

Safe Farm Futures

Know The Signs

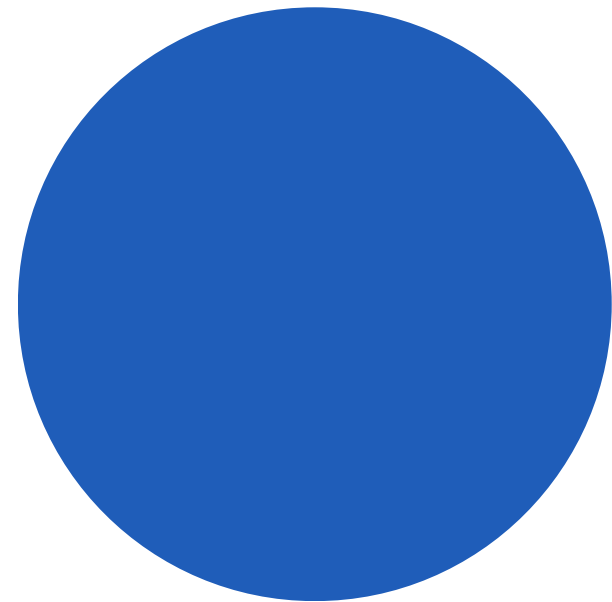
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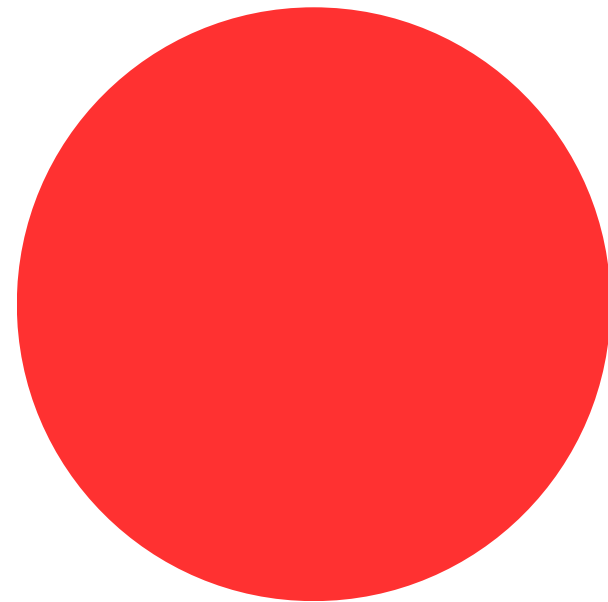
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What do the colours mean?

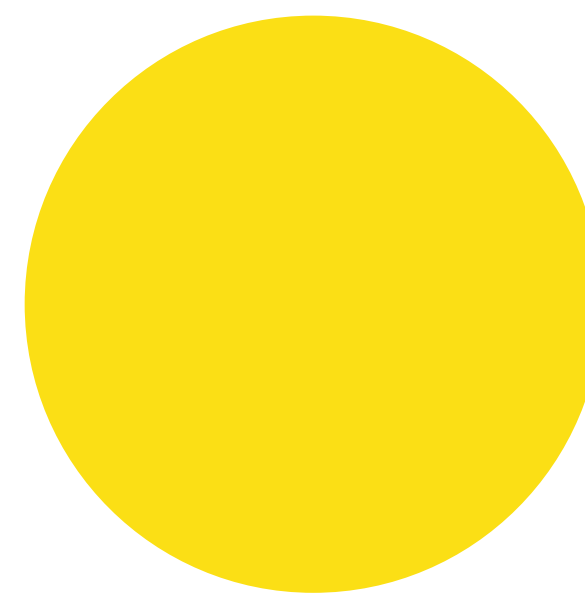
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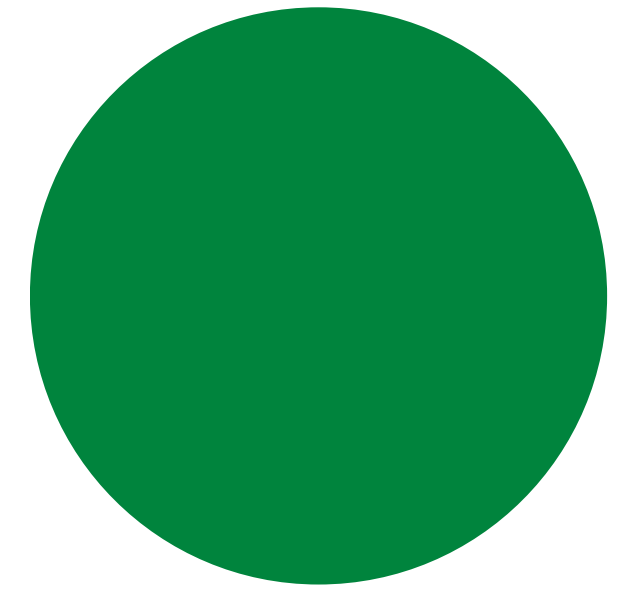
Blue Signs give instructions such as "All visitors must report to the office" or 'Please wash your hands'.



