**Top Four**  
**Construction Hazards**

The top four causes of construction fatalities are: Falls, Struck-By, Caught-In/Between and Electrocutions.

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| **Prevent Falls**   * Wear and use personal fall arrest equipment. * Install and maintain perimeter protection. * Cover and secure floor openings and label floor opening covers. * Use ladders and scaffolds safely. | Prevent Falls |

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| **Prevent Struck-By**   * Never position yourself between moving and fixed objects. * Wear high-visibility clothes near equipment/vehicles. | Prevent Struck-By |

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| **Prevent Caught-In/Between**   * Never enter an unprotected trench or excavation 5 feet or deeper without an adequate protective system in place; some trenches under 5 feet deep may also need such a system. * Make sure the trench or excavation is protected either by sloping, shoring, benching or trench shield systems. | Prevent Caught-In/Between |

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| **Prevent Electrocutions**   * Locate and identify utilities before starting work. * Look for overhead power lines when operating any equipment. * Maintain a safe distance away from power lines; learn the safe distance requirements. * Do not operate portable electric tools unless they are grounded or double insulated. * Use ground-fault circuit interrupters for protection. * Be alert to electrical hazards when working with ladders, scaffolds or other platforms. | Prevent Electrocutions |