

Rotary Fork Catching On Fast

Scott Campbell's Rotary Fork for evenly spreading poultry bedding has been a big hit with Canadian growers (it was featured in Vol. 33, No. 6). Now the Ontario inventor has produced a larger version more suitable for U.S. poultry operations.

"I made a 10-ft. version that mounts on a skidsteer or tractor loader," Campbell says. "It's 10 times more powerful than the model for small utility tractors. It's wider and there's more torque because of the big hydraulic motor."

When Campbell took the rotary fork to the International Poultry Expo in Atlanta, he learned that U.S. growers wanted a bigger unit.

Campbell's new 9-ft., 8-in. model fits through 10-ft. doors, quick-connects and uses tractor hydraulics. It sells for \$5,700 with quick-attach and hydraulic coupler setups customized for the buyer's equipment. The unit has a heavy-duty frame and main

shaft, two 1,100-lb. swivel caster wheels for leveling, two smaller casters for support, and tines spaced an inch apart. Replacement tines are available at TSC stores.

"I recommend running it at 1,500 rpm's or less for the best spreading speed," Campbell says. Rotary Fork uses less bedding material and saves time. Besides straw it can be used to spread rice hulls, peanut shells and shavings.

He adds he also has something new for Canadian customers — a tongue attachment for the smaller 5 ft., 8-in. and 7 ft. models, so they can be pulled with ATVs and non-standard tractors.

Campbell invites U.S. poultry growers to check out the video of his new model on his website.

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Hydraulic-operated rotary fork mounts on a skidsteer or tractor loader and is designed to evenly spread poultry bedding.