



Toolbox Safety Talks

Heavy Equipment - Fire

- 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 no 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?



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