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## News Release

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## ASABE ADOPTS NEW ISO STANDARD FOR TOWING EQUIPMENT USING 80 MM HITCH

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN— The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has adopted the latest version of an ISO standard for mechanical connections of towed vehicles.

The expanded scope of the revised ASABE standard, ASABE/ISO 24347:2019, Agricultural vehicles - Mechanical connections between towed and towing vehicles - Dimensions of ball coupling device (80 mm), provides specifications for a ball coupling device with either a horizontal adjustable version, or a close-position version.

The adoption replaces the 2005 version of the standard and further harmonizes national and international standardization, a goal that facilitates manufacturing, safety advancements, and product marketing worldwide.

ASABE members with standards access and those with site-license privileges can access the standard's scope electronically on the ASABE online Technical Library at elibrary.asabe.org/. The standard can be purchased by contacting ASABE headquarters at <a href="mailto:OrderStandard@asabe.org">OrderStandard@asabe.org</a>.

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