

Catching and holding a pig

Adult responsibilities

ADULTS NEED TO MAKE SURE:

- Ventilation system is working before the child enters a closed building
- Work area has no hazards
- Child knows an escape route
- Animals have no disease
- Child has been fitted for a respirator and shown how to use it



Can your child do this job?

ABILITY

Is the child comfortable around pigs?

- Yes.
- No. **STOP** STOP! Children who are uncomfortable around pigs are more likely to be injured.

If working with piglets, does the pig the child will lift weigh less than 10–15% of the child's body weight?

- Yes.
- No. **STOP** STOP! Children lifting more than 15% of their body weight are more likely to injure their backs.

Is the child strong enough to control a pig?

- Yes.
- No. **STOP** STOP! Children who can't control a pig are more likely to be injured.

Can the child react quickly?

- Yes.
- No. **STOP** STOP! Because pigs behave unpredictably, children need quick reactions to avoid injury.

TRAINING

Has the child received training on animal behavior?

- Yes.
- No. **STOP** STOP! Children who don't understand animal behavior are more likely to be injured.

Has an adult demonstrated catching and holding a pig on site?

- Yes.
- No. **STOP** STOP! Children learn best when shown how to do the job at the work site.

Has the child shown he or she can do the job safely 4 to 5 times under close supervision?

- Yes.
- No. **!** CAUTION! An adult must watch constantly until the child shows he or she can do the job.

SUPERVISION

Can an adult supervise as recommended?

- Yes.
- No. **STOP** STOP! The right level of supervision is key to preventing injuries.

Main Hazards



Slippery/uneven surface can lead to slips, trips and falls



Animal movements, step-ons and bites can cause injury

Supervision

What's the right amount? Here are suggestions—but remember, it depends on the child.

Age 14–15:

An adult must accompany the child and **WATCH** constantly.

Age 16+:

WATCH constantly at first. When the child shows he or she can do the job, **CHECK** every few minutes.

Remember



Steel-toed shoes with non-skid soles



Good handwashing



Hearing protection



Respirator