

FIRE PREVENTION POLICY

OSHA requires that each job site have a fire prevention plan and such plan should include these items:

- Access to all firefighting equipment should be maintained at all times.
- All firefighting equipment should be conspicuously located and maintained.
- Provide adequately trained staff for fire protection.
- Portable fire extinguishers are required on all job sites.
- Fire emergency reporting numbers should be prominently posted.
- Flammable and combustible liquids should be stored and dispensed properly.
- LP gas fired equipment should be used safely and LP stored in accordance with regulations.

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FIRE SAFETY TIPS

Fires on construction sites cause major property loss and can be deadly. Consider these tips for fire safety.



DURING OPERATIONS

- Be aware of fuel sources on the job site. Accumulations of grass, brush or trash under the equipment can be ignited by the engine or exhaust.
- During daily equipment inspections note any leaks or seepage from hoses or fittings.
- Only refuel equipment that is turned off and cool. Spilled fuel can be ignited by hot surfaces.
- Keep the equipment clean. Excessive build up of dirt can cause higher temperatures and increased wear on components.
- Maintain fire extinguishers and fire suppression systems in accordance with NFPA recommendations.
- Protect against arson and vandalism by locking all engine compartment covers and fuel supplies.
- Keep equipment away from open fires or hot work that could be an ignition source.
- Replace hydraulic hoses at the first sign of wear or leakage.

STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE

- Maintain storage yards to reduce accumulation of grass, trash or brush that could allow a fire to spread.
- Maintain fueling areas in accordance with NFPA requirements for safety.
- Enforce a no smoking rule in maintenance areas. The presence of combustible fuels, oils and fluids are a fire hazard.
- Safely store and dispense flammable liquids in the shop.
- Maintain electrical and heating systems in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.
- Control hazards of cutting and welding using a hot work program or permit system.
- Maintain fire suppression systems and fire extinguishers in accordance with NFPA standards.
- Install a fire detection and burglar alarm system that is monitored by a UL listed central station.

WORK WITH PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES

- Provide site plans for developments and job sites to indicate fire department access points for your job sites.
- Verify the identity of the responding fire department and make sure they have the correct address information for your site.
- Identify new street names on plans and verify that local police and fire departments have this information.
- Maintain a 24 hour contact number so law enforcement or fire department can reach you in an emergency or to confirm after hours site access.
- Request additional patrols and discuss who has after-hours access and authorization with local police.
- Request a pre plan walk through by the local fire department to assure they are familiar with your operations.