

# **Tool Talk Safety Meeting**

Date - 7/22/2019

Topics – Traveling in Convoy Formation and Partials

#### TRAVEL IN CONVOY FORMATION

A near miss recently occurred resulting in tire damage that could have been minimized or avoided if the person driving the support truck was following the 3 Box instead of in front of the two truck convoy. Had the support truck been behind the 3 Box, in proper convoy formation, the driver could have seen the smoke from the back of the 3 Box and alerted the 3 Box driver.

When two or more vehicles are traveling together, have the striper, specialty vehicle or vehicle pulling a trailer be the lead vehicle. The striper, vehicles pulling trailers, and specialty equipment must be in the lead, with pickups and trucks without trailers serving as follow trucks watching out for any problems. A convoy of two vehicles should stay together. Wherever possible have all trucks take the same route. If a vehicle has a breakdown, other vehicles will be able to see it, stop, and help out.

#### PARTIALS

<u>Recently, there were 24 partial drums of elements that accumulated in the Troy yard over a one week</u> <u>period</u>. Consolidate partial drums of elements by dumping partial drums into one drum. Following this process will reduce the number of partials that accumulate.

#### **PUMPING UP PAINT, BEADS & ELEMENTS**

- 1. First pump up all partials
- 2. Pump up all drain buckets barrels
- 3. Use partial pallets of beads first
- 4. Use partial drums of Elements first\*

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### Date – 7/22/2019 Topics – TICKET FOR USING A CELL PHONE

A paint crew was in the process of striping the Mackinac Bridge when a Michigan State Police Officer ticketed a driver of one of the follow trucks for holding a cell phone in a manner that was in violation of Section 392.82A1 of the vehicle code that prohibits using a hand-held mobile telephone while driving.

Penalties for this serious type of violation are costly and can be up to **\$2,750.00 for drivers and up to \$11,000.00 for employers.** Multiple violations can result in a driver disqualification by the FMCSA.

All PK employees are required to comply with the law. Federal and State laws restrict the use of hand held mobile devices (cell phones) in any moving vehicle unless the phone is being operated by a hands free device located in close proximity to the driver.

#### US DOT FMCSA MOBILE PHONE RESTRICTIONS FACT SHEET:

#### What is the definition of using a mobile telephone?

• The use of a hand-held mobile telephone means:

- ° Using at least one hand to hold a mobile phone to make a call;
- ° Dialing a mobile phone by pressing more than a single button; or

<sup>°</sup> Reaching for a mobile phone in a manner that requires a driver to maneuver so that he or she is no longer in a seated driving position, restrained by a seat belt.

#### Compliance

• Make sure the mobile telephone is within close enough proximity that it is operable while the driver is restrained by properly installed and adjusted seat belts.

- Use an earpiece or the speaker phone function.
- Use voice-activated dialing.

• Use the hands-free feature. To comply, a driver must have his or her mobile telephone located where he or she is able to initiate, answer, or terminate a call by touching a single button. The driver must be in the seated driving position and properly restrained by a seat belt. Drivers are not in compliance if they unsafely reach for a mobile phone, even if they intend to use the hands-free function.

If a cell phone needs to be used to communicate and the call can't be made safely in compliance with the law do not make the call; wait until the call can be made safely and legally.

Remember that all PK employees may carry a personal cell phone to use in case of emergencies. However, at no time may employees use their phones for personal business while driving or working. Phones may briefly be used during lunch breaks and permitted during work hours only in case of emergency.

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## **TOOL TALK SAFETY MEETING**

### **TOPIC(S):** <u>Ticket for Cell Phone Use, Convoy Formation and Partials</u> July 22, 2019

DATE: DIVISION:\_\_\_\_\_

Foreman's/Presenter's Name:

Printed Name	Signature	Printed Name	Signature

Attendees sign and print name below

ADDITIONAL TOPICS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS FOR NEXT TOOL TALK

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