

# TOOLBOX TALKS

## Concrete & Rebar

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### TOPIC: Concrete & Rebar

When you work around concrete, you should always be aware of the hazards and safety precautions that come with the job.

#### Safety Tips

- Wear gloves, eye protection, and personal protective equipment at all times when working with concrete.
- If concrete splatters on the skin, wash off as soon as possible.
- When placing and securing reinforcing steel in walls, always use a safety belt, full body harness, or other equivalent fall protection gear if you are more than five feet above the working surface.
- Never work above rebar that is vertically protruding. Cover or cap the top of the rebar to prevent workers from being impaled in the event of a fall.
- When using powered equipment, make sure control switches automatically shut off when your hands are removed from the handles. Do not use tie-downs or anything else to bypass the shut-off control.
- Never ride in concrete buckets.
- Never work under a concrete bucket that is suspended from a crane or boom.
- When discharging concrete on a slope, make sure the ready-mix truck wheels are blocked and the brakes are set to prevent movement.
- All equipment, hand and power, should be checked and in safe working condition before use. Replace or repair all defective equipment.

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