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RISK RATING AFTER CONTROLS – Low Risk for Caution Tape

Moderate to High when requiring Danger Tape

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PART 4 – SAFE WORK PRACTICES

DO'S:

1. **Comply with OH&S Regulations:** Follow occupational health and safety regulations.
2. **Wear and Use Required PPE:** Utilize Personal Protective Equipment and ensure equipment is in good condition.
3. **Protect the public:** Close off hazardous areas to the public.
4. **Inform Personnel of Hazards:** Ensure all workers are aware of surrounding hazards.
5. **Use tape for identification:** Tape off work sites and hazardous areas.
6. **Follow Color Codes to Tape:** Use red tape for danger and yellow tape for caution.
7. **Replace Worn-Out or Damaged Tape:** Replace tape when work or unreadable.
8. **Use Strong Tape:** Ensure tape is sturdy, visible, and elevated off the ground.
9. **Use Appropriate Hazard Control:** Use danger tape for short-term hazards and fencing for long-term moderate to high-risk areas.
10. **Clear Wording on Tape:** Ensure that the wording on the tape clearly identifies any hazard.
11. **Reusable Tape:** Opt for tape that is reusable, allowing for flexibility as the work site changes.
12. **Day/Night Visibility Tape:** Use tape that is visible during both day and night to meet nighttime safety requirements.
13. **Notify Supervisor for More Tape:** Inform your supervisor when additional tape is needed to maintain safety measures.

DON'T'S

1. **Authorized Removal of Tape Only:** Never remove tape unless authorized to do so.
2. **Respect Danger Tape Warnings:** Take Danger Tape warnings seriously; do not ignore them.
3. **No Tape for Rooftop Warning Lines:** Avoid using tape as a warning line on rooftops.
4. **Approval Required to Cross Red Barricade Tape:** Do not cross into a red barricade tape area without approval and completing a FLHA
5. **No Overnight Danger Tape:** Avoid leading Danger Tape overnight, use barricades or guardrails instead.
6. **Ensure Complete Barricade:** Do not leave gaps or openings in the barricade to prevent people from inadvertently entering hazardous areas.

SAFE WORK PRACTICES

1. **Authorized Removal Only:** Never remove barricades, flagging tape, or signage without authorization.
2. **Enclosed Barricaded Area:** Ensure the barricaded area is fully enclosed, with tape placed around 36" above ground level.
3. **Securely Fasten Tape:** Tape should be securely fastened to prevent sagging or falling.

4. **Contact Information Signs:** Post signs near the tape with contact information of responsible individuals.
5. **Reason for Identification on Signs:** Clearly identify the reason for the barricade on signs.
6. **Laminate Signs for Durability:** Laminate signs for durability especially outdoors.
7. **Signage on All Sides:** Install signage on all sides of the work area to prevent inadvertent entry.
8. **No Entry with Danger Tape:** Avoid entering areas cordoned off with Danger Tape.
9. **Access Protocol for Barricaded Areas:** Find alternate routes if barricades blocked thoroughfares; contact responsible individuals listed on signs for access.
10. **Removal of Danger Tape:** Remove Danger Tape when the scope of work is completed or when instructed by a supervisor.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Yellow (Caution Tape):

- Used for areas with low-level risk and health hazards.
- Indicates caution, signalling individuals to enter with care.
- Examples of hazards may include excessive noise, equipment use, or congested work areas.

Red (Danger Tape)

- Used for areas with moderate to high levels of risk and health hazards.
- Indicates danger and prohibits entry without supervisor permission.
- Examples of hazards may include oversize or overhead loads, fall protection, excavation, and confined spaces entry.

These color-coded tapes serve as visual indicators or the level of risk associated with the barricaded area, helping to communicate necessary precautions to individuals in the vicinity.

PART 5 - DOCUMENTS, APPLICABLE LEGISLATION, STANDARDS OR OTHER

- General Contractor signage requirements
- WorkSafeBC – OHS Regulation: General Conditions (Part 4)

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DO'S

1. **Compliance with OH&S Regulations:** Adhere to occupational health and safety regulations.
2. **Proper PPE and Equipment Use:** Wear required PPE and ensure equipment is in good condition.
3. **Protect the General Public:**
4. **Follow Manufacturers Instructions:** Abide by the instructions provided by the manufacturer.
5. **Wear Appropriate PPE:** Use all appropriate Personal Protective Equipment.
6. **Use Specific Charger:** Only use the charger provided by the manufacturer for the specific battery.
7. **Inspect Batteries before Use:** Check batteries before use to ensure they are safe.
8. **Charger Location:** Place the charger in a clean, cool area protected from high or low temperatures.
9. **Ensure ventilation for Charger:** Ensure charger vents remain unobstructed for heat emission during operation.
10. **Careful Charger Maintenance:** Maintain the charger carefully, inspecting for damage or missing parts.
11. **Prevent Short Circuits:** Keep batteries and chargers away from metal objects to avoid sort circuits that could cause injuries or fires.
12. **Avoid Contact with Battery Liquid:** Prevent contact with battery liquid under abusive conditions.
13. **Remove Batteries After Charging:** Take batteries out of the charger once the charging cycle is completed.

DON'T'S

1. **Purpose-Specific Use:** Only use battery and charger components for their intended purpose.
2. **Avoid Worn or Damaged Batteries:** Refrain from using worn or damaged batteries.
3. **Stope Use of Damaged Batteries:** Cease charging or using batteries that show signs of damage.
4. **Avoid High Temperatures:** Keep batteries away from direct sunlight, fire, or other high temperatures.
5. **Prevent Excessive Force:** Do not subject batteries to excessive force or pressure.
6. **No Disassembly:** Avoid disassembling batteries or chargers.
7. **Avoid Carrying in Pocket:** Refrain from carrying batteries on pockets.
8. **Prevent Crushing or Incineration.** Avoid crushing, incinerating, or subjecting batteries to temperatures over 80˚
9. **Address Damage Promptly:** Tag out damaged batteries and notify supervisor for disposal service.
10. **Charger Operation:** Do not operate chargers inside closed containers.
11. **Prevent Exposure to Water:** Keep batteries away from water or rain; do not allow them to get wet.
12. **Avoid Solvents for Cleaning:** Do not use oils or solvents to clean or lubricate batteries.

13. **Handle Defective Batteries Safely:** If a battery is too hot to touch, place it in a non-flammable location and contact supervisor for further instructions.

SAFE WORK PRACTICES

1. **Manufacturers Instructions:** Adhere to manufacturer's instructions for safe use, handling, inspection, maintenance, and storage of all batteries.
2. **Regular Inspection:** Inspect all batteries and charges before and after use.
3. **Disengaging Battery:** Remove battery from the tool before string it for extended periods.
4. **Fully Charge Before Storage:** Ensure batteries are fully charged before storing them for extended periods, particularly those longer than 6 months.

BATTERY CHARGING

1. **Check for Damage:** Ensure the battery is undamaged before charging.
2. **Clean Contacts:** Before inserting the battery, ensure the contacts on both the battery and the charger are clean and free from grease.
3. **Clean Air Vents:** Keep charger air vents clean of debris to prevent overheating.
4. **Proper Insertion:** Firmly push the battery into the charger interface without forcing it.
5. **Avoid Heat Sources:** Keep batteries and chargers away from heat sources like heaters or direct sunlight.
6. **Grounded Charger:** If the charger is grounded, ensure the plug has all three prongs.
7. **Check Charging Status:** Confirm that the battery is charging, typically indicated by a red light (refer to manufacturer's instructions for specifics).

