John Deere
JD1790 New Style (2004 – present)
JD1790 Refuge Option
Planter Scale

Instructions
And
Repair Parts

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INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on the purchase of your new Digi-Star Planter Scale for John Deere 1790 (2004-present) series planter.

The scale system is specially designed to weigh the central commodity seed hopper. The scale will record and monitor seed weight going into or out of the CCS hopper.

This scale system is covered by the following US patents: 6732667, 7059258 and 7273017. The single-use license is included with this document (see page 12).

⚠️ This SAFETY ALERT SYMBOL indicates important safety messages in the manual. When you see this symbol, be alert to the possibility of PERSONAL INJURY and carefully read the message that follows.

⚠️ WARNING NEVER OPERATE WITHOUT ALL COVERS, SHIELDS AND GUARDS IN PLACE. KEEP HANDS, FEET AND CLOTHING AWAY FROM MOVING PARTS. FAILURE TO HEED MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

Some covers and guards have been removed for illustrative/photographic purposes only in this manual.

For information on ordering repair parts, refer to Parts Section in this book.

This supersedes all previous published instructions.

⚠️ Important!

Charging Battery and Welding

Disconnect all cables from the weighing indicator before charging the battery or welding on the machine. If cables are left connected, the weighing indicator and connected load cells could be damaged.

Important: Do not weld near indicator, load cells or cables; remove from area to be welded. Place ground close to area to be welded to prevent current from passing through electronic parts.
The John Deere 1790 Planter Scale Kit consists of mounting three load cells. The illustration below highlights the location of each load cell:

- **Front Load Cell**
- **Rear Load Cells**
  - **Rear Left**
  - **Rear Right**
- **Mounts to rear hopper frame**
- **Mounts to rear planter frame**
Rear Leg Assembly

1. Assemble the load cell assemblies as shown. **IMPORTANT:** The load cell arrow located on the end of both REAR LOAD CELLS needs to be pointed UP.

2. Support the side of the hopper unit. **IMPORTANT:** The lifting chains, bucket attachments, loader/skid steer or winch must be capable of lifting and controlling 1000-1500 lbs. Remove leg and install the load cell assembly. Use the existing bolts on the top and bottom bracket. Use the 3/4” x 4” bolts to hold the load cell in place. Tighten all bolts and repeat for opposite side.
SCALE BRACKET AND LOAD CELL MOUNTING INSTALLATION

Front Leg Assembly

1. Support the front hopper unit. **IMPORTANT:** The lifting chains, bucket attachments, loader/skid steer or winch must be capable of lifting and controlling 1000-1500 lbs. Remove leg and install the load cell assembly. Use the existing bolts on the top and bottom bracket. Use the 3/4" x 4" bolts to hold the load cell in place. Tighten all bolts and repeat for opposite side.

2. Remove the 3/4" hardware that attaches the existing hopper front leg to the planter mounting tabs (loosen and move rearward the existing John Deere junction box). Raise the front leg 3/4". Assemble the load cell middle top and bottom bracket per the diagram above. **IMPORTANT:** The load cell arrow located on the end of the front load cell must be pointed DOWN.

3. Install the existing Front Leg Assembly to the front leg, using the 5/8" x 3.5" bolt and 5/8" top lock flange nut. Use the 1/2" x 2-1/4" bolts provided to hold the base bracket and shim plate to the planter frame. Tighten the base plate to the planter frame.

4. Use the rear two holes on the front of the Digi-Star bottom bracket to remount the John Deere junction box.
5. When all front hardware is tight, check to make sure the front leg is not rubbing on the two mounting plates on the planter frame.
SCALE BRACKET AND LOAD CELL MOUNTING INSTALLATION FOR REFUGE HOPPER

A Refuge Option on a planter is a planter fitted with a third hopper located on the front of the planter. An extra load cell and brackets are required to weigh the extra third hopper.

1. Remove the refuge hopper leg and bolt in the new scale leg.
2. Use the 3/4” X 5” bolts to hold weigh bar in place.
3. Bolt the top bracket to the frame with the 18” x 9-1/2” U-Bolt.

Note: It is important that the load cell arrow, located on the end of the load cell, must be pointing upward.

