## Cost-effective Rollover Protective Structure (CROPS)

for Wheeled Agricultural Tractors

### FORD 3000 SERIES

### INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Note: "Left" and "Right" refer to the tractor operators' left or right as they sit in the seat looking forward.

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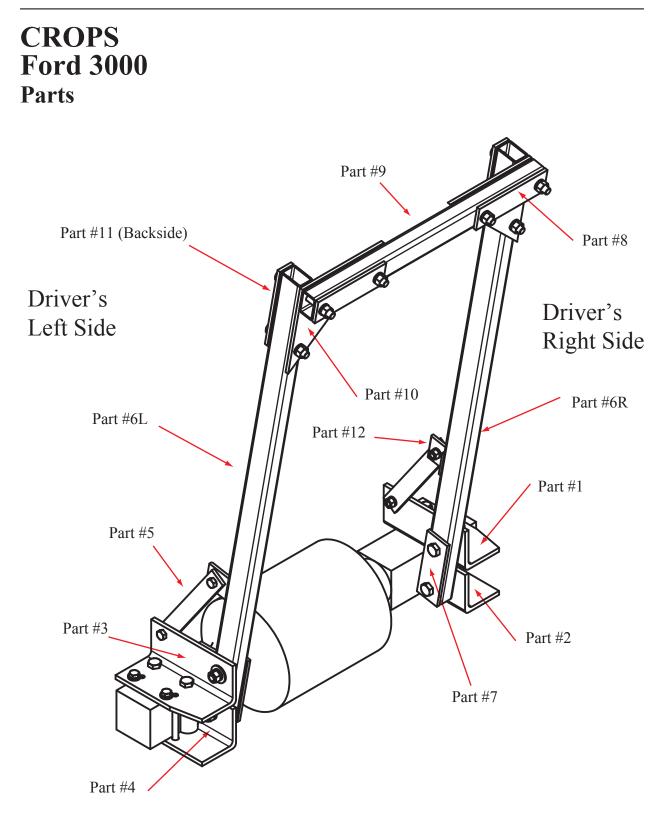
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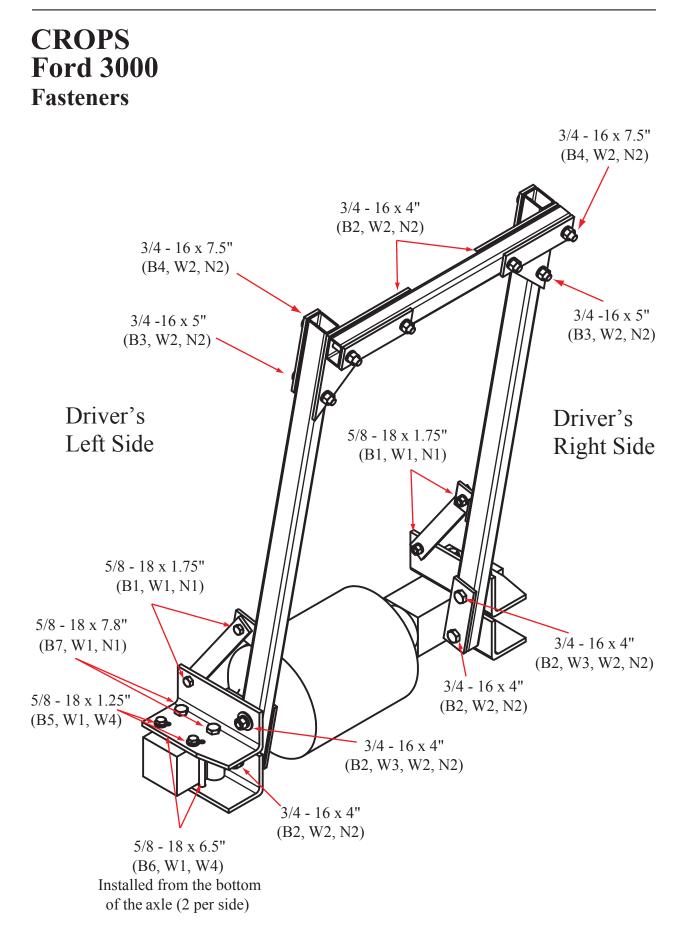
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# **Special Notes**

- a. Check that all parts are present before assembling the unit.
- b. Separate parts into groups for easier identification during assembly.

c. For large parts, you may need another person to help you with assembly. Before installing the CROPS, the fenders of the tractor must be removed from the axles, and the axles should be brushed clean.

d. Install the seat belt attachment kit using the provided instructions.

