

How NOT to Report a Farm Accident

If you call 911 to report a farm accident, you can speed up the rescue and help emergency workers by giving the phone dispatcher all the necessary information. Which of these two phone calls does that? What's wrong with the first call? What did the second caller do right?



"My name is Chris. My dad went into our silo and passed out! Hurry, please and get someone out here. We live on that place just past the gas station that has the Holstein cows. It's on Whitehall Road. Oh, please, please hurry! I'm afraid he's gonna die! I'm so scared!"

OR

"My name is Chris Smith and our phone number is 555-1234. My dad just climbed into our silo and passed out. He just finished filling it last night. The silo is the old one by the barn, about 50 yards from the driveway of our house.

My sister turned on the blower to get some fresh air in, but I said nobody should go in to the silo or it might make them sick, too.

To get to our house, go to the intersection of Route 26 and 322. Then, go three miles on 322 South to the Landmark Dodge dealership. Turn left on Whitehall Road. We are the first house on the left past the Amoco station and we have a big Smith Farm sign.

Do you need any other information?"



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