

SAFETY GUIDELINES

Safety is everyone's concern, and it's always an important consideration at any construction site. Building construction can be one of the most dangerous occupations. Since Habitat for Humanity work crews normally have a high proportion of inexperienced people, everyone must pay particular attention to safety.

Guidelines for a Safe Attitude

- Think before you do your work or task.
- If you are uncertain about how to do a task, ask a supervisor.
- Concentrate on your task and eliminate distractions.
- Know where the first-aid kit is located and how to get emergency help.
- Advise the Site Coordinator immediately of any unsafe conditions or hazards.

Safety Equipment

- Wear clothes and gloves that are appropriate for the work and weather conditions. Loose clothing and jewelry are dangerous around power tools.
- Wear work boots/sturdy hiking boots are recommended at all times when on a construction site. Workers wearing sandals or other types of inappropriate footwear shall not be permitted to remain at a construction site. Shoes must have closed toe.
- Wear a hard hat while doing demolition work, during the framing phase of construction, when work is occurring above your head or when required by a supervisor.
- Workers must wear protective glasses any time they are operating power tools or when instructed by a supervisor.
- Each worker must wear a dust mask when installing insulation, sanding or when instructed by a supervisor.
- Earplugs must be worn when using a power tool for a prolonged period of time or when instructed by a supervisor.

Safety First Always!!!