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### Farm animals

Some farm animals, like bulls, are big and heavy and can hurt you if you get in their way. **Do not** frighten animals with loud noises or tease any animals you find on a farm.

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### Trailers

If you go behind a big trailer the driver will not be able to see you. They could go backwards and run you over. The driver may not hear you if you shout as tractors and other farm machines are very noisy.

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### Dens and fire

Stacks of bales look like great places for making dens but they can collapse or catch fire. **Never** make dens in bales and **never** play with matches near bales as they can burn easily and you could get badly hurt or killed.

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### Tractor wheels and gates

Wheels and gates may be very heavy and if they fall on you they could kill you. If you see wheels or gates leaning against a wall **do not** climb on them.

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### Chemicals

Dangerous chemicals are often used on farms. They may be liquids or powders. **Do not** touch any chemical bottles, boxes or bags as this could make you very ill.

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### Grain stores

Grain stores look like good places to play in on a farm but they are very dangerous. **Never** go into a grain store as you could sink into the grain and drown.

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### Slurry lagoon

A slurry lagoon is like a swimming pool full of cow muck. If you fall in you can drown. **Never** go in an area marked with this type of sign.

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### Falls

Climbing may be fun but **never** climb on stacks of bales or up ladders as you could easily fall off them and hurt yourself.

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### Tractor safety

Tractors are big and heavy machines. If the driver does not see you, you can be run over and killed. You **must not** ride on farm machines until you are 13 years old.



### Washing hands

If you touch a farm animal and then do not wash your hands you could become very ill. **Always** wash your hands after visiting a farm and before you have anything to eat or drink.

### Look out for these signs



Yellow triangles mean danger



Red signs tell you not to do something



#### Remember

Farms can be dangerous places  
You must make sure a grown-up is always around  
**STAY SAFE ON THE FARM**

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# Farms are not playgrounds

## 10 ways you can get hurt on the farm



**Farm safety advice  
for children aged 7-11**