



# Tool Talk Safety Meeting

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Topics - Pre & Post Trip Inspection, Obey Speed Limits & Working Around Equipment

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1. Pre-Trip / Post-Trip Back at the Yard Inspection - Before leaving the yard perform the required pre-trip inspection if you are the assigned driver. Although the driver is responsible, passengers are to assist the drivers in performing truck and equipment checks.

Use the laminated Daily Vehicle Inspection Checklist during inspection. Key items to check during pre-trip is to ensure that the load is secure, fluids are at the proper level and the vehicle is ready for the road. Also, check for accuracy the 'Load List' on the clipboard left in the truck by the loader. When back at the yard clean and organize the truck out for the next person. Do a light check, note any needed repairs on the repair log and unload any broken small equipment. Before parking the truck, empty all peeled tape into the big dumpster and place the arrow board in display mode.

2. Obey Speed Limits – Remember that Truck Speed Limits on most freeways is 65 mph.

Michigan Vehicle Code Sec. 257.627 Speed limits. (4) Where the posted speed limit is greater than 65 miles per hour, a person operating a school bus, a truck with a gross weight of 10,000 pounds or more, a truck-tractor, or a truck-tractor with a semi-trailer or trailer or a combination of these vehicles shall not exceed a speed of 65 miles per hour on a limited access freeway or a state trunk line highway.

3. Working Near Equipment – Don't get run over. When exiting a vehicle be aware of your surroundings. Keep your head up and be alert. Look at the driver to see what they are going to do. Avoid walking in front of or behind a vehicle until it is safe to do so. Expect the unexpected.

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