

Equipment Winterization & Preventative Maintenance

Why It Matters: Cold weather can cause machinery failure, leading to costly repairs and downtime.

Key Safety Points:

- Check fluids, batteries, and tire pressure before use.
- Store equipment properly to prevent freezing.
- Run engines regularly to prevent fuel system issues.
- Inspect hydraulic lines for cracks from the cold.

Real-Life Risks: Many farm accidents occur due to sudden machinery failure in freezing conditions.

Discussion Questions:

- What's the most common equipment failure you've seen in winter?
- How often should we inspect farm machinery in cold months?