LIFE SAVING RULES
Toolbox Talk
Hot Work
OUTLINE

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ENERGY SAFETY CANADA’S 10 LIFE SAVING RULES

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HOT WORK RULE

• Control flammables and ignition sources
  • I identify and control ignition sources
  • Before starting any hot work:
    • I confirm flammable material has been removed or isolated
    • I obtain authorization
  • Before starting hot work in a hazardous area I confirm:
    • A gas test has been completed
    • Gas will be monitored continually
ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

• What are some *ignition sources* in relation to hot work?
  • They may include welding, braising, cutting or any other activity that may generate an open flame or heat source

• Be aware!
  • Residual or stored energy in the form of *trapped flammable gases and vapours* may be present in equipment
AS A SUPERVISOR

• I ensure workers have and use a work permit as indicated by work procedures and/or site requirements

• I ensure workers are competent in the control of ignition sources, the management of fuel sources, and the use and limitations of combustible gas monitors

• I confirm that any simultaneous operation which may impact work is addressed in the work permit
AS A WORKER

- I have the required training and knowledge to safely perform work
- I obtain a work permit for hot work activities and obtain permission to bypass safety critical equipment such as flash detection (fire eyes)
- I identify and remove or isolate flammable materials such as gases, liquids and solids
- I conduct testing for residual or stored energy and only proceed with work when the energy is zero
- I conduct combustible gas testing prior to starting work and continually during the work
- I only smoke in designated areas
EXAMPLE VIOLATIONS

- Welding sparks are not being controlled
- Flammable materials located below a pipe being cut with a torch are not removed or isolated
- Welding is conducted with no hot work permit being issued
- Trapped vapours have not been purged
- Combustible gas testing is not conducted prior to and during hot work activities
- Smoking outside of designated areas
RELATED LIFE SAVING RULES

WORKING AT HEIGHT

WORK AUTHORIZATION

ENERGY ISOLATION

LINE OF FIRE

FIT FOR DUTY
SUMMARY

• Know your role and responsibilities in relation to the Hot Work 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 Hot Work Life Saving 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?