



Safe Maintenance

- Maintenance employees must be trained and competent
- Get external maintenance employees to report to a designated person
- Tell external maintenance employees the hazards in your workplace associated with their work and agree the precautions to be taken
- Make maintenance employees aware of external gas, water and electricity cut off points
- Avoid work at height during maintenance or take precautions to prevent falls
- Machinery must be isolated from its power supply before maintenance work and pneumatic/hydraulic systems checked for stored energy
- Guards must only be removed as required and must be replaced immediately when maintenance is complete.
- Maintenance mode (slow speed or under "hold to run" control) must be used if the machine parts to be adjusted are to be moving
- Plan all lifts; use mechanical lifting aids to lift/move plant or equipment
- Asbestos types and locations must be identified by a competent person and the work planned if it may be disturbed during maintenance work



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