

STAND DOWN TO SAVE LIVES

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Seat belts are evolving in terms of operator comfort and responsiveness. MSHA engineers estimate that 3–4 miners' lives could be saved each year if seat belts were used universally. When operating mobile equipment, some best practices to remember are:

Promote a Safety Culture

- Seat belts save lives.
- You expect your loved ones to wear their seat belts. They expect you to do the same.
- Be a buddy. Insist that coworkers also wear their seat belts.

Equipment Operators

- **ALWAYS** wear your seat belt.
- Wear your seat belt to the job, at the job, and from the job.

Rules to Live By

- Buckling up is the single most effective thing you can do to protect yourself in a collision, tip-over, or rollover.
- In the event of a collision, tip-over, or rollover your seat belt will keep you in the protected space of the machine cab or vehicle.
- **NEVER** jump from a moving vehicle. Remain in the seat with your seat belt secured.
- Inspect the seat belt and mounting hardware before operating the equipment.
- Replace any damaged or worn parts.
- You are responsible for buckling up. Make the right choice. **ALWAYS** wear your seat belt.

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