

Accident Prevention & Control

Preparation: Is your environment calm and free of interruptions? Are your presentation materials readily available?

Rationale: According to HSE data, there were 61,000 accidents causing injuries, including 39 fatalities, within the construction sector in a single year.

Justification: Despite constituting only 9% of the UK workforce in 2020-21, this industry witnessed 28% of all workplace fatalities. Avoid becoming another statistic.

Overview: This presentation will delve into the causes, expenses, and strategies for accident prevention.



Causes of Accidents

- People not thinking about what they are doing.
- People not following instructions.
- People not following training they've been given.
- Unsafe manual handling, loading, stacking and storing.
- Overloading of working places, scaffolding and hoists etc.

Q: What are the causes of Accidents in the Workplace

- Incorrect use of plant and machinery.
- Use of faulty equipment with improvised repairs.
- Illegal removal of guards and barriers.
- Failure to use protective safety equipment.
- Ignoring safety signals, signs and warning devices.

Q: What is a cause of accidents regarding plant?

The Cost of Accidents To You

- Pain, suffering and continuing disability.
- Loss of earnings and extra expense due to disability.
- Incapacity for the job and your leisure activities.
- Unable to support your family and possible family break up.

Q: What could the cost of an accident be to you?

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- Do not remove guards from machines.
- Do not handle substances without knowing the hazards.
- Do not use machines if not trained and follow instructions.
- Always comply with safe working practices.

- Wear and use PPE correctly, do not abuse it.

Q: Before using substances what must you find out?

- Do not direct compressed air at yourself or others, it kills.
- Never mess around while working.
- Never use defective equipment or machinery.
- Help to keep the workplace clean and tidy.
- Wash and dry hands to remove substances from skin.

Q: Why should you not mess around on site?

- Report unsafe conditions to your supervisor.
- Use correct tools and equipment for the job.
- Obey all safety rules and signs.
- Do not leave tools lying about where they can fall.

Q: If you saw an unsafe condition what would you do?

Do you have any questions for me? Questions for you

Q: How could an accident to you affect your family?

Q: Why shouldn't you remove guards from machinery?

REMEMBER:

**ACCIDENTS ARE CAUSED BY UNSAFE PEOPLE
CREATING UNSAFE CONDITIONS**

Sources

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