

BUILD A SAFETY CULTURE FIVE EVERYDAY STEPS



Forklift safety is everyone's responsibility, every day. Review these practical steps to begin building a safety culture within your organization.

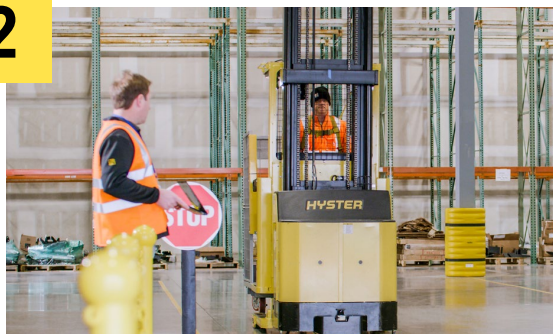
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Set up visual reminders

Signage and floor markings can be used to indicate risk awareness or best practices, such as denoting pedestrian-only paths and establishing traffic controls for forklift operators. Make sure that employees have a clear understanding of all symbols and colors used.

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Establish and reinforce operator and pedestrian awareness protocols

For pedestrians, a simple step is to keep two feet of distance from a stopped forklift. For operators, best practices include making direct eye contact with pedestrians, along with slowing down, sounding the horn and cautiously approaching blind spots like intersections.

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Monitor training and operator certifications

Employees should only have access to operate a forklift if they have a current certification for that specific model at that work site.

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Inspect equipment for condition and maintenance

Whether paper-based or digitized, OSHA requires daily pre-shift inspections to help identify and resolve any problems before operating material handling equipment. These include examining fluid levels and fork condition, checking for leaks and environmental hazards, and testing controls and awareness aids.

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Help protect hygiene with sanitization measures

Some procedures adopted during the COVID-19 pandemic can continue to provide value by helping mitigate the spread of illnesses like colds and the flu. Be sure to establish proper disinfecting protocols and provide supplies to support sanitization efforts.

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