



VERTICAL BALER SAFETY TIPS

Be Prepared	Work Safe	Finish Right
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Ensure you have been trained in the safe use of the baler ✓ Inspect the machine for obvious defects such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Broken door locks – Bent doors – Damaged controls – Hydraulic leaks ✓ Review the safety warning labels on the equipment ✓ Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Non-slip safety shoes – Cut-resistant gloves – Safety glasses ✓ Let someone know when you are going to use the baler ✓ Secure any personal items that could fall into baler ✓ Only place appropriate recyclable materials in the baler 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Ensure baler chamber is guarded to prevent reaching in or falling ✓ Do not place any body part past the threshold of the chamber ✓ Ensure the baler material filling door(s) is(are) securely closed before operating ✓ Never open the door while a baler is running ✓ Stand to the side and ensure area in front of baler is clear of personnel and debris when clearing the bale ✓ All access doors must be equipped with safety interlocking devices that immediately signal the baler to stop upon opening ✓ Do not defeat any safeguarding ✓ Clean up any spills immediately ✓ If there is a jam or other problem, contact your supervisor for assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Clean the floor and work area around the machine ✓ Ensure all warning signs are readable ✓ Use lockout procedure during cleaning and maintenance ✓ Ensure only qualified individuals are performing maintenance on balers, and that manufacturer's instructions are followed ✓ Clean and put away PPE ✓ Report any problems with the equipment or signs to your supervisor



Speak up!

If you see a hazard, let a supervisor know. Everyone plays a role in your safety and health.

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