



# TRENCHING

## Safety

**YOUR COMMUNITY DEPENDS ON YOU.**

Trenches and excavations present dangerous jobsite challenges, including collapses that frequently injure construction employees.

To keep you and your co-workers safe:

- Protect trenches over 5' in depth from cave-in.
- Use ladders to access trenches that reach 4' in depth or more.
- Verify that the atmosphere in trenches is safe.
- Know the location and status of underground utilities.
- Beware of overhead electrical hazards.
- Wear appropriate safety gear on excavation jobsites, like hard hats.
- Wear seat belts provided on machines and in vehicles.

## *Commitment*

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