

## RURAL AND AGRICULTURAL CRIME

## **Preventing Agriterrorism on the Farm**

Farmers will be busy plowing and planting in anticipation of a good growing season. While out and about doing your work, it's important to keep in mind that monitoring and surveillance will be key to preventing agricultural terrorism on the farm.

Pay attention to the routines on your farm, neighborhood and community. Understanding these routines will help you spot anything out of place.

Be alert as you go about your daily business. This will help you to learn the normal routines of your neighborhood, community and farm.

Be aware of what is going on around you. Be on the look out for suspicious activities, whether traveling on the farm or in the community.

Learn to spot suspicious activity, such as unusual vehicles, persons, equipment, tools, or packages around sensitive areas of the farm like equipment sheds, animal confinement areas and chemical and fertilizer storage areas.

Security equipment such as motion lights, cameras and alarms can alert you to unusual activity.

When traveling and visiting places where people congregate, such as a shopping centre or school, learn to spot suspicious packages, luggage, or abandoned mail.

Keep an eye on your equipment and supplies.

Immediately report to law enforcement any missing chemicals, equipment, fuel, medicines or fertilizers such as ammonium nitrate, urea, anhydrous ammonia or ammonium sulfate.

Pay attention to the health of your animals, plants, employees and family.

Animals that become suddenly ill or plants that exhibit unusual or sudden signs of stress, disease or sudden death should be reported immediately to your veterinarian, crop consultant and/or local extension specialist and CFIA.



If you, an employee or family member work closely with animals and become suddenly ill, seek immediate medical attention.

Take what you hear seriously. If you hear or know of someone who has bragged or talked about plans to harm people in violent attacks or claiming membership in a terrorist organization, take it seriously and report it to law enforcement immediately.

