Accident Prevention and Control

Overview
This talk will cover: causes, costs and prevention of accidents.

Causes of Accidents
1. People not thinking about what they are doing.
2. People not following instructions.
3. People not following training they’ve been given.
4. Unsafe manual handling, loading, stacking and storing.
5. Overloading of working places, scaffolding and hoists etc.
6. Incorrect use of plant and machinery.
7. Use of faulty equipment with improvised repairs.
8. Illegal removal of guards and barriers.
9. Failure to use protective safety equipment.
10. Ignoring safety signals, signs and warning devices.

The Cost of accidents to you
1. Pain, suffering and continuing disability.
2. Loss of earnings and extra expense due to disability.
3. Incapacity for the job and your leisure activities.
4. Unable to support family and possible family break – up.

Accident Prevention
1. Don’t remove guards from machines.
2. Don’t handle substances without knowing the hazards.
3. Don’t use any machines if not trained and follow instructions.
4. Always comply with safe working practices.
5. Wear and use PPE correctly, don’t abuse it.
6. Don’t direct compressed air at yourself or others, it kills.
7. Never mess around while working.
8. Never use defective equipment or machinery.
9. Help to keep the workplace clean.
10. Wash and dry hands to remove substances from skin.
11. Report unsafe conditions to your supervisor.
12. Use correct tools and equipment for the job.
13. Obey all safety rules and signs.
14. Don’t leave tools lying about where they can fall onto to someone below.

Do you have any questions for me?

Note to Supervisor: Now inform your workforce of the company policy regarding manual handling.

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REMEMBER: IT IS YOUR LEGAL OBLIGATION TO WORK SAFELY AND TO REPORT ACCIDENTS
NOTE: Failure to comply with safety instructions and RAMS may result in disciplinary actions

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By signing this register you are confirming that you attended the toolbox talk and understand the requirements for safe lifting and carrying operations