

May 2017



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Marc Blaushild,
Famous Enterprises

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Work to Recovery: The Return to Work Process

Black Belt for Safety with Dan Nicol

Dan Nicol holds a Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt certification from Kent State, and is a manufacturing industry professional with a generation of experience. He instituted Industry Consulting Enterprise (ICE), Inc., a Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB – CVE) in January 2015. He received his Master of Science degree from the University of Southern California, and his Bachelor of Arts degree from Capital University.

Dan draws from thirty-four years of manufacturing operations management experience in diverse industries. He most recently served as Quality Control and Safety Manager for three years and previously as Director of Manufacturing for four years at Marlite, Inc. of Dover, Ohio. Dan has also held top management positions in Northeast Ohio as Director of Manufacturing for Sharon Stairs in Akron, Director of Production & Inventory Control for Hendrickson Trailer Suspension Systems in Canton, and Vice President of Materials Management for U.S. Ceramic Tile\ Laufen in East Sparta.

Before initiating his business career, Dan served for five and one-half years as a U.S. Air Force officer.

What is Lean/Six Sigma? Lean is the foe of Waste (Muda), specifically any human activity which absorbs resources, but creates no value.

Five principles summarize Lean:

- Specify value by specific product
- Identify the value stream for each product
- Make value flow without interruptions
- Let the customer pull value from the producer
- Pursue perfection



May Spotlight



Top Tips for a Safe Summer

Keep your family safe this summer by following these tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

Fireworks can result in severe burns, blindness, scars, and even death. Even fireworks that are often thought to be safe, such as sparklers, can reach temperatures above 1000 degrees.

- Attend community fireworks displays run by professionals rather than using fireworks at home.

Bugs can be more than a nuisance – they can also carry diseases such as Lyme Disease, Zika and West Nile Disease.

- Avoid areas where insects nest or congregate, like stagnant pools of water, uncovered foods and flowers in bloom. Eliminate stagnant water, such as bird baths or ponds, in your yard. Check that your window screens are tightly fitted and repair any holes to keep bugs out of the house.

- Avoid dressing your child in clothing with bright colors or flowery prints. Also, avoid floral scented personal care products.
- Combination sunscreen/insect repellent products should be avoided. Sunscreen needs to be reapplied every two hours, but the insect repellent should not be reapplied.
- When using insect repellent, follow the directions closely, especially when using on young children. Children should wash off repellents when they return indoors.

Playgrounds should be inspected before use. Safe playgrounds have safety mats or materials (shredded rubber, sand, wood chips, or bark) at least 6 feet in all directions from equipment.

- Make sure children cannot reach any moving parts that might pinch or trap body parts.

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Ask Robin

Q: When UPS, FEDEX, or any other Trucking Company makes a delivery or picks up a shipment, do they need to wear safety glasses if they enter our plant?

The Drivers come to our shipping/receiving area, they walk through a man door, there is a bell to ring about 6 feet from the door, and one of our shipping/receiving clerks takes care of them. UPS and FEDEX must walk through our plant to an area we designated as the drop off, about 40 feet from a man door to the shelving area. They walk through our maintenance area. I asked the UPS driver, and he said this is not an issue anywhere else he goes. I called UPS, and they said they do not issue safety glasses to their drivers. What do you recommend?

A: I recommend following your policy. If your employees are required to wear safety glasses and any other PPE when in your plant, then it would be no different for any driver or contractor. It's your plant regardless of who enters it – meaning that you get to enforce your policy for all entrants.

A thought would be to purchase extra safety glasses and keep them in a box by the door where the drivers enter and request they wear them whenever they enter your plant. Ask yourself:

1. Could a UPS/FEDEX/Contractor get an eye injury by walking through your plant?
2. What would make someone exempt from wearing PPE in your plant?
3. What is the message being sent to the other employees if only certain individuals, (including visitors) didn't have to follow the policy?

- Make sure your children remove helmets and anything looped around their necks.
- Metal, rubber and plastic products can all get very hot in the sun. Make sure slides are cool to prevent children's legs from getting burned.
- Do not allow children to play barefoot on the playground.

Lawn mowers are responsible for thousands of injuries annually. Never allow children younger than 16 to use ride-on mowers. Children younger than 12 years should not use walk-behind mowers.

- Wear sturdy shoes and hearing and eye protection while mowing.
- Always turn off the mower and wait for the blades to stop completely before removing the grass catcher, unclogging the discharge chute, or crossing gravel paths.
- Do not allow children to ride as passengers on ride-on mowers. Keep children out of the yard.
- Drive up and down slopes, not across to prevent mower rollover.

Remember, safety first is not just a saying – it is a way of life!

SAFE WORKPLACE



SOUND BUSINESS

Join OSHA for the Inaugural Safe + Sound Week!

What Is Safe + Sound Week? A nationwide event to raise awareness and understanding of the value of safety and health programs that include management leadership, worker participation, and a systematic approach to finding and fixing hazards in workplaces.

Why Participate? Safe workplaces are sound businesses. Successful safety and health programs can proactively identify and manage workplace hazards before they cause injury or illness, improving sustainability and the bottom line. Participating in Safe + Sound Week can help get your program started or energize an existing one.

Who Is Encouraged to Participate? Organizations of any size or in any industry looking for an opportunity to show their commitment to safety to workers, customers, the public, or supply chain partners should participate.

Participating in Safe + Sound Week is easy. To get started, select the activities you would like to do at your workplace. Examples of potential activities and tools to help you plan and promote your events are available on OSHA's Safe + Sound website. After you've completed your events, you can download a certificate and web badge to recognize your organization and your workers.

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