REMOVAL OF BATTERIES

1. Depress the release button and extract the battery.
2. Swap out work or faulty batteries and dispose of them in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
3. Unplug the battery charger when its not actively charging.
4. Immediately retire and replace any damaged battery or charger. Avoid attempting repairs unless you're qualified and authorized to do so.

DISPOSAL OF BATTERIES

1. Improper disposal of batteries can lead to various consequences:
    - Plastic components burning can produce toxic fumes posing health risks.
    - Damaged batteries may explode, causing poisoning, burns, acid burns, or environmental pollution.
    - Careless disposal may allow unauthorized use of the equipment, leading to personal injury, harm to others, and environmental pollution.
    - Dispose of defective batteries immediately.
    - End-of-life batteries must be disposed of according to the manufacturer's instructions.
    - Avoid throwing batteries in the trash. Follow the manufacturer's instructions on disposal; typically, they can be returned to the manufacturer.

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2. Wear the specified personal protective equipment (PPE) and verify the operational status of equipment.
3. Take measures to protect the safety of the general public.
4. Prior to starting work, inform all personnel of potential hazards in the area and notify those on-site.
5. Familiarize yourself with and consistently adhere to the manufacturer's instructions.
6. Inspect all power tools before use according to the manufacturer's guidelines.
7. Use eye and hearing protection and consider a respirator based on the material being cut, referring to the Exposure Control Plan.
8. Secure loose clothing by either buttoning it up or tucking it away.
9. Confine long hair to prevent it from getting caught in moving parts.
10. Choose a sharp blade appropriate for the specific task.
11. Regularly check the blade guard to ensure it functions properly and covers the blade adequately.
12. Wait for the saw to reach full power before beginning to cut.
13. Ensure that the blade guard has fully retracted before setting the saw down.
14. Disconnect the power supply before making adjustments or changing the blade.
15. If the power source is not within your immediate control, a Lock-out/Tagout procedure will be necessary when changing blades or performing any cleanup or maintenance tasks.
16. Confirm that all electrical cords and connections are positioned away from the cutting zone.
17. Maintain the retractable guard by keeping it clean and free from dust.
18. Ensure the motor and its housing clean and clear of dust, debris, or chips.
19. Select the appropriate blade for the task and ensure it cuts steadily without the need for force.
20. Regularly inspect the saw to ensure the blade spins smoothly and evenly.
21. Confirm that the blade is correctly installed and rotates in the intended direction.
22. Secure the workpiece with clamps or wedges to prevent any movement.
23. Wear all required personal protective equipment (PPE), including gloves, safety eyewear, footwear, and hearing protection.

24. Periodically check the guard to ensure it moves freely and provides complete coverage.
25. Allow the saw to reach full power before initiating the cut.
26. Stabilize the workpiece to prevent unnecessary movement.
27. Ensure the selected blade is sharp enough for the task, as sharp blades offer better performance and safety.
28. Verify the saw's blade rotation is correct.

DON'T'S

1. Avoid exerting pressure to keep the retracting lower guard in the open position.
2. Refrain from over-tightening the blade-locking nut.
3. Never manually hold the retracting blade guard in the open position.
4. Keep your hand clear from under the shoe or guard of the saw.
5. Resist the urge to force the saw while cutting.
6. Avoid twisting the saw blade during cutting.
7. Always check for obstructions or foreign objects such as nails before cutting materials.
8. Do not carry the saw with your finger on the trigger switch.
9. Maintain proper footing and balance; avoid overreaching.
10. Do not twist the saw for alignment changes or cuts.
11. Cease using a saw that vibrates excessively or appears unsafe.
12. Do not use a damaged or incomplete blade; ensure it is sharp and that the blade guard is properly in place.
13. Avoid concrete sawing with diesel or gasoline-powered equipment in poorly ventilated areas.
14. Start concrete cutting with an up-cut and avoid making deep cuts on the first pass.
15. Pay attention to selecting the correct blade for the material to be cut to prevent damage to the blade or machine and reduce the risk of injury or death.
16. Do not use blades recommended for wet concrete cutting in dry cutting operations.
17. Refrain from operating wall saw equipment with a damaged or broken blade guard.
18. Always use a guide that is securely clamped or nailed to the workplace when ripping materials.

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1. Familiarize yourself with the manufacturer's instructions and consult your supervisor regarding any unclear or confusing directives.
2. Prior to usage, conduct a thorough inspection of the tool, referring to the provided criteria. Pay special attention to the power cord for signs of damage such as cuts or tears.
3. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including boots, safety glasses, and ear protection. Depending on the project, operators may also require a respirator for respiratory protection when cutting materials that generate respirable particulates (e.g., silica dust) or hazardous fumes (such as surfaces coated with lead-based paint).
4. If utilizing water to reduce dust emissions, ensure the saw is connected to a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI).
5. When operating saws, it is advisable to use a face shield rather than just safety glasses to safeguard the entire face from flying debris or sharp objects.
6. Hearing protection is mandatory during saw operation.
7. Before connecting to power, inspect the saw thoroughly. Ensure that the retractable guard moves smoothly and that the blade is sharp, undistorted, and free of cracks.
8. Clear the cutting area of personnel, wiring, pipes, and any other potential hazards.
9. While the saw is disconnected from power, adjust the blade depth according to the material or object being cut, ensuring that the blade does not extend more than 1/8 of an inch below the surface being cut.
10. Most saws are designed for right-hand operation. Left-handed operators using right-handed saws should exercise extra caution and keep their hands clear of the blade at all times. Consider purchasing and prioritizing left-handed saws for use by left-handed workers if available.

11. Ensure that electrical wires and connections are kept clear of the cutting area and are protected from contact with water to prevent electric shock or short-circuits.
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7. When reaching sideways (between rails), keep your belt buckle within the ladder and avoid leaning backward. Keep your body close to the ladder to minimize risks.
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14. Prior to placing a ladder, inspect overhead for obstacles, sprinklers, workers above, power lines, and other potential hazards.

DON'T'S

1. Don't attempt to use ladders if you are feeling fatigued or experiencing dizziness.
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This Safe Work Practice (SWP) delineates the correct protocols for inspecting, maintaining, storing, and utilizing portable aluminum, fiberglass, metal, and wood ladders in the workplace. It is imperative to consistently adhere to safe work practices and remain cognizant of potential hazards associated with ladder use.
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1. Similar to driving, your work tasks demand your undivided attention.
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7. Rotate by shifting your feet rather than twisting your back.
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9. Lift objects at waist height with your elbows close to your body to reduce strain.
10. Minimize manual lifting whenever feasible by utilizing mechanical aids or seeking assistance.
11. Maintain physical fitness to reduce the risk of injury.
12. Prefer pushing over pulling when moving objects.
13. Ensure a secure grip on the load to prevent slippage.
14. When lowering an object, maintain the natural curve of your spine.
15. Position the load at the edge of the surface and align it with your destination for easier placement.

DON'T'S

1. Avoid lifting heavy loads (35 lbs. or more) alone; seek assistance.
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3. Avoid lifting bulky or irregularly shaped loads.
4. Do not reach sideways or twist while lifting.
5. Avoid lifting objects above shoulder height.
6. Do not attempt to catch falling objects; step back and let them fall.
7. Do not twist your back to turn; pivot with your feet instead.

