



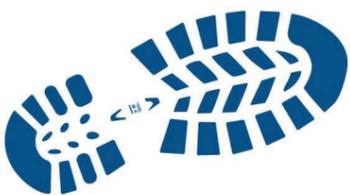
SAFETY TIPS

To help avoid injury when walking on snow and ice, South West Salt Supplies offers these TIPS:



- Walk slowly and deliberately, focused on the path ahead.
- Where possible, avoid slippery surfaces, such as wet leaves, icy areas, and snow banks.
- Wear appropriate footwear with slip-resistant soles to work, and change into indoor footwear. Ice grippers that attach to your footwear can provide additional traction.
- Use handrails where available.
- Check to make sure entrance areas and stairs are clear of snow and slush. Tracked in snow and slush often causes slips and falls.
- Clean your shoes when you go inside. Caked snow and ice on shoe soles can be treacherous.
- **The best strategy is to shovel snow before it gets trampled and packed down, and use rock salt, calcium chloride pellets, or a liquid de-icer to melt the snow and ice.**

Review your plan with staff to make sure everyone understands the timing and schedule of activities.



Remind employees to wear appropriate footwear with good traction.



Pre-treat walkways with anti-icing agents. Options include granular materials, liquid agents, brining, and pre-wetted salt. Choose the materials and method best suited to your site and forecast weather conditions.



Winter Safety: Prevent Slips, Trips, and Falls.

Becoming injured due to wet and icy conditions is no laughing matter.

As temperatures drop and snow flies, the number of injuries due to slips, trips, and falls increases. Workers can suffer bruises, abrasions, broken limbs, cracked ribs, serious back and/or head injuries, often resulting in time off work. In Canada, more than 42,000 workers get injured annually due to falls, according to the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety. Statistics show the majority (66%) are due to slips and trips on the same level.

While much attention is given to prevent workers falling from elevations, the reality is that anyone can slip, trip, and possibly fall on level ground. And winter's wet and icy conditions make the likelihood even greater.



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