

WEEKLY TAILGATE: EFFECTS OF NOISE AND HEARING PROTECTION

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CORPORATE MESSAGE

EFFECTS OF NOISE AND HEARING PROTECTION



Hearing loss is different than other types of injuries, because you are not aware of it happening. You can damage your hearing permanently if you wait too long.



Find a form of hearing protection that is comfortable for you to use and use it any time you're exposed to loud noise - even if the noise doesn't last long. <u>Develop the habit of wearing hearing protection</u>.



Remember that if all you do is meet the OSHA requirement of less than 90 A-weighted decibels, you will still lose your hearing over time.

SAFETY VIDEOS

English: vimeo.com/townsendcorp/24ne

Spanish: vimeo.com/townsendcorp/24ns

REGIONAL/LOCAL OPERATIONS GOALS

Last Week

This Week



IMPORTANT REMINDER

DAILY SAFETY NUGGETS

MONDAY

How can you tell if your hearing protection is working? Cup both hands over your ears. There should not be a significant reduction in noise.

TUESDAY

TRUE/FALSE: Hearing protection should be kept clean and inspected daily for deformities or defects. TRUE

WEDNESDAY

What types of equipment on our job sites require hearing protection? Ear protection SHALL be worn whenever a chainsaw, chipper, leaf blower, stump cutter or other loud equipment is running. In addition, anytime there is loud noise you should err on the side of caution and wear hearing protection.

THURSDAY

TRUE/FALSE: Equipment should be shut off when not in use for any significant period in time or between periods of usage. TRUE -Hearing protection is the last line of defense. If the noise can be eliminated, even for short periods of time, you should do so.

FRIDAY

What should you do if your ear plugs become dirty or otherwise not in good condition? Request a new set of ear plugs from your supervisor.

SATURDAY

What is the difference between short term and prolonged exposure to high noise levels? Temporary hearing loss occurs after short term exposures, and normal hearing returns after a period of time. Prolonged exposure to high noise levels will eventually cause permanent hearing loss.

DRIVE SAFETY TIP

Driver Safety Tip- Practice Defensive Driving

"All Good Kids Love Milk"

Aim high In Steering, Get the Big Picture, Keep Your Eyes moving, Leave Yourself an Out, Make Sure They See You



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Weekly Tailgate Sign-in

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