

THE COMPASS

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WHY:

We believe effective safety is good business.

HOW:

Helping businesses succeed through partnering to prevent accidents & injuries.

VISION:

To be your first resource for safety.

MOTTO:

Safety in all directions



Our Team

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A Few of Our Customers

Abel Construction

Algar Recycling

AMEC Environmental

Bob Ray Company

Brown Sprinkler

Builder's Exchange

CMTA Construction Managers

CRS Reprocessing

Cunningham Door & Window

Derby Welding

Flynn Construction

GCH International

Hall Contracting

Highland Roofing

Hyland Filter Services

Intertech Mechanical

ISA Recycling

Libs Paving

Link Electric

Louisville Gas & Electric

Mid-America Security

Murphy Elevator

Radio Communication Systems

Republic Diesel

Schnell Construction

ShelCon Construction

Summit Construction

SAFETY TOPIC OF THE MONTH

COMPASS (Company Annual Safety Schedule)

It's December, and 2017 is almost here! "Be Proactive" – develop or update your safety plan for next year.

Under OSHA's new revised Safety & Health Management Guidelines; developing an annual COMPASS, helps meet each of the "guidelines" below;

1. Leadership
2. Management
3. Worker Participation
4. Hazard Identification & Assessment
5. Hazard Prevention & Control
6. Education & Training
7. Program evaluation & Improvement
8. Communication & Coordination

An annual COMPASS will help keep you on track, comply with OSHA, reduce risk of accidents & injuries.

Here is an abbreviated example of a COMPASS.

January	HazComm: Update SDS's, Training & Chemical Inventory. Inspect shop. Post OSHA Logs. Evaluate S&H Program.
February	Bloodborne Pathogens: Conduct training & review standard.
March	PPE (review PPE Hazard Assessments & training)
April	Fall Protection (Hazard Assessment, training & inspect equipment)
May	Forklift, Aerial Lift, Scissor Lift Training.
June	Hand & Power Tools. Conduct field safety inspection.
July	Machine Guarding.
August	Electrical Safe Work Practices. Inspect shop.
September	Medical – First aid / CPR.
October	Emergency Action Plan & Fire Prevention Plan (review & train)
November	Lockout / Tagout. Conduct training & inspect LOTO procedures.
December	Confined Space, Trenching, Scaffolding, or similar.

Recent Kentucky OSHA Citations

- Employees were not properly trained in fall hazards. **\$7,000.**
- Employees exposed to blood were not offered hepatitis B vaccination within 24 hours of exposure. **\$4,250**
- Two employees were working from aerial lift at least 14 feet above ground with no body belts or harnesses connected to the boom or basket. **\$3,500**
- Subcontractor employees were erecting steel up to 14 feet above ground with no fall protection. **\$4,900**
- Emergency eyewash and shower station had not been tested within the previous 30 days. **\$2,750**
- Employer did not ensure powered industrial truck operators were properly trained and evaluated. **\$1,200**
- Employer did not establish an energy-control program (LOTO) consisting of machine-specific procedures, training and periodic inspections. **\$4,900**



HOME SAFETY

Driving in Inclement Weather

AAA recommends the following winter driving tips:

- Avoid driving while you're fatigued.
- Never run a vehicle in an enclosed area. i.e.garage.
- Make certain your tires are properly inflated.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full.
- If possible, avoid using your parking brake in cold, rainy and snowy weather.
- Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface (wet, ice, sand).
- Always look and steer where you want to go.
- Wear your seat belt every time.
- Watch weather reports prior to a long-distance drive or before driving in isolated areas.
- Always make sure your vehicle is in peak operating condition.
- Pack blankets, gloves, hats, food, water and any needed medication in your vehicle.
- If you become snow-bound, stay with your vehicle. Don't try to walk in a severe storm.
- Don't over exert yourself if you try to push or dig your vehicle out of the snow.
- Tie a brightly colored cloth to the antenna or place a cloth at the top of a rolled up window to signal distress. At night, keep the dome light on if possible.
- Make sure the exhaust pipe isn't clogged with snow, ice or mud (could cause deadly carbon monoxide gas to leak into the vehicle).
- If possible run the engine and heater just long enough to remove the chill and to conserve gasoline.

On the lighter side....

did you know...

Seesaws may be on the way out because of safety concerns.

The older seesaws were wooden planks that often hit asphalt directly, leading to occasional tailbone and spinal injuries, falls and pinched fingers, not to mention splinters.

Verse:

*Matthew 7-12: "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets".
Aka "The Golden Rule".*

Application:

Put yourself in someone else's shoes. Your waiter, another driver, a business associate, boss or subordinate. Your neighbor. The family in the food line. The mechanic who just worked on your car. The person in the grocery line. Let your conversations be always "full of grace and seasoned with salt" so you may know how to help everyone. Can we show others Christ's hands & feet by our actions & attitude?

Recent Safety NEWS

Trump plans to nominate Andrew Puzder to lead the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL). Puzder, a lawyer, is CEO of CKE Restaurants, Inc. whose fast food brands include Hardee's and Carl's Jr. Puzder's biography on the CKE website offers revealing insight into his views, describing him as a "poster CEO for the regulatory reform effort."

WASHINGTON — The federal government has bet on driverless vehicles as a way to reduce road fatalities. Now, it is also betting that drivers and passengers will be safer if cars can talk to one another to prevent accidents.

How vehicle-to-vehicle technology could work

The Transportation Department says the technology, which will use radio communications to send alerts to devices in the vehicles, has the potential to warn drivers in the following situations:

- The risk of collision in an intersection.
- The risk of collision when making a left turn.
- When traffic is slowing or stopping.
- The risk of collision with a vehicle ahead.
- The presence of a vehicle in a driver's "blind spot."
- The presence of oncoming traffic (for drivers attempting to pass other vehicles).

Ideas, Thoughts, Challenges & Questions

Safety is a cheap and effective insurance policy

