

# LIFE-SAVING RULES

#### STAR

#### STAR-Stop, Think, Act, Review



- I take time to review the task I am about to undertake before starting
- I understand that I am empowered to stop work if I feel the task I am being asked to perform is unsafe or I am not competent
- I am empowered to approach and stop anyone else who is working unsafely

# **Underground Services**

#### Avoiding danger from underground services



- I ensure all relevant utility plans and drawings have been obtained
- I ensure a comprehensive risk assessment & permit are in place
- I inspect the ground for any visible "scars" or marks from previous excavation work or repairs
- I ensure the CAT and Genny is used to scan the entire work area and continues to be used every 150mm of excavation.

#### Situational Awareness

#### Keep yourself and others out of the line of fire

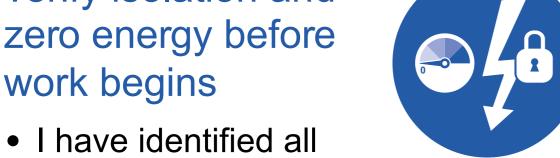


- I check my immediate 3m area, I then check my secondary 10m area to ensure I am safe
- I position myself to avoid:
  - vehicles
  - pressure releases
  - dropped objects
  - hidden services
- I verbalise critical safety tasks as I undertake them

# Energy Isolation

#### Verify isolation and zero energy before work begins

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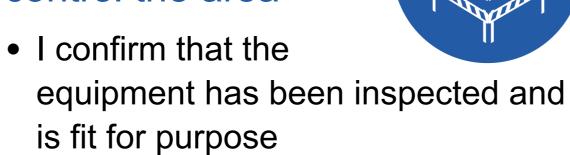
below ground • I am authorised & competent to

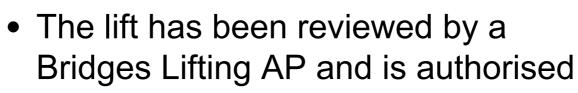
energy sources, both above and

- I confirm that hazardous energy sources have been isolated, locked, proven, and tagged
- I have checked there is zero energy and tested for residual or stored energy

# Mechanical Lifting

#### Plan lifting operations and control the area





- I only operate equipment that I am qualified to use
- I establish and obey barriers and exclusion zones
- I never walk under a suspended load

# Working at Height

## Protect yourself against a fall when working at height



- I inspect my fall protection equipment before use
- I secure tools and work materials to prevent dropped objects
- I tie off 100% to approved anchor points while outside a protected area
- I only use appropriately designed equipment for working at height

## Confined Space

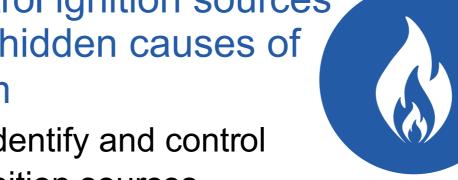
## Obtain authorisation before entering a confined space



- I confirm energy sources are isolated
- I confirm the atmosphere has been tested and is monitored
- I check and use my breathing apparatus when required
- I confirm there is an attendant standing by
- I confirm a rescue plan is in place
- I obtain authorisation to enter

# Sources of Ignition or Harm

#### **Control** ignition sources and hidden causes of harm



- I identify and control ignition sources
- Before starting any hot work:
  - I confirm flammable material has been removed or isolated
  - I am not in a hazardous area
  - I obtain authorisation
- I follow safe excavation (breaking ground) procedures & identify all hidden services
- I have a valid permit in place

## Driving

#### Follow safe driving rules



- I always wear a seatbelt
- I do not exceed the speed limit, and reduce my speed for road conditions
- I do not make calls or operate devices while driving
- I am fit, rested and fully alert while driving
- I check my vehicle particularly tyres and lights before starting my journey

#### **Further Information**

For further information on managing the above and other workplace hazards, please consult Bridges Essential Standards, Electrical & Mechanical Safety Rules or discuss with a member of the SHEQ Team Additional information is available on the Bridges Health & Safety Intranet