



# Why should I care about Confined Spaces?



- One of the leading causes of occupational fatalities in this country
- The standard covers 240,000 workplaces and 12.2 million workers
- Workers make 4.8 million entries/year



- Standard may prevent 85% of fatalities and nearly 11,000 injuries
- Still more than 20 deaths occur annually!





- 47% Air (Oxygen, Gases, Vapors)
- 21% Drowning (Engulfment)
- 19% Toxic (Liquids, Vapors, etc above Permissive Exposure Limit (PEL))
- 2% Electrocution (Due to tools the victim took in with them)
- 10% Blunt Force Trauma
- 1% Burns

.....Examples of what **NOT** to do!

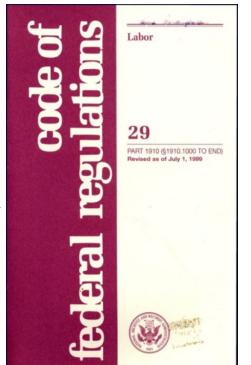






### • 29 CFR 1910.146 - Fed OSHA

- Letters of Interpretation
- General Duty Clause
- NAVMC DIR 5100.8 Chapter 14
- BO 5100.1A W/Ch-1 Base Policy
- Local SOP's



### Know the CFR, NAVMC DIR, BO and your SOP!



- A confined space means a space that:
  - 1. Is large enough and so configured that an employee can bodily enter and perform assigned work: AND
  - 2. Has a limited or restricted means for entry or exit; AND
    - 3. Is not designated for continuous employee occupancy.
- Yes to all = "Confined Space"

PRCS Signage





 Hazardous Atmosphere means an atmosphere that may expose employees to the risk of death, incapacitation, impairment of ability to self rescue, or acute illness from one or more of the following cause:

following cause:





# Confined Space Hazardous Atmosphere:

# SAFETY SEVERESAFE

- (1) Flammable gas, vapor, or mist in excess of 10 percent of its Lower Flammable Limit (LFL);
- (2) Airborne combustible dust at a concentration that meets or exceeds its LFL; Note: This concentration may be approximated as a condition in which the dust obscures vision at a distance of 5 feet or less.
- (3) Atmospheric oxygen concentration is below 19.5 percent or above 23.5 percent;





### Confined Space Other Serious Safety or Health Hazards



- Electrical equipment
- Mechanical equipment
- Visibility
- Biohazards
- Claustrophobia
- Noise
- Radiation
- Temperature
- Vermin











#### Be aware of the many hazards!



# Confined Space Common Hazards & Causes



- Less than 19.5% Oxygen
- Consumption
  - Rusting metal, decomposing organic matter, drying paints solvents, fires



- Displacement
  - Evaporating products, gas or vapor leaks, decomposing matter, inerting tanks or vessels, fires generating Carbon Monoxide (CO) & Carbon Dioxide (CO2)



- <u>19.5%</u> = Minimum <u>acceptable</u> O2 level
- 15-19% = Decreased ability for strenuous work and impaired coordination
- <u>12-14</u>% = Respiration increases, <u>poor judgment</u>
- <u>10-12%</u> = Respiration increases, <u>lips blue</u>
- <u>8-10</u>% = Mental failure, <u>fainting</u>, nausea, <u>unconscious</u>, <u>vomiting</u>
- <u>6-8%</u> = 4 to 5 minutes possible recovery, 8 minutes fatal, 6 minutes 50% fatal
- <u>4-6%</u> = <u>Coma</u> in 40 seconds, <u>death</u>



## Confined Space Common Hazards & Causes



- Oxygen Enriched Atmosphere
- Oxygen above 23.5%
- Main concern is a fire hazard, causes material to become unstable
- Will absorb in clothing
- Leaking O2 hoses from work in spaces





## Confined Space Common Hazards & Causes:



- Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) (Sewer gas)
- Affects central nervous system
- Produced by decaying organic matter and human septic waste
- Rotten egg odor, affects olfactory senses
- Threshold Limit Value (TLV) 10 PPM
- Air Purifying Respirator (APR) not approved



