



Southern Oregon Construction Safety & Health Forum

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AGC Oregon
Columbia
Chapter
ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS

It remains our mission to maintain effective safety and health program communication with AGC members. It can be difficult to commit to meetings; this forum letter is intended to give us all opportunity to share information on current rules, conditions, and changes that affect our safety cultures and our communities. If you have information you are willing to share with members, please contact me and we will ensure that information gets out for everyone's benefit: John Jean, AGC SMC, johnj@agc-oregon.org or 541-613-6859.

REPORTING WORK-RELATED INCIDENTS

If you're an employer, Oregon OSHA requires you to report work-related injuries or illnesses that cause the loss of an eye, an amputation, or avulsion that includes bone or cartilage loss, in-patient hospitalization, catastrophe, or fatality, including fatalities from heart attacks and motor vehicle accidents. Reporting an incident does not assign fault, does not prove violation of an Oregon OSHA rule, and does not establish an employee's eligibility for workers' compensation or other benefits. Reports must be made in person or by telephone by calling 800-922-2689 or in your nearest Oregon OSHA office:

- Bend 541-388-6066
- Eugene 541-686-7562
- Medford 541-776-6030
- Pendleton 541-276-9175
- Portland 503-229-5910
- Salem 503-378-3274

Report Within Eight Hours: Fatalities and Catastrophes

You must report the death of any employee or a catastrophe to Oregon OSHA within eight hours of occurrence or employer knowledge (reported to you or any of your agents). A catastrophe is an incident in which two or more employees are fatally injured, or three or more employees are admitted to a hospital or an equivalent medical facility (for example, a clinic) as a result of the same incident. Work-related fatalities include those caused by a motor vehicle accident that happens during the employee's work shift.

THE LOG OF WORK-RELATED INJURIES AND ILLNESSES

The OSHA 300 Log is used to classify work-related injuries and illnesses and to note the extent and severity of each case. When an incident occurs, use the OSHA 300 Log to record specific details about what happened and how it happened. The summary, a separate form (OSHA Form 300A), shows the totals for the year in each category. At the end of the year, post the summary or an equivalent form in a visible location so your employees are aware of the injuries and illnesses occurring in their workplace.

Posting is required from Feb. 1 to April 30.

STOP USE & RECALL – FIELD SERVICE ACTION

Honeywell has determined that certain lots of **Fibre Metal E2 Cap and North Peak A79 Hard Hats** may not perform to marked specifications.

Products potentially affected by recall:

- White E2 – product lots produced in Dec. 2017
- Blue E2 – product lots produced in Jan. 2018
- A79 – product lots from mold #4 2016–2018

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3M™ DBI-SALA® 16 Foot Talon™ Self Retracting Lifeline – only affects lot codes 12092430 through 18062730

LADDER SAFETY

It is imperative that we all continue to place serious and effective focus on ladder safety.

Unsafe behaviors causing accidents and injuries:

- Improper ladder used, improper class of ladder
- Ladder is too short for work task
- Damaged or altered ladder used
- Rails, rungs, spreaders, or feet of ladder damaged
- Overloaded ladder, person, tools, and materials
- Unstable ladder, position of feet, uneven ground
- Slippery footing: grease, oil, ice, rain, mud, sand, etc.
- No three-point contact used (two feet and one hand or two hands and one foot) at all times
- Unsecured ladder tip, no tie-off used, improper angle
- Awkward work, holding tools or materials
- Leaning, reaching, or stretching outside center alignment of rails
- Sitting or standing astride top of ladder
- Standing on top of ladder or top rung of ladder
- Twisting, standing sideways, jumping off
- Loss of attention to tasks: talking, phones, smoking

Make ladder safety a priority of your safety culture!