

Please help us congratulate our 1st Quarter 2024 Safety Winners!

1st Quarter 2024 Safety Raffle Winners!

All participants in the Safety Program get a chance to win a \$50 Walmart gift card

Bloomington: Megan Huff

Effingham: Taylor Bernath

Urbana: Pepsi Pearson

Decatur: Penny McCullough

Indianapolis: Larnell Wells Jr

1st Quarter 2024 Safety Share Award goes to.....

Betina Bryant

During this weather with the snow and ice pay closer attention to the way that you clean. Salt is being thrown outside and tracked into the building. Make sure when you vacuum, sweep and mop the floors you are removing the salt pellets and salty footprints. Also pay attention to chair legs and wipe them off.

Spring Cleaning

Spring is here and with that comes spring cleaning! Please be aware of extra trash and dusting which can have an impact on your budgeted time.

Stay Organized

Staying organized is really important to what we do. It helps us stay efficient and thorough. Keeping your closet and equipment well maintained is just a small part of keeping yourself organized.

Clean your job closet

Spring is a great time to clean your job closet. Please keep closet neat, clean and organized by:

1. Throw away empty chemical bottles
2. Check laundry for old, torn towels
3. Clean up floor signs and your carts
4. Scrub your dump sinks
5. Mop the floor in your closet
6. Do maintenance on your equipment

Extension Cord Safety

The extension cord is used to deliver electrical energy to the vacuum. To reduce the possibility of electric shock, employees should treat the vacuum and extension cord with extreme caution. Please use only the extension cords provided by ESS. Also, please remember to turn off the power to the vacuum before unplugging the extension cord.

Emergency Preparedness

FIRES IN THE WORKPLACE

There is always a risk of fire in the workplace, no matter what the time of year. As an ESS employee you should be familiar with the general safety rules, helping us prevent fires.

Good housekeeping, and routine equipment maintenance are important preventative measures. Additionally, you should be careful to keep flammable liquids in their proper closed containers, and away from ignition sources.

In case of a fire, you should familiarize yourself with all the evacuation routes from your building. If you are ever at work and see a fire or the alarm sounds, call 9-1-1 and evacuate immediately.

DO NOT attempt to put the fire out yourself. You need to wait until the fire department has cleared the building before re-entering.

Tornadoes and Severe Thunderstorms

According to the National Weather Service, Illinois is ranked 6th in the U.S. for the most tornadoes and has more than 850 reports of wind damage and large hail, on average, every year from severe thunderstorms.

A **“WATCH”** means severe weather is possible. A **“WARNING”** will be accompanied by sirens in case of a tornado. This means severe weather has been sighted, and you should take shelter immediately.

Find an underground area, such as a basement or storm cellar. If not available, find a small interior room or hallway on the lowest floor possible. Stay in the center of the room, and avoid corners because they attract debris.

AVOID auditoriums, cafeterias and gymnasiums that have flat, wide-span roofs.

AFTER, take a look around and inspect for damage to the building or property. Check in with your supervisor following any weather event that requires you to take shelter.

Severe Weather Preparedness Tips: Spring Weather



Severe Thunderstorm Safety



When you hear the words “severe thunderstorm” in the forecast, be ready for more than just heavy rain and lightning.

SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS CAN BRING:



Hail



Strong Wind
Gusts



Lightning



Heavy
Rain



Flash
Floods



Tornadoes

OTHER HAZARDS

Other situations that could pose a potential hazard are human blood or bodily fluids and spilled chemicals. To clean up human blood or bodily fluids, contact your supervisor and Do NOT attempt to clean up these materials without appropriate personal protective equipment.

For hazardous chemical spills, consult the Material Safety Data Sheet.

Contact your supervisor with any questions.

2024 Safety Program: Don't Learn Safety by Accident



Safety Procedures

Work Safety

Four ways to submit: **1.** Go to the www.essclean.com and go to Safety Program then at the bottom of the left column of Safety Newsletters is a button for the 2024 2nd Quarter Safety Quiz that can be completed online. **2.** Email the answers or take a photo of the completed form below and email to Safety@essclean.com. Please include your name, employee number and Area Manager's name in the email. **3.** Bring it to the office or put it in the outside drop box. **4.** Mail it to ESS Clean, Inc. Attn: Safety; PO Box 17067 Urbana, IL 61803.

Send submissions no later than Tuesday, April 23rd before midnight!

SAFETY QUIZ

Complete and submit the Safety Quiz below by the deadline to win one of four \$50 Walmart gift cards.

Name: _____

Employee #: _____ Area Manager: _____

1. True or False. Driving in wet weather doubles your risk of a crash.
2. Which of these statements are true about Spring cleaning?
 - A. Mop the floor in your closet.
 - B. Scrub your dump sinks.
 - C. Stay organized.
 - D. Turn off the power to the vacuum before unplugging the extension cord.
 - E. All of the above
3. True or False. In case of a fire, always wait for the fire department to clear the building before re-entering.
4. In the case of a severe storm, which of the following is NOT true?
 - A. Take shelter in an underground area if possible.
 - B. Seek shelter near a window so you can watch the storm.
 - C. Avoid buildings that have flat, wide-span roofs.
 - D. Check in with your supervisor following the weather event.

SAFETY SHARE

Submit a SAFETY SHARE by the deadline for the chance to win the Manager's Choice Award, a \$50 Walmart gift card.

- New information you learned in this newsletter and how you implemented it on the job;
- A potentially unsafe act you witnessed or experienced and how you corrected it; or
- Suggest a way ESS might improve procedures or training on safety issues.

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