

25 ways to be a safety hero



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When you notice someone being safe, say **"thank you."**

Safety isn't just for work. **Take it home with you.**

When you see something that's unsafe, **take action.**

Don't just walk away.

1. Join your company's safety committee, or sit in on a meeting.
2. Mentor new employees on safety.
3. Plan and participate in a company safety fair.
4. Assist with an ergonomics evaluation.
5. Contribute articles or photos to the company newsletter.
6. Make safety posters.
7. Help investigate an accident or near miss.
8. Participate in quarterly safety inspections.
9. Acknowledge co-workers for safe actions, such as cleaning up spills, holding doors, and wearing personal protective equipment.
10. Develop monthly tailgate topics for shift meetings.
11. Help set safety goals, such as correcting hazards in a timely manner.
12. Make safety observations and give feedback.
13. Take safety photos.
14. Assist with risk assessments.
15. Become a specialist in one area at work and take relevant safety classes.
16. Evaluate existing company safety policies.
17. Attend a management/supervisor meeting as a guest to talk about why safety is important.
18. Share what you are doing for safety at home.
19. Offer to attend a new employee orientation to talk about safety.
20. Report unsafe conditions such as broken equipment, leaks, insufficient lighting, improper labeling of chemical containers, and unsafe work practices.
21. Take advantage of SIM4® and SIM-plicity™ training opportunities.
22. Promote OSHA's "Safety Break for Oregon."
23. Ask for input from other employees and share their ideas in safety meetings.
24. Assist with personal protective equipment/hazard assessments.
25. Determine safety training needs, such as forklift operations, ergonomics, lockout/tagout, etc.