**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 |