Safe work practices

1. Employ mechanical aids like forklifts, cranes, pallet jacks, or hoists whenever feasible.
2. Prior to lifting, evaluate the load to ensure it is within your lifting capacity.
3. Utilize dollies for transporting tools and materials around the work area.
4. Place additional pallets or dunnage beneath materials to be lifted manually, avoiding lifts from below the knees to mitigate injury risks.
5. Minimize lifting above shoulder height whenever possible. For heavy or awkward loads like large sections of pipe, utilize a hoist or seek assistance.
6. When cross-stacking materials, maintain proper body alignment and spacing to avoid twisting. Ensure there are two steps required between stacks to discourage twisting.
7. Alternate between left and right-handed shoveling to prevent overuse of muscles on one side. Avoid twisting while pitching material with a shovel.
8. Take precautions when working on frozen surfaces by regularly applying sand and wearing slip-resistant footwear.
9. Maintain good housekeeping practices to prevent slips, trips, and falls by keeping work areas and access routes clean.
10. Ensure extension cords are fully unraveled, neatly stored when not in use, and properly secured to prevent tripping hazards.
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Manual Lifting

1. Ensure your path from the pickup location to the drop-off spot is clear and easy to navigate.
2. Wear gloves to improve grip and reduce the risk of items slipping from your hands.
3. Position your feet to get as close as possible to the object.
4. If feasible, place one foot slightly ahead of the other beside the load to maintain balance as you stand.
5. Squat down by bending your knees while keeping your back straight and head facing forward.
6. Securely grip the object, utilizing any handles available. Ensure handles are sturdy enough to support the load. If handles are absent, grip from a clean, dry surface to prevent slippage.
7. Use your leg muscles to lift the object by standing up, maintaining a straight back and head position.
8. Lift steadily and smoothly, avoiding sudden or jerky movements.
9. When changing direction, pivot with your feet instead of twisting your back.
10. Keep the load close to your torso area, avoiding lifting over your shoulders, reaching too far, or bending excessively.
11. If you encounter a tripping hazard, take a sidestep rather than stepping over it.
12. Lower the object using the same technique as previously described: bend your knees, squat down, and maintain a straight back with your head forward.
13. Before placing the object down, ensure you can safely withdraw your fingers from underneath it.
14. understand your personal strengths and limitations. Employ correct lifting, bending, and sitting methods to reduce the risk of workplace low-back injuries.

Mechanical Devices

1. In instances where a load exceeds manageable weight and assistance isn't accessible, rely on mechanical equipment.
2. Lift trucks, push carts, hoists, conveyors, and trolleys are specifically designed for this purpose.

Two Person Lift

1. Ensure both individuals are approximately the same height.

2. Designate one person to lead the lift, fostering collaboration rather than working at odds with each other.
3. Lift in unison, walk in step, and lower the load together, maintaining synchronized movements throughout.

Golfers Lift

1. Extend one leg straight out behind you.
2. Maintain a straight back as your body leans forward.
3. For added support, place one hand on your knee or on a nearby stable object.

One Person Lift (Panel type material)

1. Take extra precautions to prevent twisting of the spine.
2. If your arm span is shorter than the load, seek assistance.
3. Adjust your hand position to secure the best possible grip.
4. Utilize your entire hand, employing a power grip rather than relying solely on your fingers.
5. Engage your leg and thigh muscles, avoiding strain on your back while lifting.
6. Place the sheet onto a platform to facilitate a more secure grip for carrying.
7. Employ lifting techniques in reverse when lowering the sheet.

Two Person Lift – (Longer materials or equipment)

1. Exercise additional caution as long loads are challenging to control.
2. Designate one lifter to lead the lift.
3. Both lifters should begin at the heavier end of the load.
4. Raise one end of the load to shoulder height.
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One-person lift – (sacks)

1. Position yourself at one end of the sack.
2. Lift the sack into an upright position.
3. Straddle the load, placing one hand underneath the bottom of the sack and using the other hand to secure it against your body.
4. Bend your knees and lift the sack onto a platform.
5. Stand as close to the lifting platform as possible.
6. Continue bending your knees until the load can be balanced on your shoulder.
7. Straighten up smoothly in one continuous motion.

Alternatively:

1. Stand with your back against the elevated sack, feet comfortably apart, with one foot slightly in front of the other.
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1. Adhere to OH&S Regulations regarding construction lighting.
2. Wear and utilize the necessary personal protective equipment (PPE), ensuring that all equipment used is in proper working order.
3. Ensure the safety of the general public and workers by implementing appropriate lighting measures.
4. Conduct a thorough briefing for all personnel involved in the area, outlining the associated hazards, and notify all on-site individuals before commencing work.
5. Employ a qualified electrician to install all temporary lighting on the jobsite, following relevant Acts and Codes.
6. Install lighting in a manner that minimizes the risk of damage to wiring, fixtures, or light bulbs. If lighting placement poses a risk of bulb breakage, use protective cages to safeguard them.
7. Regularly inspect temporary lighting installed in public and project walkways to ensure that all bulbs are functioning correctly.
8. Utilize temporary lighting circuits exclusively for lighting purposes. Prohibit individuals from removing light bulbs from these circuits to replace them with outlets for electrical tools or appliances.
9. Ensure task lighting is provided to eliminate shadows and the need for workers to bend down closely to their work.
10. Maintain ambient lighting levels at 500 lux, in accordance with specifications outlined in Table 4-1 of section 4.65 of the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation.
11. Promptly replace any burned-out light bulbs to maintain adequate illumination.
12. Regularly inspect electrical equipment for defects such as faulty insulation, improper grounding, loose connections, ground faults, and exposed live parts. Take necessary corrective measures before working on or near live parts.

DON'T'S

1. Avoid placing lighting fixtures in wet or damp areas or in environments with corrosive or flammable atmospheres.
2. Refrain from using equipment that is defective or damaged.
3. When using string lights do not plug in power tools or using in a manner otherwise stated by the manufacturer.

Safe Work Practices

1. Exercise caution around temporary lighting wires. Repeated relocation of circuits can loosen connections, damage insulation, and introduce other potential hazards.
2. Be mindful of the risk of tripping and electrical shock posed by overhead and underfoot wires.
3. Ensure that wires do not come into contact with steel door frames, particularly during the final stages of work when temporary lines may pass through doors that could inadvertently close on them.
4. Always promptly replace broken or burned-out bulbs to uphold adequate lighting levels in stairwells, basements, corridors, and other areas.
5. Before removing temporary lighting from service, inspect the wiring and fixtures for any signs of breakage or damage. Address any issues by repairing damaged components and replacing broken fixtures before storing the lighting equipment.

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- Manufacturer's Instructions
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- Ensure safe conditions in the workplace during all working hours.
- Ensure that this document remains effective during the work activity and update and / or revise, as necessary.
- Provide Site Specific SWP/SJP training to workers.
- Must provide all tools, materials, and equipment to conduct the required work.
- Provide training to workers in accordance with this document.
- Monitor workers to ensure everyone is working safely.

WORKER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Perform the task safely.
- If unable or unsure how to perform the task safely, contact the site supervisor immediately.
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4. Prior to commencement, inform all personnel of area hazards and alert on-site individuals.
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9. Ensure proper labeling of all controlled product containers per WHMIS standards.
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13. Seal containers Slightly by closing caps and lids securely before storage.
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- Ensure workers receive frequent breaks in a cool area away from heat.
- Adjust work practices as needed in response to worker complaints of heat stress.
- Supervise heat stress training and acclimatization for new employees and those returning after a period of absence.
- Monitor the workplace to identify hot conditions.
- Enhance air circulation using fans where feasible.
- Provide an adequate supply of potable water.
- Assess whether workers are consuming enough water.
- Accommodate workers wearing personal protective clothing or equipment that traps heat and limits sweat evaporation, such as welders.
- Schedule tasks requiring exposure to heat for cooler parts of the day; plan routine maintenance and repairs in hot areas during cooler times.
- Offer cooling devices (e.g., hard hat liners, bibs, neck bands) to all workers to aid in dissipating excessive heat from their bodies.

