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Hazards and Risk

Hazard:

• a dangerous condition, either potential or inherent, which can interfere with the expected, orderly progress of a given activity

Risk:

• a measured or calculated chance of exposure to hazard(s) which may or may not result in loss

Both should be managed!



Accidents and Incidents

Accident:

• an *unplanned* and therefore unwanted or undesired event resulting in physical harm and/or property damage

Incident:

• an unplanned event that did not *but could have* resulted in physical harm and/or property damage





Hazard Identification

Hazard Identification



- Acceleration
- Corrosion
- Chemical Replacement
- Fire
- Electrical
 - Shock
 - Thermal
 - Inadvertent Activation
 - Power Source Failure
 - Electromagnetic Radiation

- Contamination
- Chemical Dissociation
- Oxidation (other than air)
- Explosion
- Heat & Temperature
 - High Temperature
 - Low Temperature
 - Temperature Variation
- Leakage

Hazard Identification



- Pressure
 - High
 - Low
 - Rapid Changes
- Moisture
 - High Humidity
 - Low Humidity
- Stress Reversal
- Vibration and Noise
- Toxicity

• Radiation

- Thermal (IR)
- Electromagnetic (RF)
- Ionizing
- Ultraviolet (UV)
- Weather / Environment
- Shock
- Stress Concentration
- Structural Damage or Failure

Hazard Identification



Where to Look for Hazards

Machines
Lifting Equipment
Facility Design
Confined Spaces
Fire Considerations

- Biological
- Ergonomic
- Energy
- Chemicals
- Pressure Vessels
- Electrical

HAZARDS CAN BE ANYWHERE! Who should be looking for them?



Hazard Reduction Measures

- Design Feature
- Safety Device or Feature
- Warning Device
- Procedure and Training

It may require some serious thinking before the best approach is determined



Hazard Identification and Closed-Loop Tracking System • Hazard Identification

- Know your requirements!
- Inspection, Audit & Identification Program
 - Checklists
- Procedures and Training



Hazard Identification and Closed-Loop Tracking System

- Corrective Action Plan
 - Individual and completion date must be assigned
- Must be Closed-Loop



Accidents



Look at past accidents for your first step in Accident Reduction
Were prior hazards adequately resolved?
What work controls were implemented to prevent recurrence, and are they working?



Five Sources of Accidents

- People
- Equipment
- Material
- Procedures
- Work Environment

Note: There are typically multiple sources; rarely does a single source result in an accident





The Domino Effect Failure "here" may cause failure there" • Cause and effect relationship **Five Phases of accident process** • Like dominos falling against one another Management Origins LOSS Symptoms Contact



Accident Investigation What is it?

- A systematic look at the event
- Examination of the risks
- Evaluation of the losses incurred
- An inquiry (who, what, when, where, why, how)

If done right It will result in the <u>control</u> of future <u>loss</u>



Work Planning





- Accidents don't usually happen when people are doing what they usually do
- It is usually something they don't do everyday
 - Different job
 - Different place
 - Different equipment





- Look at how new work is planned It takes two people not doing their jobs to lead to an accident
- Supervisor Inadequate planning and oversight
- Worker Doesn't stop when the work doesn't look like the plan



Work Planning



Incorporate checks for work planning

- PPE
- Required equipment
- Required training
- Other work controls
 - LOTO
 - Confined space
 - Etc.

Work Planning



Job Risk Assessment

- Identify the task
- Break-down the steps
- Assess the risk
 - Too risky implement controls
- Reassess after controls to be sure adequate risk reduction is achieved



Workplace Hazards



Facility Risk Assessment

- List the activities and elements
- Identify the hazards and controls
- Assess the risk
 - Too risky implement more controls
- Reassess after controls to be sure adequate risk reduction is achieved



Facility Layout and Maintenance

•Work area design and layout

• Corners, aisle-ways, work stations, laboratory setup, shop areas, location of hazardous operations

Maintenance and housekeeping

- Trip/slip hazards, clutter, damaged walking or working surfaces
- •Changes in original design or intent
 - Layout changes may create new hazards to workers in the area



Facility Layout and Maintenance

- Illumination
 - Improper lighting for the type of work
- Ventilation
 - Insufficient air exchange or air flow
- Noise
 - Interfere with other work, stress
- Life safety considerations
 - Means of egress



Office Safety Considerations •Furniture, equipment, electrical, bookcases, etc. •Walking / working surfaces Illumination levels Sanitation and refrigeration Emergency egress considerations Housekeeping •Trash, Stock, Up-keep, Fire Concerns, etc.



