

TOOLBOX TALK for the week of March 11th, 2024.

Training

Sign up now if you need to update your MEWP training. The class is coming up on March 23rd starting at 7:30am. Also coming on April 13th at the same start time we're having another Scaffold User class for those who missed our last one.

Awareness is better:

We often talk about the importance of wearing proper PPE, but planning for safe work and thinking through how to safely complete our work are steps we must take before we even think about PPE.

Here are a few tools to help us prepare to work safely:

- Pre-Task Plans
 - When we do Pre-Task planning correctly it checks a few awareness boxes.
 - We first identify the work we'll be doing.
 - We write down everything we can think of that could hurt us while we're doing the task ahead.
 - Finally, we list specific things we can do to counter the risks we've identified.
- Being fully informed about our tasks before we start
 - Maybe we don't want to be seen as incapable, or maybe we aren't sure how to ask the right question, but asking your foreman clarifying questions increases our chances of doing the job correctly and safely, even before we start.
- Being trained on the tools we're about to use.
 - We must always ask questions and read the manual when we are about to start using a tool, we're unfamiliar with. We must also assure the tool has all the manufacturers safety features in place before we get started.
- Communicating with our partners and other trades
 - During the day things change, other trades start working in our area, the scope of our work may not be what we planned for, we may be assigned a different partner. Communicating about changing conditions and modifying our plans help keep us safer.

Who's responsible for your safety?

How does updating our plan increase our awareness?

Who needs to know when our plans change?

Workers who need MEWP

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