II. THE MAJOR TRACTOR COMPONENT GROUPS AND UNITS OF CONSTRUCTION

Tractors may be defined as vehicles which are driven by an internal-combustion engine and, normally, are not provided with a loading area. In most countries tractorists must acquire a license for driving tractors; this driver's licence is restricted to driving tractors whose engine output and maximum speed is expressly stated in this document.

The major component groups of a tractor are the power plant (engine) which provides the motive power, the transmission system, the basic structure with brakes and steering system, and the auxiliaries (Fig. 16).

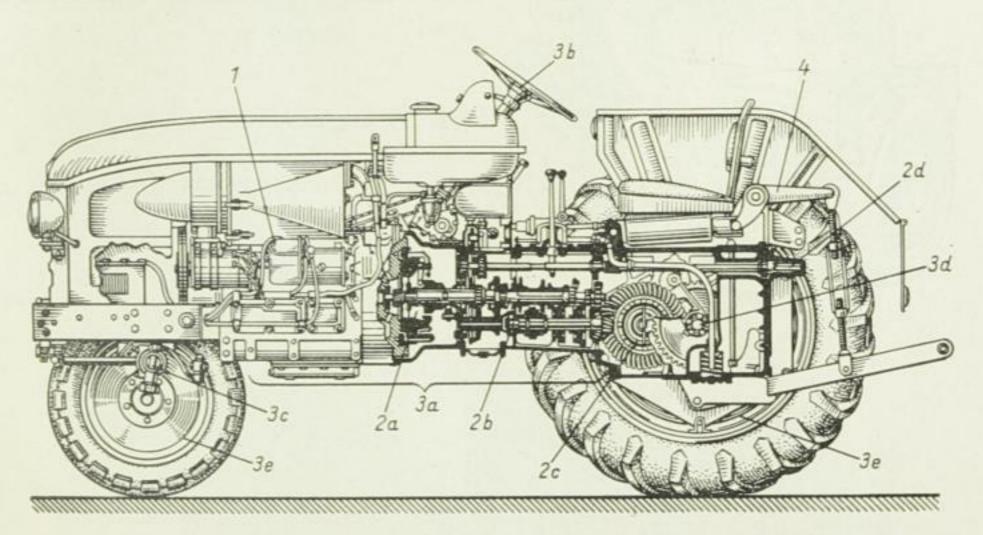


Fig. 16. Major units of construction of the wheeled tractor (Type: D 35 - Manufacturer: Renault)

- 1 Engine
- 2 Power transmission system
 - 2a Clutch
 - 2b Gearbox
 - 2c Differential gear and final gear
 - 2d Rear power take-off
- 3 Basic structure
 - 3a Integral construction
 - 3b Steering gear
 - 3c Front axle
 - 3d Rear axle
 - 3e Wheels
- 4 Special equipment (power lifter)