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SUBPART A - PURPOSE

The purpose of this procedure is to ensure that precautions are taken to prevent undue risk to employees that are working with or around concrete and wood work (carpentry) while on jobsites or locations.


SUBPART B - SCOPE

Where the local plant's procedures require additional action / steps, they will become part of this procedure for the duration of the work at that site.

SUBPART C - POLICY

When installing galvanized mesh the following procedures will be followed:

1. Always bend down all tie-wire ends.
2. Hold cutters away from you when cutting off short ends.
3. Use good communication among workers.
4. Brace/use wood chocks to prevent mesh from collapsing.
5. Employees shall not be permitted to work above or around vertically protruding reinforced rebar or steel unless the ends have been capped or protected to eliminate the hazard of impalement. (Rebar caps, Wood caps, etc.)

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6. Handles of bull floats that are used around energized electrical equipment shall be constructed of a non-conductive material or insulated with a non-conductive material. This is to reduce the possible hazard of electrocution should the handle come in contact with the energized electrical equipment.

7. Powered and rotating type concrete troweling machines that are manually guided shall be equipped with a control switch that will automatically shut off the power whenever the operator removes his hands from the equipment handles.

8. Concrete pumping systems or similar systems using discharge pipes shall be provided with pipe supports designed for 100% overload.

9. Riding on concrete buckets or on any other equipment not designed to carry personnel is prohibited. Employees (vibrator crews) shall be kept out from under concrete buckets suspended from cranes.

10. Concrete forms shall be stripped promptly and stacked neatly. All nails and other protruding hazardous objects shall be removed to eliminate the possibility of puncture wounds.

When pouring or mixing concrete the following precautions will be followed:

1. Employees will wear shirts with sleeves down and buttoned when pouring concrete or fireproofing.


2. Employees will wear steel toed rubber boots when required to walk in concrete.

3. Employees will wash concrete off immediately if any gets into their boots.

4. All forms shall be designed, fabricated, erected, and supported so that it will be capable of supporting all vertical and lateral loads without failure.

5. If a mixer is used, all personnel must be trained in the safe operation of the machine.

6. Employees that are assigned or use a Hilti or Ram-Set gun shall be trained in the safe operation of the tools.

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SUBPART D - RESPONSIBILITY

It shall be the responsibility of the site supervisor, foreman, or leader man to ensure that all procedures are followed correctly to reduce the potential hazards associated with concrete and wood work on jobsites or locations.

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