



# **FARMERS: PREVENTING INJURY**

**Too many farmers and their families are seriously affected by vehicle accidents and on-farm injury.**

**It is important to:**

- **Have all tractor, machinery and PTO guards in place and in good order**
- **Always wear seatbelts in vehicles & helmets riding motorbikes – both on and off the farm.**
- **Try safer alternatives to the quad bike. Utes or small utility vehicles are better designed to carry loads and passengers safely.**
- **Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) with firearms, chainsaws, chemicals and workshop tools (eg. earmuffs, safety glasses, gloves).**
- **Provide a securely fenced house yard for young children to play, to prevent them wandering behind vehicles and drowning in farm dams.**
- **Discuss what else you can do to prevent serious injury with your GP.**

For comprehensive on-farm safety management tools and resources go to:

**[www.farmsafe.org.au](http://www.farmsafe.org.au)**

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