

Red River Mutual



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FARM FIRE PREVENTION





The risk of death and property damage from a fire on the farm is significantly higher than in an urban setting. As fire-fighting equipment is often far away and water supply can be inadequate. The resulting economic and personal losses are often devastating.

PREVENT A FIRE ON YOUR FARM

- › Never smoke in barns or near flammable materials.
- › Keep buildings free of rubbish and debris.
- › Never store fuel inside a building.
- › Ensure hay is properly dried before storage to avoid spontaneous fires.
- › Attach lightening rods to all major buildings.
- › Label and store pesticides in a separate building.
- › Regularly clean and inspect electrical equipment and monitor for worn or defective parts.
- › Have new electrical installations inspected by the hydro authority.
- › Equip crop dryers with auto shut off blowers or dampers to prevent overheating.
- › Never attempt a controlled burn on your fields or yard without first checking with the local fire department regarding conditions and precautions.

IN THE EVENT OF FIRE

1

Evacuate everyone from the building immediately. Plan for alternate exits as normal exits may be blocked.

3

Once everyone is out of the building, call fire-fighting services providing your name, address and exact location of the fire.

2

Close doors and windows as you exit to reduce air drafts that will fan the fire.

4

Do not allow anyone to re-enter the building.

**HAVE A FIRE PLAN
IN PLACE FOR YOUR FARM.**