



Toolbox Talk

Topic: Electrical Safety Assessments

Onsite electrical is always important to maintain through diligence, keeping an eye out for electrical safety hazards and inspecting job sites for electrical safety exposures — all of which can help reduce workplace injuries.

During job site safety assessments, common electrical safety hazards include:

- Damaged extension cords
- Extension cord plugs with missing grounding pins
- Non-construction grade extension cords
- Spliced extension cords
- Extension cords passing through wall openings or doorways
- Improperly grounded equipment
- Power outlets without GFCIs
- Damaged cords on power tools
- Overhead power lines without sleeves

Eliminate electrical injuries by:

- Inspecting all tools before use
- Never using a scaffold or lift within 10 feet of an overhead powerline
- Never using electrical tools in the rain
- Using GFCIs
- Replacing junction box covers and covering circuit panels
- Using barriers and insulating equipment when you must work around hot equipment

It is also important to inspect personal protective equipment used to protect employees from electrical shock. Equipment determined to be damaged should be discarded immediately.

Prompt a group discussion by asking the crew to identify exposures they try to avoid when on site.



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