

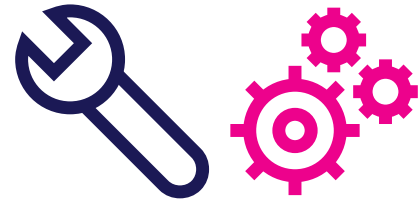
Tool Safety: Tool Maintenance

Why?

The purpose of this talk is to emphasize the importance of keeping hand tools in good condition to prevent accidents and injuries in the workplace.

What?

- ✓ Inspect and Maintain hand tools in good working condition and ensure damaged tools are removed from service.
- ✓ All guards are in good condition and safety devices are working.
- ✓ Maintain cutting tools so that the cutting edges are sharp by replacing the blades or the tool itself (ex. scissors that become dull).



Questions

Open-ended questions

- What can happen if you use a damaged tool?
- What is the process to remove a tool from service?
- Why are sharp blades important?



Experience-based questions

- Have you ever witnessed or experienced an incident that could have been prevented by ensuring tool maintenance.
- Can you recall a time when you stopped to maintain a tool before use?
- Have you ever felt pressured to use a broken tool or a tool without a guard?



What would you do?-questions

- If you see a co-worker about to use a broken tool- how would you intervene?
- You are about to use a tool that feels off. What steps should you take before proceeding?
- A colleague tells you, "We don't have time to change the blade on the knife." How should you respond?



Spot the improvement-questions

- What are some barriers that prevent people from maintaining tools consistently? How can we address them?
- Are there any tools that you do not know how to maintain? What improvements could help?
- How can we encourage a stronger culture of maintaining tools?

