

TOOLBOX TALK #45

Working in a confined space

NOTES

- Wear protective equipment and clothing provided.
- Only BASEFFA approved electrical equipment is to be used where flammable gases may be present.
- Do not eat, drink, smoke or use naked flame or allow exhaust fumes in close proximity to point of entry.
- Wash hands at the end of each shift.

Q: Name three safety points regarding confined spaces?

Emergency Procedures

- Make sure recovery winch and apparatus is working.
- Location position of nearest telephone and understand emergency procedure.
- Do not attempt a rescue without first raising the alarm and wearing breathing apparatus.
- The first duty of any rescuer is to ensure their own safety.
- Leave confined space immediately if told to do so.

Q: As a rescuer what must you be wearing?

Note to supervisor:

Now inform your workforce of the company policy regarding working in confined spaces.

Do you have any questions for me?

Questions for you

Q: What areas could be classed as confined spaces?

Q: Who should carry out an assessment of the confined space before entry?

REMEMBER:

DO NOT ENTER A CONFINED SPACE UNTIL THE RISKS HAVE BEEN ASSESSED

Sources: [Introduction to working in confined spaces - HSE](#) [Confined spaces - HSE](#) [Legislation - HSE](#)

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