Massachusetts Department of Labor Standards

Work Zone Safety Tips for Police Details

PREVENT STRUCK-BY INJURIES IN WORKZONES

Contractors

- Communicate clearly Ensure clear communication between operators and detail officer. Use radios, hand signals or other effective means of communication. Increase communication when there are changes or movement in the work zone.
- Maintain eye contact Keep eye contact with the detail officer when they approach or are near your equipment.
- Use a spotter Use a spotter when vehicles and equipment travel in reverse.

Police

- Be visible to motorists Officers must wear high visibility reflective clothing and stay in line of sight with motorists.
- Do not stand in construction area -Detail Officers should not be positioned inside the construction zone. Dump trucks and loaders have large blind spots and equipment could strike the officer.
- Be careful of swing radius Do not stand next to rotating equipment, or near construction activity
- Maintain eye contact Keep eye contact with equipment operators before approaching construction equipment.



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