

A Weekly e-mail Promoting the Health & Safety of Workers in the Scrap Recycling Industry

Do you have an accident waiting to happen?

At least three people were killed in our industry last year as a result of bales of recycled material falling on them. In two of the cases, the victims were alone in the area of the stacked bales. That is, the bales were not bumped, shoved, or pushed. They just fell due to poor stacking, poor baling, loose material, or a combination of all these and more.



Take an honest look through your warehouse. Look at your stacks of baled metal, paper, and plastic. Are they stable? Are they stacked too high? Are they leaning? Are people allowed to walk between aisles of stacked bales with no way to escape if they fall? If you have unsafe conditions in your warehouse when it comes to stacked bales, change them.

Do it now, before it's too late.

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