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Module 1 BASIC CONCEPTS OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY IN AGRICULTURE



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Case studies Module 1 Basic concepts of occupational health & safety in Agriculture

2. Examples of legislation for the agricultural sector in Poland, including occupational safety, as good solutions in practice

The issue of training in the field of health and safety at work is regulated in *The Labour Code Act* and in the Labour Code issued pursuant to Article 237(5). It is the regulation of the Minister of Economy and Labour of 27 July 2004 on training in the field of safety and hygiene at work (Journal of Laws No. 180, item 1860, as amended).

The Law on Farmers' Social Insurance obliges KRUS to undertake actions aimed at preventing accidents at work and farmers' occupational diseases. The preventive activity of the Fund involves examination of causes and circumstances of accidents at work as well as propagation of knowledge about threats and safe work rules among the insured people.

The President of the Agricultural Social Insurance Fund (KRUS) has established *The Principles of Health and Life Protection on a Farm* and KRUS employees try to encourage farmers to apply these rules voluntarily.

In 2008 "Principles of Health and Life Protection on a Farm" were updated and adapted to the legal norms obligatory in the EU countries and good agricultural practice.



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Farmers are constantly reminded about them during training courses, accident site inspections, through the media and other preventive actions. Moreover, the Fund organizes voluntary and free training courses for all farmers, village administrators, members of country housewives associations, farmers undergoing treatment at Farmers' Rehabilitation Centers, local self-governments, students of junior secondary schools and children living in rural areas.

In 1993-2015 over 72 thousand training sessions were held which were attended by over 2.3 million people.

In order to attract the interest of agricultural machinery producers and farmers buying equipment, the President of the Fund grants the Safety Mark of the KRUS and the fair distinction called *Product Increasing Labor Safety on a Farm*.

By the end of 2015 31 producers had been entitled to use the KRUS Mark placed on 219 products, whereas the fair distinction was awarded to 49 suppliers for 60 types of products.

The preventive activity of the KRUS conducted since 1993 brings visible effects. The numbers of accidents at agricultural work are decreasing systematically.



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