Machines – Anything Power-Assisted

- Controls
 - Lockout Provisions
- Guards & Interlocks
- Point-of-Operation
- Operator's Manual & Training
 - Beware of "Customary" Operations



Lifting and Elevating Equipment - General

•Cables; chains; ropes; hooks; hasps; slings; shackles; rails; limit switches; lifting beams; related equipment

•Oil systems and hydraulics; fuel systems; electrical systems; warning devices; fail-safe mechanisms

•Maintenance records; proof testing; operator training and certification; procedures; rated loads



Elevated Work Platforms

- Exceeding manufacturer's load limit
- Improper (or no) railings or toe boards
- Slippery floor surfaces
- Out-riggers not functioning / not used
- Defective / poorly maintained equipment
- Fall protection devices not available or not being used



Forklifts

- Exceeding manufacturer's load limit
- Poor or improper maintenance practices
- Personnel riding on forks or load
- Operator not properly trained
- Exceeding posted speed limits
- Operating without authority
- Carrying loads improperly
- Narrow aisle-ways
- Platform / ramp edges



Cranes and Hoists

- Excessive winds
- Insufficient guide ropes
- Working under suspended loads
- Leaving elevated load unattended
- Exceeding rated capacity
- Contacting high voltage lines and cables
- Personnel riding on loads, slings, hooks, etc.
- Dangerous motion, direction, or use of crane



Working in Confined Spaces - General

- Any area, space, or enclosure not designed for continuous occupancy;
- Large enough to enter and perform work;
- Has limited or restricted openings for entry and exit;
- May lack adequate ventilation;
- May contain a hazardous atmosphere;
- May not be safe to enter.



Working in Confined Spaces

- Boilers
- Furnaces
- Degreasers
- Storage tanks
- Test chambers
- Vessels
- Tunnels

- Pits
- Vats
- Sewers
- Underground utility vaults
- Utility access holes
- Aircraft work areas
- Around some spacecraft

Working in Confined Spaces



Classifications

- Class A Permit-Required Confined Space
 - Immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH)
- Class B Permit-Required Confined Space
 - Potential for injury or illness, but not IDLH
- Class C Confined Space
 - Remote potential for injury or illness; no permit required



Fire Protection and Prevention

• General

- Reporting and response procedures
- Construction contracts
- Emergency vehicles, fire lanes
- Fire fighting equipment, sprinklers, alarms, hydrants, extinguishers
- Personnel training and awareness

Fire Protection and Prevention



Fire Hazards - General

- Appliances
- Holiday decorations
- Carpets, curtains, upholstery
- Housekeeping
- Storage cabinets
- Supply and bulk storage
- Smoking policies
- Extension cords

Fire Hazards - Specific

- Welding equipment, other open flame devices
- Flammable and combustible materials
- Outdoor inspections
- Vehicle fueling areas
- Pyrotechnics, explosives
- Life safety issues



Pyrotechnics and Explosives

- Procurement procedures or property transfers
- Shipping and receiving
- Transportation on- and off-site
- Inventory and control use of logbooks
- Occupational exposure monitoring
- Training and certification of personnel



Welding and Other Open Flame Devices

- Operator training and certification
- Welding (or "Hot Work") permits
- Personnel protection
- Fire prevention measures
- Ventilation concerns
- Working in confined spaces
- Electrical hazards (arc welding)
- Open flame (gas welding)



Outdoor Inspections for Fire Hazards

- Excess vegetation
- Debris and refuse collection
- Storage areas and yards
- **Vehicle Fueling Areas**
 - Proper spacing
 - Fire protection measures
 - Procedures enforced



Life Safety Issues

- Means of egress
 - Fire doors
 - Stairwells
 - Corridors
 - Emergency exits
 - Storage areas
- Inspections
 - Building codes
 - NFPA 101



Electrical Safety - General

- National Electrical Code, NFPA 70, 70B, 70E
- Other standards and regulations (local, state, etc.)
- Use of "Listed" or "Labeled" equipment
- Use of Lock-out/Tag-out procedures
- Personnel training and awareness
- Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) usage
- Arc-flash and Shock Hazards

Electrical Hazards



What to Look For:

- Shock hazards
- Fixed equipment
- Safety disconnect
- Dangerous conditions
- Clear working space
- Equipment mounting
- Automatic start equipment
- Extension and power cords

- Arc-flash hazards
- Portable power strips
- Portable tools
- Computers
- Portable power systems
- Temporary wiring
- Unusual or special conditions

Electrical Hazards



Common Appliances

- Radios
- Desk lamps
- Hot plates
- Refrigerators
- Coffee makers
- Television Sets
- Toasters and toaster ovens
- Microwave ovens

- Fans
- Typewriters
- Space heaters
- Adding machines
- Paper shredders, copy machines, fax machines
- Personal computers and peripheral devices

Lockout / Tagout



General

•OSHA 29 CFR 1910.147

•Applies to the control of ALL types of hazardous energy sources

•Lockout:

• To positively hold an energy isolating device in a safe position

•Tagout:

• The use of a tag on an energy isolating device to warn others

Lockout / Tagout



Requirements

•Applies to all employees performing work around machinery where they could be injured by:

- Unexpected start-up of the equipment
- Release of stored energy

•Examples when "LOTO" should be used include:

- A guard must be removed or a safety interlock by-passed
- Repairing electrical circuits
- Cleaning or oiling machinery that normally has moving parts
- Clearing a jammed mechanism

Lockout / Tagout



Requirements

•Only the person who applied the lock/tag can remove it

- Supervisor, with concurrence from Safety & Health representative
- •Training
 - Proper methods of applying LOTO
 - Periodic re-training (semi-annual, annual, etc.)
 - Only those trained can use locks and tags
- •Employee Responsibilities
 - Must understand the LOTO program
 - NEVER interfere with a lock or tag



