vacuum meter dust seal					Check for cracks or weathered conditions. Replace as necessary.	
Inspect flex drive assembly					Make sure flex drive pivots freely.	
Inspect knocker assembly (option)					Replace if knocker points are worn.	
Inspect bearing					Replace if rough or purging grease.	
Inspect housing					Look for visible cracks.	
Inspect vacuum hoses					Replace if cracked or worn.	

FINGER PICK-UP

Inspect cover			Replace if cracked or worn.
Inspect belt			Replace if twisted or cracked paddles.
Inspect driver			Inspect that drive knobs are present.
Inspect housing			Check for any visible dents.
Inspect roller			
Inspect bushing			
Inspect bearing			Check for roughness or grease purging.
Inspect carrier plate with brush			Replace when case harden steel appears.
Inspect brush			Bristles are bent/missing.
Check finger assembly			Should be less than 0.15 mm gap between finger holder and carrier.
Inspect fingers and springs			Inspect for stretched/broken springs.
Inspect deflector housing			

RADIAL BEAN METER

Check bearing			Ensure properly seated in housing with no external play.
Inspect housing			Look for visible cracks.
Inspect bowl height			See TM for bearing replacement/adjustment.

		Condition		Customer OK's Repair	Replacement specification
Section	ОК	Repair/ Replace	Adjust		
Check ring brush					Replace if excessively grooved or worn.
Check retaining brush					Wear of green retaining brush at cleanout 'bump' is normal and expected. Meter will operate properly with these fibres worn off. Replace if grooves are present.
Check brush					Check singling brush for wear. If brush thickness is less than 3 mm (1/8 in) or if upper tip of brush is below top of green retaining brush when assembled in meter, replace singling brush.
Check retainer					Clean retainer.
Check bowl					Inspect fingers on bowl for wear/damage. Replace as needed.
Check wing nut					Ensure tightness.
Check shim					
Check roller					Replace if fingers are worn off.
Check arm					Ensure proper spring force on roller.
Check ejector					
Check spring					Check for proper tension on roller.
Check cover					
Check spring locking pin					Inspect pin.
Check screw					
Check locks					
Inspect flex drive assembly					

FEED CUP METER ASSEMBLY

Check cover			Replace if worn/damaged.
Check seed plate			Replace if worn/damaged.
Check shim			Replace if worn/damaged.
Check bowl			Replace if worn/damaged.
Check shaft			Replace if worn/damaged.
Check housing			Replace if worn/damaged.
Check wing nut			Ensure tightness.
Check cover			Replace if worn/damaged.

ROW CLEANERS/COULTERS

Row cleaners	Verified if installed and functioning correctly. Replace bent teeth/inspect bearings. Replace if excessive wear, bearings are worn out, or not operating as desired.
Frame mounted coulters	Inspect bearings and blade wear. Adjust bottom of coulter approximately 10 mm (3/8 in) higher than bottom of opener blades.
Conservation disk coulters	Inspect bearings and blade wear. Adjust bottom of coulter approximately 10 mm (3/8 in) higher than bottom of opener blades.
Combination coulter	Inspect bearings and blade wear. Adjust bottom of coulter approximately 10 mm (3/8 in) higher than bottom of opener blades.
Unit mounted coulters	Inspect bearings and blade wear. Adjust bottom of coulter approximately 10 mm (3/8 in) higher than bottom of opener blades.

	Condition			Customer		
Section	Section OK Repair/ Replace Adjust Repair		OK's Repair	Replacement specification		
DOWNFORCE						
Downforce system					Verified if installed and functioning correctly. More information available in DTAC Solution 91922 (active PDF) or 108211 (IRHD).	
Heavy-duty adjustable springs					Check for worn cast components and excessive slop.	
(IRHD) Hydraulic fittings and hoses					Check for leaks and hose wear. Reroute/replace hoses as needed.	
(IRHD) Harnesses and sensors					Check connections, pinching, and any wear to harnesses.	
(IRHD) Actuator and mounting					Check for wear and leaks.	
(PDF) Check harnesses and sensors					Check connections, pinching, and any wear to harnesses.	
(PDF) Pneumatic leaks					Check for leaks and confirm performance. Ensure no excessive compressor run time.	
(PDF) Compressor					Verify function and compressor turns on/off at the correct times and builds appropriate pressure (150 psi to turn off).	

ROW COMMAND

Inspect routing of RowCommand clutch harness (if equipped)			Secure as required to minimise pinch points.
Perform RowCommand self-test (if equipped)			Verify system is functioning. Refer to OM.

FERTILISER/LIQUID/SOLUTION SYSTEM

Central insecticide system	Verified if installed and functioning	correctly.
Inspect CIS system hoses for damage (if equipped)	Wearing appropriate PPE, repair as	required.
Inspect CIS system water filter (if equipped)	Wearing appropriate PPE, repair as	required.
Inspect CIS system chemical filter (if equipped)	Wearing appropriate PPE, clean as	required.
Prime CIS chemical system (if equipped)	Refer to DTAC Solution 83935.	
Liquid fertiliser openers	Verified if installed and functioning	correctly.
Liquid fertiliser tank	Verified if installed and functioning	correctly.
Fertiliser Depth wheels and bearings	Inspect shear bolts, adjust bearings	s to TM.
Fertiliser opener/bearing/blade/scraper	Inspect for wear, excessive slop. Re needed. See TM for bearing replace adjustment.	place as ement/
Inspect fertiliser hoses	Replace if kinked or cracked.	
Check liquid/dry fertiliser transmission	Replace sprockets that are loose or	worn.
Liquid herbicide system	Clean hoses and nozzles.	
Liquid fertiliser system	Inspect hoses and pump for damag	e/kinks.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Lubricate wheel bearings					
Lubricate entire machine					
Remove and lubricate meter drive assembly between coupler, washers, and outer bearing (non-Pro-Shaft drive)					

ORDER LIST

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POWDERED GRAPHITE Graphite is designed for use with John Deere finger pickup seed meters.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

- Provides trouble-free, easier operation, and longer wear with high planting speeds.

JOHN DEERE TALC

John Deere talc is specially designed for today's wide range of seed treatments to enhance seed flow in all weather conditions. Talc is highly recommended for use with vacuum seed meters.



Minimises buildup of gummy deposits that may be formed with other types of graphite.
 Lubricates planter hopper bottom parts, seed plates, and related mechanical parts.
 Talc/graphite blends are NOT recommended for finger pickup meters.



John Deere Dealer Stamp

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