

FARM EQUIPMENT SAFETY

Learning Objectives

After completing this session, participants should be able to:

1. Understand the importance of staying away from large farm machinery.
2. List ways in which to avoid injuries from farm equipment.
3. Identify pieces of farm machinery commonly used in their area and describe what the pieces of equipment are used for, when the equipment is commonly used, and why it is seen at times on the public roadway.
4. Identify points on farm machinery that are hazardous because of the speed and power associated with the operation. (Optional)
5. Identify areas around farm machinery that are runover hazards because they are blind spots to the operator. (Optional)
6. Identify areas around farm machinery that are crushing hazards due to potential hydraulic failure. (Optional)

Safety Requirements

1. The day of the camp, tractors with equipment or self-propelled equipment should be driven by a person 18 years or older.
2. Tractors with equipment or self-propelled equipment should be driven to and removed from demonstration areas only when participants are NOT present.
3. During the entire camp, tractor or self-propelled equipment keys should remain in the demonstrator's pocket, except when the tractor or self-propelled equipment is started during the demonstration.
4. Do not move tractors or self-propelled equipment unless part of a demonstration and participants are supervised, behind a stationary safety barrier.
5. Make sure tractors or self-propelled equipment is always left in park. Chock wheels of tractors, any equipment trailing a tractor, and self-propelled equipment for safety.