



Tips to Keep Your Kids Safe at the PA Farm Show

MAKE A PLAN IN CASE YOU BECOME SEPARATED:

Establish a meeting place in case you get separated from your children. A good place at the Farm Show is the Security Counter at the Main Entrance on Cameron St or the famous "Butter Sculpture" that is displayed every year at the Maclay St. entrance. Teach younger children to look for people who can help them. **Make sure your children can identify a Pennsylvania State Trooper in the grey uniforms.** Advise your children they should never leave the Farm Show or go to the parking lot to look for you or your car.

TEACH YOUR CHILDREN TO STAY WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES:

They should never go anywhere before checking with a parent or guardian. Always supervise your children in a public facility and accompany young children to the Restroom.

TAKE A PICTURE OF YOUR KIDS UPON ARRIVAL:

Nearly everyone is equipped with a cell phone that has camera capabilities. Before entering the Farm Show take a photo of your child in what they are currently wearing. In the event you should get separated from your child, you will have a photograph to show the Pennsylvania State Police what they look like

LEAVE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION WITH YOUR CHILDREN:

Put your contact information such as your name and phone number on a piece of paper and put it somewhere with your child. Make sure if they get separated from you they know to give that information to one of the Troopers in the grey uniform or one of the security guards so we can contact you immediately.

PURCHASE AN ID BRACELET FOR YOUR CHILD:

Consider purchasing an ID wristband for your child. There are many companies that produce plastic wristbands that allow you to put contact information on them. Some good reasons you may want to consider the wristbands. Your child may:

- Get caught up in the moment and forget to check with you before they head off somewhere.
- Be afraid of strangers, even those who are there to help.
- Have speech & communication difficulties.
- Have autism, apraxia, or special medical conditions.
- Be comforted that they have identification that can help reunite them with their parents should they become lost.

Consider all of these tips and take the necessary measures to ensure your children and even adults with special needs have a safe and fun time at the Farm Show this year. For more information while at the show, the **State Police Farm Show Command Post number is 717-787-4171.**