

TOOLBOX TALK for October 12th, 2026

Carpenter's Training -

Portland - 10/17 MEWP. 10/24 First Aid. 11/7 Rough Terrain Forklift. 11/14 MEWP.

Ontario - 11/14 First Aid. 11/21 Rough Terrain Forklift

Recognize the Hazard – Take Action!

We all know construction is full of hazards, but the good news is that most incidents can be prevented. The key is recognizing potential hazards and acting **before someone gets hurt**.

Common Jobsite Hazards

- **Falls from Heights:** Falls are one of the leading causes of serious injuries and fatalities in construction. Recognizing fall hazards, planning our work, and using proper fall protection can prevent these incidents.
- **Struck-By Hazards:** Falling tools, unsecured materials, moving equipment, and vehicles can cause serious injuries. Secure materials, stay visible to equipment operators, use spotters when needed, and always pay attention to what's happening around you.
- **Caught-In/Between Hazards:** Getting caught or crushed between equipment, machinery, or materials can have serious consequences. Keep a safe distance from operating equipment, communicate with operators, and never put yourself in a pinch point.
- **Hearing Loss:** Loud equipment and tools can permanently damage our hearing. Wear your hearing protection whenever it's required. Once your hearing is gone, you can't get it back.
- **Slips, Trips, and Falls:** Cluttered work areas, wet floors, poor lighting, and loose cords are common causes of injuries. Keep your work area clean, manage cords, remove water, and make sure you can see where you're walking.

See Something? Do Something!

These are just a few of the hazards we face every day. The important thing is to recognize them before they turn into incidents.

We've all heard the saying, "**See something, say something.**" But let's take it one step further: "**See Something, Do Something!**"

If you spot a hazard, don't just walk past it. Fix it if you can do so safely or notify your foreman so it can be corrected.

Take ownership of your safety. Pay attention to your surroundings, recognize the hazards, and act.

Your safety, and the safety of those working around you, depends on it.

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