WORKER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Adhere to instructions and training for managing heat stress.
- Remain vigilant for symptoms in themselves and their colleagues.
- Assess if any prescription medications they take may exacerbate heat stress.
- Dress in light, loose-fitting clothing that facilitates sweat evaporation.
- Opt for light-colored garments that absorb less heat from the sun.
- Consume small, regular amounts of water, aiming for approximately 1 cup every 15 minutes.
- Avoid beverages like tea or coffee.
- Refrain from consuming hot, heavy meals.
- Avoid taking salt tablets unless specifically prescribed by a physician.
- Work in pairs or groups; avoid working alone whenever possible.

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This plan establishes effective and safe procedures to prevent heat-related illnesses, both indoors and outdoors, among employees within our workplace. It serves as a training tool for new hires and as an annual refresher for existing staff. All employees who may be exposed to hot working conditions are covered by this plan.

Heat-related illnesses can occur when workplace activities in a hot environment surpass the body's ability to regulate its temperature. Certain risk factors increase the likelihood of these illnesses, such as inadequate access to water for rehydration, wearing protective gear that hinders skin ventilation, or working in high humidity conditions where sweat evaporation is impaired.

Training on Heat-Related Illness Prevention:

1. Understand the environmental and personal risk factors contributing to heat-related illnesses.
2. Familiarize with the employer's protocols for identifying, assessing, and managing exposures to heat-related risk factors.
3. Emphasize the importance of regular consumption of small amounts of water, up to 4 cups per hour, particularly in extreme heat and work conditions.
4. Learn about the significance of acclimatization, gradually exposing oneself to heat and work.
5. Recognize the various types of heat illnesses and their common signs and symptoms.
6. Acknowledge the importance of promptly reporting any symptoms or signs of heat illness to the employer or supervisor, either for oneself or coworkers.
7. Understand the employer's procedures for addressing potential heat illness symptoms, including the provision of emergency medical services if necessary.

8. Learn the steps for contacting emergency medical services and arranging transportation for employees to a location where they can be reached by medical providers if needed.
9. Acquire skills in providing clear and precise directions to the work site.

Supervisors

1. Before assigning employees to work in potentially heat-exposed environments, all supervisors will receive a copy of this Exposure Control Plan and Safe Work Practice.
2. Supervisors will be equipped with the necessary procedures to effectively implement the relevant provisions outlined in this program.
3. Supervisors will be trained on the appropriate procedures to follow when an employee displays symptoms consistent with potential heat illness, including the implementation of emergency response protocols.

Environmental Risk Factors	Personal Risk Factors
• Air temperature exceeding 90 degrees Fahrenheit • Relative humidity surpassing 40 percent • Radiant heat emitted by the sun and other sources • Conductive heat from dark-colored work surfaces • Limited air circulation • Physical exertion required for the task • Utilization of non-breathable protective clothing and other personal protective equipment	• Inadequate acclimatization to higher temperatures • Poor general health condition • Dehydration • Alcohol consumption • Caffeine intake • History of heat-related illness • Use of prescription medications affecting the body's response to heat, such as beta blockers, diuretics, antihistamines, tranquilizers, and antipsychotics.

Type	Symptom	Prevention
Heat Rash - Heat rashes usually resolve within a few days following exposure.	• Red blotches and severe itching in areas continually moist with sweat • Tingling or prickling sensation on the skin during sweating	• Seek a cooler environment. • Take a refreshing cool shower. • Ensure thorough drying afterwards. • Consult with a first aid attendant for further assistance.
Heat Cramps	• Loss of salt through excessive sweating • Cramping in back, legs and arms	• Stretch and massage muscles • Replace salt by drinking commercially available carbohydrate/electrolyte replacement fluids • See First Aider
Heat Exhaustion - Heat Exhaustion arises when the body struggles to maintain adequate blood flow to vital organs while simultaneously redirecting blood to the skin to facilitate cooling and regulate body temperature.	• Weakness, fatigue, dizziness, rapid pulse • Headache, nausea, vomiting • Breathlessness, shallow breathing • Feeling faint or fainting • Increased breathing rate • Sweating, muscle cramps • Cool, pale clammy skin	• See first aid attendant if symptoms increase, call 911. • Help the patient to cool down. ✓ Rest in a cool area. ✓ Drink cool water. ✓ Remove or loosen unnecessary clothing. ✓ Shower or rinse of with cool wet cloth
Heat Stroke	• Confusion • Irrational behaviour • Loss of consciousness • Convulsions • Lack of sweating • Hot, dry skin • Abnormally high body temperature	• Call 911 • Provide immediate cooling options. ✓ Immerse patient in tub of cool water or; ✓ Place in cool shower; or

		✓ Spray with cool water from a hose; or ✓ Wrap patient in cool, wet sheets and fan rapidly. ✓ Transport patient to hospital if required

Access to Water

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Access to Shade

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25 - 29	• supply water to workers on an "as needed" basis	32 - 35
30 - 33	• post Heat Stress Alert notice • encourage workers to drink extra water • start recording hourly temperature and relative humidity	36 - 39
34 - 37	• post Heat Stress Warning notice • notify workers that they need to drink extra water • ensure workers are trained to recognize symptoms	40 - 42
38 - 39	• work with 15 minutes relief per hour can continue • provide adequate cool (10 - 15°C) water • at least 1 cup (240 mL) of water every 20 minutes • workers with symptoms should seek medical attention	43 - 44
40 - 41	• work with 30 minutes relief per hour can continue in addition to the provisions listed previously	45 - 46*
42 - 44	• if feasible, work with 45 minutes relief per hour can continue in addition to the provisions listed above	47 - 49
45 or over	• only medically supervised work can continue	50* and over

Source: Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers (OHCOW) – "Humidex Based Heat Response Plan"

Other Practices to Consider:

- Designate an on-site monitor responsible for observing workers for signs of heat stress.
- Use cooling cloths that you can get from a local first aid company to put on workers body parts.
- Provide Sqwincher or electrolyte individual packs for workers to add to their water bottles, enhancing hydration.
- Schedule a ten-minute break at least once every 2 hours, or as needed, to prevent overheating.
- Whenever feasible, stagger shift work or organize tasks requiring outdoor work in the early morning to avoid peak sun exposure; consider scheduling work under slabs or in parkades during the afternoon.

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- Take breaks in shaded, cool areas and allow time for heat recovery throughout the day to prevent heat-related illnesses.
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4. Always fasten your seat belt securely.
5. Respect and adhere to posted speed limits and signage.
6. Exercise heightened caution during adverse weather conditions.
7. Maintain vigilant attention while driving, regardless of familiarity with the route.
8. Display courtesy towards fellow motorists.
9. Yield to pedestrians at designated crosswalks.
10. Provide ample space for bicyclists on the road.
11. Equip your vehicle with a winter survival kit containing essentials such as a cell phone, matches, flares, a functional flashlight, sustenance, hydration, and thermal blankets.
12. Ensure your vehicle is equipped with a serviceable spare tire and functioning jack.
13. Allocate time for regular preventative maintenance on your vehicle to prevent breakdowns, which can pose hazards and incur significant costs.
14. Maintain a proactive approach by scanning the road ahead for potential safety hazards well in advance.
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5. Conduct daily workplace inspections to identify and address fall hazards.
6. Thoroughly review instructions and warnings for all fall protection equipment before use, refraining from using unfamiliar equipment.
7. Prior to each use, meticulously inspect all fall protection gear, with qualified personnel conducting comprehensive inspections at regular intervals in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
8. Limit work at height or use of fall protection equipment to authorized, trained, and competent individuals.
9. Implement a fall protection plan for work at or above 25 feet or when utilizing procedures in lieu of fall protection equipment, referring to OHS Guideline part 11 for approved protocols.
10. Develop a rescue plan as an integral component of the fall protection strategy whenever employing a fall arrest system.
11. Utilize only CSA/ANSI approved equipment as mandated by OHS Regulation.
12. Select and employ the correct equipment for the job, adhering strictly to manufacturer's instructions for setup and usage.
13. Ensure harnesses fit snugly, allowing for full range of movement, in accordance with both manufacturer's guidelines and individual training.
14. Choose the appropriate anchor/anchorage based on application, ensuring a minimum capacity of 5000 lbs. for fall arrest and 800 lbs. for fall restraint.
15. Select the appropriate lanyard weight rating: E4 lanyard for individuals weighing between 100 and 254 lbs. (45 - 115 kgs), or E6 for weights ranging from 200 to 386 lbs. (90 - 175 kgs).
16. Attach the fall-arrest connecting device solely to the back D-ring; reserve the side D-rings exclusively for positioning purposes.

