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# FARM SAFETY



45%

of deaths were caused by tractors and farm vehicles such as quad bikes and loaders.



18%

of farm fatalities involved work with livestock



20

On average, 20 people are killed in farm accidents every year



51%

of worker victims were aged 65 years or older

**SAVE LIVES**

Let's make a change now!



Before every task on the farm think... **is there a safer way?**



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## 55%

Tractors account for 55% of vehicle related deaths while quad bikes made up 14% deaths.



## TRACTORS AND VEHICLES

- Watch out for other people and keep your speed down.
- Practice the SAFE STOP procedure: reverse park, handbrake on, controls in neutral, lower attachments, engine off and remove keys.
- All tractor and machinery drivers should be competent.
- The new regulation regarding ATV and Quads means that safety training and use of helmet will come into force in November 2023.

## 68%

Attacks by cattle accounted for 68% of fatalities caused by livestock.



## LIVESTOCK

- Good handling facilities are essential when handling cattle and other livestock.
- All bulls are potentially dangerous. Always, fit a ring and chain to a stock bull when it is out in the field and exercise great caution if you need to enter the field with the bull.
- Never turn your back on the cow at calving time, always use a calving gate, never get in between the cow and her calf and always have an escape route.

## 16%

16% of farm fatalities occurred in the month of July



## OLDER FARMERS

- Older farmers should be aware that ageing affects mobility, eyesight, hearing and balance.
- Older farmers should seek help when it is needed to complete the necessary work on the farm.

10% of work-related fatalities involve people under 18 years of age. Almost half of the work-related fatalities to children and young people occurred during the school summer holiday months of July and August.

## 10%



## CHILDREN

- Children should not be allowed unsupervised access to the farmyard.
- Keep children away from dangerous areas (slurry pits, silage pits, grain /chemical stores, working machinery and high areas).
- Under no circumstances should a child under 7 years of age be carried inside the cab of a tractor.

\* All the statistics used in this leaflet were sourced from the HSA's A Review of Work-Related Fatalities in Agriculture in Ireland 2011-2020 report.

## FARM FAMILY CPD.IE

- The Farm Family CPD project works in partnership with farm families to promote a new cost effective and sustainable training-led approach to foster farm health, safety and wellbeing within each generation of the farm family unit.

- Training will be free of charge thanks to funding from DAFM under the EIP initiative. To register your interest and stay informed visit [www.farmfamilycpd.ie](http://www.farmfamilycpd.ie).
- Training will not only be for farmers but also for younger and older family members.

- Farm Family CPD is supported by FRS Training, IFA, HSA, Teagasc, FBD and FRS Network.



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