

WEEKLY SAFETY MEETING

FOR THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

SAFETY MEETING OUTLINES Box 700, Frankfort, IL 60423 815-464-0200 No. 41 Vol. 21 Week of 10/9/2023

Company Name _____ Job Name _____ Date _____

HEAVY EQUIPMENT

Wherever heavy equipment goes, danger is sure to follow. Heavy construction equipment has no regard for human life. It's up to you to know how to work safely around it because it will not necessarily work safely around you. The following advice will give you a good start:

- The operator is always responsible for the safe operation of the equipment.
- Be on guard for warning signs such as frayed cables; grease, oil, or water leaks; unusual or strange sounds; or anything which could indicate a possible failure.
- Before starting the engine, check to make sure that all operating controls are in the neutral position.
- Wear the seat belt if your piece of equipment has one.
- Always maintain the required distance between equipment and electrical lines.
- Be especially careful when backing up and be sure your back-up alarm is working properly.
- If the equipment has blind spots which restrict the operator's field of vision or if the operator cannot clearly see the load, a spotter should be assigned to direct the operator.
- Never leave heavy equipment unattended in dangerous positions.
- Remember to chock and block when you reach the dock!
- Always shut off the engine and stop smoking during refueling.
- Never take a chance and dart behind or in front of a moving vehicle.
- Never position yourself under a suspended load, bucket, blade, or dump body.
- Employees other than the operator should never ride on equipment unless it is specifically designed to carry passengers.

SAFETY REMINDER

**Most equipment is designed to process material
much tougher than flesh and bone.
It will flatten, chop, or crush you in an instant.**

Special Topics For Your Project _____

Employee Safety Recommendations _____

Reviewed MSDS # _____ Subject _____

Meeting Attended By _____

Supervisor's Signature _____