

COVID-19 Infection Guide: Employer

Farmer/Farm Manager's Guide to Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 Self Infection.

Farm owner suspects/has confirmed COVID-19 infection.



Farm owner removes themselves from farm workers and animals to self isolate as per BC Centre for Disease control (BCCDC) guidelines. *Government of BC:* [COVID-19 How to Isolate at Home](#)



Farmer owner must activate their COVID-19 plan to ensure safe handover to designated lead.

AgSafe recommends that a farmer's COVID-19 plan includes the following considerations:

- Identify who you can ask for help?
- Does this person have the skills and knowledge to manage your farm?
- Write down a daily work plan detailing, stock location, feeding requirements and animal health plans.
- Provide operating instructions for all machinery. Including milking barn, automatic poultry systems and provide information of farms daily checks. "e.g. Check that feed isn't bridged in feed bin" etc.
- Provide a list of emergency contacts for farm including veterinarian, technical advisers, and relevant equipment dealership.
- Try to ensure workers are multi-skilled where possible. Can everyone operate feeding systems safely.
- Plan and educate for safe operation in the event of your absence form farm.
- Designate supervisor to inform other farm workers about identified COVID-19 infection at work site and suitable protective measures. *AgSafeBC:* [Safety Notice for Workers](#)



Farmer/manager reports COVID-19 to WorkSafe BC utilizing Form 7 if they:

- Have coverage through Personal Optional Protection or as a registered worker.
- Believe the infection was acquired through the workplace.
- *WorkSafeBC:* [Form 7](#)

Helpful Websites:

[AgSafeBC.ca](#)

[WorkSafeBC](#)

[BCCDC](#)

Please note this guidance document will be subject to continued review as per BCCDC guidelines