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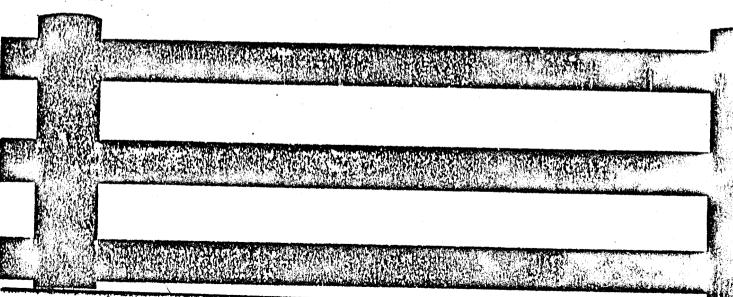
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# **Safety With Beef Cattle**

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The best way to not have an accident is to prevent it. Be careful around the farm. You can keep an accident from happening by following safety rules.

Hazards are one of the main causes of accidents. A hazard is anything that is dangerous. You can remove hazards by cleaning up and fixing up around the farm or feedlot.

## Keep A Good "House"

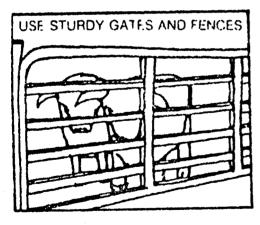
Hazards are sometimes hard to find. That's because you are so used to looking at them. You can make your work area safe by finding hazards and removing them.

## Look for these hazards:

1. Tools out of place
Put away tools, equipment and feed when not

using them. If they are lying around, you could fall on them and get cut or bruised.

- 2. Junk and trash in feedlots and pastures
  You or your cattle can be hurt by old boards, wire,
  fencing, glass, cans, old machines and other junk.
  Fires can start in junk piles, too. Rats like to make
  homes in junk. Clean it up and throw it away.
- 3. Unsafe buildings, pens or equipment You can get cut by bolts or nails that stick out. Pound them in or cover them. Latches or hooks that are worn out can break and let cattle loose. If they are old or rotten, get new ones.
- 4. Tripping or banging your head
  Door sills where you have to step up, and beams
  that are too low can hurt you. Paint them a bright
  color to warn you, or, best of all, fix them.



- 5. Slippery floors
  When floors are wet and slippery with manure, you could have a bad fall. You could also trip over junk or trash. Keep floors clean.
- 6. Weak or broken ladders
  Ladders that are not strong or have broken steps,
  can cause a bad fall. If yours is broken, do not
  climb it.

### **Use Machines Carefully**

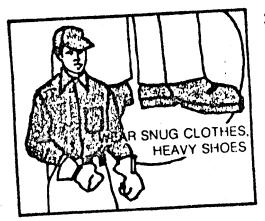
Finding hazards is one step to a safe farm. Another is to use machines safely. Follow all safety rules for using equipment. Be careful with equipment, or you could be hurt or killed.

### Take these safety steps:

1. Keep guards on moving parts like chains, belts, fans or shafts

You could be badly hurt if your hands, feet or clothes touch moving parts. Keep all guards in place.

2. Wear the right clothes
Bare feet or sneakers aren't safe around cattle.
Wear heavy shoes. Loose clothes can get caught
on machines or fences, or frighten cattle. Wear
clothes that fit right.



- 3. Never repair a running machine
  Make sure all switches are off. Never repair a
  machine that is running unless the directions say
  to do so.
- 4. Use electricity with care
  When you put in electric wires or equipment, follow
  directions exactly. Don't take short cuts. Use
  only equipment and wire that has been tested by

a national laboratory and is approved. The most common one is Underwriters Laboratory. Approved wire and equipment from them has a "UL" tag on it.

- 5. Beware of electric fences
  Never use a fence controller that is homemade or
  not put in right. You or your cattle could be killed.
  Only use controllers that are approved, and have
  a UL or some other tag. Be sure they are put in
  right.
- 6. Place electric fences with caution.
  Keep your electric fences away from all water and other fences. Keep children away from electric fences.

