

CSI Country Wide Case Study Safety Strategy Discussion

Construction Safety Investigator

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Instructions

The objective of this tool is to provide field supervisors with information to proactively engage workers and discuss safety related concerns that they may encounter. Safety discussions should not be limited to the subject above and should pertain to the activities that workers will be involved in that may have the potential for safety related exposures.

Case Day:

Unknown

Accident Type:

Scaffold Accident - Slip and Fall

Relevant laws, rules and codes may include:

1926.451 (b)(1), 1926.451 (b)(2)(ii), 1926.451 (e)(1), 1926.451 (g)(1), 1926.451 (a)(6)

Case:

A laborer was killed when he slipped and fell, head first, 20 feet to the ground below.

Accident Detail:

The laborer was working on the third tier level of a tubular welded frame scaffold. In between two end frames of the scaffold, a single scaffold plank was used to provide access from one side of the scaffold to the other. The scaffolding and planking was covered with snow and ice.

As the laborer walked across the scaffold plank he slipped and fell off the plank landing on the ground below, striking his head when hitting the ground.

Reconstructive Safety Evaluation:

- What are some of the possible causes of the accident being discussed?
- What actions could have been taken that might have prevented this accident from occurring?