Pressure Vessel Hazards - General

- ASME design specifications
 - Includes piping
- ANSI requirements
- Compressed Gas Association
- Local or State codes and standards
- Safety factors
- Labels and placards



Pressure Vessel Hazards

•Design

• Safety factors; MAWP; Supports (for horizontal and vertical vessels); Hydraulic systems (hydraulic shock)

Components

• Relief valves; Redundancies; identification plates; Testing; Gauges; Piping and tubing; Flexible hoses



Pressure Vessel Hazards

- Compressed Gas Cylinders
 - Proper handling, use, and storage practices
 - Maintenance and certifications
 - Leaking and defective containers
- Cryogenic Systems
 - Hazards of cold temperatures
 - Pressure relief devices
 - System compatibility requirements

Hazard Identification and Control



System Safety Techniques

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Definition of System Safety:

"A sub-discipline of systems engineering that applies scientific, engineering, and management principles to ensure adequate safety, the timely identification of hazard risk, and initiation of actions to prevent or control those hazards throughout the life cycle and within constraints of operational effectiveness, time, and cost."

System Safety Techniques



THE SAFETY PROFESSIONAL MUST <u>ASSESS</u> THE RISK OF HAZARD EXPOSURE AND <u>DETERMINE</u> THE PRACTICAL METHODS TO BEST ELIMINATE OR <u>REDUCE THAT RISK</u> TO THE LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVELS

THIS IS THE ESSENCE OF SYSTEM SAFETY

System Safety Techniques



System Safety Concepts

•A forward-looking process that considers how:

- Human resources (people)
- Operating equipment (parts or hardware/tools)
- Facilities (positions or location in plant or factory)
- Operating procedures *(paper or written instructions)* Affect the performance or the job/task in the WORK ENVIRONMENT



System Safety Criteria

•Hazard severity:

- A categorical description of hazard level
- Based on real/perceived potential for causing harm/damage

•Hazard probability:

- The calculated likelihood that a condition(s) will exist
- •Can be Qualitative or Quantitative



DESCRIPTION	SEVERITY CATEGORY	MISHAP DEFINITION	
CATASTROPHIC	Ι	DEATH OR SYSTEM LOSS	
CRITICAL	Π	SEVERE INJURY, ILLNESS, OR SYSTEM DAMAGE	
MARGINAL	III	MINOR INJURY, ILLNESS, OR SYSTEM DAMAGE	
NEGLIGIBLE	IV	LESS THAN MINOR INJURY, ILLNESS, OR SYSTEM DAMAGE	



DESCRIPTION	PROBABILITY LEVEL	MISHAP DEFINITION	
FREQUENT	Α	LIKELY TO OCCUR FREQUENTLY	
PROBABLE	В	WILL OCCUR SEVERAL TIMES DURING ITEM LIFE	
OCCASIONAL	С	LIKELY TO OCCUR SOME- TIME DURING ITEM LIFE	
REMOTE	D	UNLIKELY, MAY POSSIBLY OCCUR DURING ITEM LIFE	
IMPROBABLE	E	SO UNLIKELY, IT CAN BE ASSUMED THAT HAZARD WILL NOT OCCUR	



System Safety Techniques The Hazard Matrix

- A recommended tool to assess & understand hazard risk
- Combines severity and probability into single rating
- Establishes Risk Assessment Code ("RAC")

	HAZARD CATEGORIES				
PROBABILITY	I	II	III	IV	
LEVEL	Catastrophic	Critical	Marginal	Negligible	
A - Frequent	1A	2A	3A	4A	
B - Probable	1B	2B	3B	4B	
C - Occasional	1C	2C	3C	4C	
D - Remote	1D	2D	3D	4D	
E - Improbable	1E	2E	3E	4E	

HAZARD RISK INDEX

<u>Risk Classification</u> 1A, 1B, 1C, 2A, 2B, 3A 1D, 2C, 2D, 3B, 3C 1E, 2E, 3D, 3E, 4A, 4B 4C, 4D, 4E Risk Criteria Unacceptable Undesirable Acceptable, with review Acceptable, without review



10⁻³ PROBABILITY OF LOSS 10⁻⁶ HAZARD PROBABILITY



Precedence for Reduction of a Hazard What do you do if a risk is unacceptable?

- 1. Design feature
- 2. Safety device
- 3. Warning devices
- 4. Procedures and training



- 1. Line Safety Program
- 2. Management Commitment and Buy-in
- 3. Hazard Identification, Reporting, and Tracking
- 4. Life-Cycle Phases and Hazard Analyses
- 5. Hazard Risk Management and Acceptance

Hazard Identification and Control



Analytical Techniques

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- Checklist
- Job Safety Analysis
- Management Oversight & Risk Tree (MORT)
- HAZOP
- What-if

Analytical Techniques



- Fault Tree
- Failure Modes & Effects or Fault Hazard
- Operating & Support
- Preliminary Hazard Analysis
- Sneak Circuit
- Energy Analysis