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SAFETY SOLUTIONS NEWS & VIEWS

HAZARDS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF MACHINE GUARDING

OSHA inspections are resulting in numerous citations pertaining to machine guarding. Moving parts present great hazards, commonly: pull-in points, wrap points, pinch points, shear points, and crush points. All of which could result in maiming or death.

Be sure to check all machine guards and replace any missing or defective equipment on a regular basis.

Use an upcoming safety meeting to re-emphasize the importance of machine guarding with your employees. Along with discussing the guarding requirements for the equipment, you may want to review: a) the location of emergency stops; b) the importance of personal protective equipment; c) avoid wearing loose clothing, jewelry, and hairstyles that could get caught in machinery; d) keeping work areas free of clutter (good housekeeping), etc.

*Your commitment to employee safety
could save a finger, a limb, A LIFE!*

OSHA'S 'QUICKTIPS' FROM QUICKTAKES

With the onset of cooler weather, OSHA is reminding employers and employees to take necessary precautions to prevent and treat cold-related health problems. Employees in construction, commercial fishing, maritime and agriculture are among those who need to take precautions. Here are a just a few ways employers can help protect their employees in cold environments:

- Recognize the environmental and workplace conditions that may be dangerous.
- Train workers about cold-induced illnesses and injuries.
- In extreme cold, allow employees to take frequent short breaks in warm and dry shelters.
- Use the buddy system - work in pairs so that one employee can recognize danger signs.

OSHA's *Cold Stress Card* ([English/Spanish](#)) is a good resource for additional information to **prevent** cold-induced illnesses and injuries. Look for more safety and health 'QuickTips' in the next issue.



Wishing you and your employees
a **SAFE** and Happy
Thanksgiving Holiday



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**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
30TH ANNUAL
GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT
NOVEMBER 16**

This nationwide event takes place the third Thursday of November each year to encourage smokers to quit for at least one day, in hopes they will quit forever.

If you'd like more information or resources for your employees on quitting smoking, machine guarding, or any other topic, please feel free contact me.

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