



Toolbox Safety Talks

Trash Handling

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- 1)** What are the hazards involved with trash handling?
 - a. Strains & sprains
 - b. Lacerations
 - c. Slips, trips, falls
 - d. Infectious disease

- 2)** What hazards should be recognized?
 - a. Overloaded bags and/or containers
 - b. Broken bags and/or containers
 - c. Improper bags and/or containers for the waste
 - d. Slip or trip hazards near the dump site
 - e. Sharp objects in the trash

- 3)** What safe practices should be used?
 - a. Limit excess compacting waste in containers, do not use hands or feet
 - b. Never dig through waste containers
 - c. Limit the size of your waste bags and/or containers to a size that can easily be managed by your employees
 - d. Never overfill bags or containers
 - e. Provide shielding or other means of protection for glass or other sharp objects prior to putting them in the waste container
 - f. Keep bags and/or containers away from your body when moving or carrying
 - g. Use bags with built in handles or tie the bag in such a way that you have a handle

- 4)** Why should we never dig through the garbage?
- 5)** Do we have any waste containers that are inadequate or hard to move?
- 6)** Has anyone ever been injured while taking out the trash?
- 7)** Do we keep the area around the dumpster free of debris, ice, and spills?
- 8)** Give an example of how you would dispose of a broken bottle?
- 9)** How could an infectious disease be transmitted from person to person through the trash?



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Make Time for Safety, Everyday! – Yes, production is important, *but the focus must be on Safe Production!* Keep that in the back of your mind. Don't take risky chances and stay out of harm's way. Nobody goes to work thinking 'I'm going to get hurt or killed on the job today!' But every day 15,000-17,000 workers suffer disabling injuries on the job and another 11-17 are killed. *What are you doing to make sure it doesn't happen on your shift?*

Keep stoking the fire; we can't let the 'Safety Train' run out of steam!

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Attendance Sheet
