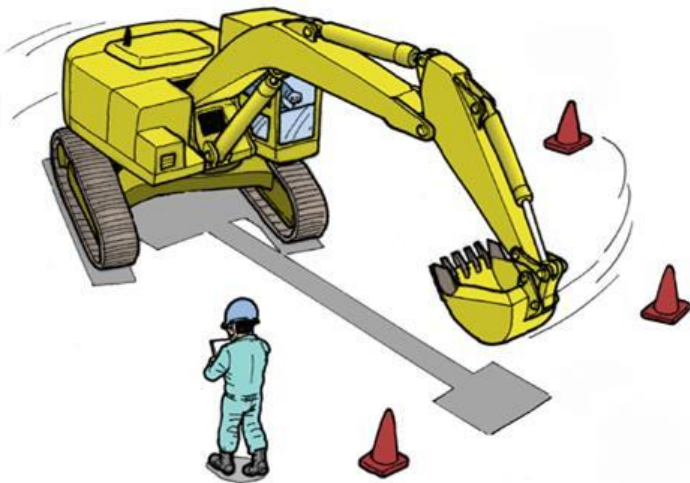


SAFETY SHARE!

SWING RADIUS

Struck-by hazards are among the leading causes of fatalities in construction. One of the most deadly work practices is being within the SWING RADIUS of heavy equipment. The swing radius is the entire circle from a given point that parts of the equipment may move within.



OPR106.43 states:

No worker shall enter the swing path of an excavator and/or its load while the machine is in operation. In congested areas a safety watcher may be required to ensure workers or others do not enter the swing path of the machine or its load.

The OH&S Regulations state that *the operator of mobile equipment shall ensure that a worker is not in close proximity to the swing radius of the equipment while it is in operation.* Some other safe practices to consider when working around heavy equipment include:

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Do not become distracted.
- Wear high-visibility clothing.
- Make eye contact with operator before approaching heavy equipment.
- Establish communication methods before starting work.
- Keep unauthorized people out of the work area.



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