



### **TIP OF THE WEEK**

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Safety is a paramount management responsibility, especially when your business is in manufacturing or converting. And a poor safety record is not just expensive; I feel that it's an indictment of management's commitment to providing a proper work environment. Training and risk management are critical. But here's a fun, effective and easy to increase safety awareness. Try Safety Bingo.

Paper bingo cards are available inexpensively online as are the cards or coins with bingo numbers. Set a pot for bingo of say \$25. Give every employee a bingo card. Every day that is accident free, pull a bingo number. After about twenty or so accident-free days, someone will finally win the pot. Then increase the pot a little bit - by say five dollars - and hand out new cards. Keep playing and increasing the pot until an accident happens. Then collect all the cards-in-process and destroy them. Hand out new cards and reset the pot to the original base amount.

The safety bingo game is a sure fire way to increase awareness and reward safe behavior.

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Good luck. Work **ON** your business. Stay in touch.

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