

What is a Striking Hazard?

Striking Hazards are the most frequent Line of Fire risk to workers. These are hazards that strike you, or that you strike against.

Be alert for conditions that may change where line of fire exists, including flying, falling, swinging or rolling objects. An object can travel with speed and force potentially causing bruises, broken bones and puncture injuries when a worker is struck.

Here are some common examples of a Striking hazards

- **Flying Objects** - A tool/equipment breaks apart or debris is expelled propelling broken shards at the worker.
- **Falling Objects** – Drop from building roofs, scaffolding, cranes, and forklifts.
- **Swinging Objects** – A lifted and something causes the load to sway with a worker located within the swing radius.
- **Rolling Objects** - Being struck by mobile equipment or vehicles.

How to protect yourself and others:

- Always be aware of body placement.
- Inspect equipment to ensure protective guards are in place and in good condition.
- Stay clear of hazards using job briefings and three-way communication.
- Avoid working underneath loads being moved.
- Barricade hazard areas and post warning signs.
- Secure tools to prevent them from falling on people below.
- **Use the hierarchy of controls and plan your work accordingly.**



Ensure you always wearing proper the right Personal Protective Equipment for the task(s) and remember it is the last line of defense.

Summary

In your work zone, it is vital to be Fit for Duty, always alert, and aware of your surroundings at all times. Always understand the hazards associated with the task you are performing.

Let's discuss what could affect you and your co-workers

What are some of the Striking Hazards in your work area?

How can we eliminate some or all of these hazards?

Can you list some other ways we can protect ourselves from Striking Hazards at our site?

MEETING DESCRIPTION			
Meeting Date:		Time:	
Location:		Supervisor:	
Number in Crew:		Number Attended:	
Attended By:			Absent

REVIEW ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING	INCIDENTS/INJURIES REVIEWED

TOPICS DISCUSSED
1.) Striking Hazard – What is a Striking Hazard?

WORKERS CONCERNS

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

MEETING CONDUCTED BY			
Supervisor:		Manager:	
Date:		Date:	