Toolbox KITS

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS SAFETY TRAINING

Situational awareness safety training

Notice, understand and think ahead on the job

About 45 minutes, with a 10-question quiz

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

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MODULE 1

The hazard: losing track of what is around you

- [ ] Situational awareness means knowing what is going on around you, what it means for you and what could happen next.
- [ ] Jobsites change all day. Equipment moves, crews shift, materials pile up and the weather turns.
- [ ] Hazards can come from behind you, above you or around a corner, outside your line of sight.
- [ ] When your attention narrows to the task, you can miss the truck, the edge or the load overhead.
- [ ] Awareness is a skill. You can practice it, and it can slip when you are tired, rushed or distracted.

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Crew handout

Situational awareness: crew handout

29 CFR 1926.21, 1926.200, 1926.601, 1910.178, 1926.1424, 1926.651

Do

- Scan your work area at the start of the shift: look up, down and all around
- Ask what changed since yesterday before you start
- Scan again after every break and every change
- Make eye contact with operators and wait for a signal before you approach
- Stay out of swing areas, blind spots and the path of moving equipment
- Read and follow every sign, barricade and tag
- Warn a coworker right away if they are heading into danger
- Tell your lead when you are too tired or distracted to focus

Don't

- Walk or work with your eyes on your phone
- Wear earbuds where you need to hear alarms and horns
- Walk behind a backing vehicle or under a raised load
- Cut through a barricade or warning line to save time
- Assume the operator can see you
- Stay quiet when you see a hazard

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Remember **Keep your head up, notice what is changing, and stay one step ahead of the hazard.**

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