Toolbox KITS

INSECTS, TICKS AND STINGS SAFETY TRAINING

Insects, ticks and stings safety training

Ticks, mosquitoes, bees, wasps and fire ants on outdoor jobs

Based on 29 CFR 1926.21, 1926.50, 1910.151 and related rules

About 40 minutes, with a 10-question quiz

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



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MODULE 1

The hazard: bites and stings

Ticks and mosquitoes	Bees, wasps and fire ants
Tick bites are often painless, so you may not notice one	Stings hurt right away and can swell
Ticks can spread Lyme disease and other illnesses	Wasps and fire ants can sting more than once
Mosquitoes can spread West Nile virus and other illnesses	A sting can set off a severe allergic reaction
Rash, fever or body aches can show up days or weeks after a bite	Many stings at once can be dangerous even without an allergy

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Crew handout

Bites and stings: cover up, check, call for help

29 CFR 1926.21, 1910.268, 1926.50

Do

- Wear long sleeves and long pants, tucked into socks or boots in grass and brush
- Use an EPA-registered repellent on exposed skin, as the label directs
- Check your whole body for ticks after work every day
- Remove ticks with fine-tipped tweezers, pulling straight up with steady pressure
- Look before you reach into equipment, stacks, eaves or holes
- Dump standing water from buckets, tires and tarps
- Tell your foreman and a coworker if you have a sting allergy and where your auto-injector is
- Report bites, stings, new nests and tick areas

Don't

- Don't put permethrin on your skin
- Don't burn, twist or smother a tick
- Don't swat at bees or wasps
- Don't knock down nests yourself unless you are trained and assigned
- Don't wait to call 911 for trouble breathing or swelling of the face or throat

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Remember **Cover up, check for ticks every day, and call 911 at the first sign of a severe allergic reaction.**

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