# **Life Saving Rules: Hazardous Machinery**

# Why?

These rules will ensure that employees are not exposed to any hazard from such machines during the various operating conditions.

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#### What?

- ✓ Only operate machines and operating conditions that I am qualified for.
- ✓ Respect all safety devices and engineering controls.
- ✓ Stop machines if unsafe conditions to continue a safe operation are identified and report them.
- ✓ Always follow the job safety procedures.
- ✓ Stay away from and never reach into moving parts (line of fire).
- ✓ Obtain authorization before disabling or overriding a safety device.
- ✓ I will not take a shortcut when conducting work at the machine.
- ✓ If I am unsure of the requirements I will stop work immediately and contact my supervisor.



# **Questions**

# **Open-ended questions**

- Who has the authority to shutdown a machine if there is exposure to a hazard?
- What are some examples of when to shutdown a machine?
- What could happen if a safety device is bypassed or disabled?

## **Experience-based questions**

- Have you ever seen or heard of an incident where someone ignored machine safety rules? What happened?
- Have you ever had to stop a machine because something seemed unsafe? What led you to that decision?
- Can you share a time when a safety device prevented an accident?





## What would you do?-questions

- If you notice that a safety guard has been removed from a machine, but the machine is still in use, what should you do?
- A co-worker is reaching into a machine while it's still running to remove a jam. How would you intervene?
- If you are asked to operate a machine you have not been trained on, how should you handle the situation?

## **Spot the improvement-questions**

- Are there any machines in our workplace that could be made safer? What improvements would help?
- How can we ensure that all employees are fully aware of machine hazards before operating equipment?
- What changes could be made to make it easier for people to report unsafe machine conditions?



