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Health and Safety at Construction Sites

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Best Practice Examples during the COVID-19 Situation

ORGANIZATION

Administrative and control measures

General advice



Source: Hong Kong Occupational Safety and Health Council (China)



Section on Prevention in the Construction Industry

Declaration of commitment to maintain health in the construction industry

What is it?

It is a management model based on a health protocol that consists of a series of recommendations that member companies must implement to prevent COVID-19 infections.



How does it work?

Step1:

The companies provide their contact details on a website and sign the declaration of commitment.

After registration, the following data must be registered by a responsible person:

- construction sites, workplaces
- construction site manager
- management
- number of workers

Step 2:

An act of commitment is carried out with the workers to make them part of the initiative.

Step 3:

The commitment is made known in the community through the installation of posters and a communication channel with neighbours and workers.

A monitoring and management app is available to make weekly compliance reports.

Video clip (in Spanish): https://youtu.be/1dZF08W51Ak

Source: Cámara Chilena de la Construcción (Chile)



Section on Prevention in the Construction Industry

Admission control with fever check

Non-contact infrared thermometer: facial recognition thermal cam at main gate and thermal imaging detection at training rooms



Source: Korea Occupational Safety and Health Agency (Korea)

Thermal patch for fragile workers: constant thermal check with color changing patches for fragile workers



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Section on Prevention in the Construction Industry

Marking choke points and walking areas

Barriers for directional marking and separate stairs for ascent and descent on scaffolds



Source: The Center for Construction Research and Training (USA)

Designating separate entry and exit points





Source: The Center for Construction Research and Training (USA)



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Marking 'appropriate distance between people' at smoking areas and cafeterias



Source: Korea Occupational Safety and Health Agency (Korea)

Distancing in busses and marked waiting lines for seats in the commuting bus





Plexiglass barrier

Portable plexiglass barrier



Source: The Center for Construction Research and Training (USA)

Plexiglasses at cafeteria and training room









Other organizational measures

Separate locker for PPE and providing protection products for workers





Source: Korea Occupational Safety and Health Agency (Korea)

Contact-free devices on helmet: safety managers communicate with walkie talkie with camera on helmet

