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## Young Worker Safety

In Ontario, an average of 44 young workers are injured or killed everyday while working on the job. However, many of these accidents are preventable. A young worker is a person who is between the age of 15-24 that works part time or full time. Safety in the workplace is a shared responsibility between workers, supervisors and managers. Together, we can prevent these unnecessary injuries and fatalities.



### 5 Reasons Why Young Workers Get Hurt

1. Not enough training
2. Not enough experience
3. Do not know their legal rights and responsibilities
4. Afraid to ask questions or just don't know the questions to ask
5. Tired from trying to balance work with school and other activities

**As a young worker if you are not sure a task is safe, ask questions until you get the answers you understand...**

1. Don't be shy to ask for information from your manager/supervisor
2. Always ask for training and assistance before operating a machine
3. Don't operate any machine without a safe guard in place
4. If you clean a machine, be sure there is no way it can move or be turned on
5. Ask if there are any company health and safety rules
6. Ask what to do if there is an emergency or fire
7. Ask about hazardous chemical in the workplace
8. Always report any workplace injuries or illness to your manager/supervisor

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