

TOOL BOX TALKS

Food Service Safety

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Please review the following food service safety tips with your employees.

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1. Employees must wear seat belts whenever driving for the company.
2. Employees must report to work free from the effects/aftereffects of drugs or alcohol.
3. Report injuries, damage, maintenance needs or hazards by the end of your work shift.
4. When and where required, wear personal protective equipment.
5. When using knives remember to cut away from the body and keep your other hand out of the line of fire.
6. Prevent knee and ankle injuries. Do not jump from loading docks, vehicles or elevated walkways.
7. Never run in the work area.
8. Clean up spills or water that can create slip hazards.
9. Keep floors clear of trip hazards like strapping, boxes, cardboard and pallets.
10. Keep fire exits, fire extinguishers and emergency eyewash stations clear of obstruction.
11. Exit signage and emergency floodlighting must be functional at all times.
12. Keep any stacks of material clear of fire sprinkler heads.
13. Verify the Material Safety Data Sheet is available for any chemicals stored in the building.
14. To prevent back injuries when lifting materials or packages, use proper lifting techniques.
15. Use material handling devices like dollies, carts, pallet jacks or forklifts to move heavy packages.
16. Turn off and unplug food service machines before cleaning and servicing. Follow operators' manuals.
17. Be familiar with the location of the first aid kit and how to contact local emergency services.

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