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How to Choose the Best Hydraulic Auger for Your Skid Loader



It’s critical that you invest in a high-quality robust hydraulic auger system, as it’s crucial for splitting logs, shaving stumps, drilling holes, and efficiently tackling other tasks. As such, it will save your company both time and money, as well as reduce downtime and repairs. However, before you can purchase the best auger, there are several important factors to keep in mind. Below, our experts explain how to choose the best hydraulic auger for your skid loader.

Know your hydraulic flow rating

Before you can look at hydraulic auger attachments, you must take a look at your machine’s specifications. Initially, you’ll need to know your skid steer loader’s hydraulic flow rating. It’s essential you know this information, as it will boost your equipment’s longevity. The wrong auger could damage your machine or the attachment itself. Further, you’ll want to consider how often you will use the auger.

Whether you only use an auger a few times in a year or daily, its best to purchase a commercial-grade auger for two reasons. First, you can use the auger regularly without fear of it breaking down. In addition, a commercial-grade auger is a better investment overall, as commercial-grade attachments are built to last. Plus, they hold their resale value, so if you had to sell your auger, you can expect a better return on investment.

Invest in high-quality machinery

An auger’s gears and shaft are some of the most important factors to consider when looking for a high-quality hydraulic auger. The gears and shaft are primary components that allow the attachment to operate, so naturally, those should consist of excellent materials. Unlike our competitors, we make our gears with a heat-treated alloy for superior hardness and precisely cut them with CNC hobbing machines to achieve unsurpassed durability. Similarly, many of our competitors offer two-piece shafts. You want to avoid this, as it’s easy for a two-piece shaft to fall out. Our single-piece output shafts are precision-cut with CNC technology, tapered, and heat-treated to make them 40% stronger than our competitors’ augers. Since we were in your boots at one point, we know the industry incredibly well, which is why we went one step further to manufacture hydraulic augers that will meet all your needs. We route hydraulic hoses to the top of the auger drive shaft to avoid any pinching and allow you to get more depth with the machine’s full range of motion.

There’s no question that choosing the best hydraulic auger for your skid loader is important for your company’s success. A great way to ensure a heavy-duty auger attachment is by working with a company such as McLaren that understands construction, forestry, and other demanding applications.

McLaren Industries is a leading manufacturer of commercial-grade attachments, tracks, and solid skid steer tires. We stand behind our products because we’ve taken every measure to ensure our product is the best on the market. With our CNC precision cut gears and shafts, heat-treated alloy, top-mounted hydraulic hoses, and extensive industry expertise, you can trust that our augers surpass the competition by a long shot. If you need assistance purchasing an auger for your machine, contact us today.