



Food Manufacture

Health and Safety, COSHH and Fire Awareness

Lesson 9

This course is suitable for everyone working in food manufacture or wanting to work in the industry, it explains the important subjects of health and safety, COSHH and fire awareness





Transport and handling safety is very important in a food factory as lot's of accidents are caused by transport and handling incidents.





Transport incidents include:

- Being hit by a vehicle
- Being run over by a vehicle
- Being stuck by an object





Handling incident include:

- Crushing
- Entrapment
- Loads collapsing
- Compromise of food safety
- Strains, sprains and back injuries
- Slip, trips and falls
- Dropping loads on people or yourself





Transport and handling accidents can be caused by:

- Forklift trucks
- Handling equipment e.g. pallet trucks
- Despatch vehicles
- Poor use of ladders and lifts
- Poor factory layout
- Manual handling techniques
- Untidy work area



**Food factory
management
make sure
transport and
handling safety is
monitored and
followed by:**

- Safe workplace layout
- Appropriate training is given to all staff
- Wear PPE and use suitable equipment and machinery correctly
- Park vehicles safely and remove keys when necessary
- Safe working practice
- Regular maintenance checks and repair/replacement
- Ensure operators are competence and qualified
- No unauthorised work practices occur



If possible avoid using ladders, but if they are used they should be used on a stable, level work surface. A visual check of the ladder should be performed.





Manual handling of objects must be done in a safe way to ensure no accidents or injuries occur. All staff receive manual handling training.





Revision Activity 9

Name two things that can cause transport and handling accidents?