

BWC Update

Safety news from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation

Avoid trips with these BWC tips

Chemicals can be found in our foods, cleaning products, clothing and everywhere else in between.

Slips, trips and falls are some of the most common workplace accidents in all industries. According to the 2013 Liberty Mutual Workplace Safety Index, falls were the second leading cause of workplace injuries in 2013.

There are a number of steps employers in the utilities industry can take to minimize hazards that can contribute to injuries and fatalities. These include:

- Analyzing work areas for potential slip, trip and fall hazards;
- Clearing work areas and pathways to minimize slip, trip and fall hazards;
- Conducting frequent jobsite housekeeping inspections to eliminate hazards;
- Providing fall protection training on guardrails, personal lifting equipment and fall protection.

BWC offers a variety of safety services that can assist your business in addressing hazardous workplace conditions and improve the safety of your workers. These services, such as online and in-person training courses, expert consultation, videos and safety grants are available to you at no additional cost.

BWC is committed to making worksites safer throughout Ohio. We also have resources to protect your employees from other common workplace hazards, including:

- Cuts, lacerations and punctures;
- Confined spaces;
- Overexertion, repetitive motion or trauma;
- Getting struck by objects.

More information is available about preventing injuries in the utilities industry by [clicking here](#).

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