17. Ensure all equipment is compatible with each other to guarantee optimal functionality and safety.
18. In the event of a fall, promptly remove all components of the fall arrest system from service. Engineered components may undergo recertification only by a qualified professional engineer.
19. Guard or cover all holes, openings, and skylights to mitigate the risk of falls and ensure a safe work environment.

DON'T'S

1. Don't use equipment that has failed inspection or has been involved in a fall arrest incident.
2. Refrain from using unfamiliar equipment or tools; always consult manufacturer's instructions before use.
3. Do not disconnect from your personal fall protection system while in a fall hazard area, which extends a minimum of 6.5 feet from all edges.
4. Avoid working around unprotected openings without adhering to the hierarchy of controls for fall prevention.
5. Do not tie knots anywhere in your personal fall protection system, as this can compromise its integrity.
6. Avoid using unsuitable anchor points such as water pipes, electrical conduits, or guardrails; utilize only structurally sound components capable of supporting required anchorage strength.
7. Do not utilize manual lock carabiners or non-self-locking snap-hooks; ensure all hooks and carabiners are self-locking and self-closing, requiring two consecutive deliberate actions to open.
8. Refrain from connecting multiple lanyards together.
9. Do not permit more than one worker to tie off to the same anchor unless specifically designed and approved by an engineer.
10. Do not allow anyone else to rig your equipment without verifying correct installation.
11. Avoid using incompatible connections, such as connecting a hook to a hook or a carabiner to a carabiner, to ensure proper functionality and safety.

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4. Employees operating at elevations exceeding 10 feet (3m) where fall-related injuries are a risk must implement fall protection measures, following the established Hierarchy of Controls:
   a. Elimination
   b. Installation of guardrails
   c. Utilization of fall restraint systems
   d. Implementation of fall arrest systems
   e. Adoption of other acceptable systems (e.g., control zones, first person up, etc.).
5. Before initiating any project, conduct a comprehensive review of specific fall protection requirements. This includes conducting a risk assessment at the project's onset and continuously throughout daily hazard assessments.
6. The assessment should encompass identification of fall hazards, determination of appropriate types and methods of fall protection, calculation of fall clearance, establishment of rescue procedures, protocols for equipment assembly, maintenance, inspection, and disassembly, as well as identifying necessary training for the fall protection program.
7. For work conducted at heights of 25 feet (7.5m) or above, document the review in a formal Fall Protection Plan. A Fall Protection Plan is not mandatory if the work area is safeguarded by permanent guardrails.
8. Training under the fall protection plan should cover job orientation, instruction on both fall restraint and fall arrest techniques, and fitting of personal protective equipment.
9. If employing a Personal Fall Protection System (such as fall restraint or fall arrest), ensure that anchor points are inspected and installed according to manufacturer's specifications.

10. For any engineered component of the fall protection system, ensure that valid engineering documents are accessible and adhered to.
11. All components of a fall protection system must be installed in strict accordance with manufacturer specifications, undergo regular inspections, and be checked prior to each use by the user.

Guardrail Requirements

1. When it is not feasible to eliminate the need to work at heights or the fall hazard, guardrails represent the preferred method of fall protection.
2. Installation of guardrails must adhere to the requirements outlined in OHSR 4.58.
3. If a portion of the guardrails needs removal to facilitate work:
   a. Only the necessary section of guardrails should be removed.
   b. Workers operating in that area must be safeguarded by Personal Fall Arrest Systems.
   c. Guardrails must be promptly reinstalled upon completion of the work or when the area is vacated.
   d. Whenever possible, efforts should be made to divert guardrails to accommodate work instead of removing them to ensure the protection of other workers.
4. Any scaffolding must be erected in compliance with the regulations outlined in OHSR Part 13 and other relevant standards, by individuals who are qualified and competent.
5. Scaffolding must incorporate guardrails. However, guardrails may be omitted from the edge of a work platform if the platform abuts a structure providing an equivalent level of protection and if the open space between the platform and the structure does not exceed 30 cm (12 in).

Self-Elevating Work Platforms (Scissor Lifts & Boom Lifts):

1. Priority will be given to the utilization of scissor and boom lifts when tasks necessitate work on exteriors or ceilings.
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3. Adhere to Safe Work Practice Mobile Elevated Work Platforms.
4. Take measures to prevent overloading of the platform or wind loading caused by materials placed on it.
5. Adhere strictly to weight rating limits and ensure even distribution of weight across the platform to maintain stability and safety.

Fall Restraint

1. When it is not feasible or practical to set up guardrails or work within existing guardrail boundaries, or when doing so may elevate risk levels, a fall restraint system represents the preferred method of fall protection.
2. Fall restraint refers to a system designed to prevent a worker from falling from a work position or from accessing an unguarded edge from which a fall could occur. For instance, when installing heavy gauge exterior walls beyond existing guardrails at heights inaccessible by boom-lifts.
3. Fall restraint systems are configured to allow workers to move freely within the designated work area while preventing access to the fall hazard as long as the system remains connected.
4. To establish a fall restraint system:
   - The worker must don an approved and inspected fall restraint harness.
   - Utilize an anchor point with a minimum breaking strength of 800lbs.
   - Choose a connecting device of sufficient length to allow access to the work area but not long enough to reach the fall hazard.
   - Attach the connecting device between the worker's back D-ring and the anchor point.
   - Consider compatibility and incompatibility of connections when setting up the system.
   - Ensure there is no slack in the system that would enable the worker to reach the fall hazard.
   - Regularly inspect and adjust the fall restraint system, especially if using rope grabs or adjustable systems, to ensure the worker cannot access the fall hazard.
   - Manual rope grabs are preferred for fall restraint applications.

Fall Arrest

1. When utilizing a fall restraint system is not feasible or practical, or when it may pose increased risk, a fall arrest system is the preferred method of fall protection.
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    - Choose a connecting device of adequate length to allow access to the work area while minimizing free fall distance.
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    - If using a lanyard as the connecting device, ensure it is an energy-absorbing lanyard specifically designed for fall arrest.
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    - Ensure there is no slack in the system to prevent increased free fall distance or swing falls.
5. Limit the free fall distance to 6 feet when using an energy-absorbing lanyard.
6. Free fall distance can be minimized by:
    - Utilizing a higher anchor point.
    - Using a shorter lanyard.
    - Employing Self-Retracting Devices.
7. Rescue procedures must be incorporated into the planning of any fall arrest system to ensure prompt retrieval of a fallen worker.
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   Note: Fall arrest systems should not be used for situations where work is conducted at heights less than 10 feet unless there is an unusual risk of injury below.

