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CONFINED SPACE SAFETY TRAINING

Confined space safety training

Standards: 29 CFR 1926 subpart AA (construction) and 29 CFR 1910.146 (general industry)

About 40 minutes, with a 10-question quiz

39 slides | About 40 minutes | 10-question quiz

English + Spanish

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MODULE 1

What is a confined space?

01

In construction, a confined space is large enough and so configured that a worker can bodily enter it.

02

It has limited or restricted means for entry and exit.

03

It is not designed for continuous employee occupancy.

04

A space must have all three features to be a confined space.

05

Ladders, trip hazards, poor lighting, slippery floors and sloped surfaces can limit the way in or out.

06

Places where confined spaces may occur include manholes, sewers, tanks, pits, transformer vaults, silos, boilers and HVAC ducts.

29 CFR 1926.1202 · 1926.1201(a)

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Crew handout

Confined space safety: crew handout

29 CFR 1926.1202, 1926.1203, 1926.1204, 1926.1205, 1926.1208, 1926.1209

Do

- Know which spaces on the job are confined spaces and which are permit spaces
- Read the entry permit and check that it is signed before you enter
- Watch the air testing and ask for the results
- Test in order: oxygen, then combustible gases and vapors, then toxic gases and vapors
- Stay in contact with the attendant the whole time you are inside
- Get out right away when ordered out, when an alarm sounds, or at any warning sign
- Wear the harness and retrieval line when the rescue plan calls for them
- Tell the attendant if anyone unauthorized comes near the space

Don't

- Lean in or climb down for a quick look without authorization
- Trust your nose or eyes to judge the air
- Leave the attendant post until another attendant relieves you
- Treat a running blower as a reason to skip the permit
- Go in after a downed worker unless you are trained, equipped and assigned to rescue

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Remember

Test the air, follow the permit, keep the attendant outside, and leave rescue entry to trained, assigned rescuers.

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