

**UTILITY MECHANIC//SR. UTILITY MECHANIC**

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HANGING SIGNS AND BANNERS		
Activity	Hazard Identification	Required Precautions
1. Driving to and from work site.	1. Motor vehicle accident; striking pedestrians, bicyclists, or individuals using rollerblades.	1. Wear prescription lenses, if required, and seatbelt. Verify that all equipment on vehicle is secured properly. Stay alert for pedestrians, bicyclists, and individuals using rollerblades.
2. Using extension ladder.	2. Ladder collapsing; slipping/falling from ladder.	2. If possible, use hi-ranger or genie boom instead. Inspect ladder before use. Verify that ladder is properly assembled and that it is securely positioned on level ground. Use 1'-4' rule. Use OSHA decal to verify that ladder is in the proper position.
4. Using hi-ranger or genie boom.	4a. Falling out of bucket while working.	4a. Verify boom operator is certified. Use outriggers to level truck. Wear safety belt. Do not exceed weight limit of 500 lbs. in bucket. If moving genie boom more than a few feet at a time, lower bucket before proceeding. Do not drive genie boom over curbs, manhole covers, or anything other than level, hard ground. Do not lean out over railing.
	4b. Electric shock; electrocution.	4b. Stay clear of power lines and of lights on sides of buildings. Have someone stay on the ground to watch for hazards.
4. Working in area of pedestrian traffic.	4. Pedestrians knocking over ladder; dropping tools on pedestrians or other injuries to pedestrians.	4. Secure area with cones and tape before beginning work.
5. Working in area of vehicular traffic.	5. Worker being struck by vehicle. Ladder being knocked over or truck being struck by motor vehicle.	5. Use traffic control devices such as cones or barricades. Contact police if necessary to assist in directing traffic.

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6. Using hand tools.	6. Cuts, pinches, smashes, punctures, severing of fingers.	6. Keep tools in good condition. Inspect tools before use. Wear safety glasses. Work away from yourself. Use normal caution required for all hand tools.
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