Be Safe, Be Seen

Switch on your 'Think Safe Brain' and learn what can be fun and what might be a hazard.



Farm Machinery

Trucks, Tractors, Motorbikes, Cars, Diggers, Equipment in Sheds, Tools and anything with moving parts can be dangerous. Trained operators are the only ones who can drive or use the machinery.

Remember: Just because you can see the machine, doesn't mean the driver can see you. This is called a blind spot. If you see a moving vehicle, stay far away until it has passed on by. Don't touch any moving parts, and never climb on machines. They are not toys.



Animals

Dogs, Cows, Sheep, Goats, Horses, Deer, Alpacas, Pigs, Chickens and Fish just to name a few, all live on farms. Sometimes they are small and sometimes they are very, very big.

Remember: Not all animals want to be your friend, like your pet at home.

Don't approach an animal you don't know. **Don't** tease an animal. **Don't** touch an animals food or babies. **Don't** make loud noises.

Do be quiet. **Do** make slow movements. **Do** give it space if it is sleeping. **Always** respect all animals. **Always** ask an adult first if you are unsure and tell them straight away if you see a sick or injured animal.



Water

Ponds, Rivers, Streams, Troughs, Dams, Tanks and Muddy Areas are all places where you'll find water on a farm.

Remember: Sometimes you might go swimming with an adult, but it is never ok to go by yourself.

Always ask to go swimming first.

Some things you can use to stay safe in the water are Life Jackets, Goggles and Flotation Devices.



Environment

Sometimes the weather can be a hazard too.

Sun: The sun can get very hot. It is always smart to wear a sunhat, sunscreen and stay in the shade to prevent sunburn.

Rain: Rain is good as it helps the grass to grow. Be careful around rising rivers and waterways after too much rain.

Wind: A light breeze is nice on a hot day, but if it is too strong, it can blow things over like trees and sheds.

Snow and Ice: These are very pretty and fun to play in. Wrap up warm and go inside if you get too cold.



Other Hazards

Electric Fences, Chemicals, Guns, Roads, Laneways, Tracks and things you can fall over or off.

Ask an adult to help you to identify hazards on your farm and write them here:



If you live on or are going to visit a farm, there are some key things to remember. Always be with and listen to adults so they know where you are and use your 'Think Safe Brain' to stay safe.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL: 111

