



FARM SAFETY CHECK

Agritourism Safety Checklist

Allowing people to visit your farm provides a unique opportunity for you to tell the story of your farm, and for the members of the public to learn more about agriculture. Agritourism can also be a great way to increase farm income, but the additional risks and responsibilities must be considered.

You and/or your employee(s) can use this form to complete safety checks on your farm. Use the form below to list safety checks you think are important when inspecting your farm. Keep the completed forms for follow-up, future reference and inspections. Additional copies of this form can be downloaded at:

<http://umash.umn.edu/umash-farm-safety-check/>

Potential Hazard	Yes	Needs Correction	Date Corrected or Notes
Think about the traffic flow of visitors. Does the farm have three distinct areas: non-animal areas, animal areas, and entrance/exit transitions between?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If food is available, do people eat & drink first, then visit the animals?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does the farm have running water, soap, and paper towels available for visitors?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are the hand washing facilities accessible for children and those with disabilities and located conveniently next to <i>both</i> the animal areas and food?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are signs visible throughout the venue reminding people to wash their hands and avoid hand-to-mouth activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are the animals safely contained in pens?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are visitors restricted from entering pens?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have you restricted all physical contact of chicks, ducklings, reptiles, and calves?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is there a plan in place to clean surfaces, especially pen railings, daily with soap and water?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is there a plan to remove sick animals from public contact?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are all farm workers or hired staff trained in the national best practices for animal contact (see link below)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Name of person completing safety check: _____ Date completed: ____/____/____

National Best Practices for Animal Contact:

<http://umash.umn.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Animals-in-Public-Settings-Best-Practices-Checklist-2017.pdf>

For additional Farm Safety Check forms and resources, visit: <http://umash.umn.edu/umash-farm-safety-check/>