

**WARNING:** Entering grain storage bins is  
**EXTREMELY DANGEROUS!**

**Always avoid entering a grain storage bin - if at all possible.**

If you have to enter, you **MUST** follow these rules - they **SAVE LIVES**:

- ✓ **TURN OFF** and disconnect, lock out, or block-off all powered equipment, especially grain-moving equipment (like augers).
- ✓ **USE** a body harness with an anchored lifeline or boatswain chair when entering from a level at or above stored grain.
- ✓ **TEST** the bin's air to ensure there is enough oxygen and no toxic and/or flammable gas.
- ✓ **DO NOT** walk on or "down" the grain to make it flow.
- ✓ **DO NOT** enter onto or below bridged grain or when grain is built up on sides.
- ✓ **DO NOT** enter without having rescue equipment and a rescue-trained observer stationed outside who is in constant contact with you.
- ✓ **CONFIRM** from your employer's issued entry permit that all safety precautions are in place and it is safe to enter.



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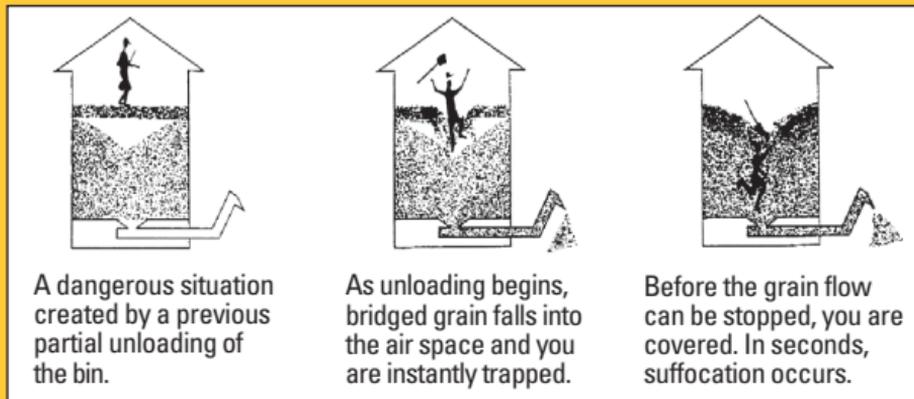
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Workers under 16 years old are prohibited from entering grain bins!

Moving grain acts like "quicksand" and can bury and suffocate you in seconds! **NEVER** stand on moving/flowing grain.



**NEVER** stand on or below bridged grain; **NEVER** stand next to grain accumulated on the side of bins or try to dislodge it.



For more information or to file a complaint, call the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) at 1-800-321-OSHA (6742).