

Working safely with mobile equipment

Excavators, dump trucks, and other mobile equipment play key roles on many construction sites. However, mobile equipment can pose a risk to nearby workers, especially when the operator cannot see them. By following the safe work practices listed below, you can help reduce the risk of injury when working with mobile equipment.

Safe work practices

Operators

- Ensure that workers are clear of the equipment before operating it.
- When operating mobile equipment, carry the load no higher than necessary to avoid limiting your vision.
- Avoid using cell phones while operating mobile equipment.

Nearby workers

- Before starting work, ensure that you are aware of all mobile equipment operating in and around the site.
- Wear high visibility apparel when working with or near mobile equipment.
- Do not take shortcuts across areas where mobile equipment is working.
- Keep in eye contact with the operator when working near moving machinery or equipment.
- If you use a cell phone, be aware that it can distract your attention from hearing or seeing mobile equipment as it moves around the site.



Lastly, remember that working safely in and around mobile equipment is a shared responsibility between both the operator and workers on the ground. Never assume you have the right of way.

Project: _____ Address: _____

Employer: _____ Supervisor: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ Shift: _____

Number in crew: _____ Number attending: _____

Other safety issues or suggestions made by crew members:

Record of those attending:

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Manager's remarks: _____

Manager: _____ Supervisor: _____

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