

Operator Safety 1 ROADWAY SAFETY

How Can Operators Stay Safe?

Unload, operate equipment only if qualified.

Equipment operation

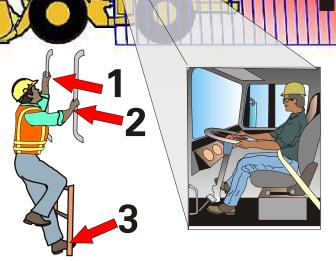
Before starting equipment, do a walk around inspection

Test back up alarm, other safety devices

- Locate and test all controls
- Know equipment blind spots, swing radius
- Use equipment seatbelts

Entering and exiting equipment

- Use 3 points of contact to prevent falls
- Look for other moving equipment, vehicles
- Wipe up all grease and fluids on equipment walking/working surfaces











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What Are Other Safety Measures?

Stay alert and aware of the hazards.

Equipment maintenance/repair

Report all repair needs to your supervisor

 Always lock out and tag out equipment that cannot be safely operated

General safety

- Use personal protective equipment (PPE) supplied/required by your employer
- Never use cell phones, AM/FM radios, or CD players while operating equipment
- Safely secure equipment before using employer-provided hand-held cell phones or walkie-talkies
- Secure unattended equipment
- Lock-out, tag-out before maintenance, set parking brake, chock wheels, block dump truck bed

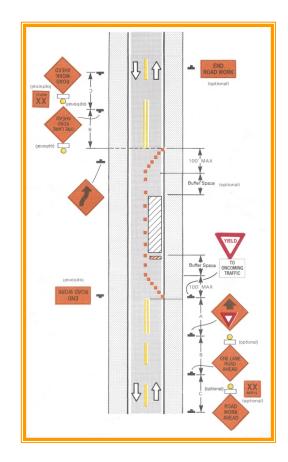
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How Can We Be Safe in the Work Zone?

The operator has special responsibilities.

Know the job

- Know the work zone and your position in it
- Know the internal traffic control plan
- Use designated equipment routes and areas
- Identify rollover hazards such as unleveled areas, embankments, unstable soil
- If you must move cones or barricades, return them to the original positions as soon as possible





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How Can We Protect Other Workers?

Always keep other workers in mind.

On the worksite

- Know the locations of other workers around you at all times
- Set up a means of communication with workers around you such as flaggers, grade checkers
- Never allow other workers to ride on equipment
- Where possible, provide barriers between workers and equipment
- Avoid excessive speeds and dangers caused by hills, obstacles, curves

