



Toolbox Safety Talks

Pre-Operation Checks

- 1)** What are the hazards involved with not completing pre-operation checks on equipment?
 - a. Not finding potentially dangerous problems prior to operation

- 2)** What hazards should you look for during pre-operation checks?
 - a. Use your checklist designed for each piece of equipment, do not skip any checks
 - Brakes, machine guards, seatbelts, fluids, broken pieces and parts, tire pressure, lights, horns, back up alarms, fire extinguishers, etc.

- 3)** What safe practices should be used when completing a pre-operation check?
 - a. Visually inspect the machine from the ground up, specifically looking for oil leaks, defective steps, low or damaged tires, or other damaged components
 - b. While you are making your walk around, watch out for tripping or slipping hazards and other equipment that might be operating in your area
 - c. Check all the required fluid levels
 - d. Maintain three points of contact when you mount the machine
 - e. Check all the safety features of your machine: lights, horn, safety belts, back up alarm, fire extinguishers, etc
 - f. Fill out your pre-op form
 - g. If you find any defect on your machine, you must report it to your supervisor and not run the machine until the problem is corrected

If you do not complete a thorough pre-operation check of your machine or equipment, you are putting not only yourself at danger, but also your coworkers and other personnel at your site.

- 4)** Which of our equipment requires a pre-operation check? (all of them)
- 5)** Are any of our machines or equipment in need of repair?
- 6)** Is there a way to improve our pre-operation checks?
- 7)** Has anyone had an accident or near-miss accident due to not noticing something on a pre-operation check?
- 8)** Can someone demonstrate and explain the typical steps of a pre-operation check on a dozer?



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