

# BWC Update

Safety news from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation

## Cut it out with BWC

When workers use knives, glass and other sharp objects on the job, they are always at the risk of suffering cuts and lacerations. With every cut and laceration comes the danger of infection, exposing workers to further complications. Employers in the wholesale and retail trade industry can avoid these injuries by working closely with BWC.

BWC recommends using the following preventative measures to protect your workers:

- Analyze work conditions for potential laceration hazards;
- Provide appropriate protective equipment for workers based on the analysis;
- Maintain good housekeeping;
- Maintain proper storage for cutting knives and other sharp objects;
- Develop procedures and provide training on knives and other sharp objects.

BWC also offers the following resources to help you protect your workers from cuts and lacerations:

- Online training courses on preventing cuts and lacerations;
- Safety consulting services;
- Videos on cutting safety, knife safety and box cutter safety;
- *Safety Talks* on preventing cuts and lacerations.

BWC can also help protect your work site against forklift incidents, workplace violence, overexertion and slips, trips and falls. More information is available about preventing injuries in the retail and wholesale industry by [clicking here](#).

To connect with a BWC safety consultant, call 1-866-569-7805 or email [besafe@ohiobwc.com](mailto:besafe@ohiobwc.com) and let us pair you with the right expert.