

# Loss Prevention

Take a proactive approach to loss prevention!



## Farm Machinery maintenance

You're working with very valuable equipment. Take care to reduce the risk of losses and protect the value of your investment.

### Combines and tractors need regular maintenance

Most combine harvesters are worth somewhere between \$200,000 and \$300,000, with high-output models with multiple options ranging up to \$600,000. One serious fire hazard that needs attention is the build-up of crop residues are hot parts of the machinery. Regular maintenance is required to eliminate dust, particularly around the engine, pulleys and gears.

#### Here are some tips:

- Make sure wires and fuses are in good working order.
- Every 10 hours of use, inspect the engine compartment and thoroughly clean out any accumulations of dirt, residue, oil and dust that could catch fire.
- Given that at all times, you must have a 10lb. dry chemical ABC fire extinguisher on board, it is also strongly recommended to have a second one at the rear of your machine.
- The electrical wiring on tractors can easily catch fire; place a 5lb. dry chemical ABC extinguisher by the driver's seat for emergencies. We recommend that these extinguishers are serviced annually.

### On the road: be safe and be seen!

Do you drive your farm vehicle on the road? Keep in mind that you now need to follow the safety standards contained in the government regulations applicable to your jurisdiction.

### Talk to a broker - your best source for information and advice

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