

Five Safety "Red Flags" Message

At some companies, management will look at worker compensation costs or injury numbers to determine how safe their company is. While the evaluation of this information is essential, it can be misleading when solely relied upon.

Red Flags that Show a Breakdown in Safety

1. Poor housekeeping.
2. Required PPE is not consistently worn.
3. A high number of near misses or first aid injuries.
4. Basic safety rules are not followed.
5. Employee's fear using stop-work authority.



Summary

Injury numbers can be misleading when not looking at the actual behaviors and attitudes of workers and management alike.

Discussion point:

What can we do to eliminate the "Red Flags" in our organization?