

## A safety consultation may benefit your agriculture business

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Working in agriculture typically provides many unknowns from day to day. That's why having industry experts to depend upon is crucial in taking a bit of stress out of the equation, especially as you head into summer. The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) has a team of experts who can help agricultural businesses of all kinds create a safer work environment.

## Free services

Whether you are a small family farm, a large agricultural operation or an agribusiness, BWC offers free, confidential consulting services to meet your specific needs. Using these services can help prevent an injury or illness before it happens, making sure you and your employees are able to work, even during your busiest and most demanding seasons. BWC ag customers report our safety consultations are helpful and valuable.

## Safety consultation overview

During a safety consultation, a safety and health professional will help you identify hazards

associated with machinery, energy sources, material handling equipment, tools, work methods and your work environment, and work with you to develop cost-effective solutions to reduce the risk of injury or illness. These solutions can often result in improved efficiency, quality and productivity. That's why safety is also good business.

Depending on the size and complexity of your operation, you might also benefit from one or more of these services:

- On-site training BWC can help you develop training and awareness programs tailored to your specific operation and needs, and suggest online and virtual training you and your employees can take at your convenience.
- Safety teams BWC can help you form worker safety teams and provide suggestions to improve team effectiveness.
- Safe work practices BWC can review your safety practices and suggest ways to improve them.
- Safety programs BWC can help you develop safety programs and processes.

**Other BWC specialists** — BWC can work with our other specialists to help you reduce risks from chemical and environmental hazards and tasks that require extensive physical effort.

If you'd like to request a safety consultation, you can either contact your local BWC service office, call 800-644-6292, or submit a request online at bwc.ohio.gov.

## New Mowing Safety Micro Training Video Series

BWC has launched a new micro training video series to help you keep safety in mind during mowing season. The videos cover:

- Mowing on slopes
- Roll-Over-Protective-Structure or ROPS
- · Performing a site survey
- Mowing near drop-offs and embankments
- Groundskeeping safety tips

Scan the QR code to access BWC's free video series.

