



Your safety comes first when working around grain bins

Working on a farm is exciting and challenging — and sometimes a little dangerous no matter your age or level of experience. Building great safety habits now will serve you well later in life.

Safety starts with you

A few things you should know about grain bins



Flowing grain acts like quicksand; it takes **less than five seconds** to become trapped



Nearly **1 in 5 entrapments** involve youth 11-20 years old



One cubic foot of grain weighs 50 pounds; a 165-pound person buried neck-deep would require 625 pounds of force to pull out

Stand T.A.L.L.* around grain bins

If you work around grain bins — especially in empty grain storage structures — it's important to pay close attention to your surroundings. That's why we're so passionate about Stand T.A.L.L. It's a program to help young workers feel empowered to ask questions if they don't understand a task or are uncomfortable performing it.



TALK

Talk about the job, what training is needed and who will supervise.



ASK

Ask questions and for help when uncertain.



LEARN

Learn how to recognize and avoid workplace hazards.



LIVE

Go home to family and friends at the end of the day, alive and injury-free.

To learn more about **Stand T.A.L.L.** visit thinkgrainbinsafety.com

If grain bin-entry is truly necessary, follow safe bin-entry procedures

- 1 Use a grain bin-entry permit.
- 2 De-energize and lock out all equipment.
- 3 Test bin atmosphere for toxic gases and oxygen levels.
- 4 Never walk down grain.
- 5 Wear a body harness secured to a lifeline that's attached to a fixed anchor point.
- 6 Utilize at least one outside observer who can both see and hear you.



You can get involved

Look for ways during **Grain Bin Safety Week**, a Nationwide® event that's held the third full week in February, to help raise awareness of the hazards of working around grain bins.

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