



Toolbox Safety Talks

Heavy Equipment - Fire

90

- 1) What are the hazards involved with equipment fires?
 - a. Burns, injuries, and death

- 2) What can be done to prevent fires?
 - a. Check fire extinguishers, alarms, and shutdowns regularly to make sure they work properly
 - b. Stop the engine before refueling
 - c. Do not smoke when refueling, servicing, or jumping the battery, and make sure there are no open flames or sparks
 - d. Remove all trash or debris
 - e. Routinely check for fluid leaks.

- 3) What safe practices should be used when there is a fire?
 - a. Stop The Vehicle
 - i. To stop, use the retarder, service brake, and/or the secondary brake
 - ii. Shift into a lower gear
 - iii. Know the locations of runaway ramps or straddle berms, and use them if possible
 - iv. Stop on a level area away from other traffic. If that's not possible, try to stop next to an embankment and turn your wheels so the truck will roll into the wall
 - b. Shift To Neutral
 - c. Set The Parking Brakes
 - d. Shut Down The Engine
 - e. Summon Help
 - f. Get Out Of The Cab
 - g. Assess The Situation: Once on the ground, determine whether you should attempt to put the fire out with a fire extinguisher or just get away from the truck. Follow your machine's fire suppression procedures

- 4) Has anyone ever been involved in an equipment fire?
- 5) What did you do in that situation?
- 6) Are fire extinguishers in all of our equipment? Are they inspected to date?
- 7) Does anyone have any other concerns regarding fire?
- 8) Has anyone noticed any fire hazards on our site?



Rockwood Casualty Insurance Company (Rockwood) may provide safety management services to its insureds in order to reduce the risk of loss that may lead to insurance claims. The information and advice we provide is not intended to include all possible safety measures and controls. Rockwood does not warrant that losses and claims will be avoided or mitigated if our recommendations are followed. The safety management services we provide do not relieve the insured of its own duties and obligations with regard to safety matters, nor does Rockwood guarantee to the insured or others that the insured's property and/or operations are safe, healthful, or in compliance with applicable laws, regulations or standards. The insured remains responsible for its own operations, safety practices and procedures and should consult with legal counsel and safety professionals, of its own choosing, as it deems appropriate.



Toolbox Safety Talks

Heavy Equipment - Fire

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!

Date Presented: _____

Presented By: _____

Attendance Sheet