## **Tools Needed**

tape measure

 $\frac{1}{2}$ " drive standard socket set with sockets up to  $1-\frac{1}{8}$ "

 $^{1}\!/\!_{2}''$  drive deep well sockets  $^{15}\!/_{16}''$  and  $1\text{-}^{1}\!/\!_{8}''$ 

open/box combination wrench set up to 1-1/8''

 $\frac{1}{2}$ " drive torque wrench with a 240 ft-lb capacity

wire hand brush

hammer

small step stool

eye protection

#### **CROPS** Ford 3000 Parts List

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Item #	Quantity	Description		
1	1	top right axle bracket		
2	1	bottom right axle bracket		
3	1	top left axle bracket		
4	1	bottom left axle bracket		
5	2	vertical tube bolted brace		
6R	1	right vertical tube		
6L	1	left vertical tube		
7	2	bottom vertical tube backing plate		
8	2	cross bar backing plate		
9	1	cross bar		
10	2	corner plate		
11	2	top vertical tube backing plate		
12	2	vertical tube welded brace		

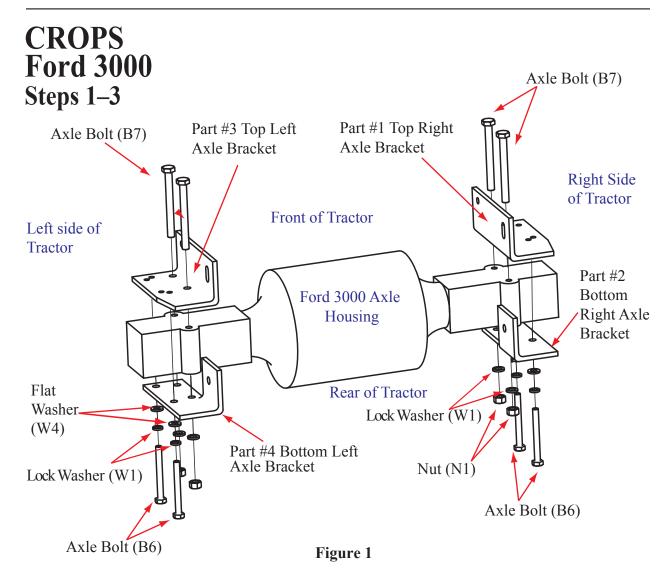
#### **CROPS** Fasteners

Bolts							
Item #	Quantity	Grade	Diameter	Thread	Length	Thread Length	
B1	4	8	5/8	18	1.75	full thread	
B2	6	5	3/4	16	4	partial thread	
B3	2	5	3/4	16	5	partial thread	
B4	2	5	3/4	16	7.5	partial thread	
B5	4	8	5/8	18	1.25	full thread	
B6	4	8	5/8	18	6.5	partial thread	
B7	4	8	5/8	18	7.5	partial thread	

Washers							
Item #	Quantity	Туре	ID	OD			
W1	16	locking	5/8	-			
W2	10	locking	3/4	-			
W3	2	flat	3/4	2			
W4	4	flat	5/8	1-5/16			

Nuts							
Item #	Quantity	Grade	ID	Thread			
N1	8	8	5/8	18			
N2	10	5	3/4	16			

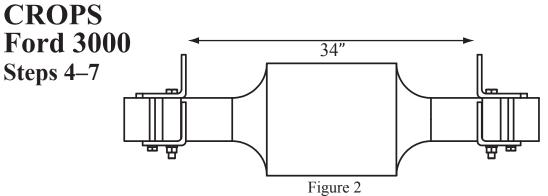
\*The seat belt and mounting bolts must be purchased separately



