

SAFETY FOCUS

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DISTRIBUTION CENTERS

This year, we will be working with you to encourage safety participation from everyone at your location.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1 Complete the DTU training
- 2 Review and share the safety topic with your people
- 3 Leave feedback



Slips,
trips,
and
falls

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Print out this Focus, review the information, and **complete the action items**.
- 2 Each section has action items to help you and your team complete this Safety Focus. **Review each section carefully.**
- 3 The Safety Leader will need to **complete the DTU training module** for the month. You will be required to complete a course test following the training module.
- 4 Once all the action items are completed, **have a group discussion** about your findings and answer your feedback questions as a team.

FEEDBACK ON THIS MONTH'S TOPIC

All feedback must be submitted through the Safety Feedback Portal.

Safety Leader: You will find the feedback questions at the end of this Safety Focus.

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WORKPLACE CLEANLINESS IS KEY

Occupational hazards (anything in the workplace that can cause harm) are much more common in a cluttered, dirty and unorganized environment. The hazard(s) can easily go unnoticed and lead to serious injuries. Here are a few examples that we see on pretty much a daily basis:

- Tripping over loose objects on floors, stairs, and platforms
- Being hit by falling objects
- Slipping on greasy, wet, or dirty surfaces
- Striking against projecting, poorly stacked items or misplaced materials

This month, we are asking you to focus on your workplace's general cleanliness. As a team, we need to always have a 360 awareness of our work environment to avoid unnecessary injuries. Below is a checklist to help ensure that your cleaning initiative is easy, actionable, and highly adaptable. Work through your people to get it done.

- Determine basic areas to clean/organize
 - Floors - keep free of debris/trash, sweep regularly
 - Exit doors – ensure nothing is blocking the exit doorway
 - Aisles/passageways – maintain a clear walkway without any obstructions
 - Trash cans/recycle bins – empty trash before it is overflowing
- Set practical expectations and provide simple directions
- Lead by example
- Reinforce the reasons for keeping the workplace clean
 - For compliance
 - To reduce hazards and prevent injuries

Slips, Trips, & Falls

You can slip when you lose your footing, you can trip when you catch your foot on or in something, and you fall when you come down suddenly.

Spills, loose mats, rugs, and stepladders are some of the common causes of slips, trips, and falls.

In addition, poor lighting and clutter can cause injuries such as sprains, strains, bruises, bumps, fractures, scratches, and cuts.




CALL TO ACTION: Create a plan to maintain a clean and organized environment.

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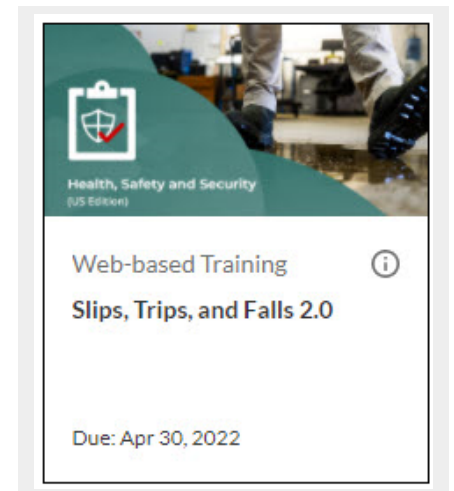
SLIP, TRIPS, AND FALLS DTU EXTENDED LEARNING

This course is intended to provide employees with the ability to recognize and prevent slip, trip, and fall hazards, and to address the key components of ladder safety.

 **Call to action:** Complete the Slips, Trips, and Falls training module and share what you learned with your people.

Contact dtu_learning@discounttire.com for troubleshooting.

For **first time logging in to the Extended Learning Catalog**, follow the instructions by [clicking here](#)



OSHA COMPLIANCE

Housekeeping:

- Keep the workspace clean and orderly
- Wipe up spills quickly

Aisles:

- Keep aisles and walkways clear of clutter and obstacles
- Ensure there are no obstructions across or in aisles that could create a hazard

Railings:

- Every stairway should be guarded by a standard railing

FEEDBACK ON THIS MONTH'S TOPIC

1. What did you learn from the Slips, Trips, and Falls module that you can use in your plan to maintain a clean and organized workplace?