MACHINE SAFEGUARDING ASSESSMENT

ALL MACHINES HAVE HAZARDS THAT NEED TO BE SAFEGUARDED. MACHINE GUARDING IS AN IMPORTANT SAFETY MEASURE TO PROTECT WORKERS FROM INCIDENTS. INCIDENTS FROM UNGUARDED MACHINES CAN CAUSE SEVERE INJURIES, AMPUTATIONS, AND DEATH. SAFEGUARDING IS THE BEST WAY TO PREVENT THESE TYPES OF ACCIDENTS. TO DETERMINE THE HAZARDS THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED, WATCH THE MACHINE IN MOTION AND CONSIDER HOW A WORKER MIGHT CONTACT ITS MOVING PARTS.

ADEQUATE SAFEGUARDS WILL ENSURE THE WORKER IS NOT HURT WHILE USING THEIR MACHINERY. IF A WORKER CAN REACH AROUND, UNDER, THROUGH, OR OVER A GUARD THEN IT IS NOT EFFECTIVE.

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Perform a safeguarding risk assessment to understand your risk level and the safeguards needed.

There are many types of risk assessments. Pick one that helps you quickly assess machinery hazards.

INSTALLING AND REMOVING SAFEGUARDS

- When installing a safeguard, be sure to install according to manufacturer's instructions and or company procedures.
- Once installed, an assessment of the guard should be completed to ensure the guard meets all WSBC requirements.
- If a guard is required to be removed for maintenance or repairs, the equipment must first be locked out prior to removing the safeguard.
- Prior to putting the equipment back into commission, the guard must be correctly replaced and properly secured.





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