



# PREVENTING SLIPS, TRIPS AND FALLS IN THE WORKPLACE

## Did you know?

Nearly

# 27%

of all accidents are slips, trips and falls.<sup>1</sup>

# 12 DAYS

Average number of days workers missed from slips, trips and falls.<sup>2</sup>

## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO PREVENT THEM?

### 1

### Look out for common hazards and identify problem spots.

Surfaces can become slippery from bad weather, poor drainage, spills or other contaminants such as sand or mulch.

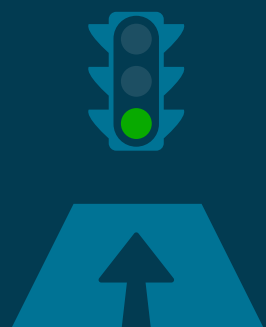
Walkways pose risks when their surfaces have holes or changes in elevation greater than a quarter of an inch, as well as when walkway transitions are poorly marked or not well lit.



### 2

### Create safe passage with well-maintained surfaces throughout your workplace.

**Entrances, walkways & floors** should have proper lighting and clear paths of travel. These areas should be inspected regularly for surface contaminants such as water or natural debris. “Wet floor” signs and cleanup supplies should be readily available.



### 3

### Report all incidents.

Document all details of the incident, including the names of the injured person and any witnesses and their accounts of what happened. Take photographs of the incident site and, if possible, the footwear worn by the injured person.



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<sup>1</sup> <https://stats.bls.gov/iif/oshwc/osh/case/oschoo58.pdf>

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