



Toolbox Safety Talks

Trash Handling

- 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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