

WEEKLY SAFETY MEETING

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RECURRING ACCIDENTS

The only way to prevent accidents from recurring is to learn from previous accidents and put that knowledge into practice each day. Every accident indicates a need to focus on safety. Learn safer techniques, check all equipment and replace anything that is broken or damaged, and improve your work habits. Having an accident occur once is bad enough, but allowing it to happen again is just foolish. It demonstrates our inability to learn and change.

Every so often we hear of a recurring accident for which there is no apparent cause. Of course, there is a reason for every accident, but sometimes it's hard to put your finger on it. For example, let's say a worker falls from a scaffold and is seriously injured. The scaffold was in good condition, had guardrails and intermediate cross braces, and the platform was fully decked, but the worker still fell off the scaffold. So what happened? Maybe the worker leaned too far over the guardrail, or perhaps he stood on a crate or bucket to reach just a little higher. The point is that these types of accidents have occurred before, but this worker either didn't learn the lesson or didn't change his work habits.

Safety is something you have to practice all the time if you want to avoid accidents and injuries. Safety rules, guards, warning signs, barricades, safety meetings, posters, and accident investigations are all meant to help prevent injuries and to remind you to protect yourself. After all, if you have an accident who suffers? Who loses? You do! And if the injury is serious, your spouse and children suffer too. The paychecks stop, the cupboards get a little bare, shoes wear out. You may be out of work for a long time or may not even be able to do that kind of work again.

It's always easy to use excuses like "I didn't see", "I didn't think", "I didn't know". When it comes to recurring accidents though, those excuses usually mean that you didn't learn from the last one. You must keep your eyes open and your mind your work to prevent these accidents from happening again.

When an accident occurs, it is important to analyze the reason and make the necessary changes to prevent a similar accident from happening again. Let's prevent recurring accidents of any kind on this job, especially the type that occurs because someone didn't learn and change his habits.

SAFETY REMINDER

**Accidents should not be left to chance.
When it comes to safety you make your own luck.**

Special Topics For Your Project _____

Employee Safety Recommendations _____

Reviewed MSDS # _____ Subject _____

Meeting Attended By _____

Supervisor's Signature _____