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New McCormick loaders provide plenty of farm handling power

- New loader range introduced for the new McCormick 'X' generation
- Strategic alliance between Argo Tractors and loader maker Manip'
- Self-levelling MClassic and heavier duty MPower for 40-230hp tractors

A new range of McCormick tractor loaders has been introduced as the result of a pan-European agreement between Argo Tractors, the manufacturer of McCormick products, and loader specialist Manip'.

The agreement results from the positive relationship developed between Manip' and Argo's French distribution company over several years. It ensures the availability of a complete range of loaders to suit the new 'X' generation McCormick tractors currently being rolled out.

"Manip' has a history of loader design and manufacturing going back more than 20 years," notes Ray Spinks, general manager and sales director at McCormick distributor AgriArgo UK. "Significant investment in modern manufacturing technology enables them to produce a quality product."

As part of the M-Extend Group (which includes MX, another loader maker) Manip' is backed by the considerable resources of the one of the World's biggest manufacturers of tractor loaders. Among production technologies at the factory in Loudun, north-west France is laser scanning of tractors for smarter design of sub-frame brackets.

The McCormick range comprises the Compact, catering for 20-50hp tractors; the MClassic with mechanical self-levelling for tractors from 40-140hp; and the heavier duty MPower range, which is for tractors from 50-230hp.

"The MPower design also has mechanical levelling but a stronger boom structure, more wear-resistant pins, and a forging rather than a welded assembly for the tilt ram to headstock carriage link," notes product specialist Paul Wade. "Automatic locking using the Mega-Matic subframe system is standard – so the MPower is the best option for frequent heavy duty loading and handling applications using McCormick or competitor tractors."

There are six sizes in the MClassic line-up, with full-height lift capacities of 1025kg to 2030kg and ground-level lift of 1185kg to 2450kg. The seven MPower loaders go from 1200kg to 2300kg full height and 1560kg to 2900kg at ground level.

Double-acting lift cylinders are fitted to both ranges – so the loader can power-down as well as lift – and the versatile Euro implement carriage is standard.

MPower loaders can also be fitted with the novel Manip’Pic option, which enables two bale spike tines to be attached directly to the carriage and stored within the loader’s cross tube when not being used.

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McCormick X50 + McCormick MC80 loader 01a.jpg

A McCormick X50 clearing yard muck using an MC Classic loader, which has mechanical levelling as standard and caters for current and past McCormick tractors up to 140hp.



McCormick X50 + McCormick MC80 loader 02a.jpg

A complete range of buckets, forks and other attachments is available for the McCormick loader range – in this case, a mid-range MC80 with standard mechanical levelling.

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