

# Georgia Struck-By Alliance

## 25<sup>th</sup> National Work Zone Awareness Week: April 15-19, 2024



### Consejos de seguridad en la zona de trabajo

Los siguientes son algunos consejos de seguridad que un trabajador puede adoptar para protegerse y evitar accidentes o fatalidades en la carretera:

- Estar alerta.
- No darle la espalda al tráfico vehicular.
- Utilizar reflectores, bandas en los brazos y cascos protectores.
- Estar alerta a todos los peligros potenciales, especialmente a los puntos ciegos relacionados con equipos de construcción.
- Siempre mirar a tu alrededor antes de moverte de tu posición.
- Entender claramente en que carriles se prohíbe caminar, saber por donde entran o salen los vehículos o equipos, y saber la dirección del tráfico al entrar y salir de la zona de trabajo.
- Utilizar observadores (spotters) mientras cargas o descargas equipo.
- If acting as a spotter, know where you are expected to stand and confirm what hand signals are to be relayed to the driver.
- Be aware of the swing area for equipment that uses buckets.
- Equipment operators should never move equipment without making positive visual eye contact with all workers on foot in their vicinity.
- Flaggers should understand the traffic flow, work zone set up and the proper placement of traffic channeling devices.
- Flaggers should maintain ample distance from other highway workers so their role can be distinguished by passing motorists.
- Flaggers should ensure they have good sight communication or two-way radios to communicate with their counterpart at the other end the vehicular stream.
- Have a bail-out plan in case of an errant vehicle. Get out of the way of errant vehicles and warn other workers of errant vehicles.
- Use truck mounted attenuators (TMA) during installation and removal.
- Install as many of the traffic control devices as possible from the shoulder.
- Ensure that proper lighting is available for nighttime installation and removal of temporary traffic control devices.
- Law enforcement personnel may be used during installation and removal activities to help deter speeding and provide enhanced visibility for the operation. Enforcement personnel should be in safe locations on the shoulder or off the roadway.
- Always think safety and be aware of your surroundings. Above all else never assume that equipment operators or motorists outside the work zone have spotted you and will slow down or stop.

### Recursos adicionales

- Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)
- Georgia Department of Transportation
- [Workzonesafety.org](http://Workzonesafety.org)