Control Zone Requirements

1. Control zones are designated only when alternative forms of fall protection are not practical or would pose increased risks to workers.
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    - Ensure all vertical supports are securely fastened to the floor.
    - Confirm horizontal members are securely attached to the inside of the vertical supports, with the top rail positioned on top.
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13. Equip workers with knowledge and training on handling emergencies such as fires, and ensure they are aware of appropriate first aid measures to take in case of an incident.
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16. Understand the potential hazards associated with the materials you are working with, including risks of fire, explosion, health hazards, and chemical reactivity. Also, be mindful of hazards posed by materials and objects in your vicinity.

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18. Handle cylinders with care to prevent damage that could lead to leaks or other safety hazards.
19. Promptly report all incidents and accidents to your supervisor, regardless of their severity, to ensure appropriate action is taken to prevent future occurrences.
20. Regularly inspect all wiring and leads on your arc welding machine to ensure they are in good condition and free from damage.
21. When welding in wet environments, use a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) for your arc welding machine to prevent electrical shocks and ensure safe operation.

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1. Avoid overloading electrical circuits while operating a welding machine, as this can pose a significant fire hazard.
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3. Never weld without adequate eye protection to shield against harmful ultraviolet radiation and bright light.
4. Do not wear short sleeves or cuffed clothing while welding to prevent burns from sparks or hot metal particles.
5. Avoid direct contact between hands and sharp edges when opening cans of electrodes to prevent injury.
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7. Avoid welding in locations where sparks can escape through cracks in walls or windows and ignite combustible materials outside.
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12. Refrain from using coiled hoses during welding operations to prevent kinks and blockages.
13. Do not transport cylinders without their protective caps securely in place to prevent damage and potential leaks.
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15. Keep welding leads away from the welding surface to prevent damage and ensure safety.
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1. Hot work activities will be confined to a designated welding area to ensure focused attention and enhanced safety measures.

2. Within the designated welding area, employ local exhaust ventilation systems to effectively minimize worker exposure to hazardous airborne contaminants generated during welding, burning, or soldering processes.
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    - Utilize gauntlet gloves crafted from leather or other appropriate materials, accompanied by arm protection, to safeguard against burns and abrasions.
    - Wear leather steel-toe boots to protect the feet from falling objects and hot metal.
    - For arc welding, employ a face shield approved for non-ionizing radiation (CSA 94.3 - Class 6B). The welder must select a filter shade based on factors such as the welding process, wire diameter, and operating current.
    - Don flame-resistant clothing covering all exposed skin to mitigate the risk of serious injuries from heat and UV radiation exposure.
8. Welders must refrain from wearing:
    - Any garments made of or containing polyester, acetate, nylon, acrylic, or polypropylene fibers, including high-visibility vests, as these materials are susceptible to melting or igniting when exposed to heat or flames.
    - Contact lenses, as they may pose a risk of injury due to heat or splashes of molten metal.
9. All gas welding equipment must be equipped with check valves to prevent reverse flow and potential hazards.
10. Install flashback arrestors on hoses as close as possible to the torch to prevent flashback incidents and ensure operator safety.
11. Maintain torch hoses free of oil and debris to prevent fire hazards from spontaneous combustion if accumulation occurs.
12. At the end of each shift, ensure tank valves are securely shut off, and regulators and lines are purged to prevent gas leaks and potential hazards.
13. Compressed gas cylinders must always be stored and used in an upright position and securely secured to prevent tipping or falling accidents.
14. Exercise caution with pure oxygen, as it may react violently with grease or oil. Keep oxygen away from grease and oil, and avoid handling oxygen equipment with oily hands or gloves.
15. When welding or burning metals with oxyacetylene torches, be aware of potentially dangerous fumes and wear respiratory protection as per Safety Data Sheets (SDS).
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18. Use appropriate shade lenses for the specific work being performed and inspect clothing for frayed edges. Wear protective clothing as necessary to minimize exposure to hazards.
19. Alert other workers to welding, cutting, or burning hazards, and use screens to protect them from potential dangers.
20. Prior to starting work, inspect the work area for combustible materials and potential flammable vapors to mitigate fire risks.
21. Welders should never work alone; maintain a fire or sparks watch to ensure continuous monitoring and safety.
22. Inspect cables and hoses regularly and protect them from slag or sparks to prevent damage and potential hazards.
23. When working in confined spaces, ensure proper air monitoring, ventilation, and adherence to required procedures. Welding or cutting inside confined spaces should be conducted with cylinders positioned outside the space.
24. When working overhead, use fire-resistant materials such as blankets or tarps to control or contain slag and sparks.

25. Avoid performing cutting and welding operations in areas where sparks and cutting slag could fall on cylinders to prevent fire hazards.
26. Open all cylinder valves slowly and keep the wrench used for opening the valves on the valve spindle during operation to ensure quick access and safe handling.
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PART 5 - DOCUMENTS, APPLICABLE LEGISLATION, STANDARDS OR OTHER

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PART 4 – SAFE WORK PRACTICES

DO'S

1. Adhere to WorkSafeBC and other relevant legislative Requirements.
2. Conduct pre-use inspections and function tests according to the manufacturer's instructions to ensure equipment readiness.
3. Maintain detailed inspection and maintenance records for all equipment on-site to track its condition and ensure compliance.
4. Prior to commencement, brief all personnel on the potential hazards in the work area and ensure awareness among all on-site workers.
5. Ensure that manufacturer's instructions are readily available on-site for quick reference and adherence to operational guidelines.
6. Provide comprehensive training to operators on the safe operation of mobile elevated work platforms (MEWPs) and ensure they understand the equipment's operational limitations.
7. Always check for overhead obstructions, such as powerlines, before moving the machine or operating the platform to prevent accidents.
8. Use a Personal Fall Protection System inside boom lifts and consider its necessity for scissor lifts based on site conditions. When utilizing fall protection, adhere to manufacturer-specified anchor points.
9. Clearly label all controls with action and direction to facilitate safe and efficient operation of the platform.
10. Ensure guardrails are intact and properly secured before moving the platform, maintaining a secure gate closure to prevent falls.
11. Remain within the confines of the guardrails and avoid standing, stepping, stretching, or overreaching beyond them to minimize the risk of falls.
12. Prior to maintenance or servicing, power down the equipment and implement required blocking to prevent accidental activation or movement.
13. When relocating boom lifts, orient the boom in the direction of travel whenever feasible to enhance maneuverability and safety.

14. Maintain a safe distance between ground personnel and the machine, ensuring that no individuals are positioned beneath the platform during operation.
15. Deploy stabilizers or outriggers in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions to enhance platform stability and prevent tipping.
16. Securely fasten loads and tools on the platform to prevent displacement during machine movement, minimizing the risk of hazards.
17. Ensure extension cords are of adequate length to reach the full platform height without being compromised by the scissor mechanism, avoiding potential hazards such as pinching or severing.
18. Practice three-point contact and employ proper climbing techniques when ascending or descending from the machine to minimize the risk of slips, trips, or falls.
19. Utilize Fall Protection on boom lifts, adhering to the anchor points specified by the manufacturer for safe and effective fall prevention.
20. Evenly distribute loads within the platform to maintain balance and stability during operation, reducing the risk of tipping or imbalance.
21. Avoid entanglement with ropes, cords, or hoses by ensuring they are properly secured and routed away from moving parts and potential pinch points.
22. Adhere to minimum safe approach distances to power lines as outlined in operating manuals and regulations, typically maintaining a distance of at least 10 feet to mitigate the risk of electrocution.
23. Perform thorough checks of blind spots before operating the platform, ensuring no personnel or obstructions are present in the travel path during elevation, descent, or movement.

