

10 Most Common Human Factors that Cause Accidents

Negligence---Failure to observe basic safety rules of instructions or to maintain equipment.

Anger/Temper--Causes a person to become irrational and to disregard common sense.

Hasty Decision--Acting before thinking can lead people to make hazardous "Shortcuts."

Indifference--A lack of attention to the task; not alert; daydreaming.

Distractions--Interruptions by others perhaps caused by family troubles, bad news, horseplay while someone performs normal duties or no-routine hazardous tasks.

Curiosity—Workers do something unexpected just to see what will happen.

Inadequate Instructions--Results in an untrained or improperly trained worker.

Poor Work Habits--Cluttered floors / work areas, loose clothing, etc.

Overconfidence--Displayed by behavior that is too cocky, risk-taking, and macho.

Lack of Planning--Two or more people, each depending on the other to do something, and it doesn't get done.