Equipment Mounting & Dismounting

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TOPIC: Safe access when mounting or dismounting various pieces of equipment is an essential part of workplace safety.

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Employee Participants:

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Proper Approach

- Always face equipment when mounting or dismounting
- Always use the access provided by the manufacturer.

3 Points of Contact

- When mounting and dismounting equipment, personnel should always maintain contact with either two hands and one foot, or one hand and two feet. Failure to use this method can result in serious injuries.
- Personnel should not carry anything in their hands while mounting or dismounting equipment. Tools and other objects should be handled after mounting and dismounting.
- Maintain traction by ensuring footwear and footholds are free of potential hazards such as dirt, mud, ice, oil, grease or other debris.

Dismount

- Ensure ground is free from obstructions such as rocks, holes or other surface issues prior to dismount.

Inspection and Maintenance

- Inspect access/egress areas for slip or trip hazards.
- Ensure steps, grab bars and handrails are properly secured and free of defects and debris.
- Ensure landing areas, if equipped, are free from obstructions and are equipped with adequate lighting.

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