DON'T'S

1. Avoid operation in strong winds exceeding the specified threshold outlined in the manufacturers manual to prevent instability and potential hazards.
2. Refrain from usage during lightning or storms to minimize the risk of electrical hazards and ensure operator safety.
3. Never leave the machine unattended without properly securing it to prevent unauthorized access or operation.
4. Do not overextend or stand on the guardrails to prevent structural damage or instability.
5. Adhere to the indicated load capacity as detailed on machine decals and in the manufacturer's instructions to prevent overloading and maintain safe operation.
6. Avoid moving the platform when it is raised to prevent instability and potential hazards.
7. Do not remove guardrails when the platform is raised to maintain fall protection and ensure operator safety.
8. Avoid accessing the boom-lift platform by walking on the boom to prevent structural damage or instability.
9. Refrain from attempting to push or move a boom-lift by telescoping the boom to prevent damage and maintain safe operation.
10. Do not use the machine as a ground for welding to prevent electrical hazards and equipment damage.
11. Avoid using the platform as a crane to prevent structural damage and maintain safe operation.
12. Do not place the boom or platform against any structure to steady either component, as this may compromise stability and safety.
13. Avoid overloading the platform or placing all loads on one side only to prevent imbalance and potential tipping.
14. Refrain from loading the guardrails or leaning heavy objects against them to prevent structural damage and maintain fall protection integrity.
15. Do not anchor your fall protection system to the guardrails to ensure proper anchorage and fall protection effectiveness.
16. Avoid usage with improperly inflated or damaged tires to maintain stability and safe operation.
17. Refrain from driving on slopes that exceed the slope rating, ensuring adherence to manufacturer specifications and safe operating conditions.

18. Do not increase the lateral surface area of the platform in a manner that could cause wind loads, such as vertical placement of plywood sheets, to prevent instability and hazards.
19. Avoid altering or disabling limit switches or other safety devices to ensure proper equipment function and operator safety.
20. Refrain from raising the lift when it is positioned on a truck or other vehicle to prevent instability and potential hazards during transport.

Safe Work Practices

1. Prior to operating any elevating work platform, ensure to thoroughly inspect the ground conditions.
2. Familiarize yourself with the safe operating procedures outlined in the manual by reviewing it thoroughly.
3. Before use, carefully inspect the lift for any defects, and promptly report any identified issues to your supervisor.
4. Conduct the necessary function tests as specified in the manual to ensure the proper operation of the equipment.
5. Before commencing work, inspect the entire work area, including areas above, below, and around the lift, to identify any potential hazards or obstacles.
6. Ensure that the operator is physically and mentally capable of operating the machine safely.
7. Operators must possess valid training credentials before operating the equipment.
8. Adhere strictly to the safe operating procedures outlined in the manual, as well as any additional instructions provided.
9. Implement traffic control measures to prevent other equipment from coming into contact with the lift.
10. When the movement of an aerial work platform is controlled from a base station, the operator must remain at the controls while workers are on the platform and only respond to signals from a designated person on the platform.
11. Workers are prohibited from being transported on aerial work platforms. However, they may remain on platforms during minor adjustment movements.
12. Familiarize yourself with the lift's emergency procedures, including Emergency Lowering and STOP switch operations.
13. Workers should remain vigilant for:
    - Proximity to fixed objects while the scissor lift is in motion.
    - Other moving objects in the vicinity of the scissor lift.
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    - If it's not possible to maintain the Minimum Safe Approach Distance (MSAD), obtain a 30M33 Assurance in Writing form from your supervisor.
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    - Engage the brakes and stability devices before elevating the platform.
    - Adhere to the weight limits specified for the lift; avoid overloading it.
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15. Similarly, establish a control zone around the vehicle being loaded or unloaded to prevent unauthorized access and ensure the safety of workers in the vicinity.
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DON'T'S

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1. Ensure that no load is lifted or landed until the rigger has provided the all-clear signal.
2. Before initiating the loading or unloading of vehicles, it's essential for the crane operator and rigger to establish a method of communication. This can involve either hand signals or radios. If hand signals are chosen, only the rigger is authorized to convey signals to the crane operator. The same applies if radios are utilized.
3. Maintain the prescribed order of materials during loading or unloading operations. Organize materials in such a way as to prevent unnecessary delays in determining their placement. Disruption of this order can lead to frustration, potentially resulting in accidents causing harm to workers or damage to equipment and materials.

Loading

1. Confirm that the vehicle is level both front to rear and side to side to prevent loaded equipment or materials from shifting during loading.
2. Ensure the load is evenly balanced and distributed to maintain stability during transportation.
3. Apply tarps to all loads unless explicitly instructed otherwise by a supervisor.
4. Workers assisting in landing a load, known as riggers, must avoid positioning themselves between the load and an immovable object, as this area, known as the bight, poses a significant risk of injury or fatality.
5. When securing load tie-downs, take care to avoid causing damage to the load. Utilize force spreaders on edges to distribute tie-down force more evenly and place pads on sharp edges to reduce the risk of cutting webbing straps.
6. Exercise extreme caution when using load binders. Avoid placing any part of the body between the load and the binder bar while the bar is being closed into position.
7. When tarping trucks carrying demolition debris, tarplers should remain positioned in the middle of the bin, away from the edges, and should never work above the edge to minimize the risk of injury.
8. Utilize automatic tarping systems whenever feasible to streamline the tarping process and enhance efficiency.
9. When reversing trucks, ensure that the area behind the truck is clear and utilize spotters to assist in the maneuver.

Unloading

1. Confirm that the vehicle is level both front to rear and side to side to prevent loaded equipment or materials from sliding off when removing tie-down equipment.
2. Begin by removing tie-down equipment from one section of the load to prevent shifting. If any shifting occurs, assess the vehicle's levelness and the load's stability. While some degree of shifting is normal, if the load appears entirely unstable and at risk of falling when tie-downs are removed, establish and implement a method to stabilize the load before proceeding with unloading.
3. Only one worker should be responsible for undoing load tie-downs. This worker must identify an escape route before releasing pressure on the load in case of a fall. If no escape route is available, consider implementing a method to stabilize the load to ensure the worker's safety during tie-down removal.
4. Maintain a safe distance when releasing the tension of load binders or any other tensioning device that requires a bar to relieve pressure.
5. Ensure that all tie-downs are completely removed from the vehicle before beginning the unloading process to prevent entanglement in mobile equipment or posing hazards to riggers or other workers in the vicinity.
6. Utilize dunnage between materials to assist in lifting, either with a forklift or by hand.

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DO'S

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3. Prior to commencing work, ensure all personnel are briefed on potential hazards and notify all on-site individuals.
4. Temporary distribution panels must be installed by certified electricians and adhere to BC's "Electrical Energy Inspections Act" and electrical code.
5. Keep doors and covers of electrical equipment closed while energized.
6. Ensure circuit breakers and plug-ins are appropriately labeled to correspond with one another.
7. Use CSA-approved electrical cords and appliances, maintaining them in good condition.
8. Whenever feasible, replace open front plugs with dead front plugs.
9. Only qualified electricians should handle repairs to temporary panels or installation of hard-wired electric circuits.
10. Inspect power cords and electrical fittings for damage prior to each use, removing damaged cords from service for repair or replacement.
11. Always ensure that grounded power cords have all three prongs intact.
12. Keep power cords separated from tools while in operation.
13. Elevate power cords above walkways or work areas to prevent tripping hazards.
14. Ensure that electrical panel covers are always intact and undamaged
15. Store electric cords in a clean, dry area off the ground at all times.
16. Before being placed in storage, electrical cords must be cleaned and inspected for any damage.

