



Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



Winter Weather / Storm Safety Message

STAY FOCUSED AND ALERT DURING SAFETY TAILGATES

They are even more important in winter weather /storms!

- Never assume everyone understands – Ask questions until each crew member is on board with the safety requirements and work procedures for the job at hand.
- Ask questions - If there is any chance a member of the team does not seem understand their role and/or the overall job.
- Communicate! - All communication is vital during these meetings.

BE AWARE OF DIMINISHED MENTAL ALERTNESS IN YOURSELF AND OTHERS.

- Watch for crew members working at less than 100% due to lack of rest, stress, medical conditions.
- Remember that each team member is responsible for themselves and every other crew member.
- If someone is struggling to follow safe work practices and procedures, be ready to call "Time-Out".
- Stay focused on safety at all times.
- Pay attention to your surroundings – do not let yourself become distracted.
- Watch each other's back – your "surroundings" include the presence and work by the other linemen
- Always follow the work practices and procedures as discussed in the safety tailgates. Do not take unexpected "short-cuts" or a different work practice than what was discussed at the safety tailgates.

PLAN FOR THE UNEXPECTED

Remember that in storms, nothing is normal