

WEEKLY TAILGATE: AVOIDING STRUCK BY INJURIES

Week of

CORPORATE MESSAGE

AVOIDING STRUCK BY INJURIES



Work plans, Danger Zone set-up and Danger Zone management are essential.



Communication between workers is critical.



Knowing who can enter the Danger Zone, and When



Be Alert and Aware of everyone's activities. A branch, saw, or other tool can slip from hands at any time.

SAFETY VIDEOS

English: vimeo.com/townsendcorp/14ne

Spanish: vimeo.com/townsendcorp/14ns

GOALS

REGIONAL/LOCAL OPERATIONS

Last Week

This Week

IMPORTANT REMINDER

DAILY SAFETY NUGGETS

MONDAY

How far are workers to be from a drop zone when felling a tree or when someone is aloft, either in a bucket or climbing? Company policy requires all personnel other than the saw operator to be twice the distance of the tree height away for felling operations, or twice the distance of the limbs being removed for trimming operations. There is confusion on this, as OSHA/ANSI only require 1 ½ times the height. We exceed this standard and require personnel to be positioned twice the height.

TUESDAY

TRUE/FALSE... Persons entering into the drop zone/danger zone must first stop at the entry point and obtain permission from the saw operator. TRUE - Verbal communication or pre-established hand signals must be used to obtain permission to enter the danger zone.

WEDNESDAY

Trees, limbs, or saplings under tension should be considered hazardous. Personnel shall stay out of the "line of fire"; special cutting techniques may be necessary.

THURSDAY

TRUE/FALSE... Work plans for removal operations shall be communicated to all workers in a job briefing prior to commencing work. TRUE

FRIDAY

What is characteristic of good command and response on a crew? Good command and response should involve 3 way communication. (i.e. "Am I cleared to enter the drop zone?/You are cleared to enter the drop zone./I am entering the drop zone.")

SATURDAY

What should be used to raise and lower hand tools and equipment? Arborist climbing lines or hand lines.

DRIVE SAFETY TIP

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Sometimes, it doesn't matter how safely you drive. You could be driving the speed limit and obeying all traffic rules and someone else can crash into you. One good rule of thumb to use is, "Assume everyone else on the road is an idiot." In other words, be prepared for unpredictable lane changes, sudden stops, unsignaled turns, swerving, tailgating and every other bad driving behavior imaginable. Chances are, you'll eventually encounter someone like this -- and it pays to be ready when you do.

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Weekly Tailgate Sign-in

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Supervisor: _____ Date: _____

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