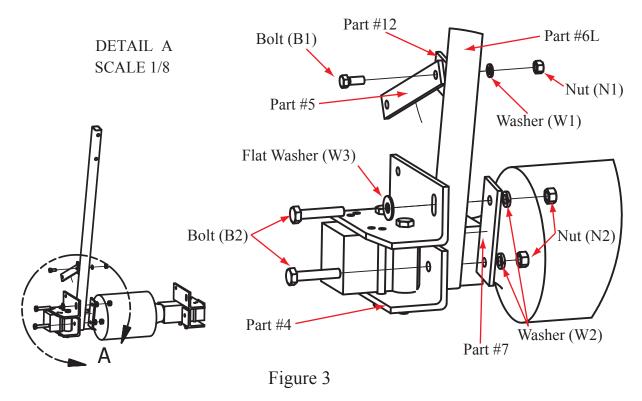
**Step 1.** Read the "special notes" section on page 5. Place the top right axle bracket (#1) on top of the right axle. Align the two unthreaded holes in the axle bracket with the two holes of the tractor axle. Insert two axle bolts (B7) down through the axle bracket and through the holes of the tractor axle. (Figure 1)

**Step 2.** Align and install the bottom right axle bracket (#2) to the bottom of the tractor axle using the four-hole bolt pattern of the axle bracket and the two bolts inserted in step 1. If needed for a draw bar link, install a bottom right lower link support bracket to the axle bolts (B7) and the bottom surface of the bottom right axle bracket (#2). Install lock washers (W1) and nuts (N1) to axle bolts (B7). Place a lock washer (W1) and then a flat washer (W4) onto the two axle bolts (B6). Insert bolts (B6) up through the bottom right axle bracket (#2) and thread into the top right axle bracket (#1). Tighten bolts and nuts until axle brackets are "snug fit" to axle. (Figure 1)

**Step 3.** Repeat steps 1 and 2 for the left tractor axle using the top left axle bracket (#3), bottom left axle bracket (#4), corresponding bolts (B7), (B6), lock washers (W1), flat washers (W4), and nuts (N1).



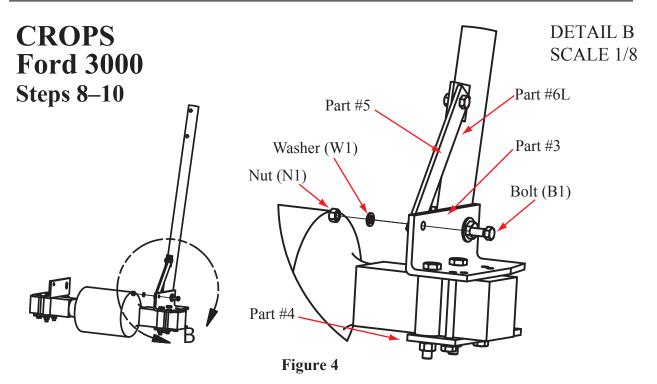
Step 4. Adjust (with hammer taps if needed) left and right axle brackets so that the inside measurement of the axle brackets is 34". (Figure 2)



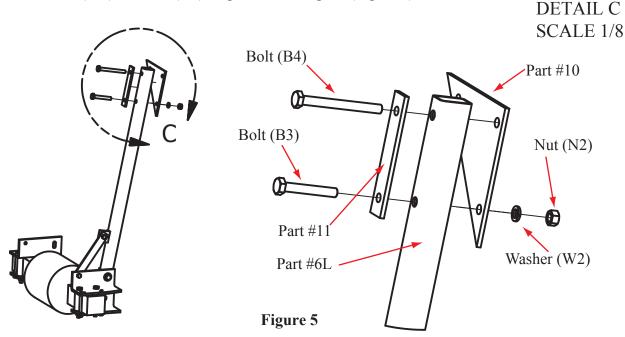
**Step 5.** Insert bolt (B1) into the vertical tube bolted brace (#5) and the vertical tube welded brace (#12), use lock washer (W1) and nut (N1) to create a snug fit. (Figure 3)

**Step 6.** Insert bolt (B2) through the bottom left bracket (#4). Slide the bottom hole of vertical tube (#6L) onto bolt (B2), then place backing plate (#7) onto bolt (B2), secure with lock washer (W2) and nut (N2), to create a snug fit. The welded brace (#12) [this is welded to part (#6L)] should be facing up and toward the axle bracket side as shown in Figure 3.

