

TOOLBOX TALK, May 5th, 2025

Training:

Sign up for trainings at www.swmsctf.org or check schedules at www.fsstools.com. Carpenter's trainings for May are not posted yet. Tapers have Aerial Lift on May 7th, and First Aid on May 19th. You can find your training records at www.fsstools.com under the training records tab, so sign up for classes if you need to refresh your training.

Construction Safety Week: May 5th -9th

An important focus for Safety Week this year is personal responsibility and planning. We've been hitting pre-task planning and hazard recognition hard over the last few months, which makes sense, because planning and hazard recognition turn out to be a couple of the best ways to prevent accidents from happening.

Asking all the right questions and considering all the factors, helps ensure that everyone stays safe. All the details of our plans should be thought through and implemented as we work. General Contractors plan for the safe execution of their projects, FSS plans our work to keep us all safe and each of us should carry that same commitment to safety all the way down through each task we do.

As much as planning is important, recognizing change is another key to maintaining safe jobs. When we see that something isn't as we planned for, our response should be to reset and adjust, to safely adapt to the change.

Working like this empowers everyone on the team to act and adapt when something unexpected happens. Individually, we have a kind of power that no one else has, that is, to solve problems in the field. When we understand and act in line with our responsibility, we gain the trust and confidence of fellow workers, demonstrating our intention to keep each other safe.

Being aware of risks and planning for each detail makes us more productive and successful at preventing incidents and staying safe. Planning is one of the most important tools we have to help us avoid injury.

Innovation rewards:

Your innovations can make a difference, so when ideas hit, let us know. Innovation rewards are based on the innovation and whether we adopt it into regular use. If you come up with a great idea, let your foreman know and we'll test it out.

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