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RADIANT PROPANE HEATER USE

Actsafes's Toolbox Talks are intended as an informational resource for employers and supervisors to use to deliver a safety talk on a specific subject. A toolbox talk can be an effective way of refreshing workers' knowledge of safe work procedures and sharing information with more experienced workers.

Radiant Propane Heater Use

Radiant heat is simply heat that radiates out from a central source and is very common in the winter, promoting a warm environment.

Benefits from Radiant Propane Heaters include:

- Portable;
- To those that may have allergies from forced air systems, radiant heaters provide an alternative;
- Different sizes design for different spaces, easy to transport and manage it.

Keep in mind the following points while use Radiant Propane Heater:

- Inspect your equipment before using. Check hoses for cracks or other defects, ensure connections are secure, ensure propane tanks are not damaged.
- Propane heaters consumes oxygen. If you in an enclosed space, such as a tent or building, make sure there is adequate ventilation. Ensure plenty of fresh air.
- Be aware of where the heater is positioned. People and combustible objects, such paper, clothing, wood material, and tent walls should be kept 1.37 metres (4 feet 6 inches) away from the heater. Don't hang or place anything on top of the heater.
- Don't use flammable materials such as paint thinners, aerosol cleaners, hairs sprays or deodorants near propane heaters.
- Keep a fire extinguisher near heaters and never leave the heater running unattended.

Hazards to be aware of include burns, the risk of fire and carbon monoxide poisoning.

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning:



If you experience symptoms:

1. **Evacuate space** immediately
2. **Inform** supervisor & First Aid
3. **DO NOT RE-ENTER** the space until it has been declared safe.

Additional resources:

Propane Safety Guidelines <https://www.actsafe.ca/topic/propane/propane-guidelines-motion-picture-fact-sheet/>

Propane Safety Sign <https://www.actsafe.ca/topic/propane/propane-heater-safety-sign/>

Propane Safety Awareness workshop – contact motionpicturesafety@actsafe.ca for more details

Attendees (attach Sign-in Sheet if needed):

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