



Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



**MOBILE
EQUIPMENT
OPERATING**

Safety Message: Mobile Equipment Awareness

Whenever mobile equipment is operating on a job site, situational awareness becomes critical. One small mistake—or even a brief distraction—can have life-threatening consequences.

Watch Your Back—Literally

Heavy equipment is among the most dangerous elements on any worksite. Whether you're an operator or working on the ground nearby, everyone must stay alert and committed to watching out for one another.

- Operators should always scan for workers in the area before moving.
- Ground personnel must avoid walking behind or between equipment.
- Always maintain eye contact or use spotters when working near moving machinery.

Respect the Equipment

Mobile equipment demands your full attention and respect. It doesn't stop quickly. It has blind spots. And it can be deadly if used or approached carelessly.

Stay Focused, Stay Safe

- Avoid distractions—phones, conversations, or complacency.
- Plan your movements. Know where the equipment will be and where you need to be.
- Use designated walkways and stay in clear communication with equipment operators.
- Wear high-visibility gear and follow site protocols at all times.

Bottom Line

You're not just working a job—you're working to make it home safely at the end of the day. Look out for yourself, your team, and never let your guard down around heavy equipment