

For Your Safety: Protect Your Head

In a scrap yard, projectiles can come from any direction at anytime. Protect your head by wearing a company approved hard hat that is adjusted to fit you properly.

- Make sure the headband is adjusted properly to hold the hat securely to your head.
- Keep your hardhat clean and in good repair.
- Replace worn straps as needed.
- Check your hat for cracks before each use. Replace a hat that has cracks or has received a major impact.
- Never use paint or solvents on your hardhat as they can weaken its structure.
- Never use someone else's hat or give your hat to someone else to use.
- If you have any questions ask your supervisor.

For Your Health: Working in Cold Weather

- Dress in layers so they can be added or removed when the temperature changes.
- The layer of clothing closest to your skin should be made of silk, polypropylene or lightweight wool. It will wick moisture away from your skin and make you feel warmer.
- Hat and helmet liners can reduce a great amount of body heat that escapes from your head.
- Wind and water resistant top layers can stop Mother Nature from stealing your body heat.
- Always pack rain gear no matter what the forecast.

For Your Information: OSHA Reminds Employers to Post Injury/Illness Summaries Beginning February 1

WASHINGTON -- Beginning February 1, employers must post a summary of the total number of job-related injuries and illnesses that occurred last year. Employers are only required to post the Summary (OSHA Form 300A) -- not the OSHA 300 Log -- from Feb.1 to Apr. 30, 2006.

The summary must list the total numbers of job-related injuries and illnesses that occurred in 2005 and were logged on the OSHA 300 form. Employment information about annual average number of employees and total hours worked during the calendar year is also required to assist in calculating incidence rates. Companies with no recordable injuries or illnesses in 2005 must post the form with zeros on the total line. All establishment summaries must be certified by a company executive.

For More Information, See OSHA's website at <http://www.osha.gov>

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