

July 2017



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**Upcoming Dates:**

July 28 –  
August 13, 2017  
2017 Greater Alliance  
Carnation Festival

August 24, 2017  
One Step At A Time:  
The Life of a Worker's  
Compensation Claim Explained

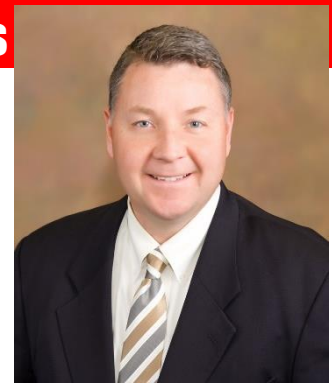
September 22, 2017  
Work to Recovery:  
The Return to Work Process

October 26, 2017  
Kick the Habit: Smoking  
Cessation Program  
Options

**Just the Facts: Conducting Successful Accident Investigations**

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- The Ohio State University School of Law, J.D., with honors, 1991
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Professional Experience:

- Represents small and medium size corporations, including health care practices, manufacturing companies and professional service firms
- Supervises and manages major litigation for clients
- Serves on numerous advisory boards

Education:

- The Ohio State University, B.A. in Political Science, 1987

July Spotlight



**The Eastern Stark County Safety Council Says Goodbye to One of Our Own**



Thank you, John!

With the start of the 2017-2018 safety council year comes a big change to the ESCSC Steering Committee: John Miller, a founding member of our council, retires. John previously retired from the Whitacre Greer Company where he served as Engineering/Environment, Health and Safety Manager for more than a decade.

John made immeasurable impacts on both Whitacre Greer and our safety council, including editing our newsletter for many years. We wish John the best as he celebrates his "second" (and final) retirement and time with his grandkids!

**You Have Big Shoes to Fill...**

We are accepting applications for Steering Committee Members! We are looking for health and safety professional willing to go the extra mile and work as a member of our team on:

- Programing
- Marketing
- Community Outreach
- Member services

Talk with a current Steering Committee member for more information!

# Ask Robin

**Q:** What options do I have to secure a guard to a machine?

**A:** You are required to attach guards to machines with bolts, screws, allen screws or other similar means requiring a tool to remove them. Your other option is to install electrical interlocks which will cause the machine not to run if the guards are removed. The availability of this option is dependent on the type of equipment and controls that are in place. Keep in mind that your guard must not allow employees to reach around, under, over, or through the guard to access the hazard. For more information, please see OSHA 29 CFR 1910.212 and ANSI B11.19 - Performance Requirements for Safeguarding.

Please contact your local BWC safety consultant if you are unsure if your machine is guarded properly; (s)he can perform a machine guarding assessment and offer recommendations to protect your employees from equipment hazards.

## OSHA Fork Lift Safety Checklist

**ENGINE OFF CHECKS**  
MAKE SURE TO CHECK THESE THINGS WHEN THE ENGINE IS OFF AS A VISUAL CHECK

**THINGS TO LOOK AT**

- TIRES**  
CONDITION AND PRESSURE
- LEAKS**  
FUEL, HYDRAULIC OIL, ENGINE OIL, RADIATOR COOLANT
- OIL LEVELS**
- BATTERY**

**IS THE FORKLIFT READY TO DRIVE?**

- DOES IT HAVE THE ATTACHED NAME PLATE WITH THE MODEL, SERIAL NUMBER AND ATTACHMENTS?
- IS THE MANUAL IN THE CONTAINER ALONG WITH THE SAFETY WARNINGS?
- ARE THERE FINGER GUARDS?
- IS THERE A SAFE PATH? IS THERE OBSTRUCTING THE OVERHEAD OR THE FLOOR?

**ENGINE ON CHECKS**  
IF THERE ARE ANY UNUSUAL NOISES MAKE SURE YOU GET THOSE CHECKED IMMEDIATELY

- BRAKES**
- STEERING**
- GAUGES**

**WHAT SHOULD AN OPERATOR CHECK DURING THE VISUAL PRE-USE CHECK?**

**GENERAL CONDITION AND CLEANLINESS**

- FLOOR**  
CLEAR OF OBJECTS THAT COULD CAUSE AN ACCIDENT.
- OVERHEAD**  
NO OBSTRUCTIONS---INTERFERING WITH SAFE FORKLIFT USAGE.
- NEARBY OBJECTS TO AVOID AS YOU DRIVE AWAY.**
- FIRE EXTINGUISHER**  
PRESENT AND CHARGED.
- ENGINE OIL LEVEL, FUEL LEVEL, RADIATOR WATER LEVEL**
- BOLTS, NUTS, GUARDS, CHAINS, OR HYDRAULIC HOSE REELS NOT DAMAGED, MISSING OR LOOSE.**
- WHEELS AND TIRES**  
CHECK FOR WEAR, DAMAGE, AND AIR PRESSURE, IF PNEUMATIC TIRES.
- FORKS**  
FORKS NOT BENT; NO CRACKS PRESENT; CARRIAGE TEETH NOT BROKEN, OR WORN.
- CHAIN ANCHOR PINS**  
NOT WORN, LOOSE OR BENT.
- FLUID LEAKS**  
NO DAMP SPOTS OR DRIPS.
- HOSES**  
HELD SECURELY; NOT LOOSE, CRIMPED, WORN OR RUBBING.
- HORN**  
WORKING LOUD ENOUGH TO BE HEARD IN WORKING ENVIRONMENT.
- SEATBELT/OPERATOR RESTRAINT DEVICE**  
ANCHORS, BUCKLES, ETC. FUNCTION PROPERLY.
- OVERHEAD GUARD**  
NO DAMAGED AREAS.
- BATTERY**  
FULLY CHARGED; NO EXPOSED WIRES; PLUG CONNECTIONS NOT LOOSE, WORN OR DIRTY; VENT CAPS NOT CLOGGED; SECURED IN PLACE BY HOLD DOWNS OR BRACKETS.

**WHAT SHOULD AN OPERATOR CHECK DURING THE OPERATIONAL PRE-USE CHECK?**

- FOOT BRAKE**  
PEDAL HOLDS, UNIT STOPS SMOOTHLY.
- PARKING BRAKE**  
HOLDS AGAINST SLIGHT ACCELERATION.
- LIFT MECHANISM**  
OPERATES SMOOTHLY (CHECK BY RAISING FORKS TO MAX HEIGHT THEN LOWERING FORKS).
- DEADMAN SEAT BRAKE**  
HOLDS WHEN OPERATOR RISES FROM SEAT.
- CLUTCH AND GEARSHIFT**  
SHIFTS SMOOTHLY WITH NO JUMPING OR JERKING.
- DASH CONTROL PANEL**  
ALL LIGHTS AND GAUGES ARE OPERATIONAL.
- STEERING**  
MOVES SMOOTHLY.
- CYLINDERS AND HOSES**  
NOT LEAKING AFTER ABOVE CHECKS.
- LISTEN FOR ANY UNUSUAL SOUNDS OR NOISES.**

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