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# LIFE SAVING RULES

Toolbox Talk
Work Authorization





#### **OUTLINE**

- 10 Life Saving Rules
- Description of Work Authorization Rule
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- Roles & Responsibilities
- Example Violations
- Related Life Saving Rules
- Summary





## **ENERGY SAFETY CANADA'S 10 LIFE SAVING RULES**



CONFINED SPACE



WORKING AT HEIGHT



WORK AUTHORIZATION



**ENERGY ISOLATION** 



LINE OF FIRE



BYPASSING SAFETY CONTROLS



**DRIVING** 



HOT WORK



SAFE MECHANICAL LIFTING



FIT FOR DUTY



#### **WORK AUTHORIZATION RULE**

- Work with a valid permit when required
  - I have confirmed if a permit is required
  - I am authorized to perform the work
  - I understand the permit
  - I have confirmed that hazards are controlled and it is safe to start
  - I stop and reassess if conditions change





### **ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE**

- You should stop and reassess if there are changes to:
  - What was originally planned and captured on the permit
  - Work environment
  - Equipment
  - Process or operating parameters
  - Personnel



### **AS A SUPERVISOR**

- I ensure the need for a work permit is understood by workers and it is safe to proceed
- I stop and reassess if conditions change
- I confirm the work is complete, and the work permit is signed off



#### **AS A PERMIT ISSUER**

- I have the required training and knowledge to safely issue work permits
- I ensure the work permit is specific to the work being planned
- I ensure adequate systems and equipment are in place for effective communication
- I ensure that any simultaneous operation which may impact the work on this permit, or if the work may impact the work of others, is identified, controlled and communicated



#### **AS A WORKER**

- I have the required training and knowledge to safely perform work
- I understand and follow the work permit
- I confirm hazards are controlled as stated on the work permit and that it is safe to start work
- I stop and reassess if conditions change



#### **EXAMPLE VIOLATIONS**

- Work is started without confirming whether a work permit is required
- Simultaneous operations are not addressed in the work permit, resulting in an incident
- Work is conducted outside of the scope of the work permit
- Hazard controls identified in the work permit are not implemented
- A significant change occurs and is identified, but it is not brought to the supervisor's and/or permit issuer's attention



## **RELATED LIFE SAVING RULES**



CONFINED SPACE



WORK AUTHORIZATION



FIT FOR DUTY



BYPASSING SAFETY CONTROLS



HOT WORK



#### **SUMMARY**

- Know your role and responsibilities in relation to the Work Authorization rule
- Notify your supervisor immediately if you are unsure about how to comply with this rule in your work environment
- If you see a potential violation of the Work Authorization rule, intervene — it could be the last chance to prevent a fatality
- Consistent application of the Life Saving Rules equates to saved lives
- These rules are essential to achieving industry's shared vision: zero injuries, zero incidents



# **QUESTIONS?**

