

SAFETY TRAINING TALK

Date

TOPIC: Help Reduce Injury to Others

We all want to keep from getting hurt on the job. Each of us has a responsibility to look after the 'other guy' who may be working with us, around us, or after us.

We cannot pass the buck about safety because it isn't a one man job. Never say, "I'll take care of myself and let the other guy take care of himself."

If one of the other men is working in a dangerous position or fashion, warn him about it. He may not be experienced enough to recognize the hazard, or he might have other things on his mind that are distracting him.

Don't be afraid to offer advice when it comes to doing a job safely. That's what teamwork is all about. If you offer advice in a helpful and sincere way, your interest and concern will usually be appreciated.

Here are just a few other ways we can help each other work safely:

- ⇒ Set an example in the safe method for using tools and equipment. Help the inexperienced man learn the right way to operate things.
- ⇒ Keep machine guards and barricades in place and don't leave a trap for the 'other guy'.
- ⇒ Report machine or equipment defects or accident hazards to me promptly.
- ⇒ Encourage each other to wear the proper clothing and personal protection equipment - especially safety glasses.
- ⇒ Above all, ask questions if you don't fully understand your task.

If you'll take the teamwork approach to accident prevention - where everyone looks after one another, we can do a lot to reduce accidents and keep everyone healthy.

Next, take a moment to discuss any specific safety hazards at this facility that you want the everyone to be aware of this week. Suggestion: Working as a team means there's nothing wrong with asking for help, sharing information, or helping one another get the job done.

End the meeting by having them sign the back of this sheet.