

Safety

Spotlight

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SAFETY PUZZLE=PRIZE!

The following safety terms are included in the word search below. If you manage to locate each safety term, send the completed puzzle to the Safety Office (Stop 9031, ATTN: Spotlight) with your contact info, and it will be entered in a drawing for a prize! Return puzzle by June 1st. When searching for the terms, think of ways these safety concepts can help you and your co-workers be safer in the workplace.

FILE DRAWERS OPEN	RUSHING	SAFETY
LIFT WITH LEGS	COMPLACENCY	FATIGUE
ERGONOMICS	WEAR GLOVES	MSDS
CORDS IN AISLE	EYES ON TASK	NOTIFIND
FRUSTRATION	MIND ON TASK	LOCKOUT
MACHINE GUARD	USE HAND RAILS	PASS

M E N E Y S E O S F A T I G U E
 I N O S C A K N U A N I N Y E I
 N L T K N T T W D U S I G H S E
 D M I S E S O G R R H A H L E L
 O D F A C R P P A S S V I L I O
 N O I T A R T S U R F A S F A C
 T M N N L O D R G W R I T T D K
 A W D O P S O N E D A W U T O O
 S U I S M P S A N N I A Y D F U
 K E A E O L R A I T A T N C D T
 A O S Y C G H S H E E T C G M N
 A T I E L E D L C F S R V I N E
 N E P O S R E W A R D E L I F I
 N M V U O G I S M E S W O M E L
 N E P C S F O F T I L S E H A Y
 S C I M O N O G R E O L L H G R

GAS GRILL SAFETY

Liquid petroleum (LP) gas or propane, used in gas grills, is highly flammable. Each year people are injured as a result of gas grill fires and explosions. Many of these fires and explosions occur when operators first use a grill that has been left idle for a period of time or just after refilling and re-attaching the grill's gas container. To reduce the risk of fire or explosion, users should routinely perform the following safety checks:

- Check grill hoses for cracking, brittleness, holes, and leaks. Make sure there are no sharp bends in the hose or tubing.
- Move gas hoses as far away as possible from hot surfaces and dripping hot grease.
- Always keep propane gas containers upright.
- Never store a spare gas container under or near the grill or indoors.
- Never store or use flammable liquids, like gasoline, near the grill.



UND GAS GRILL POLICY

If you are looking to use a gas grill on campus, be sure to contact UND Campus Safety and Security regarding the Gas Grill Policy and Requirements. The requirements outline the use of gas grills on campus and require the user to fill out a form to submit for an inspection and approval. For more information please contact Campus Safety and Security at 777-3341.



STORM WATER

It is great to finally see things warming up around campus. The change in temperature is nice, but warmer air also means moisture in the clouds. Rain makes up an integral part of our ecosystem. Falling from high above, it cascades over the landscape trickling into small streams, eventually flowing into larger bodies of water. When rain falls onto developed land, organized storm drain systems funnel it out of the area. Everything works like a charm until those storm drains become polluted.



These pollutants can be anything from fertilizers, grass clippings, and pet waste, to automotive fluids, construction materials, and soaps. Contaminants that end up in the storm drains are carried off, untreated, to water bodies used for drinking, swimming, or fishing. Here are ten helpful habits to reduce the amount of harmful pollutants entering storm drains this spring season:

- Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and roads.
- **Never** dump anything down a storm drain.
- Vegetate bare spots in your yard.
- Compost your yard waste.
- Avoid pesticides: learn about Integrated Pest Management (IPM). For more information go to: <http://www.ag.ndsu.nodak.edu/aginfo/ndipm/>
- Direct down spouts away from paved surfaces. Placing the down spout toward a grassy area will filter out any unwanted debris.
- Take your car to the car wash instead of washing in the driveway.
- Check car for leaks and recycle motor oil.
- Pick up after your pet.
- Have your septic tank pumped and system inspected regularly.

CONSTRUCTION HAZARDS

As with every winter in North Dakota, the majority of the incidents reported to Campus Safety and Security were slips and falls. Now with spring around the corner, and temperatures have increased, one would think that the threat of slipping or falling would have decreased.

The truth is, spring also has its fair share of slip and fall hazards. With the construction season beginning, the campus and Grand Forks community will have to adjust to many potential inconveniences.

As with inclement weather, the construction will require individuals to pay extra close attention when walking. Irregularities in the walking surfaces, closed sidewalks, and work zones may be a common sight in different areas of town. Take care when walking around construction zones and pay attention to your surroundings.

Driving in construction zones also requires close attention. Be Alert! Slow down for work zones, pay attention to signs and watch for workers. Simple steps such as turning down your car stereo and paying attention to your surroundings will increase the safety of the construction workers and you.



U2 SAFETY RELATED CLASSES

CLASS:	DATE:
Does My Workstation Need an Ergonomic Assessment?	5/20
Defensive Driving	5/6 and 5/19

