

Grain Bin Safety

- ✓ Only allow authorized employees inside of grain bins.
- ✓ Always have standby personnel available when working in grain bins.
- ✓ Respirators or masks are recommended when working inside or around grain bins.
- ✓ Always check for toxic gases prior to entering a grain bin.
- ✓ Always use a harness and lifeline when walking on or above stored grain.
- ✓ Utilize a long pole to break-up stored grain.
- ✓ Develop an emergency plan in case of an accident.
- ✓ Enter a grain bin only when all equipment has been shut off and all employees are made aware.
- ✓ Use a tag-out/lock-out system to prevent equipment from accidentally being turned on.
- ✓ Provide workers with specific grain bin rescue equipment.
- ✓ Ladders inside grain bins should be marked with bright colors to help locate when inside.
- ✓ When inside, stay near the outer wall. If grain starts to flow, keep walking and get to the nearest ladder as quickly as possible.