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Bale Spear Safety Checklist

A safety checklist for bale spears, helping operators check the spear, mounting, and stabilizers and handle bales in a safe way.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

ITEM	OK	FIX	N/A
Spear tip is straight and not bent	☐	☐	☐
Spear mount and bolts are tight	☐	☐	☐
Stabilizer spears are installed if needed	☐	☐	☐
Welds show no cracks	☐	☐	☐
Loader or tractor is rated for the load	☐	☐	☐
Spear is covered when not in use	☐	☐	☐
Bales carried low and close	☐	☐	☐
No riders or bystanders near loads	☐	☐	☐
Bale stacks checked for stability	☐	☐	☐

NOTES / REPAIRS NEEDED

TIP Use a bale spear with a stabilizer or tip guard per the maker, and keep bystanders away from the load.