



SAFETY TALK

Isolated work environments

What's the danger?

We know the hazards and requirements for working alone but isolated work environments present additional challenges.

The obvious risk of working in an isolated environment is undertaking a dangerous task and becoming injured with no immediate help from others. Without rapid treatment an acute injury can prove to be much worse.

Protect yourself

While working in isolation there are ways to reduce risks to workers:

- Implementation of effective communication through personal radios, satellite devices, cell phones, apps, etc.

- Conducting an assessment of the workplace layout to determine what hazards are present to the isolated worker
- Keep records or logs of worker movement such as a check in system or electronic/remote monitoring
- Have workers informed of and trained for the work they will be doing while isolated
- Have all PPE and equipment available as you may not have coworkers to help retrieve missing tools or materials
- Have extensive emergency plans made based on the type of work, the location and the situations that will be encountered

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Date: _____

Performed by: _____

Supervisor: _____

Location: _____

Concerns:

Employee Name:

Corrective Actions:

Employee Signature:
