

# Kids FarmSafe Week

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## Preventing Drownings on the Farm

When it comes to keeping kids safe on the farm, things like tractor and animal safety probably come to mind. But it's important not to overlook the risk of drowning on the farm. That's because the victims of drownings or near-drownings on farms are often young children.

Dugouts, ponds, and lagoons are all obvious hazards on the farm. But even shallow water, like in ditches, can be hazardous.

To prevent drownings on your farm, never leave children unsupervised near water, fence water hazards wherever possible, keep play areas away from water, and talk to kids about being safe around water.

On-farm drownings are devastating, but they are avoidable. Teach kids early on about the importance of water safety.

This year marks the inaugural Kids FarmSafe Week, which celebrates Nurturing the Future of Agriculture. For more information and safety tips, visit [www.kidsfarmsafe.ca](http://www.kidsfarmsafe.ca).

