



Farm Safety Checklist

Playing areas

- Is there a safe place for children to play?
- Is this play area securely fenced?
- Does the play area have shade?
- Are there areas on the farm that are 'out-of-bounds' for kids?
- Do 'out-of-bounds' areas include all hazardous places?
- Are the shed locked?
- Is machinery locked away?

Water

- Are all pools, ponds or dams near the house fenced?
- Are all tanks wells and troughs near the house covered with mesh or lids?
- Are unused ditches filled in?
- Are all children supervised when near water?
- Does everyone on the farm know how to resuscitate a drowning child?

Vehicles and Machinery

- Are children prohibited as passengers on tractors and other machinery?
- Are children kept away from tractors and big machinery?
- Are children under 16 prohibited from driving ATVs?
- Are children prohibited as passengers on ATVs?
- Do children always use seatbelts and proper restraints and never ride in the back of utilities?
- Are all drivers careful when moving a vehicle near the house in case of children?
- Are keys kept out of reach of children when vehicles are not in use?
- Are children properly trained and supervised on two-wheeled farm motorcycles?
- Do all riders always wear helmets, long pants and sturdy footwear when riding motorbikes?

Other hazards

- Are all hazardous items (eg. Firearms, chemicals, electrical noise, silos) that children could access in your farm or rural properly locked away or the risk minimised?
- Are children only allowed to ride horses suited to their age and riding ability?
- Do children riding horses always wear riding boots and a helmet?

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