

TAILGATE SAFETY

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FIRST**

Safety training for the job site & the office!

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A safer workplace starts with everyday awareness. Review these key topics with your team and put them into practice.

DAY 1 – PPE: The Last Layer of Protection



- Wear the PPE required for the task; inspect PPE before use.
- Replace damaged or worn PPE; use task-specific PPE when hazards change.
- PPE does not replace proper procedures or machine guarding.



Use the right PPE. Inspect it. Replace it.
It's your last line of defense.

DAY 2 – Audible Alarms



- Never disable, bypass, or silence a safety alarm without authorization.
- Safety alarms are designed to warn employees of an immediate hazard.
- Do not disconnect, cover, unplug, or tamper with alarm devices.



Alarms save lives.
Keep them working.

DAY 3 – Audible Alarms (Continued)



- Never assume an alarm is a nuisance because it activates frequently.
- If an alarm is malfunctioning or activating unnecessarily, **report it**.
- Only authorized personnel should troubleshoot, repair, or make changes to the alarm system.



If you hear something, say something.
Report alarm issues.

DAY 4 – Community Standards



- In lunchrooms and other shared areas, clean up after yourself.
- If you see someone not doing the same, politely remind them these are shared areas that requires everyone to do their part to maintain.



Clean spaces show respect.
Keep our shared areas clean.



SAFE TEAMS. CLEANER JOB SITES. STRONGER TOMORROWS.
SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU.

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DAY 5 – Cut Gloves: Understand the Ratings



- **A1–A3:** Lower cut hazards and light material handling.
- **A4–A6:** Moderate to high cut hazards; common for handling sharper materials.
- **A7–A9:** Very high hazards requiring greatest resistance.



**Choose the right glove for the job.
Know the rating.**



DID YOU KNOW? **Plan Ahead**

Taking a few seconds to stop and plan a task can prevent injuries that may take weeks or months to recover from.



**Plan Ahead. Work Smarter.
Prevent Injuries.**

ADDITIONAL SAFETY TOPICS FROM VIAFLEX

Aerosol Cans



- Do not throw aerosol cans in regular trash!
- Cans that are empty, have a broken stem, or have lost pressure, must be taken to the Maintenance area to get punctured and contents within can be collected as hazardous waste.
- Once punctured, throw can in scrap steel bin.

Keep Hornets Away



- Empty trash cans regularly to reduce food sources that attract hornets, especially during late summer/early fall as they become more aggressive.
- Promptly clean up sugary drink spills and dispose of wrappers, as these can attract and sustain activity in the area.

Ladders



- Always inspect ladders for damage before use – look for cracks, bent rungs, or missing feet.
- Maintain 3 points of contact when climbing.



REMEMBER:

Follow safe work practices and site procedures to prevent incidents.

**WORK SAFE.
KEEP OUR SITES CLEAN.
LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER.**

Protect the Crew. Protect the Project. Safety Starts With You.



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