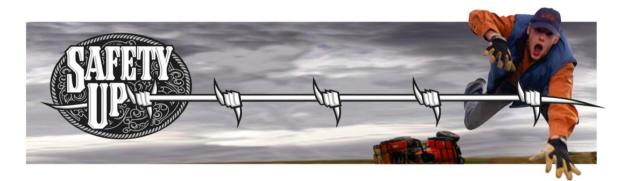
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**AUGUST 2019** 

# **SAFETY TOPIC**

#SafeHarvest2019



# Safety Up – At Harvest

Harvest is a productive time. The pressure may be exhilarating but it also creates serious stress. This can only mean one thing: an increased risk of injury. To prevent injury and reap the benefits of the harvest you're working so hard at, take responsibility for your own safety.

Injuries happen when you take shortcuts in performing routine tasks, work while mentally or physically fatigued, or fail to follow safety guidelines. Slow down and <u>follow safe practices</u>.

#### Know the job. Know the hazards. Know the drill.



## #SafeHarvest2019 Checklist

#### Plan ahead to prevent incidents

- ▶ Do you hold daily toolbox talks with your team to discuss concerns or suggestions?
- Have you provided harvest training for employees and family?
- Does everyone know what to do in an emergency?
- > Do you have a plan to manage fatigue during the long hours of harvest?
- Have you identified potential hazards and ways to eliminate or control them during harvest?

Visit our <u>BLOG page</u> for more information.

Alberta

# Farm freedom and safety engagement

Provide input to help shape the future of workplace legislation on farms and ranches.

## Get involved

Take the online survey by August 31, 2019 to share your thoughts on the following topics:

- **Employment Standards**: explore flexibility on rules like hours of work, holiday and vacation pay, days of rest, minimum wage and youth employment
- Occupational Health and Safety: identify basic safety standards and any special requirements
- Workers Compensation: explore choice of market insurance or WCB and identify basic coverage standards such as medical support, back to work support, and loss of income protection
- Labour Relations: identify any areas of improvement under the Labour Relations Code

The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry is also attending community events across the province this summer to hear from you: farmers, ranchers, workers, and industry representatives.

## AgSafe Alberta OUT AND ABOUT



AgSafe Alberta will be providing farm safety management information at the following events:



#### ONE DAY OF AGRONOMY SOLUTIONS

WheatStalk is taking place on August 8 at the Lyons Production Services Event Centre in Grande Prairie from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Click here for details and tickets: http://www.albertawheat.com/media/events/wheatstalk



AgSmart is happening on August 13 and 14 at the south portion of the Olds College Campus from 9 am to 5 pm. This isn't just a trade show. It's a hands-on demonstration and education expo! Learn more here: <u>https://agsmartolds.ca</u>.

\*If you would like AgSafe Alberta to attend or present at one of your upcoming agricultural events in Alberta, please email <u>info@agsafeab.ca</u> with details.



## Farm safety starts with YOU!

Our industry-led team supports Alberta's crop and livestock producers in developing and implementing practical farm safety management systems to help make safety a fully-integrated part of day-to-day operations.

We are results-driven, accountable, and transparent to our stakeholders with a focus on continuous improvement and best practices.

AgSafe Alberta's goal is to prevent incidents on the farm through education, training, resources, and support.

Hotline for Incident Assistance

1-833-9AGSAFE (1-833-924-7233)



#### Get started today www.agsafeab.ca

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