WAC 296-155-035 General requirements. (1) The use of any machinery, tool, material, or equipment which is not in compliance with any applicable requirements of this chapter is prohibited. You must either identify such machine, tool, material, or equipment as unsafe by tagging or locking the controls to render them inoperable or you must physically remove it from its place of operation.

(2) You must permit only those employees qualified by training or experience to operate equipment and machinery.

(3) You must use safeguards provided for employee protection.

(4) You must wear suitable clothing for the job. You must wear sufficient and proper clothing to assist in preventing scratches, abrasions, slivers, sunburn, hot liquid burns, or similar hazards. You must not wear loose or ragged clothing, scarfs or ties while working around moving machinery.

(5) Where work is in progress above workers, you must provide a catch platform or other means to protect those working below. You must notify all workers. You must maintain one completed floor between workers and steel or concrete work above.

(6) Employees must report to their employers the existence of any unsafe equipment or method or any other hazard which, to their knowledge is unsafe and where such unsafe equipment or method or other hazard exists in violation of this chapter you must correct it.

(7) Nothing herein contained prevents the use of existing equipment during its lifetime provided it is properly safeguarded, maintained in good condition, in conformity with applicable safety and health standards, and conforms to safety factors for the material used, as herein provided.

(8) As construction progresses, you must secure or brace the component parts of structures to prevent collapse or failure.

(9) You must ensure prompt and safe removal of injured employees from elevated work locations, trenches and excavations prior to commencement of work.

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