

# Top Ten Best Tools for the New Tractor Owner

## 1. Grease Gun

Buy a good grease gun and use the owner's manual to find ALL of the fittings and lubricate them regularly. This will prevent breakdowns and make your equipment last longer. My favorite grease gun is Lube Shuttle. It's quick and remarkably clean. They are available here: <https://asktractormike.com/products-for-sale/grease-guns-and-grease/>

## 2. Torque Wrench

Driving over rough ground and machine vibration can cause some of the many bolts on a tractor to work loose.. I own a Tekton Torque Wrench, and I've been so satisfied with the performance that I offer it on my Amazon affiliate page. <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B00C5ZL1NS?....>

## 3. Quality Tire Gauge

It seems that tractor tires lose air more often than car tires. Invest in a good tire gauge because the cheap ones don't last long. And to prolong the life of your tire gauge, use WD-40 to lubricate the insides after using it in fluided tires.

## 4. Antifreeze Tester

Unless you own an older, air-cooled Deutz tractor or live in south Florida, you need to check your antifreeze before winter each year. Make sure enough balls float so you're protected from cold temperatures. You don't want to start Spring with a cracked engine block!

## 5. Jack and A Jackstand

Sooner or later you're going to have a flat tire, or you'll need to jack up a bush hog to do some service work on it. You can buy them separately, but I've found that a combo package is extremely convenient. Take a look at this one. <https://asktractormike.com/product/6000-lb-unijack-bottle-jack-jackstand-in-one/>

## 6. Air Compressor

Flat tires happen in the field. Good for tire repair and to blast debris away from areas you're getting ready to work on. You can find one to fit your needs and budget at retail stores or online.

## 7. Adjustable Filter Wrench

You'll need to own a tool that can remove an oil filter, so find one that also adjusts to the size of a fuel filter bowl as well. These are threaded on certain tractor models, so it's best to be prepared.

## 8. Lighting

Tractors have a lot of nooks and crannies where it can be really tough to see what you're working on. Get a bunch of inexpensive battery-powered head lamps to wear on your cranium so you can easily see the dark, secluded areas of your tractor.

## 9. Goggles and Ear Protection

Goggles are essential when you're doing something with a grinder that's shooting off sparks, or anytime you're under the tractor where chunks of grease can fall down. And when you're working around a running tractor, ear protection is a great idea as well.

## 10. Leaf Blower

For blowing debris out of the radiator, cleaning an area you're getting ready to work on, and before putting the tractor and brush hog away in the barn.

