



**Start the engine**



**Move out/take off**



**Raise equipment**



**Stop the engine**

# Hand Signals On The Farm

*The universal language*

**Learn them  
Use them**



**Slow it down**



**Move to me/follow me**



**This far to go**



**Stop from behind**



**Speed it up**



**Lower equipment**



**Stop**



**Right turn**



**Left turn**



**Come to me**

# HAND SIGNALS

## For Agricultural Safety

*Noisy equipment and distance between workers makes hand signals a necessity*

When working with others to hitch up farm implements, move livestock or navigate an oversized load, hand signals are an **ideal way** to communicate.

Noise from machinery, wearing hearing protection and the physical distances between workers can lead to a **communication breakdown**. Often noises are so loud that it is impossible to hear, even if someone is yelling.

These hand signals have been adopted by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers for Agricultural Safety. These hand signals help everyone to communicate in the same '**language**' which decreases the risk of injury.

### Using hand signals:

- Saves time
- Reduces frustration
- Prevents incidences
- Lowers the risk of accidental death

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### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

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1. Learn and use the standard hand signals
2. Place the hand signal poster in a highly visible location for all to see
3. Train new employees in the use of hand signals

