

SAFETY MEETING TOPIC

This form shall be completed and kept on file

Job Name _____ Location _____ Job No. _____
Meeting Leader _____ Title _____
Date Held _____ Place _____ Time _____
Subject of Meeting SLIPS, TRIPS AND FALLS

Slips and trips resulting in a fall usually occur when we least expect it. Often they happen when we are not watching where we are going.

We should be watching for debris laying around on the floor, a sign of poor housekeeping.

If an area that has to be passed through to get to a workplace is not adequately illuminated so you can see where you are going, report it to your Supervisor. A "rule of thumb" for adequate light (OSHA says 5 foot-candles for general areas) is that you should be able to comfortably read a drawing.

When moving about, we should not walk on surfaces that have water or oil on them (they should be cleaned up). A watery surface could be concealing a much more dangerous situation, such as a sump or a pit full of water.

Watch out for conduit stub-ups and pieces of scrap pipe laying on the floor.

OSHA mandates that if you are working on a ladder, platform or close to an edge where your feet are 6 feet or more above the lower surface, you must use a safety belt or harness. Note that safety belts are not to be used, according to OSHA, after January 1, 1998 except for certain circumstances such as for tethering, restraint or positioning.

Railings and barricades are put in place for a very good reason, to prevent accidents. Respect their purpose. Don't remove them until the hazardous condition no longer exists. Don't crawl under or over them.

MAKE SAFETY A HABIT, PRACTICE GOOD HOUSEKEEPING. WEAR THE PROPER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR THE WORK YOU ARE DOING.