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CONSTRUCTION SITE HOUSEKEEPING TRAINING

# Construction site housekeeping training

Standards: 29 CFR 1926.25 (housekeeping), 29 CFR 1926.250 (material storage) and 29 CFR 1926.252 (waste disposal)

About 45 minutes, with a site walk and a 10-question quiz

40 slides | About 45 minutes | 10-question quiz | English + Spanish



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MODULE 1

# The hazard: what a messy site does

- [ ] Scrap, offcuts and loose material on floors and stairs cause slips, trips and falls.
- [ ] Boards with nails sticking out go through boot soles and cut hands.
- [ ] Unsecured stacks can slide or collapse, and debris tossed from above can strike people below.
- [ ] Piles of scrap, packaging and oily rags feed fires.
- [ ] Clutter blocks stairs, exits and fire extinguishers right when people need them most.
- [ ] On a construction site the mess changes by the hour as trades cut, strip, unpack and move on.

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Crew handout

# Construction housekeeping: crew handout

29 CFR 1926.25, 1926.250, 1926.252, 1926.416, 1926.34, 1926.151

## Do

- Clean as you go, and remove scrap as the work progresses
- Pull or bend over nails as soon as you strip forms or pull boards
- Put waste in the right container, and keep covers on oily, flammable and hazardous waste
- Keep oily rags and solvent waste in fire resistant covered containers
- Stack materials so they cannot slide, fall or collapse
- Keep walkways, stairs and exits clear, and run cords overhead or along walls
- Mist concrete and masonry dust before you sweep, or use a HEPA vacuum
- Report hazards you cannot fix, like broken lights or missing hole covers

## Don't

- Leave nail-studded boards where people walk
- Throw debris off upper floors without a chute or a barricaded drop zone
- Store material near hoistways, floor openings or open edges
- Block exits, stairs, fire extinguishers or electrical panels, even for a few minutes
- Hang extension cords from nails or use worn or frayed cords
- Dry sweep concrete dust or blow it off with compressed air

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**Remember** **If you made the mess or you see it, clean it up or report it before someone gets hurt.**

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