



Safety in Five

Topic: Preventing Slips, Trips and Falls in Restaurants

Date:

Location:

Company:

Topic specifics relevant to your job

☐ Slips, trips and falls are a major risk for restaurants

- These incidents can result in life-changing injuries to employees and customers alike
- Note the walking surfaces within your facility and list the areas most likely for this injury to occur – freezer, cooler, dry goods storage, wet or greasy floors, stairways or step stools
- Good housekeeping and maintenance are critical to workplace safety

☐ Backhouse/Food Prepping/Cooking

- Water, ice, grease, food particles or plastic wrap on the floor are the biggest culprits for these types of injuries
- If you see a spill or debris, clean it or place a 'wet floor' caution sign until the condition can be addressed
- Maintain aisles free from storage or clutter
- Ensure drains are covered – report any uneven floor surfaces
- Place slip-resistant mats in vulnerable areas
- Clean floors regularly using fresh mop and water

☐ Walk-in Coolers and Freezers

- Report any ice build-up, wet floors or leaks to your supervisor – use signs to alert others
- Report any issues with lighting or visibility

☐ Dry Goods Storage & Delivery Area

- Organize storage and maintain aisle/corridor space
- Ensure boxes or flaps are not protruding into the aiseways
- Contrast unidentified changes in elevation with white or yellow striping
- Ensure ramps are available as necessary for hand trucks

☐ Other Prevention Measure to Consider

- Wear slip-resistant shoes at all times
- Do not climb on shelves or chairs – use a step stool to reach top tier storage
- Report worn floor mats, torn/loose carpeting to your supervisor
- Report or correct cords crossing the path of traffic
- Use handrails on stairs
- Do not run

Attendees (Names/Signatures)

Comments/Suggestions

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