Take 4 Seconds for Safety Stats and Facts

FACTS

1. In most industries people tend to look for “things” to blame when an accident happens, because it’s easier than looking for “root causes,”.
2. Unsafe acts of employees are often known by management and that they are often allowed to proceed without remedial action.
3. Although employers are required by law to provide a safe and healthful workplace, it is up to employees to be aware of your work environment and follow safe work practices.
4. Most accidents and injuries emanating from workplaces are attributed to workers’ unsafe behaviors, which are also a reflection of system deficiency and hazardous work-environment.
5. Incomplete incident investigations support the often quoted and misapplied information that incidents are overwhelmingly caused by unsafe acts.

STATS

- A scientific approach indicated more than 80 years ago that 88 percent of accidents were caused by unsafe acts.
- All total, on average 275 workers die each day due to job injuries and illnesses.
- Unsafe acts account for approximately 80% of all industrial accidents. This is always dealt with after unsafe conditions as planning to train the employees on how to act safely is necessary.
- Even though it has been estimated that 80% of incidents or more result from workers’ actions or behaviors, at least 70% of these actions are likely caused by deficiencies not in humans but rather in management systems and work conditions.

- Accident statistics from all industries have been compiled over the years by insurance companies and governmental agencies. The results of analyzing hundreds of thousands of accidents reveal 85 to 98 percent of all accident causes result from the unsafe acts of employees.
- Most work-related injuries are the result of unsafe acts of workers.
- 80 out of every 100 accidents are the fault of the person involved in the incident. Unsafe acts cause four times as many accidents and injuries as unsafe conditions.
- The act of re-focusing for a mere four seconds has been shown to reduce the probability of an injury or incident by more than 90%.