



## News Release

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### **Gehl Announces the New E-Series Skid Loaders with Exceptional Performance, Power and Operator Comfort**

WEST BEND, WISCONSIN, January 1, 2006 – Gehl Company, a leading manufacturer of compact construction and agriculture equipment, is proud to announce the new E-Series Skid Loaders. This line of six new skid loaders range from the compact Model 3640E with a rated operating load of 1175 lbs. to the top-of-line Model 6640E with a rated operating load of 2900 lbs. (when equipped with the optional counterweights).

The new E-Series skid loaders are designed with an optimized combination of performance, power, speed, and operator comfort. The E-Series models (3640E, 4240E, 4640E, 4840E, 5640E, 6640E) provide the operating precision and maneuverability operators want in compact loaders, along with high horsepower, superior hydraulic power, increased load capacities, and spacious, quiet operator compartments.

These enhanced new units are truly top-of-the-line skid loaders. They are built with advanced, innovative acoustical materials and specially-designed engine compartment components to lower sound levels, both inside and out. The new E-Series loaders have some of the lowest operator sound levels in the industry, which helps reduce operator fatigue.

The large operator compartments have abundant head, shoulder and leg room, plus greater overall comfort, making operators more productive than ever before. The ROPS (Roll-Over Protection) cabs have Level II FOPS (Falling-Object Protection) built in for added operator protection. An optional deluxe suspension seat adjusts to the operator's weight to provide more comfort. A choice of low-effort servo-hydraulic controls deliver precise response for added productivity. Factory air-conditioning is available on the larger models along with improved heaters on all models.

Deutz 2011 Series diesel engines are used in the larger models, and range from 46 hp on the 4640E to 82 hp on the 6640E. Turbocharged configurations are standard on the Model 6640E, and optional on Models 4640E and 5640E. The advanced, high-horsepower Deutz engines include in-cylinder glow plugs to improve cold weather starting and auto-shut-down systems. These engines have a number of performance features, including dependable oil cooling, low noise levels and high torque. They meet the latest EPA Tier II emissions regulations.

Powerful, TNV Series Yanmar diesel engines are featured in the 3640E and 4240E skid loaders. A 35 hp naturally-aspirated 3-cylinder engine is used in the 3640E, and a 46 hp naturally-aspirated 4-cylinder is used in the 4240E. These engines with Tier II emissions certifications are direct-injected, liquid-cooled designs and are among the most economical and dependable engines in the industry.

Gehl offers a two-speed drive option with top speeds of just over 11 mph on the 4640E and 4840E, and up to 12.5 mph on the 5640E and the 6640E skid loaders. An extended wheelbase of more than 48 inches on the Model 6640E, and lower center-of-gravity, combined with the optional Hydraglide™ ride control system, deliver a smoother, more stable ride.

With a high-flow auxiliary hydraulics option up to 36 gpm on the 5640E and 6640E models, these skid loaders have the pressure and flow necessary for outstanding attachment performance. A lift height of more than 124 inches on the Model 6640E provides for high lifting and dumping abilities. Combined with the standard hydraulic self-leveling feature, operators can make quick and sure bucket and pallet fork actions while lifting loads.

The All-Tach™ universal-type quick-attach system makes changing attachments fast and easy. For added convenience, Gehl offers an optional Power-A-Tach™ system that lets users quickly connect and disconnect attachments without leaving the seat.

As with all Gehl skid loaders, the E-Series offers easy access for routine service. The engine cover has a gas-spring assist for easy lifting, while the ROPS/FOPS cab structure is easily pivoted up and out of the way by a single person. Removable belly plates also enhance serviceability.

“The E-Series skid loaders include our patented Powerview® lift arm for better visibility, high breakout forces, powerful engines, exceptional hydraulic power, comfortable operator stations with a choice of controls, and a host of innovative features that make working long hours easier,” says Kelly Moore, Product Manager for Gehl Skid Loaders. “The E-Series loader is the ideal machine for operators who need high power but also need a compact unit for getting in and out of tight spots in construction, landscape or agriculture applications.”

The new Gehl E-Series is built for efficiency. The drive train on models 4640E, 4840E, 5640E and 6640E feature heavy-duty components; adjustments can be made to the simple “bow tie” chain system from outside the unit.

Gehl Company (NASDAQ: GEHL) is a leading manufacturer of equipment used worldwide in construction and agricultural applications. Founded in 1859, the company is headquartered in West Bend, Wis. For more information, visit [www.gehl.com/](http://www.gehl.com/) or contact the Gehl literature hotline at 800-628-0491.