Welcome to: Specific hazards of Confined Spaces

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In this lesson we will discuss the specific hazards workers face when working in confined spaces related to the hazardous waste industry.

Statistics:

1. 92 workers die yearly on average in confined spaces
2. #1 killer is Asphyxia
3. Confined space standard for G.I. was issued in January 14, 1993 (29CFR1910.146)
4. Confined space standard for Construction was issued May 4, 2015 (29CFRSubpart AA 1926.1200)

Objectives:

1. List the conditions that make a confined space
2. List the conditions that make a Permit Required Confined Space
3. Identify other non-traditional issues with Permit Required Confined Spaces
4. Introduce the Branching method in training
5. Demonstrate specific hazards found in Permit Required Confined Spaces
Specific Hazards of Confined Spaces

WELCOME

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Statistics

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2. About 60% of deaths are would be rescuers
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What is a confined space?

1. Limited or restricted means of Entry or Exit
2. Not designed for continuous worker occupancy
3. Poor natural ventilation
What makes a permit required confined space

1. Hazardous atmosphere
2. Moving machinery
3. Engulfment / entrapment
4. Heat
5. Electrical hazard
6. Noise

Non-traditional issues

1. Lack of or no training
2. Lack of experience
3. Language other than English
4. Translator ability to communicate
5. Normalization of deviance
Branching

The process of following the decisions of workers based on right or wrong practices (safe or unsafe) and their predictable outcome

See handout in folder

Teamster Branching Demo

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Tony Jimenez
Confined Space - Spanish

Situation

Correct Decision

Wrong Decision

Espacios Confinados
Correct
Espacios Confinados

Incorrect
Espacios Confinados
In review

1. We were able to List the conditions that make a confined space
2. We were able to list the conditions that make a permit required confined space
3. We were able to list non-traditional issues with confined spaces
4. We introduced the Branching method in training
5. We were able to demonstrate specific hazards found in permit required confined spaces
Branching—what we need to know to move forward

Acquire permit

Worker questioned entry?

Is this a proper entry

No permit available: STOP work

Workers suffer injury or DEATH

Workers under pressure to keep job, unaware of all the hazards make decision to enter

Workers Trained

Task at hand:
Confined Space Entry
Permit Required

Workers Untrained

Workers enter, no adverse consequences what happens next