**Step 7.** Rotate the vertical tube (#6L) towards the front of the tractor insert bolt (B2) through flat washer (W3), the slotted opening in the left top axle bracket (#3), the corresponding hole in the vertical tube (#6L), and the backing plate (#7), secure with lock washer (W2) and nut (N2) to create a snug fit. (Figure 3)

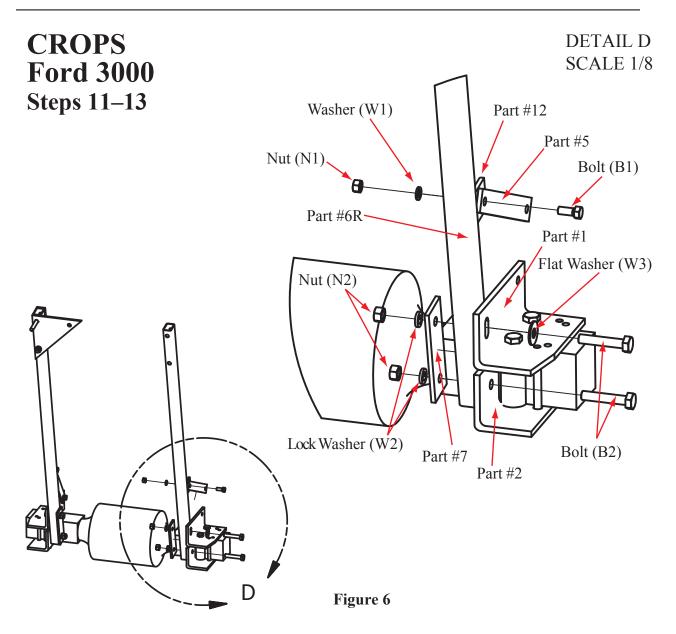


**Step 8.** Attach the vertical tube bolted brace (#5) to the top left axle bracket (#3) with bolt (B1), lock washer (W1), and nut (N1). Tighten to a snug fit. (Figure 4)



**Step 9.** Install corner plate (#10) by aligning the bottom and corner holes of the corner plate with the top two holes on the left vertical tube (#6L). Insert bolt (B3) through top vertical tube backing plate (#11), then through the lower holes in the vertical tube (#6L) and the bottom hole of the corner plate. Place lock washer (W2) and nut (N2) onto bolt (B3) and secure a snug fit. (Figure 5)

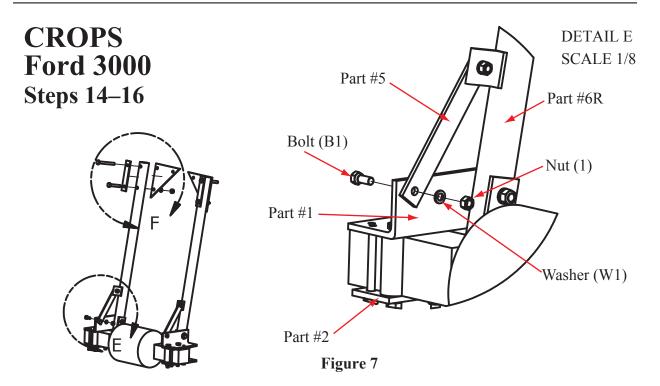
**Step 10.** Insert bolt (B4) through the top hole of the top vertical tube backing plate (#11), the top holes of the vertical tube (#6L), and the corner hole of the corner plate. (Figure 5)



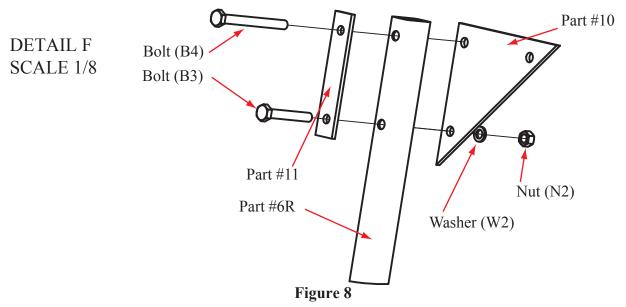
**Step 11.** Attach a vertical tube bolted brace (#5) to the vertical tube welded brace (#12) of the right vertical tube (#6R) using a bolt (B1), a lock washer (W1), and a nut (N1). Tighten to a snug fit. (Figure 6)

**Step 12.** Insert bolt (B2) through the bottom right axle bracket (#2). Slide the bottom holes of the right vertical tube (#6R) onto bolt (B2), then place the bottom vertical tube backing plate (#7) onto bolt (B2). Secure with a lock washer (W2) and nut (N2) to create a snug fit. The vertical tube welded brace (#12) (welded to part #6R) should be facing up and toward the axle bracket side as shown in Figure 6.

