

Safety First Message

Week of: September 17, 2023 – September 23, 2023



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Summary

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Incidents Submitted for Investigation	7
Potential Hazards Reported	Unstable Pallet, Box within racking, Liquid spill, Damaged crossbeam, Missing stop sign, Missing safety mesh
BBS Observations	DC30 = Reporting Error DC17 = Reporting Error
Hazard ID/Near Miss	DC30 = 15/5 DC17 = 0/0

Warehouse Safety: Safety Basics



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Ways to Ensure Pedestrian Safety

- **Painting pedestrian safe walkways**
- **Forklift/pedestrian safety gates**
- **Guardrail systems, barriers, barricades**
- **Motion detectors, lights & alarms**
- **Aisle lighting**
- **Signage**

Safety Talking Points [Pedestrian Safety]

How to be a Safe Pedestrian

DO

- Always use the pedestrian walkway
- Obey traffic rules
- Follow signs
- Stay alert
- Make eye contact with the driver



DO NOT

- Assume you have the right-of-way
- Cross areas pedestrians are not permitted
- Just assume the driver can see you



Warehouse Safety: Pedestrian Walkways



Sunday	Pedestrian safety is a major concern for anyone who works in a warehouse. Pedestrians want to feel seen and safe when walking through these areas.
Monday	Anytime pedestrians and equipment operators share the same workspace there will be potential for injuries. Forklift operators always need to be aware of their surroundings. Pedestrians need to always be on the lookout for forklift traffic as well.
Tuesday	One way that warehouse safety can overcome these challenges is by installing impact barriers or guard rails to create separate walkways for pedestrians.
Wednesday	Barriers such as the traffic shields are designed to absorb the impact from forklifts and other mobile equipment. They offer a safe and effective way to reduce the accidents and injuries associated with forklifts and pedestrians in a warehouse setting.
Thursday	Aisles and passageways shall be kept clear and in good repair, with no obstruction across or in aisles that could create a hazard as per occupational health & safety act regulations.
Friday	Painted markings and floor tape can both fade over time. Especially if they are constantly being driven over by forklifts and other equipment. Make sure the markings for your warehouse aisles and passageways are clearly visible.
Saturday	Pedestrians are some of the most vulnerable employees in a warehouse setting simply because in a physical battle between man vs. machine, the machine is going to win