

Accidents affects are far reaching

Almost all of us are aware of how to be responsible and be safe. But some of us tend to think that accidents only happen to other people and never to ourselves.

Accidents affect more than just the injured person. His family, his friends, his coworkers and even his neighbors can be affected.

The physical and emotional pain, the financial difficulties and the stress placed on the worker and his family all play a part when a worker is injured.

We might be more cautious after seeing a member of our family, a friend or a coworker have an accident – especially one that could easily have been prevented. We are more aware of how easily it could all go wrong.

Don't let someone else's pain be the reason you begin to practice safety. Let your positive attitude about safety infect others and help prevent mishaps.

Requirements for a positive safety attitude

Focus

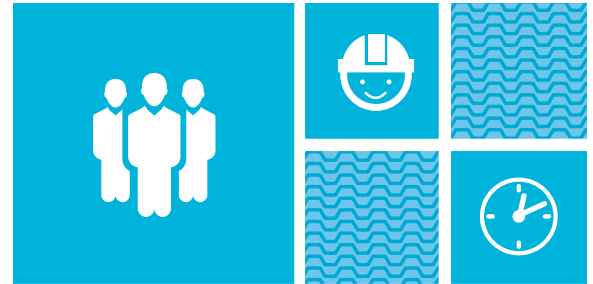
Workers should ensure that they receive adequate rest. Focus on each task and do not allow anything to distract their attention.

Time

Workers should maintain an even pace, not rush, and avoid taking shortcuts. If time is managed properly, assignments are prioritized, and the most important task is given priority. Then workers won't feel a need to rush to finish up. Workers should also wear all appropriate safety gear.

Consistency

Workers should always follow safety procedures without fail. No excuse is sufficient to allow safety procedures to be ignored, ever.



Teamwork

Safety is the responsibility of the entire team. Workers should not think "It's not my job" when it comes to safety. Everyone is an important part of the team. When we all work as a team, we all succeed together.

Communication

Workers should communicate when a problem or hazard is noticed. Team members shouldn't hesitate to ask a question or point out a situation that may have been overlooked.

Be smart – don't take unnecessary risks

Taking unnecessary risks such as using a screwdriver as a pry bar or a chair as a ladder is simply courting disaster.

Practice being safe when you're at your job and when you're at home. Keeping a positive safety attitude could reduce your chance of an accident.

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