

Farm Safe Loss Control Program

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Brief Description of Loss Control Program

The Farm Safe Program is designed to assist hog producers in their endeavour to implement loss control. The ability to anticipate and limit financial consequences of losses is a primary benefit for individuals and organizations. It increases peace of mind for all parties involved in operating a hog operation.

Importance to the Pork Industry

The Farm Safe Program is a tool that allows workers in the facility to inform barn management of situations that could result in a loss. It is also a way that barn management can inform corporate management to those problems. Corporate Management then uses the Farm Safe Program as a way to monitor their facilities with virtually no administration. When used as the tool that it is designed to be, all those involved in the operation benefit. Since many aspects of the Farm Safe Program are already put into practice in most hog operations, just documenting these practices to comply with Farm Safe results in a significant cost saving. An employee, with sufficient training through the training video, must complete a checklist for the following:

- Generator
- Alarm Check
- Rodent Program
- Fire Extinguishers
- End of Day Sign Out

Time

Time spent preventing a loss is far less than time spent recovering from a disaster.

Knowledge

Producers will learn how to make their operations safer and less likely to suffer a disaster.

Stability

Producers using a Loss Control Program are expected to demonstrate lower loss statistics compared to the entire industry. Presently there is no other differentiation between good and not so good operations. A sound Loss Control Program will reduce insurance rates. The Farm Safe Program also includes an annual inspection as well. A successful program will attract more insurance companies, thus providing the competition necessary to stabilize capacity and future rates. In addition, this competition will evolve to make better insurance products available to producers.

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