

What Am I Not Doing? - Safety Message

Every day we receive instructions for what needs to be done. There is always guidance on what we should do in order to be successful at whatever the task or project is at hand. Workplace safety depends heavily on consistently making decisions and taking action to work safe. Because we often know what we should be doing, one way to evaluate our decisions is by stopping to ask ourselves, "What am I not doing?"

What Am I Not Doing?

At work, we often know what we should be doing. By choosing not to take the extra effort, employees can be put at risk for injury.

The Outcome is Decided by You

Our daily actions, both what we choose to do and what we choose to not do, decide the outcome of most of life's daily situations. This is true in the workplace as well. The risk of injury can be greatly reduced when employees are making decisions that are aligned with established safe work practices. Next time you begin a task, ask yourself if:

"Is there something I'm not doing that I know I should be doing?"

Discussion point:

What is an example of how inaction can result in serious injury?



June is National Safety Month, and Safety begins with YOU!

Did you know...
\$1,000,000,000
Cost of workers' compensation to U.S. businesses PER WEEK

1 in 4
Workplace injuries are caused by overexertion

8.9 Million
Days lost and wage loss to ER visits each year

20,300
On-the-job eye injuries that forced employees to miss work (2012)

\$39,000
Average cost per incidently corrected injury in the workplace

Be Careful Cleaning
The U.S. Department of Labor classifies cleaning and custodial work as a high-risk job, mostly because of the numerous accidents that occur each year involving chemicals.
The cleaning industry is one of the top five occupations for missed work days due to job-related injury or illness.

40% eye irritations or burns
36% skin irritations or burns
12% crushing injuries

So... what can be done?

Protect Yourself
Wear proper protective clothing and use required safety equipment.

Know Your Chemicals
Read all of the instructions and warnings on chemical labels, and never mix chemicals.

Stay Alert
Be aware of your surroundings and watch for any hazards.

Alert Others
If there are hazards, such as wet floors, warn others with the proper signs and barricades.

Be Prepared
Have emergency plans in place and know where all the exits and fire/alarm pull stations are located.

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