

Learning from Life Saving Rule events

The following is a short summary of a Life Saving Rule event, investigation, follow up, and learning opportunities.

It is intended to help share information and learn from each event to prevent future occurrences. It is about Saving Lives.

Event Date and Description: [2010-26-03 Troubleshooting process flow](#)

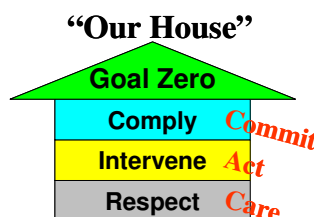
What happened: A series of progressive steps to troubleshoot process flow without a permit or Job Safety Analysis resulted in a work group breaking open process equipment.
Which Life Saving Rule(s) involved: Work with a valid permit when required
Investigation results: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Work was not on the approved LOP Job Planning Matrix but was similar to other approved work on the same skid.2. Work should have had local leadership approval3. The job- planning matrix was not reviewed to verify if any additional controls were required.4. No expectation for the work group to obtain a Work Permit, so there is no Life Saving Rule violation.
Action taken: Consequence Management framework used to determine and deliver appropriate follow-up action
Key Learning Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Troubleshooting can be a gray area; when in doubt, stop, ask, and get approval from local leadership before proceeding2. LOP Job Planning Matrix lists can create situations where individuals feel empowered to perform work on equipment not listed due to being of similar nature without realizing the Exposure may be different3. The Job Planning Matrix is the tool to be used to determine the required level of Safe Work Planning such as JSA, Permits, and Safe Work Plans

It is about saving lives, and it is working.

Everyone should ensure that we know the rules, follow the rules, and always intervene if there is the potential for unsafe behaviors or conditions. This applies to everyone: peers, supervisors, and visitors.

If in doubt, always consult your supervisor.

Safety is a value, Goal Zero is a mindset



Keep our house safe, always