

MISCELLANEOUS SAFETY TIPS

- ATVs should only be driven by someone who is large enough to handle the machine and has passed an ATV safety course. All riders should wear helmets.
- “Roughen” potentially slippery areas (like milking parlor steps) to prevent falls.
- Keep all chemicals in a locked area and make sure the storage area is away from animal feed, seeds, and living quarters.



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PLAY IT SAFE ON THE FARM

FARM SAFETY IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE YOUR FAMILY'S SAFETY IS IMPORTANT.

Farm safety takes some thought and energy — but consider what you have to lose!

CHILD SAFETY

Never let children play on farm equipment and establish a “no extra rider” rule for all farm machinery. Each year, thousands of kids are injured on family farms.

EQUIPMENT SAFETY

- Before using a tractor, perform a complete safety check.
- PTO equipment should be properly shielded.
- All tractors should have rollover protection structures (ROPS) and riders should wear a seatbelt.
- Properly shield portable auger intakes.
- Never hitch a load higher than the tractor drawbar and use weights to increase tractor stability.

FIREPROOFING YOUR FARM

- Place fire extinguishers in your home and farm buildings and on your tractors and combines.
- Inspect your electrical wiring to avoid dangerously frayed or exposed wiring.
- Store flammable liquids at least 40 feet from buildings.
- Invite the fire department to your farm to inspect the buildings and create a plan in case of fire.
- Equip all major buildings with UL approved lightning protection systems and surge arrestors.

CHEMICAL SAFETY CHECKLIST

- Store all poisons in their original containers with labels intact and properly dispose of empty containers.
- Keep all chemicals in a locked area to prevent entry by children or animals. Make sure the storage area is away from animal feed, seeds, and living quarters.
- Workers should use appropriate personal protective equipment, such as chemical-resistant gloves, aprons, safety goggles, respirators, hard hats, and other protective gear when needed.
- Read labels thoroughly before opening a chemical container.