

Quad bike and side-by-side safety

One ride can change everything



Quad bikes and side-by-side vehicles (SSVs) are one of the leading causes of death and serious injury on Australian farms.

Quad bike and SSV accidents can happen to anyone, regardless of age or experience. Between 2011 to 2024, 77% of quad bike related deaths involved adults over 50 years of age and 12% involved children under the age of 16.

Follow these safety steps when using a quad bike or SSV to keep everyone safe.

Ride safe every time

Quad bike safety

- Always wear a helmet.
- Use a guad bike with rollover protection.
- Never let children ride adult quad bikes, even as a passenger.
- Don't carry passengers on quad bikes that are meant for one person.
- Avoid riding on rough terrain or steep slopes.

SSV safety

- Always wear a seatbelt when riding an SSV.
- Use the netting / close the cab doors when riding an SSV.
- Never let children operate an SSV.
- Check the manufacturer's advice before letting children ride SSVs as passengers.

Prepare safely before every ride

- Before you head out, always tell someone where you plan to go and when you expect to return.
- Wear protective clothing and gear. This includes goggles, long sleeves, long pants, boots and gloves or hand protection.
- Never ride under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Always carry a mobile phone or radio device so you can get help in case of an emergency.



For more tips and information visit: productsafety.gov.au/quadbikes