

DON'T JUMP!

Jumping down from a piece of equipment is never a good idea. It can be especially dangerous this time of year. When snow and ice cover the ground it's impossible to tell what's down there. To prevent injury while dismounting from equipment:

ALWAYS USE A 3-POINT CONTACT!

2 Hands, 1 Foot

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NEVER JUMP DOWN FROM YOUR EQUIPMENT!

Remember that that pile of snow might be covering a foot-deep hole.
Be aware that ice may not support your body weight.
There may be ice underneath the snow that would cause you to slip and fall.

The same holds true while you're doing your pre-op inspection. Be extra careful when checking oil and other fluids while you're climbing around on top of your machine. Get a ladder. Use a broom. Take the time to do it right.

Remember it's not the fall that hurts—it's the sudden stop. Don't hurry. Be aware there may be hazards under foot that are hidden by snow. If you put your foot on an ice covered steel plate, you're going down.

Keeping these things in mind will help everyone work . . .

SAFELY, OR NOT AT ALL.

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