

PICK BY THE JOB

# Tractor Scenario Quick-Pick

Six common jobs and the HP, lift, and hydraulic profile each one demands.

## 5 acres / hobby farm

**HP** 22-35 HP      **LIFT** 700-1,200 lb



**MUST HAVE**  
Loader, mid-mount mower, R4 tires

**SKIP**  
PTO over 35 HP — wasted fuel on this scale

## Snow removal (driveway)

**HP** 25-45 HP      **LIFT** Not critical



**MUST HAVE**  
Rear blade or front blower, R4/turf tires, cab or heated grips

**SKIP**  
AG tires — they pack snow into ice

## Round hay bales

**HP** 30-45 HP      **LIFT** Match heaviest wet bale



**MUST HAVE**  
SAE 24" lift > bale weight, rear ballast, bale spear

**SKIP**  
Pivot-pin-only spec sheets — get the real 24" number

## Food plots / tilling

**HP** 35-60 HP      **LIFT** 1,000+ lb 3-point



**MUST HAVE**  
Cat I 3-point, PTO 540, mid-weight (no fluff-light SCUTs)

**SKIP**  
Sub-25-HP — disc and tiller will stall

## Brush clearing

**HP** 40-60 HP      **LIFT** 1,200+ lb



**MUST HAVE**  
Heavy 3-point, rear remotes for grapple, R4 tires, skid plates

**SKIP**  
Open-station if you have thorns or saplings

## Post hole digging

**HP** 20-40 HP      **LIFT** Not critical



**MUST HAVE**  
Cat I 3-point, PTO 540, 9"-12" auger sized to soil

**SKIP**  
Skid steer attachments — wrong drive type