

# Trench safety will save your life

|  | Yes                      | No                       |
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| Is your trench inspected before you enter?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Does the person who inspects the trench (competent person) have the authority to stop work when necessary?       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Have daily trench inspections been documented?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Is a ladder accessible within 25 feet of any worker so you can safely enter and exit the trench?                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Are rocks, soils, materials, and equipment kept away from the trench edge?                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Is any standing or accumulating water being removed from the trench?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Has the air been tested to verify that it's safe to breathe? (required where a hazardous atmosphere could exist) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you answered "No" to any of these questions, do not enter the trench.

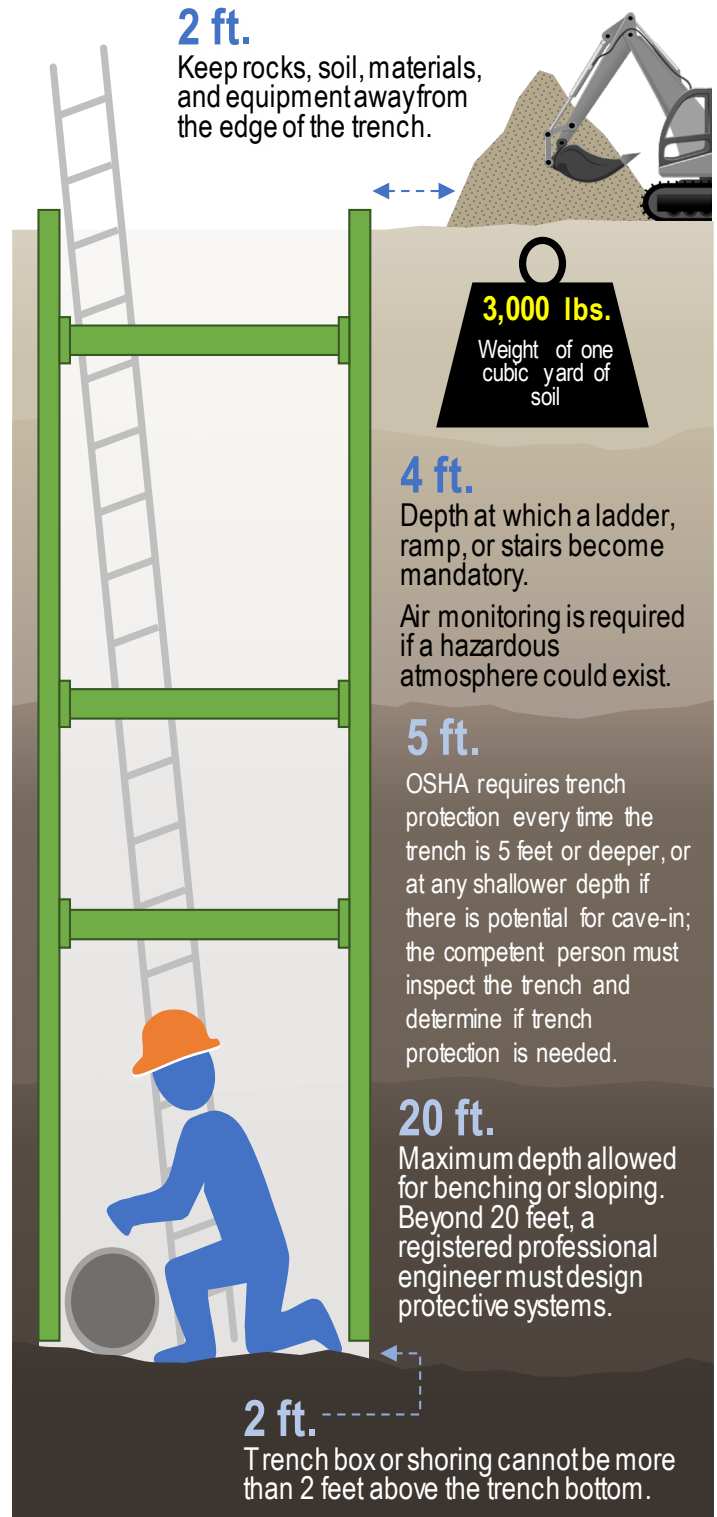
Talk to the competent person or your company's safety manager to address the issue.



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