

## **Safety Tip of the Week**

## **Workzone Traffic Safety**

Employees being struck by vehicles or mobile equipment on a construction job site causes many work zone injuries and fatalities. Work zones are required to have traffic controls consisting of signs, cones barrels, and barriers. Drivers, employees on foot, and pedestrians must be able to see and understand the proper routes. Construction project managers should determine traffic control plans within construction worksites.



## **Safe Work Practices:**

- Follow all site rules and signs.
- Watch your speed and stay in your lane.
- Be aware of other mobile equipment, site visitors, equipment, and people on foot.
- Check our equipment before use (pre-shift inspection).
- Check your brake each time you approach a steep grade or elevated dump.
- Never move or change direction without using a warning signal or flagger.

## Worker Safety Orientation for Work Zones Includes, but Is Not Limited to:

- An identification of specific job-site hazards and an explanation of the safeguards to take;
- Information on the limitations and proper uses of traffic control devices and other protectionthis includes the details of both the external and internal traffic control plan in place; and
- A briefing on the emergency action plan for the site.

Once all workers can learn the use and limitations of traffic control devices, personal protective equipment, tools, etc., then good decisions are made that positively affect the safety and health of everyone on the jobsite.

ABOVE ALL, KEEP YOUR BRAIN TURNED ON AND STAY ALERT—DON'T GET HURT!!