

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: **2010-02-22 Performing crane maintenance without a valid permit**

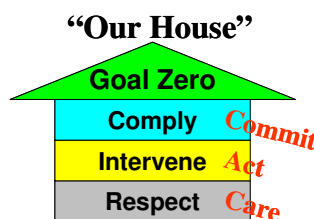
<p><u>What happened:</u> On 2/22/2010 work groups from two separate companies were on site to conduct work activities on all three cranes. The job sponsor issued permits for this work, which were approved by local leadership. The permits were suspended at the end of the first day. On the second day, the job sponsor reissued permits to both work groups to continue the work from the day before. At the time of signing, both the job sponsor and one of the work groups signed off on the wrong permit. The error was not noticed till the end of the day when an extension for this specific permit was requested.</p>
<p><u>Which Life Saving Rule(s) involved:</u> Work with a valid permit when required.</p>
<p><u>Investigation results:</u> On the second day, the job sponsor unknowingly issued and made live the wrong permit which the worker group signed off on. The JSEA, including risk controls and barriers, remained in place on the second day. Investigation determined that this WAS a Life Saving Rule violation. The individuals at the time did not “know and understand” leading to Consequence Management evaluation.</p>
<p><u>Action taken:</u> Consequence management framework used to determine and deliver maximum appropriate follow-up action. Coaching for Job Sponsor; i.e. one on one discussion, sharing with peers, community session. Crucial conversation with involved contract worker group.</p>
<p><u>Key Learning Points:</u> Increased activity levels require a greater attention to detail with multiple permits, work groups, and job sponsorship responsibilities. Assurance is required that work scope and correct equipment is reviewed prior to signing off of the permit and the start of the work.</p>

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