



November Safety

SLIP, TRIP AND *Falls* PREVENTION

Slips...

- Spills
- Surfaces that are wet or oily
- Hazards created from weather (e.g. puddles and ice)
- Loose rugs or mats



Practicing good housekeeping – Removing clutter helps tidy up the floor and makes it walkable for everyone in the workplace.

Providing adequate lighting in walking areas – best to place proper lighting in access and egress points such as halls, ramps, stairs, and exits.

Installing safety signs – Doing so warns people about walking in hazardous spaces to keep them safe.

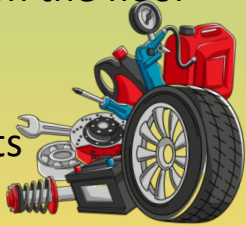
Cleaning spills immediately – Proper cleaning ensures that the floor is free from hazardous elements so that people can walk safely.

Making sure proper footwear is worn – Non-slip shoes with good traction protect workers from static electricity, falling objects, explosions, exposure to hazardous substances, and other risks.

Maintaining and improving floor quality – Modifying the floor space can go a long way to ensure safety from slips, trips, and falls. Fall protection can be improved by inspecting floors regularly and investing in non-slippery flooring options, among others.

Trips...

- Obstructions and clutter on the floor (e.g. power cords, boxes, and open drawers)
- Wrinkled or curled up mats
- Poor lighting
- Uneven or irregular walking surfaces



Falls...

- Obstructed view (e.g. carrying large items)
- Not paying attention to the surroundings
- Not using appropriate equipment (e.g. standing on a chair, table, or other surface with wheels)

