

Part	OHS Code	Intent	P	C	Risk	Guideline Statement
Part 1 Definitions and General Application	“competent” in relation to a person, means adequately qualified, suitably trained and with sufficient experience to safely perform work without supervision or with only a minimal degree of supervision;	Working safely with minimal or no supervision requires basic qualifications, training and experience.	L	L	L	Persons working on a farm or ranch with minimal or no supervision must meet specified qualifications, training and experience.
	<i>Clarity of “worker” definition</i> Farmers and ranchers regularly volunteer to assist their neighbors and this needs to be confirmed as not being a worker.	There needs to be clarification that when farmers and ranchers regularly volunteer to help each other with tasks that they are not workers. In addition, it is important that farm operators are protected from liability should an injury occur to a volunteer	n/a	n/a	n/a	Although neighbours and volunteers are considered exempt in the worker definition, employers should ensure the same safety standards are followed and that volunteers are aware of the hazards and risk involved in the work”
	<i>Request for expanded definition</i> Application of farming and ranching definition to include the following activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The operation of greenhouses, mushroom farms, nurseries or sod farms and riding academies. • Farm-raising finfish, shellfish or other aquatic animals within a confined space and under controlled 	The farm and ranch community considers all types of agricultural operations in Alberta to be part of their farming and ranching definition.	n/a	n/a	n/a	Changes in OHS legislation affecting the farm and ranch industry should apply equally across all sectors of the industry.

	<p>feeding and harvesting conditions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associated operation and maintenance of equipment and facilities. • Associated transportation, application and conditioning of “own use” materials. 					
	<p><i>No recommendations were provided for this Decision Point.</i></p> <p>2- Prime contractor’s responsibilities equal to those of an employer where equipment is installed, designed, erected or constructed by or on behalf of the prime contractor.</p> <p>2.1- Employers must ensure OHS legislation is available to workers.</p> <p>2.2- Where the OHS Code requires a ‘plan’, it must be completed by a competent person designated by the employer.</p>	<p>The agriculture community believes a contractor for any type of work on a farm or ranch is solely responsible for their employees on the work site, is responsible for identifying and mitigating safety hazards, and should have proper worker and liability insurance in place.</p>	L	M	M	<p>Individual contractors, farmers and ranchers must be responsible for their own employees on each farm and ranch work site.</p>

	<p>3- A list of adopted standards referenced in the OHS Code.</p> <p>3.1- Previously adopted standards that still apply to older equipment.</p> <p>6- The date the OHS Code came into force.</p>					
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