

TOOLBOX TALKS

Mobile Equipment

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TOPIC: Mobile Equipment

Employee Participants:

Speed and Traffic

- Observe all posted speed limits and traffic patterns on entrance and haulage roads. Report speed infractions immediately.
- Reduce speed when weather or road conditions increase hazards.
- Yield to large trucks and loaders, especially when loaded.
- Be sure other drivers and operators are aware of you. Use flashing lights, hand signals, or radio equipment to communicate, and do not attempt to pass until you have received confirmation.
- Do not follow other equipment too closely.
- Never park a vehicle in a high-traffic or congested area.

Operation

- Inspect any vehicle or piece of equipment for safety defects before operating it. Conduct pre-operation exams and complete an operator's report after every shift.
- Do not operate a machine that is in an unsafe condition or is not equipped with a fire extinguisher.
- Always wear your seatbelt in any vehicle or piece of equipment. If a seatbelt is damaged or does not work, report it immediately.
- Avoid accidents—maintain concentration, courtesy, and control.

Passengers

- Never allow anyone to ride on the side of your equipment.
- Don't transport people in front-end loader buckets or allow anyone to perform work from an unsupported bucket.

Working On or Around Equipment

- Never leave a machine unattended while a bucket, blade, or other attachment is suspended in the air.
- Block beds, buckets, forklifts, etc., against movement when the equipment is in the raised position for inspection or repair.
- Be sure to maintain eye-to-eye contact with the operator before mounting the equipment.

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