

HOW WELL DO YOU ...

# KNOW YOUR CODE

**South Australia's Grain Harvesting Code of Practice outlines a number of on-farm actions to reduce fire risk.**

## KNOW YOUR CODE CHECKLIST ...

- Comply with the two legislated requirements of the code:
  - When using a stationary engine to auger grain, a person who is able to control the engine must be present when it is in use, or an area of at least 4m around must be cleared.
  - Producers must carry a shovel or rake, portable water spray, and ensure engine and exhaust systems comply with regulations.
- Monitor weather conditions and forecasts to stop harvest when the local actual Grassland Fire Danger Index (GFDI) exceeds 35.
- Remove crop residues on machines.
- Regularly maintain machinery before and during harvest, particularly wearing parts and bearings, and keep maintenance records.
- Reduce build-up of static electricity on machinery during harvest.
- Have a well-maintained farm fire-fighting unit with a minimum of 250 litres of water in the same paddock.
- Establish fire breaks around paddocks or across the property.
- Ensure all farm staff are bushfire ready with the correct fire fighting clothing and equipment and that there is a fire prevention and emergency response strategy in place.
- Have immediate access to a UHF CB radio or mobile phone to report emergencies.



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