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# Heavy Equipment Safety

**01**

Have good communication. Go over hand signals to be aware of for the operator and anyone else on site.

**03**

Ensure all roll over protection is in place and seat belts are worn.

**05**

Wear hearing protection when working on or around loud equipment.

**07**

Employees should be trained on the specific safety requirements of the equipment they work with.

**02**

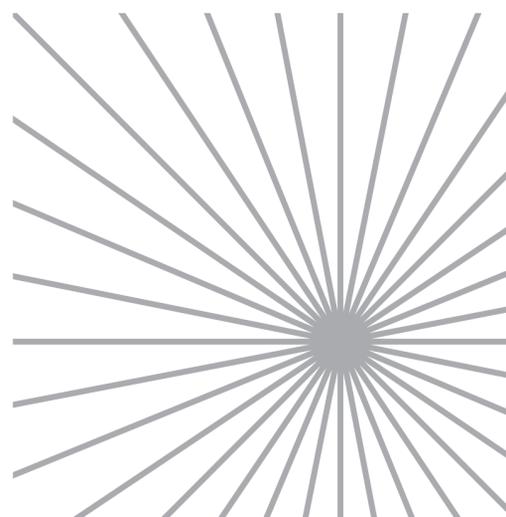
Ensure equipment backup alarms are working properly prior to starting work.

**04**

If work is done on slopes, avoid moving across. Keep a vertical pattern.

**06**

Always use three points of contact when climbing onto or off of equipment.



# Heavy Equipment Training Guide

Below are questions and talking guides for heavy equipment training.

## ROPS and seatbelt use

Why is it important to use both roll over protection and seatbelts while operating equipment?

Roll over protection can only protect the operator during a roll if the seatbelt is being worn. Otherwise, it can cause greater harm due to the potential for a crushing injury from the bar.

## Communication

True or False:

Only the operator of heavy equipment needs to be alert to those working around him?

False:

The operators as well as others working in the area should be trained on the safe use of equipment as well as hand signals and moving safely around the equipment

## Entering and Exiting

What is the rule to remember when entering and exiting heavy equipment?

Remember the "three point rule". Always maintain three points of contact when entering or exiting equipment such as two feet and one hand

## Slopes

Which direction of travel should be maintained when working on a sloped surface?

Avoid horizontal movements and work to move vertically in order to avoid rollover.

## Note:

Make sure to follow all work and equipment specific safety rules when operating or working around heavy equipment.