



# EQUIPMENT SAFETY

## REFERENCE GUIDE



**Before operating any type of machinery**, always refer to the manufacturer's original operating manual to ensure proper safety practices of your specific equipment. Additional precautions may be necessary depending on the equipment.

**Know the rules.** Most job sites have rules governing equipment use and maintenance. Before you start work at a new location, check with your supervisor or safety coordinator. Ask about the rules you will be expected to obey.



## KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF SIGNAL WORDS

### ⚠ DANGER

**DANGER** indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

### ⚠ WARNING

**WARNING** indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

### ⚠ CAUTION

**CAUTION** indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

### NOTICE

**NOTICE** is used to address practices not related to physical injury.

## PROTECT YOURSELF



Wear all personal protective clothing and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) issued to you or called for by job conditions.

## BEFORE YOU DIG

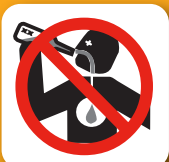


**CALL BEFORE YOU DIG**  
Dial 811 (USA only)  
1-888-258-0808 (USA & Canada)

Before starting any digging project, contact the local One-Call service to have underground utilities located.

## PRACTICE SAFETY IN ALL THESE AREAS

### FOLLOW A SAFETY PROGRAM



DON'T DRINK



DON'T DO DRUGS



KEEP BYSTANDERS AWAY



AVOID SPARKS WHEN FUELING



INSPECT MACHINERY BEFORE WORKDAY



USE THREE-POINT CONTACT



KNOW WORK SITE SIGNALS



FASTEN SEAT BELTS OR RESTRAINTS

### PREPARE AND OPERATE SAFELY



DON'T INHALE EXHAUST FUMES



NEVER PERMIT RIDERS



AVOID PINCH POINTS



UNDERSTAND LOAD CAPACITIES



AVOID ELECTRICAL HAZARDS



KEEP LOADS LEVEL



AVOID DANGER ZONES



AVOID UNSTABLE/UNEVEN TERRAIN

### MAINTENANCE SAFETY



USE LOCK-OUT PROCEDURES



NO SMOKING OR OPEN FLAMES



AVOID FALLS/SLIPPERY SURFACES



USE PROPERLY RATED SUPPORT



AVOID SPARKS NEAR BATTERIES



BEWARE OF INJECTION HAZARDS



BEWARE OF ROTATING PARTS



BEWARE OF PRESSURE HAZARDS

## TYPES OF EQUIPMENT



AERIAL



EARTHMOVING



AGRICULTURE



UTILITY EXCAVATION



ROAD PAVING



COMPACT/PORTABLE



LIFTING



FORESTRY

Practice all usual and customary safe working precautions and remember: Safe operation is up to you!



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