

S27 – Toolbox Talk

Traffic Management

When considering traffic management, think about yourself as a pedestrian, as well as the movement of vehicles.

Only persons with a full current driving licence may operate company vehicles. Only persons with an appropriate NVQ or valid vehicle licence may operate mobile plant.

- Always follow traffic routes and obey all signals and signs
- Pedestrians are to remain on designated routes unless there is a specific need to exit those routes. Where appropriate, the routes are to be protected by physical barriers
- No pedestrian or vehicle is to enter an area where mobile plant operates, without firstly gaining the operator's attention and obtaining his/her clearance to enter the area
- All haul roads should be constructed to keep gradients to a reasonable minimum. The open sides of the road should be protected by a continuous barrier of material at least 1.5 metres (5 feet) high. Remember: If you can see over it when you are standing next to it, it is probably too low
- DO NOT drive on any elevated section of haul roads which do not have edge protection or which show any signs of collapse
- The surface of haul roads should be maintained in reasonable condition. Report any defect in haul roads to your supervisor
- The driver of many types of mobile plant has a restricted view in some directions. He/she may also be concentrating on his task and may not notice you even if you are visible
- Never assume that a mobile plant driver has seen you. Wait until he/she has acknowledged you before approaching
- Never walk close behind any mobile plant or vehicle which might possibly move off in reverse
- Never enter the slewing radius of any excavator or similar slewing machine unless the driver has signalled you to do so. Remember, it is not just the bucket and boom that slews on an excavator. People have been seriously injured or killed when struck by the slewing body or counterweight
- Always keep well clear of working loading shovels. They move rapidly and require great concentration from the driver on the task in hand. He/she may not notice you if you move into a dangerous area
- Be prepared to take instructions from the banksman
- Personnel must never use the loading shovel bucket as a lifting platform
- No personnel other than the loading shovel operator, are permitted to ride in the loading shovel cab. No personnel should be carried on the outside of the loading shovel. The exception to this rule is when a vehicle is fitted with a passenger seat and seat belt
- Always watch for, and avoid, reversing lorries.



Training register

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Name of attendee

Signature

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