## Working on a farm this summer? **Be an Informed <u>Employee</u>**



Employees are responsible to follow all safety rules, show up ready to work, and most importantly, <u>ASK QUESTIONS IF YOU</u> <u>DON'T UNDERSTAND.</u>

- Make sure your supervisor shows you all the safety procedures related to your job.
- Report any health or safety concerns to your supervisor, including hazards, injuries, illnesses and near misses.
- Wear all personal protective equipment provided and follow safe work procedures.
- Do not behave in a way that puts yourself or others at risk.
- Employers may not have experience working with young people and may not know if you have questions.
  Speak up if you are asked to do something you think is unsafe.



## Hiring a young worker on your farm?

## Be an Informed <u>Employer</u>

## Employers are required to provide breaks during the work day, clothing or equipment that protects workers, and training on health and safety hazards.

- There are many considerations when determining safe work tasks for young employees:
  - > level of physical, mental and social maturity
  - > limited experience making safety decisions at work
  - > difference in risk perception
  - > ability to cope with unexpected or stressful situations
- Train and supervise staff to ensure safe work practices are understood and followed by all employees.
- Provide personal protective equipment (PPE) to employees and train workers how to use PPE correctly.
- Young workers may not have farm experience and may be hesitant to ask for help or instruction if they don't understand a task.
- Monitor and guide work practices and conditions.

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