

Be Kind to Animals: Farm Animal Safety

Did You Know

Each year, almost 14,000 children are injured on farms. When visiting a farm, especially with children, take steps to stay safe.

Steps to Safety

- Farm animals can be unpredictable – never leave children unmonitored.
- Do not run, chase or yell - fast or sudden movements should be avoided.
- Never approach an animal from behind, or from an angle where you might surprise it. Speak softly.
- Use extreme caution around male animals such as bulls, stallions, roosters and rams. Do not approach or attempt to pet. Also be careful of mothers with newborn offspring.

When visiting a farm remember – you are a guest and the farm is the animals' home – be respectful and stay safe.



Be
Calm

- Avoid loud noises
- Move slowly and speak softly
- Have them sniff your hand before you approach or pet

Meet

- Avoid back end and hind legs
- Approach animals from the front
- Do not place hands in or near their mouth

Home

- Respect their enclosure as their home
- Do not enter their area

