

# TOOLBOX TALKS

## Safe Use of Cell Phones

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### TOPIC: Safe Use of Cell Phones

#### Dangers of Improper Cell Phone Usage

- Cell phone usage can cause inattention on the job site
- Co-workers can be distracted by others' cell phone usage
- Inattention and distraction may result in property damage or personal injury

#### Avoid Distractions

- Never use a cell phone while operating equipment
- Never use a cell phone to send or receive text messages while operating equipment
- Store your cell phone in a location that will prevent its ring from startling you or anyone in the area
- Let calls go straight to voicemail to be retrieved at a later time

#### Be Aware of Hazards

- Do not operate a cell phone near flammable liquid
- Turn off cell phones within 100 feet of any blasting area
- Know site-specific hazard areas associated with cell phone usage

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