Red signs are used for very serious messages such as 'The farm is not a playground'. We must take all signs seriously but especially when they are red.



Yellow signs encourage us to take caution around livestock or machinery.



Green signs point the way to safety with signals like 'First Aid' and 'Emergency Exits'.

Suggested Activity:

- As a group, can you think signs that you might see every day. What colours are they? What are the signs telling us and does the colour match the meaning?

Blue Signs on the Farm

The colour of a sign can tell us what type of sign it is. This is useful for us to know when we are on a farm but lots of signs we see every day follow these rules too.

Blue Signs: These signs give us instructions. They are mandatory signs and this means that these are things that everyone must do e.g., 'All visitors must report to farmer'.



Suggested Activity:

- As a group, can you think of other blue signs that you might see every day? What are the signs telling us and does the colour match the meaning?

Red Signs on the Farm

The colour of a sign can tell us what type of sign it is. This is useful for us to know when we are on a farm but lots of signs we see every day follow these rules too.



Red Signs: These signs show things that are forbidden to do but can also be fire safety information signs. These include locations for fire extinguishers and places that you are not allowed to go. Examples include 'Unauthorised access prohibited; Children must never be left unaccompanied; Fire extinguisher'.



Suggested Activity:

- As a group, can you think of red signs that you might see every day? What are the signs telling us and does the colour match the meaning?

Yellow Signs on the Farm

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Yellow signs: These are warning signs. They are telling you to be aware and cautious in your environment. This means we should look and listen to what is happening around us and be aware of what we are doing. Examples include: 'Warning, Farm Machinery in Operation; Caution, Beware of bull'.



**Beware
of the bull**



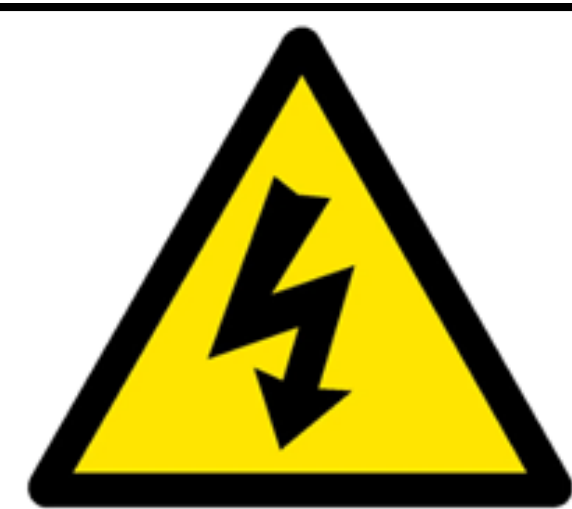
Caution
Farm entrance
ahead



Warning
Farm
machinery



Caution
Livestock in
this area



DANGER
Overhead
Power Lines

Suggested Activity:

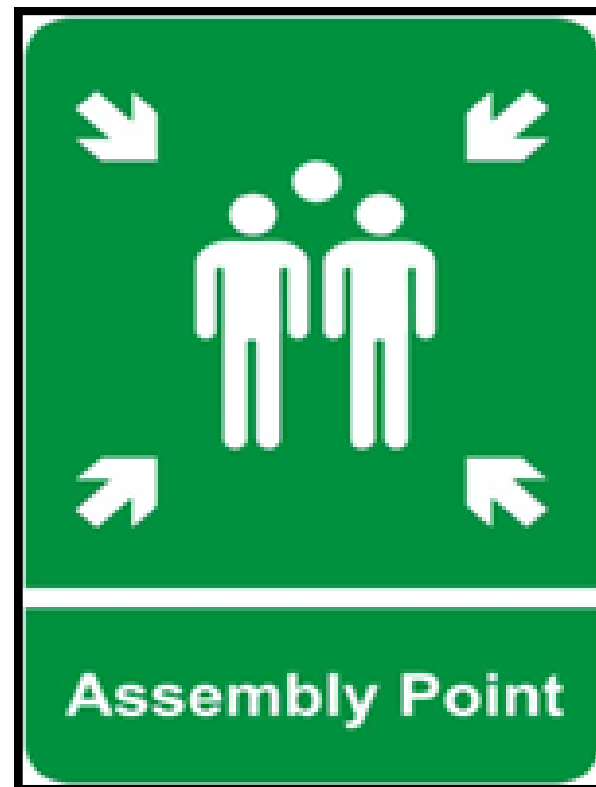
- As a group, can you think of yellow signs that you might see every day? What are the signs telling us and does the colour match the meaning?

Green Signs on the Farm

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Green signs: These are positive or affirmative signs which tell us where to go or positive things we should do.. They show us things things such as first aid and emergency exit signs. These are important to note so that we know where to go if there is an emergency. Examples include: 'First Aid, Assembly point'.



Suggested Activity:

- As a group, can you think green signs that you might see every day. What colours are they? What are the signs telling us and does the colour match the meaning?