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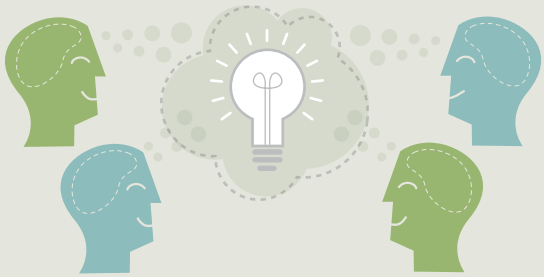
INSIGHTS



ChemStation®

Teamwork

ChemStation's team of chemists and technical staff work closely with our network of sales representatives to develop new cleaning solutions to meet the daily challenges of business and industry. If you have a cleaning challenge, talk to your ChemStation representative. From washing eggs to cleaning ink off printing plates to scrubbing floors…every month our network of Manufacturing Centers across the country is delivering custom-formulated chemicals to exacting customer specifications.



Multi-tasking behind the wheel

Research has shown that driver distraction is the leading factor in most vehicle crashes. One major study found that almost 80 percent of crashes involved some form of driver inattention within three seconds before the event.

Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety have filed a petition with the U.S. Department of Transportation asking the agency to write rules that prohibit or restrict the use of electronic devices — for talking, texting, and other purposes — by operators of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs).

Eighteen states and the District of Columbia currently ban all drivers from using cell phones for text messaging while driving, nine states ban teen drivers specifically, and one state bans school bus drivers specifically.

THINKING GREEN

Save the Environment Start Simple

"Green" has become synonymous for everything that is good for the environment. Here are some simple ways to improve the impact your workplace has on the environment:

Give it a rest. Use appliances with the ENERGY STAR® label and power-saving modes on computers and monitors.

Unplug it. Unplug appliances and electronics when they are not in use.

Remove excess lights. Many buildings have more lighting than needed. In some areas, half the light may be sufficient.

Keep heating and cooling to a minimum. Request the heat set at 65° and the air conditioning at 76°, and use a programmable thermostat to set back the temperature for nights, weekends, and holidays.

Let it flow. Keep air vents clear of equipment, paper, files, and supplies.

Open freight doors only when needed. As soon as a delivery is complete, close the doors to conserve energy.

Turn off elevators. On the weekend, in the evening, or during holidays, turn off extra elevators for annual savings.

Exit Route Rules

OSHA provides guidelines to assist employers in complying with requirements of subpart E (Exit Routes, Emergency Action Plans, and Fire Prevention Plans). The rules for emergency exits fall under the 29 CFR 1910 and can be reviewed on their Web page at www.osha.gov. If you haven't read it lately, you might want to print a copy and see if your company is compliant with the emergency plan.

OSHA FY 2009 Citations

OSHA has published data on its most frequently cited standards, as well as penalty amounts, for fiscal year 2009 (October 2008 through September 2009). Two construction standards (scaffolding and fall protection) continue to rank at the top, both in terms of being cited and in highest penalties.

Top 10 most frequently cited standards:

- Scaffolding, general requirements, construction (29 CFR 1926.451)
- Fall protection, construction (29 CFR 1926.501)
- Hazard communication standard, general industry (29 CFR 1910.1200)
- Respiratory protection, general industry (29 CFR 1910.134)
- Control of hazardous energy (lockout/tagout), general industry (29 CFR 1910.147)
- Ladders, construction (29 CFR 1926.1053)
- Powered industrial trucks, general industry (29 CFR 1910.178)
- Electrical, wiring methods, components and equipment, general industry (29 CFR 1910.305)
- Electrical systems design, general requirements, general industry (29 CFR 1910.303)
- Machines, general requirements, general industry (29 CFR 1910.212)

Hollywood Computers

What would we do without computers? For one thing, Hollywood would have a hard time making movies that depend on computer technology for plot details.

Here's what we've learned about computers from the wonderful world of motion pictures:

- A writer can type out a sentence the length of a Shakespearean soliloquy without once hitting the space bar.
- Anyone can infect a computer with a crippling virus simply by entering the words DOWNLOAD VIRUS on a keyboard.
- Good guys and bad guys alike can infiltrate any computer in the world. Even when it's turned off.
- A hacker can guess any password in two or three attempts.
- The most complex operation, involving massive amounts of data, can be accomplished in three seconds or less.
- Every laptop in the world has real-time video phone capabilities and the performance of a Cray supercomputer.
- Destroying the monitor prevents the entire computer from functioning.
- The hero can immediately use any computer he or she finds, no matter how specialized or advanced.
- The hero always finds the important e-mail right away – it's always at the top of the inbox, and no one ever has to wade through spam.

SOAPBOX

Law of Physical Surfaces – The chances of an open-faced jelly sandwich landing face down on a floor covering are directly correlated to the newness and cost of the carpet/rug.

Seat belts are not as confining as wheelchairs.

He who believes the past cannot be changed has not yet written his memoirs.

Money can't buy happiness – but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Porsche than in a Yaris.

A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water.

Why is it that when we are driving and smell something funny, we turn down the radio?

For everyone out there with a spark of genius, there are nine with ignition problems.

Paul "Bear" Bryant (best known as longtime head coach of the University of Alabama football team) was once asked to give $10 to help pay for a sportwriter's funeral. His reply: "Here's a twenty, bury two."

There are no new sins; the old ones just get more publicity.

If you don't have a sense of humor, you probably don't have any sense at all.

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By the Numbers



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Empty drums not in landfills:
2,758,147 since 1984