

Tractor and Machinery Certification Program

This 24-hour program meets the requirements of Wisconsin Act 455, which requires youth under the age of 16 to hold a certificate of training in order to operate a tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry on a public road. It also meets the child labor requirements in agriculture under the Fair Labor Standards Act, pertaining to the employment of youth ages 14-15 on farms not operated by their parents or guardians. The Center provides training and resources for the instructors of these programs on the local level. For more information, please contact: Matt Hanson, Crops & Soils Agent at 920.386.3790.

Who Should Attend?

Youth 14-15 years of age who need the federal certificate of training for employment on farm in accordance with Part 570, Child Labor Regulations, Subpart E-1. Youth 12 years of age who will be operating tractors or self-propelled farm machinery on public roads for their own family. Youth desiring tractor and machinery safety instructions. Where and when are the programs offered?

This varies by county. These programs can be offered through the County University of Wisconsin Cooperative Extension office or the local agricultural education instructor. In many counties a program is offered once a year as a cooperative effort between UWEX and the county agricultural education instructors. Dodge County has their program 3-week program the first three Saturdays in February