

TOOLBOX TALK for April 27, 2026

Training:

Capenter's

Portland- Forklift May 9 - MEWP May 16 - First Aid/CPR May 16 - Forklift May 23

Tangent - First Aid/CPR May 2 - Fall Protection May 9 - Forklift May 16

Ontario - First Aid/CPR May 9 -

Taper's - Nothing scheduled

Hard Hat Chin Straps:

A few of you have asked about the breakaway force on our hard hat chin straps. First off, our hard hats comply with OSHA and ANSI Z89.1 standards, and OSHA states if a helmet is equipped with a chin strap, it must be worn.

The standard does not specify the breakaway force for chin straps, but the manufacturer has tested the breakaway force at a maximum of 164lbs.

As with any form of PPE, workers can assess their environment to judge whether their PPE creates a greater risk. If your chin strap is adjusted properly, it is unlikely to catch on anything.

Removing/modifying PPE may only be done when a worker must remove PPE to work in constricting configurations. If a worker is amending their PPE use, it must be approved by the foreman, they must update their PTP accordingly and replace their PPE as soon as the task is completed.

Awareness is Better:

Wearing proper PPE is essential for our safety but planning and thinking through how to safely complete our work takes priority. Looking ahead before doing the task puts us on safer ground before we ever put on our PPE.

Remember to do the 20-20-20. Every 20 minutes take 20 seconds to look 20 ft around where we're working. Knowing what's around that could hurt us could save a load of pain.

Safety Week Quiz:

With Safety Week coming up we've created a quiz to test your safety knowledge from our JHAs.

Here's how it works. Take the quiz as soon as you can, the time stamp will play into how we select the winner. Be the earliest to submit a quiz with all the correct answers and you'll win the top prize: A Blackstone grill.

There are other prizes so don't feel bad if you miss out on first prize. We hope you have fun testing your knowledge and taking a chance at winning.

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