Flagging and Barricading Policy

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POLICY

OVERVIEW

Use flagging and barricading to warn and prevent access to hazards.

Flagging

- A warning that a hazard or unsafe condition exists
- Never to be used for a fall hazard
- Must extend around all access points to the hazard
- Yellow "CAUTION" flagging is used to indicate a hazardous condition that may lead to moderate injury
- Red "DANGER" flagging is used to indicate an immediately hazardous condition that could cause death or serious injury

Barricade

- Used to physically prevent access to a fall or other serious hazards
- Must be tall enough and of sufficient strength to bar access
- Reference FCX-HS02 Working At Heights Policy and Technical Supplement for fall prevention and guardrail requirements

Tags

Should be placed on all sides of the flagging and include:

- The nature of the hazard being flagged
- Contact information for the responsible person (consider shift and weekend work contacts)
- Any necessary PPE required for entry or work in the area
- The time and date installed

ACTIONS TO STAY SAFE

Unless necessary, and only with proper authority, do not enter into any flagged or barricaded areas.

Always install barricades before creating fall hazards (open holes).

Conduct a pre-release inspection to ensure hazards have been eliminated before removing flagging and barricading. Never pass into a barricaded area unless you are authorized specifically in that area, and understand the hazards and controls required.

Plan flagging and barricading to ensure safe alternate routes for others in the area.

YELLOW: When entering into a yellow CAUTION flagged area, read the tags, don proper PPE, familiarize yourself with the hazards, enter with caution and watch for changing conditions.

RED: The only individuals authorized to work in red DANGER flagged areas include: persons performing work to mitigate the hazards, individuals in charge of the work being performed (ie: foreman, superintendent, project manager etc.), and other escorted personnel, authorized by responsible person listed on tag.

Escorts for red DANGER flagged areas must be authorized to be in the areas.

Remove all flagging and barricades when hazards have been eliminated.

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

FCX DOHS Flagging and Barricading Course (STF FCX1020) Initial and remedial training as necessary