DON'T'S

1. Avoid overloading circuits by connecting multiple power cords to a single outlet.
2. Refrain from using light-duty cords for heavy load applications.
3. Avoid constructing any buildings beneath supply lines.
4. Refrain from overloading circuits with multiple power cords plugged into one outlet.
5. Avoid using light-duty cords for heavy load applications.

6. Do not use a power cord if the ground prong has been removed.
7. Avoid placing unprotected power cords where they may be run over by vehicles or equipment on site. Instead, protect cords by running them through electrical conduits or rated covers.
8. Avoid tying knots in power cords, as knots can lead to short circuits and electric shocks. Instead, always loop the cords or use a twist lock plug.

PART 5 - DOCUMENTS, APPLICABLE LEGISLATION, STANDARDS OR OTHER

- Manufacturer's Instructions
- WorkSafeBC – OHS Regulation: De-energization and Lockout (Part 10)
- WorkSafeBC – OHS Regulation: Electrical Safety (Part 19)

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4. Erect warning signs conspicuously in areas where mobile equipment operates, especially in proximity to heavy pedestrian traffic, access routes, doors, gates, or similar areas.
5. Operators should utilize spotters or assistants as necessary. This means that if there are blind spots, one or more workers should be carefully positioned to guide the operator when backing up large equipment.
6. Maintain awareness of the location and direction of travel of construction equipment at all times.
7. Be mindful of the locations of other workers and maintain a safe distance from all moving equipment.
8. Ensure the operational status of the back-up signaling device if it is equipped on the machinery.
9. Prior to dumping a load of materials or using heavy equipment, ensure that all individuals and co-workers have cleared the area.
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11. Avoid entering the blind spots of equipment. If you can't see the operator directly or in mirrors, they cannot see you.
12. Do not use ramps intended for heavy equipment.
13. Establish eye contact with the equipment operator before approaching the machine.
14. Communication with the operator may require the use of hand signals. Familiarize yourself with and use standard hand signals.
15. Ensure that parking brakes are engaged when equipment is not in use.

DON'T'S

1. Never approach or stand near moving machinery unless necessary.
2. Avoid distracting or engaging in unnecessary conversation with equipment operators.

3. Do not attempt to ride on or hitch a ride on mobile equipment.
4. Stay clear of the operating radius of machinery to avoid accidents.
5. Never enter blind spots of equipment where the operator's visibility is limited.
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7. Refrain from operating mobile equipment without proper authorization or training.
8. Do not overload equipment beyond its specified capacity.
9. Avoid leaving tools, materials, or debris in areas where they can become hazards to mobile equipment.
10. Never attempt to perform maintenance or repair tasks on mobile equipment while it is in operation or without proper lock-out/tag-out procedures.

Protocols for Entry into Excavators Radius

- Anyone entering an excavation or working near mobile equipment must wear a reflective vest, along with all other necessary safety gear. Adhere to site-specific Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) regulations established by the prime contractor on site.
- Individuals planning to enter the radius of excavating machinery must establish eye contact with the operator and await acknowledgment and instruction from the operator before entering the radius. The individual must always remain in full view of the operator and remain visible when exiting to signal the operator to resume work.
- It is strictly prohibited for any person to walk between a dump truck and its trailer under any circumstances.
- No individual is permitted to work within the extended radius of the machinery, unless:
  - ✓ Establish a barrier using reflective tape to segregate employees from operating machinery. Machines must not breach this radius outlined by the reflective tape. The barrier should be relocated according to the machinery's location. Employees are strictly prohibited from crossing the barrier into the excavator's radius.

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4. Follow manufacturers instructions.
5. Wear safety glasses and face shield. Respiratory protection may be required if cutting indoors with poor ventilation.
6. Wear clothing that is tear resistant and tucked in (not loose)
7. Persons with long hair must have it tied back and secure.
8. Ensure manufacturers guards are in place.
9. Review manufacturers specifications for proper blade size, direction and RPM. Inspect the blade is tightened and secured.
10. Ensure the blade is kept sharp.
11. Keep hands clear of blade and ensure the longer end of the material is on the left side.
12. Before cutting let the saw reach full speed.
13. Lockout the power prior to any maintenance
14. Ensure the motor area and cutting line is clear of debris.
15. Pay close attention to the saw while cutting and do not cut while workers are in close proximity.

DON'T'S

1. Do not use liquid coolants to cool down the blade, as liquids can conduct electricity and pose a risk of electric shock.
2. Avoid removing the saw from the cut while the blade is still in motion, as it can cause kickback and result in injury.
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6. Do not rip workpieces.
7. Never do curved cuts.

8. Never use a saw that exhibits excessive vibration or appears to be unsafe, as it may pose a risk of malfunction or injury.
9. Do not twist the saw to adjust, change, or check alignment, as it can lead to misalignment and unsafe cutting conditions.
10. Avoid overreaching while operating the saw to maintain proper footing and balance.
11. Refrain from carrying the saw with a finger on the trigger switch to prevent accidental start-ups.
12. Do not initiate cutting without first inspecting the materials for any obstructions or foreign objects, such as nails, screws, or staples.
13. Never attempt to twist the saw blade while cutting, as it can cause binding and kickback.
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8. Use the appropriate fuel type recommended by the manufacturer.
9. Remove any debris or obstructions from around the fuel cap to prevent contamination.
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3. Prior to commencing work, ensure all personnel are briefed on potential hazards and notify all on-site individuals.
4. Follow manufacturers instructions always.
5. Hold a pre-lift meeting to discuss the lift plan, responsibilities, and safety protocols.
6. Ensure all personnel involved in rigging and lifting operations are properly trained and certified.
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9. Maintain clear and continuous communication between all team members during the lift.
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11. Understand the communication plan for signals before assisting with a lift.
12. Be aware of the working load limit of the lifting equipment.
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21. Use tag lines to help guide and control the load during lifting and moving operations.

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4. Refrain from cleaning up blood or bodily fluids unless properly trained and equipped with personal protective equipment (PPE).
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7. Follow these steps when cleaning up spilled blood and bodily fluids:
    - Limit access to the spill area.
    - Ensure plastic bags are available for removing contaminated items. Have fresh, dilute bleach or germicide ready.
    - Dispose of any sharps first.
    - Wear disposable, waterproof gloves (e.g., natural rubber latex, neoprene, or nitrile) and additional PPE such as a face shield and gown as a barrier against contact. Refer to the MSDS for glove selection when using a germicide.
    - Cover shoes or boots with disposable, waterproof covers or wear rubber boots.
    - Begin by wiping up visible material with disposable towels or another method that prevents direct contact with blood and certain bodily fluids. Dispose of used materials and towels in waterproof garbage bags.
    - After removing obvious material, consider changing gloves. Decontaminate the area by pouring a fresh bleach solution or an approved germicide over the spill site. Leave the solution on for about 10 minutes.
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    - Clean and decontaminate reusable equipment and supplies. Discard disposable items.
    - Use gloves to remove PPE and dispose of or clean them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
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5. Check that the wheel speed marked on the wheel is equal to or greater than the maximum speed of the grinder.
6. Follow the manufacturer's manual for the safe use of grinder wheel guards.
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8. Ensure the floor around the work area is clean.
9. Keep the power cord away from the grinding wheel and the material being ground.
10. When required, have a hot work permit before use.
11. Make sure the work area is clear of flammable materials and that combustible dust is not allowed to accumulate.
12. The maximum speed in revolutions per minute (RPM) is marked on every wheel. Never exceed this speed

Don't's

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