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Agricultural Machine Guarding

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• Guarding of farm field equipment, farmstead equipment, and cotton gins
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- Provide protection for the employees from the hazards associated with moving machinery, parts of farm equipment, and farmstead equipment.

- Agricultural machine guarding standard took effect October 25, 1976
Definitions

• Farm Field Equipment: Tractors or implements, including self propelled implements or combination.

• Farmstead Equipment: agricultural equipment used in a stationary manner.
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- Stop engine
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- Wait for machine to stop moving before servicing
- Make sure everyone is clear before starting engine or machine
- Lock out electrical power before performing maintenance