The indicator can also be mounted to the railing in between the hopper. Then it can be turned to face backward while filling the hoppers, and turned forward for observation from the cab while planting.
JUNCTION BOX MOUNTING

The junction box is water resistant, not water-proof. It should be mounted to avoid submersion during wet weather and to avoid physical abuse. The junction box can be mounted on the front or rear of the drill, planter or seeder. All load cell cables must reach the J-Box. Install by removing the double sided tape backing and apply to cleaned surface.

Connect Load Cell and J-Box Cable
1. Route front and rear load cell cables to J-box location. Make sure they are not bound or pinched. Cable tie (customer provided) load cell cables in place.
2. Insert load cell and J-box cables through each of the water-tight strain-reliefs.
3. Remove each terminal block from the J-box.
4. Connect wires of the same color to the same terminal block as shown above. See instructions below.
5. Install terminal block into the J-box as shown (location not important).
6. Tighten nuts on the water-tight strain-reliefs.
7. Assure that gasket is properly installed in the cover.
8. Attach cover using 4 screws (provided).

Installing wires into Terminal Block
1. Open levers 90° to locked position.
2. Strip wires back 7/16”.
3. Insert individual wires into terminal.
5. Tug wire to assure solid connection.
INDICATOR MOUNTING

The scale indicator can be mounted in the tractor cab or on the drill, planter or seeder with swivel mounting pack (406081). Two cables must be connected to the indicator bottom panel, J-Box and power cables. Refer to Indicator Manual D3831-US for details of indicator mounting options and connection of power cord.

PLANTER MOUNTING

1. Bolt the readout in the cab, or mount the swivel bracket on the drill, planter or seeder.
2. Install power cord to a 12-volt negative ground battery.
3. Route J-box cable to indicator and install to indicator bottom panel.
4. Program indicator with set-up #145035 and calibration #24200 for the John Deere 1790 New Style Series, and set-up #145035 and calibration #32890 for the John Deere 1790 New Style Series with Refuge Option (see Indicator Manual).

Power Connection:
The power cable should be connected directly to a vehicle battery or regulated power supply. The scale end of the power cable is attached to the J901 connector located on the bottom panel of the indicator.

Connect the RED wire from the power cable to +12 VDC and the BLACK wire to GROUND. The indicator is fused internally at 4 amps.

Power Cable Connections:

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<td>Battery (+12 VDC)</td>
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<td>GROUND</td>
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Load Cell Connection:
The indicator is designed to operate with strain gage load cells. The indicator will normally be supplied with a “J-BOX” cable going between the scale and the load cell junction box. Extension kits are available from your dealer in various lengths.

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TROUBLE SHOOTING

How to Check the Planter Scale after Installation

For the first test, lift the drill, planter or seeder all the way up, to a level area. Put 200-250 pounds of weight on the right side, then compare it to the left. Both sides should be within four to six pounds of each other.

- If the weight is not within the four to six pound range, inspect the scale system for loose or misaligned mounts.

The second test is to lift the drill, planter or seeder to a level area and zero the scale. Lift the drill/planters/seeder up and down two to three times, checking to see if the scale zeros out. Each time the scale is in the up position, it should be within four to six pounds.

If further assistance is necessary, please call Digi-Star, LLC at 920-563-9700.

***The example we are using is 2000 lbs of seed evenly filled in both hoppers. There is 25 lbs of seed left from the last fill.

Push the “Start” button. The screen will show zero, and the arrow is now pointing to “Net” on the screen. This is a temporary zero point to start loading the planter with seed. You will now fill 1000 lbs of seed into the left hopper.

Push the “Stop” button, the readout now reads 1025 lbs of seed inventory.

Push the “Start” button again. The screen will say zero again. Load another 1000 lbs of seed into the right side.

Now push “Stop” and the screen will read 2025 lbs of seed. The numbers will work lower as the seed is planted.
## REPAIR PARTS

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### 406134 Kit – Scale JD1790 (2004-present), Indicator in Tractor Cab

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**IMPORTANT:** Load Cell decal must point DOWNWARD.

**IMPORTANT:** Load Cell decal must point UPWARD.
## INDICATOR SWIVEL MOUNT

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10. Governing Law. This Agreement and the relationship between the parties shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of Wisconsin and the United States of America. The parties consent to the jurisdiction and venue of the Wisconsin and United States courts located in Wisconsin for resolution of any dispute under this Agreement.

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