

# DON'T BUY A HYDRAULIC POST DRIVER WITHOUT THESE 4 CRITICAL FEATURES

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If you are a farmer, rancher, or contractor looking to buy a new vibrating post driver, you are guaranteed one thing:

Every company out there is going to have multiple reasons why their product is the best.

Here at Lawsen Equipment, we get that. It's tempting to brag about our own product and try to get you to purchase it - but even more than that we want to cut through all the marketing fluff and jargon and get down to the nitty gritty details of what really makes a great post driver.

That's why we've compiled this list of the most important features that every post driver should have.

Armed with this list, you can cut all the marketing chatter and actually buy a quality post driver.

Let's get started!



# 01 ALWAYS ALWAYS A CLEAR VIEW OF WHAT IS HAPPENING

When handling skid steers and excavators you're dealing with a lot of power. Without caution, serious injury can occur while using a post driver

And that's not a "helicopter parent" type of statement.

Here are a few things that happen to real people using post drivers:

- Leaks in hydraulic hoses can spurt thin jets of high-pressure hydraulic oil. The pressure can be enough to penetrate the skin and cause dangerous injury.
- Spilled hydraulic oil can cause painful burns - and beyond that, it harms the environment.
- With multiple moving parts, there is a risk of crushed hands, fingers, or other body parts.
- Hydraulic hoses under pressure can whip uncontrollably if the screws are loose.
- The post is exposed to heavy strain when a post driver is used. If the post breaks there may be a sudden and unexpected movement that can cause injuries.

There's no need to be overdramatic. Hopefully, you never deal with any of these issues.

However, the point stands that they can and do happen.

Using common sense and following safety protocols is a good place to start in guarding against injury - but sometimes things happen despite your best efforts.

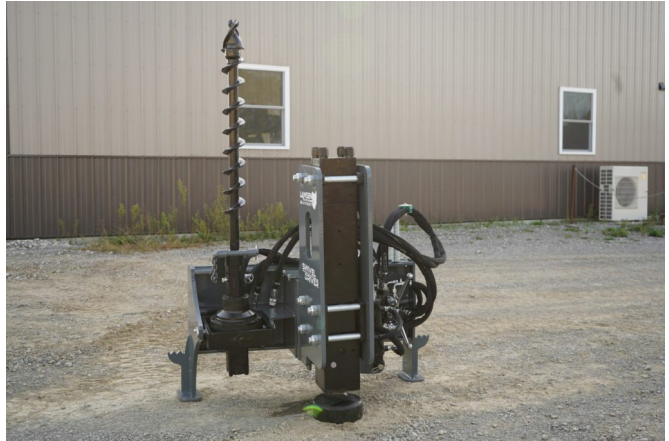
That is why it's so important that you choose a post driver that always gives you a clear view of the job you are doing while it is in use.

Before you buy a vibrating post driver we recommend you climb in a skid steer and see how much visibility you have with that particular attachment.

If your vision is obstructed so you can't watch what is happening, you need to look for a different post driver.

# 02 PROTECTED HYDRAULIC COMPONENTS

Vibrating post drivers are primarily constructed of steel - which means they are hard to break.



However, they have one weak spot:

**The hydraulic components of the machine.** This includes things like hoses, adaptors, seals, valves, clamps, and even a hydraulic motor.

Unfortunately, these components often wear out relatively quickly on a vibrating post driver. It's easy for something to leak, crack, or even break.

As we already mentioned, problems with the hydraulics of a post driver can be dangerous - and beyond that repairing them is frustratingly expensive.

For example, most manifold hydraulic hoses cost somewhere around \$150 each. A simple coupler can cost upwards of \$80 and a hydraulic motor costs around \$800 for the most inex-

pensive models.

As you can see, a post driver that makes a special effort to protect the hydraulic components cuts down on the amount of maintenance you need to perform on the machine - plus it ends up saving you significant amounts of money.

We highly recommend that you prioritize a vibrating post driver that offers great protection to all hydraulic components.



# 03 NO EXTRA GADGETS OR ELECTRONICS

Let's admit it together: most of us suffer from the "ooh shiny!" syndrome.

In other words:

When we see a neat little gadget or fun feature we think it's the coolest thing ever. We want it!

Sometimes that's perfectly fine. But remember - every extra gadget, moving piece, or electronic part is another thing that can break.

On a piece of equipment that undergoes heavy wear-and-tear like a post driver, these fun little extras turn out to be way more headache than what they are worth.

More likely than not, you'll be replacing them all the time.

That's why we recommend purchasing a vibrating post driver that skips the complicated gadgets and electronics and focuses on excelling in the critical areas: safety, durability, and efficiency.



# 04 PROTECTS THE POST

At the end of the day, a drop-hammer post driver is supposed to drive posts quickly and efficiently.

But if you are constantly breaking posts or driving them in crookedly you aren't accomplishing that goal.

That's why it's so important to purchase a post driver that is designed to protect whatever it is driving into the ground.



It's especially important to get a post driver that can swivel and still drive posts straight and true on hilly ground.

Admittedly, it can be difficult to assess these features before purchasing a post driver. We recommend reading plenty of reviews or directly asking the manufacturer what features they include to ensure that posts won't break when being driven in.



# CONCLUSION

You deserve to have a vibrating post driver that allows you to stop worrying about wasted time, broken post materials, getting your hands pinched, or maintenance issues from poor hose placement or electronics.

That's why we reverse-engineered our vibratory post driver and started with the user experience in mind to maximize safety, efficiency, and usability.

All of this makes a post driver that is easier and safer to use, and it comes standard with our 2-year warranty.

You can browse our other products for skid steers and excavators, including:

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- Brush Grapples
- Auger Drives

Contact us today and get a quote. We look forward to hearing from you!