Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members





Falls Safety Message

With predictable regularity, falls continue to be a leading cause of accidents and deaths on the job. Falls include those on the same level (floor, ground), as well as from one level to another (stairs, ladders, roof, etcetera).

They can be caused by either or both of two reasons - an unsafe action of an individual (hurrying, overreaching, improper use of equipment, etc.) or unsafe condition of the situation (poor housekeeping, unguarded opening, surface condition, etcetera).

Good footing is the best way to avoid falls and good housekeeping is the best way to ensure good footing. Cover, guard, or mark spills, potholes, and floor openings. Protect them with warning cones, guardrails, or toeboards. Makeshift ladders or incorrect ladder selection can cause falls. Failure to maintain 3 points of contact !!!