

CONFINED-SPACE RESCUE PLANNING

CONFINED SPACE | THINK AHEAD. CONTROL THE HAZARD. PROTECT THE CREW.

Today we are discussing confined-space rescue planning. Review the job, identify the specific exposure, and agree on the controls before work begins.

COMMON HAZARDS AND SAFEGUARDS

- Identify the rescue method before entry begins
- Confirm the rescue team is available and capable
- Stage retrieval and rescue equipment at the space
- Know how to summon emergency assistance
- Practice non-entry rescue where feasible
- Never rely solely on calling emergency services after an incident

THE COMMON-SENSE CHECK

- 1 What can go wrong during confined-space rescue planning?
- 2 Which of today's conditions increases the risk?
- 3 Are isolation, permits, and equipment verified?
- 4 Does everyone understand the controls and limits?
- 5 What will make us stop, withdraw, or raise the alarm?

CONTROL THE EXPOSURE

PLAN

Identify the rescue method before entry begins

VERIFY

Confirm the rescue team is available and capable

CONTROL

Stage retrieval and rescue equipment at the space

RESPOND

Never rely solely on calling emergency services after an incident

ASK THE CREW

1. Where could this hazard affect us during today's work?

2. Which control must be verified before we begin?

3. What condition requires us to stop work or evacuate?

DATE: _____

SUPERVISOR: _____

CREW / LOCATION: _____