

## Contractor Safety

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### Handout

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#### Contractor Safety Checklist

- ☐ Plan jobs before starting them.
- ☐ Determine what could go wrong with a task—and how to prevent it.
- ☐ Check that all tools and equipment are functioning properly before use.
- ☐ Be continually alert to safety hazards.
- ☐ Correct or report any safety hazard immediately.
- ☐ Keep area clean and neat, and practice good hygiene.
- ☐ Read container label and safety data sheet (SDS) before handling a chemical—and follow stated precautions.
- ☐ Operate machines only when guards are in place and only if authorized.
- ☐ Follow lockout/tagout procedures for machine repair or maintenance.
- ☐ Use personal protective equipment (PPE) whenever required, and inspect it to ensure it is in good condition before each use.
- ☐ Select the right tool for the job, and follow safety rules and manufacturer's instructions for their use.
- ☐ Don't fool around or cut corners on the job.
- ☐ Keep your mind focused on your work and avoid distractions.
- ☐ Report accidents, injuries, illnesses, exposure to hazardous substances, or near misses immediately.
- ☐ Respond quickly to emergency alarms, and follow your assigned evacuation route.
- ☐ Ask questions whenever you're unsure about a hazard or safety procedure.