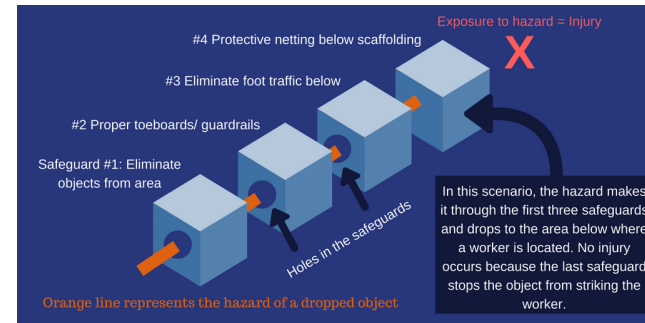




Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



One Safeguard Doesn't Make it Safe (Safety Message)

A lot of time and effort is spent every single day to keep workplaces incident-free and employees healthy. There are many different challenges to address to be able to achieve this. Many different things could go wrong during a work task or throughout a day that can result in injury to employees. Because of this fact, it is important to realize that achieving a safe workplace is a combination of many different efforts and not just any single action or safeguard.

Safety is a Combination of Many Actions

Having the “good enough” mindset will leave workers open to the risk of the hazards involved in the task. If the workers take the time to implement the necessary safeguards facing these risks does not have to be the case. There are multiple safeguards for any single hazard in the case that one safeguard fails.

Summary

Think about how many safeguards are available for a single hazard like in the example scenario discussed. Look at what you are currently doing to mitigate the hazards of your work tasks. Are you only implementing one safeguard for a complex or serious hazard? What other actions can you take to lessen the risk of injury for you and those around you?