**Step 13.** Rotate the vertical tube (#6R) toward the front of the tractor. Insert bolt (B2) through a flat washer (W3), the slotted opening in the top right axle bracket (#1), the corresponding holes in the right vertical tube (#6R), and the backing plate (#7). Secure with a lock washer (W2) and a nut (N2) to create a snug fit. (Figure 6)

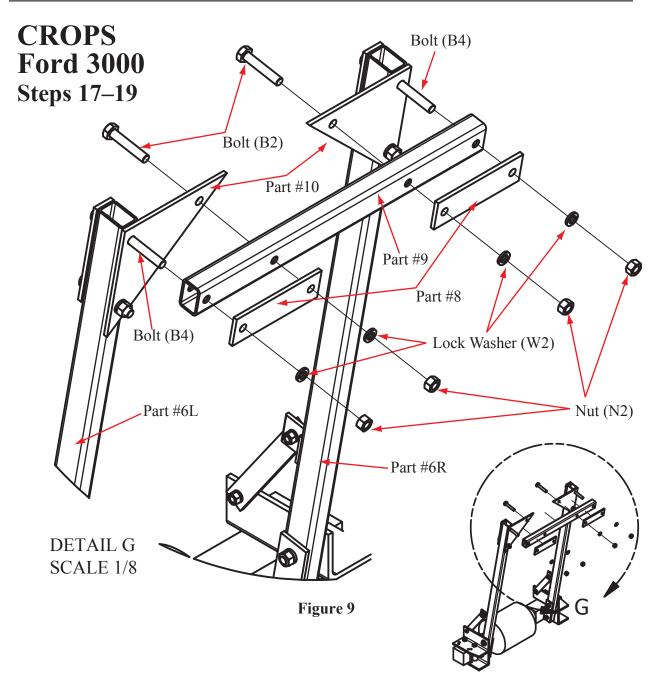


**Step 14.** Bolt vertical tubing bolted brace (#5) to the top right axle bracket (#1) with bolt (B1), lock washer (W1), and nut (N1). Tighten to a snug fit. (Figure 7)



**Step 15.** Install the corner plate (#10) by aligning the bottom and corner holes of the corner plate with the top two holes on the right vertical tube (#6R). Insert bolt (B3) through the top vertical tube backing plate (#11), then through the lower holes in the right vertical tube (#6R) and the bottom hole of the corner plate. Place a lock washer (W2) and a nut (N2) onto a bolt (B3) and secure a snug fit. (Figure 8)

**Step 16.** Insert bolt (B4) through the top hole of the top vertical tube backing plate (#11), the top holes of the vertical tube (#6R), and the corner hole of the corner plate. (Figure 8)



**Step 17.** Attach the cross bar (#9) on the left vertical tube (#6L) by inserting the bolt (B4) through the outside holes on the cross bar (#9) and the cross bar backing plate (#8). Secure a loose fit with lock washer (W2) and nut (N2).

**Step 18.** Rotate the cross bar (#9) toward the right vertical tube (#6R) and insert bolt (B4) through the outside holes of the cross bar (#9) and the cross bar backing plate (#8). Secure a loose fit with a lock washer (W2) and a nut (N2).

**Step 19.** Insert bolts (B2) through the remaining inside holes of the corner plates (#10), the cross bar (#9), and the cross bar backing plates (#8). Create a snug fit with a lock washer (W2) and a nut (N2). Snug the connections made in steps 17 and 18. (Figure 9)

#### **CROPS** Ford 3000 Steps 20–23

# In order to correctly install the CROPS you MUST use the incremental tightening steps 20–22 listed below.

Incremental tightening of all remaining bolted connections from a snug fit to a maximum torque of 240 ft-lbs.

Step 20. Torque all bolted connections to 80 ft-lbs.

Step 21. Torque all bolted connections to 180 ft-lbs.

Step 22. Torque all bolted connections to 240 ft-lbs.

**Step 23.** Install the seat belt attachment kit as instructed in the manufacturer's seat belt assembly instructions. The seat belt kit must be purchased separately. In some cases, a new seat with seat belt mounting holes must be purchased.

Note: Failure to install and use the seat belt will reduce the effectiveness of the CROPS. As with a ROPS, the CROPS can only provide adequate protection due to an overturn if the operator is properly using the seat belt with the CROPS properly installed.

#### Congratulations on the installation of your CROPS! Think and work safely!



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