

Safety Leadership

Here are a few definitions of safety leadership for you to consider:

1. A safety leader demonstrates constant ownership of safety for oneself and others.
2. A safety leader does not tolerate any compromise of safety best practices.
3. A safety leader will call out anyone who is committing an unsafe act.
4. A safety leader demonstrates constancy in pursuit of Safety Perfection.

With regard to safety, consider leadership from these perspectives. Company owners and their managers have to show real safety leadership if any company is to be thought of as serious about the safety of their workers. As well, they must charge their frontline supervisors with equal responsibility to keep their work operations safe. And yet, you cannot expect to see consistent safety on any project if there has not been safety buy-in on the part of the workers themselves. And safety success will only come through setting clear safety expectations for everyone and then having commitment across the board to achieve Safety Perfection day in and day out. Put another way, everyone from the company owner to individual workers must walk the talk day in and day out.

There will be daily discord in work environments when management and frontline supervision push for production and only pay lip service regarding the safety of people who are doing the real work. As a result, you will see accidents happening that can snowball up the pyramid and lead to serious injuries or a fatality. Anywhere pressure is applied which pushes for production and constantly trumps safety is a place that'll have an unhealthy work environment. Obviously the primary reason is because you cannot call it safety leadership when anyone tolerates safety being compromised or ignored.

To be a safety leader is to demonstrate constant ownership of safety for yourself and others within your sphere of influence. A safety leader will call anyone out who is committing an unsafe act. It is best done through the use of caring power. You want your co-worker to go home safe today and every day and you are willing to correct an unsafe act or condition.

When it comes to safety in any work environment, safety leadership does not tolerate any compromise of safety best practices. A true safety leader will not allow production to get in the way of any worker's safety. Therefore, safety leadership demonstrates constancy in pursuit of Safety Perfection.

Remember, Safety Perfection is the only option acceptable to me. What is Safety Perfection? That's easy. Everyone goes home safe each and every day.

For further answers and insight, I invite you to look at my book, *Safety Under Construction—A Quest for Safety Perfection Utilizing Inventive Thinking where we discuss in depth the psychological aspects of safety that include how we are affected mental, emotionally and physically*. It is a must-read for individuals and anyone who wants to dramatically improve the Culture of Safety within your organization and make great strides for safety success.

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