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The National Safety Council saves lives by preventing injuries and deaths at work, in homes and communities, and on the roads through leadership, research, education and advocacy. Visit us at nsc.org for up-to-date industry news, information and tools to take your safety program to the next level.



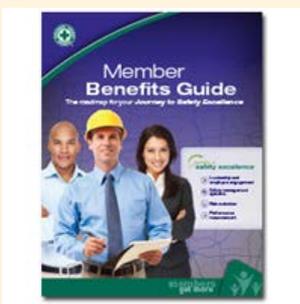
NSC Safety Awards

Employee engagement is key to a successful safety program! An award from the National Safety Council shows them you appreciate their efforts.

Safety awards from NSC instill employee pride; earn respect from your customers, community and peers; and place you one step ahead of your competition. [Learn more.](#)

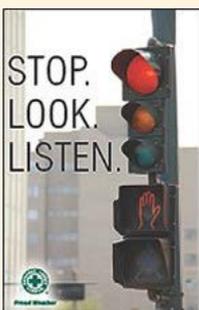


Learn about all the benefits available to you in our new Member Benefits Guide



[See the benefits that are available to you and ALL your employees.](#)

Featured Safety Poster:



Encourage employees to stop, look and listen with this [downloadable poster.](#)

Welcome to *Spotlight on Safety*, an e-newsletter brought to you by the Department of the Interior Office of Occupational Safety and Health in partnership with the National Safety Council. We hope you will find this service of value. Send feedback or ideas on topics you would like to see to membershipinfo@nsc.org. Please put "Department of the Interior feedback" in the subject line.

Spring cleaning checklist

Spring time is a great time to clean, organize and get rid of unnecessary items in your house. It is also a great time to check if your safety plans are in place and your safety equipment is in working order. Make safety a priority when you start your spring cleaning.

- Test your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors. Change the battery, if necessary.
- Replace your smoke detectors every 10 years.
- Replace light bulbs (outside and inside)
- Store winter items (clothing, Christmas decorations, etc.) properly.
- Check your house for broken items and discard appropriately.
- Clean out your medicine cabinet and dispose any expired or unused medications properly.
- Check your fire extinguisher.
- Plan and practice your family escape plan.
- Review your family emergency plan - a printable family emergency plan is available through ready.gov.
- Check your first aid kit and replace any missing supplies.

[Click here](#) for more information.

5-Minute Safety Talk: Ladder safety



As soon as you set foot on the ladder's first rung and pull your body off the ground, gravity works to bring you back to earth. Therefore, it's no surprise that ladder safety begins from the ground up.

Ladder safety may seem simple, but injuries occur every year. These basic safety guidelines below will help get you started on learning about ladder safety:

- Start with a good foundation
- Climb with care
- Think before you carry
- Follow the rules

Schedule a [5-Minute Safety Talk](#) with your employees to discuss each guideline in detail.

Be prepared for flooding

Floods are the most common natural disaster in the United States. Warmer weather, snow melting, spring thaw and heavy rains increase the risk of flooding in the spring months. It's important to be prepared for what Mother Nature may bring your way.



Anywhere it rains, it can flood. Everyone is at risk. [Find the flood risk where you live.](#)

To learn more about how you can prepare for the event of flooding before, during and after, [click here.](#)

Webinar: The myth of multitasking

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