

## **BACKHOE OPERATOR**

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Possible Hazards Pre	sent	Personal Protection Required		Additional Training	
<ul> <li>Other workers and equipment</li> <li>Vehicle damage</li> <li>Slip/trip</li> <li>Pinch points</li> </ul>		<ul><li>Steel toe boots</li><li>Hard Hat</li><li>Safety Vest</li></ul>		-	Operator Certificate

- 1. Before work begins, discuss job to be done with all involved.
- 2. Secure the work area.
- 3. Ensure the underground lines have been checked.
- 4. Survey the work area for hazards.
- 6. Do a visual inspection of the machine and perform daily maintenance check.
- 7. Enter & exit machine using 3 point contact method.
- 8. Start up machine and let it warm up for a sufficient amount of time.
- 9. Check all gauges, lights, alarms, bucket, boom and swing.
- 10. Stabilize backhoe with the outriggers and bucket.
- 11. Depending on soil quality and depth of excavation, stay as far back as possible Do not dig blindly.
- 12. Slope banks according to regulations.
- 13. Do not allow anybody near the bucket digging site.
- 14. If accidentally striking an underground utility line shut off the backhoe immediately and follow underground utilities procedure.
- 15. Be aware of all people and obstructions in operating area.
- 16. When job is done raise outriggers.
- 17. Allow enough cool down time before shutting off.
- 18. When finished operation for the day turn the Master Ignition Switch to the OFF position.

Documentation/Legislation Workplace Safety and Health Regulation,	
M.R. 217/2006	This Safe Work Procedure will be
6 Personal Protective Equipment	reviewed anytime the task, equipment or materials change and at a minimum
16 Machines, Tools and Robots 20 Vehicular and Pedestrian Traffic	every three years.
22 Powered Mobile Equipment	