

# 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



## 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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# WAREHOUSE MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT

Warehouse Material Handling equipment can be extremely dangerous, especially if improperly used. Workers may face serious injuries if the warehouse safety rules aren't followed.

### To prevent accidents/injuries from happening:

- All operators must be trained to use the MHE by your certified trainer
- Conduct a pre-shift inspection and report any unsafe equipment immediately
- Stop at the end of aisleways. Honk your horn and proceed with caution
- Follow a safe stacking pattern considering the stacking height and weight capacity
- Keep aisleways clear of debris and material
- Dispose of any unsafe Pallets immediately
- Avoid Elevated Loads



### Minimizing Ergonomic Risk Factors by preventing

- stressful postures
- bending
- twisting
- repetitive motions like reaching and lifting
- carrying heavy loads

### Take caution of your surroundings

All eyes must be alert to avoid any material handling hazard while using MHE in the warehouse. Be aware of above head stacking hazards and when placing product in racks.

### Be sure to stack neatly and safely

Do not rush when handling heavy equipment. Even though you may think it can get the work done faster, not taking your time will always result in lower quality work and pose a risk to you and your coworkers.

**Horseplay or Recklessness can lead to all of the above warehouse hazards. Do not take safety rules lightly.**



**CALL TO ACTION:** Share with your people.

# OSHA COMPLIANCE

According to OSHA Standard 1910.140(c)(18)

Personal fall protection systems must be inspected before initial use during each work shift for:

- mildew
- wear
- damage
- deterioration
- defective components



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## FORKLIFT SAFETY AWARENESS

This course will help you:

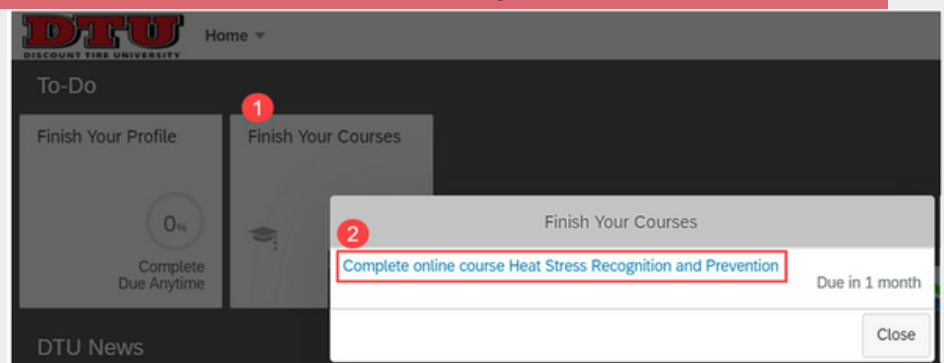
- recognize general engineering and capacity principles associated with forklift safety
- identify factors that lead to forklifts tipping over
- distinguish between safe and unsafe forklift operations
- describe the differences between driving an automobile and a forklift
- identify general loading and unloading principles associated with forklift safety
- specify safe refueling and recharging procedures
- list the steps to perform in walk-around and sit-down inspections

## NEW WAY TO ACCESS THE TRAINING MODULES

This month you will be accessing the course through DTU. Managers and Senior Assistant Managers will both access the course assignments (safety course and acknowledgements) from the **DTU learning system To Do list**.

Below, you will see an example of how this assignment will look:

1. Log into the DTU learning system using your employee ID and Okta/Windows login. On the home page, click Finish Your Courses.
2. Click the name of the safety course you have been assigned.



**Call to action:** Complete the **Forklift Safety Awareness** training module and share what you learned with your people.

Contact [dtu\\_learning@discounttire.com](mailto:dtu_learning@discounttire.com) for troubleshooting.

## FEEDBACK ON THIS MONTH'S TOPIC

1. What did you learn from the Forklift Safety Awareness training module?