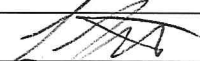


TOOLBOX TALK	Toolbox Talk Number	
	Topic	Use of Knives
1.0 Introduction and reason for the TBT <p>Knives and cutting tools are a common cause of injury at work. They're used in many workplaces. Workers who handle knives and cutting tools are at risk of cutting themselves or others, as well as sprain and strain injuries.</p>		
2.0 Background <p>The most common type of injury is cuts to the non-knife hand or arm. Knives can also cause sprain and strain injuries when they're not sharp because they require extra force to cut.</p>		
3.0 What you need to know <p>Injuries are commonly caused when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the knife isn't sharp enough knives aren't placed in a pouch when handling other items workers aren't wearing adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) knives are pulled back towards the body workers attempt to catch falling knives workers do not take adequate breaks or perform repetitive tasks with a knife. 		
4.0 What you need to do <p>You can avoid injuries by making sure you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select the correct knife for the work you are undertaking. Use knives carefully and always concentrate on what you are doing. Keep the knife sharp. Ensure that the knife handle is secure and fixed rigidly to the blade. If it's loose tighten it or replace the knife. Keep the handle dry and clear of grease. Wipe handles regularly with a cloth. Work in front of your body so there is no need to twist. The knife action should always be away from your body or other hand. Never attempt to catch a falling knife. Don't leave them around the working area or stuck in a worktop. Always sheath or rack them. Always stow your knife if you need your hands for some other task, even if it's only one hand. Wash and clean knives separately from other items. Take care then passing knives to another crew member. Hold the knife by the handle and point it towards the deck when you walk or move. Do not stab the knife into a chopping board as your hand may slip down the blade. 		

8.0 Person delivering the TBT

Name (Print)	L.Ratcliff	Position	Op Director
Signature		Time	1600hrs
		Date	23/10/2023

9.0 Declaration

By signing above, I confirm that I have received and understood the information / instruction given and understand that I have a duty to report any concerns I may have.

We encourage you to not only report anything you think is unsafe but also to tell us if you think there is a better / safer way to work.

STOP AND THINK

- Do you have the right equipment?
- Do you have all the relevant information?
- The right personal protective and safety equipment?
- Have you accounted for all the hazards?
- Could the work affect the safety or health of others?
- Do you have the right skills, knowledge, training and experience for the job?

IF IN DOUBT – TELL THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE WORK.

5.0 Site specific information (to record any additional information e.g. incidents, site rules)

N/A

6.0 What have you learned?

N/A

7.0 Attendees

No.	Date	Name of attendee (Print)	Signature of attendee
1	23/10/23	H. Medcalf	H. Medcalf
2	23/10/23	DANIEL MCCANN	D. McCann
3	23/10/23	H. ARKELL	H. Arkell
4	23/10/23	S. LINGE	S. Linge
5	23-10-23	S. COUPLAND	S. Coupland
6	23-10-23	J. PAUL	J. Paul
7	23-10-23	P. Nye	P. Nye
8	23-10-23	D. Bullock	D. Bullock
9	23/10/23	A. DAVISON	A. Davison
10	23/10/23	D. RICHARDS	D. Richards
11	23/10/23	L. PAYNE	L. Payne
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