

Safety Flash

February 11, 2015.

Hand Safety Part II.

Safety Statistics

First Aid Free Days: 69

REMINDER

Remember, it is the operator's responsibility to ensure vehicles or equipment is operated in a safe manner.

Think Safe, Work Safe and Be Safe!!

Quote of the Day

"Working without safety is a dead-end job."

~Author Unknown.

Hands

When cutting, please select a proper cutting surface and secure the item which you are cutting in order to minimize having to make an awkward cut. Preferably use clamps or vise versus holding with your hand. Do not rest material being cut on or near your legs.

Plan your task and select the appropriate cutting tool. Additionally, adhere to the following:

- Hands, other body parts, or other persons are not in the "line of fire." Cut away from your body.
- Hold the cutting tool by the handle or casing
- Never bend or apply side loads to blades or use them to open cans, loosen screws or pry.
- Be aware of tension or stored energy when you complete your cut. The material being cut may have the potential to spring or snap back, fall and/or strike someone.
- Ensure adequate levels of lighting when using a cutting tool.

When using a hand saw, cut using strong, steady strokes. Use the length of the blade in each cutting stroke. Choose the correct saw blade for the material being cut as per saw manufacturer recommendations.

This topic should focus on the prevention of laceration. Other types of hazards may be associated with a task involving cutting, for example, lifting, electrical, pinch points, stored energy, etc.... Therefore, a written task risk assessment may need to be completed to ensure all types of hazards are mitigated. Refer to the Task Risk Assessment program for more information.







BE A ZERO HERO!

Every reasonable precaution should be taken to protect yourself and promote our ZERO ACCIDENTS culture.

Be Safe!

PLEASE PLAN TO HAVE A SAFE DAY!

Weather Forecast for Edmonton

	Mon. Feb. 09	Tue. Feb. 10	Wed. Feb. 11	Thu. Feb. 12	Fri. Feb. 13	Sat. Feb. 14
						
High	-16°C	-14°C	-13°C	-9°C	-3°C	-10°C
Low	-18°C	-20°C	-19°C	-16°C	-18°C	-16°C
Wind	NE 10 km/h	N 10 km/h	SE 20 km/h	E 20 km/h	E 25 km/h	E 20 km/h