

THE FRIGID WEATHER IS UPON US (TRANSPORTATION)



Beware of slippery Walking Surfaces

Every winter, many falls occur because of slippery, icy or muddy walking surfaces. These are all preventable injuries. Here's a few helpful tips for staying safe this winter.



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** Be careful when walking down the steps of the bus. They may be slippery from mud when it's been raining. Use the handrails at all times when descending & ascending.
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** Apply non-corrosive ice melt products to help eliminate icy areas on walking surfaces.
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** For bus steps that are slippery when wet, consider applying a non-slip surface like non-slip paint OR friction tape.
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** Try to anticipate where icy/muddy areas will form on walking surfaces. For example: wood steps, depressed areas in parking lots and concrete walkways adjacent to irrigated landscaping.
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** Also, be on the lookout for muddy/icy areas that have formed on the side of roadways where you step out to assist students across a street.
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** Be aware of icy concrete or asphalt where puddles regularly form especially before sunrise and in shadowed areas
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** Wear shoes with appropriate soles (ones that have aggressive tread with soft pliable rubber. Avoid wearing shoes with leather soles.
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** Thanks for helping prevent unsafe walking areas and helping keep the money in the classroom. Have a safe winter.

Instructions for supervisor in presenting this information to your employees:

1. Ensure all participating employees sign a "Training Attendance Sheet".
2. Please paraphrase or read verbatim—not simply hand out.
3. Remember to emphasize the importance of working safely.
4. Retain the Training Attendance Sheet in your Safety Program Binder.



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