# Confined Space Common Hazards & Causes: CO



- Carbon Monoxide from incomplete combustion of fuels and organic matter
- No odor or warning properties
- By the onset of symptoms, in danger
- Threshold Limit Value (TLV) 25 PPM
- Affects central nervous system
- Air Purifying Respirator (APR) not approved



#### Confined Space Common Hazards & Causes: Lower Explosive Limit (LEL)

- LEL minimum concentration of a flammable gas or vapor that when mixed with air will explode or ignite
- An LEL reading of 10% is the max amount of flammable gas or vapor which may be present for hot work
- Are also extremely toxic below 10%
- For any LEL reading, other than normal meter fluctuation, cancel the permit unless the cause is known



- Know the hazards, signs or symptoms and consequences of exposure
- Properly use equipment
  - Monitors
  - Retrieval equipment
  - PPE
  - LOTO
- Communicate with the Attendant





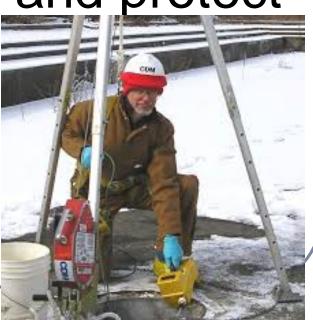




Confined Space Responsibilities: Attendant



 Perform no additional duties that might interfere with the attendants primary duty to monitor and protect the authorized entrant.





## Confined Space Responsibilities: Entry Supervisor



- Verifies that all procedures and equipment specified by the permit are in place before endorsing the permit and allowing entry
- Terminates the entry and cancels the permit
- Verifies that rescue services are available and that there is a means for summoning







### **Confined Space Responsibilities: Supervisor**



- Provide annual refresher training that address local procedures and that is approved by the CSPM.
- Ensure that personnel receive the required initial and refresher training to include horizontal program training. Maintain documentation of training.
- Ensure all PRCSs are properly labeled
- Ensure that internal audits of the program are conducted.

### Confined Space Responsibilities: Department Head/CO/Directors

- Develop and publish an internal SOP to include an inventory for each PRCS
- Ensure compliance with the training requirements for all personnel as set forth in BO 5100.1A, NAVMC DIR 5100.8 and 29 CFR 1910.146.
- Ensure personnel adhere to SOP for all entries
  Conduct and document regular program audits





### • Purpose:

- To ensure for safe entry into PRCSs
- Provide a means for the Entry Supervisor to document that the conditions for a safe entry have been met prior to employees making the entry
- Historical data for the space for evaluating the hazards
- Provide a copy to CSPM within 30 days

#### **CONFINED SPACE ENTRY PERMIT**

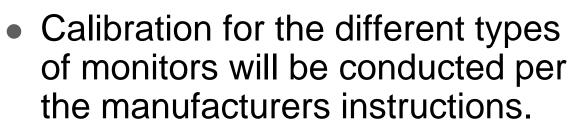
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LOCATION (FA	C #):	DESCRIPTION:								
PURPOSE OF E	NTRY:	DEPT/DIV/SHOP:								
AUTHORIZED	ENTRANT(S):	AUTHORIZED ATTENDANT(S):								
TIME OF ACTU	TIME OF COMPLETION OF ENTRY:									
ATMOSPHERIC TEST DATA										
TEST	PRE-ENTRY RESULTS FOLLOW-UP TESTING RESULTS									
O <sub>2</sub> (19.5 – 22%)										
% LEL (<10%)										
CO (<25 ppm)										
H <sub>2</sub> S (<10 ppm)										
TIME										
TOXICS										
1)										
2)										
PRE-ENTRY TE	DATE:			TIME:						
INSTRUMENT MODEL SERIA		SERIAL #	# GAS-CAL DATE/TIME			PASSED GAS-CAL: Y/N?				
ZERO CALIBRA	ATION PRIOR TO EN	TRY CONDUCT	ED BY:							

REQUIRED SAFETY CONTROLS/OBSERVED HAZARDS									
REQUIREMENT	YES	NO		COMMENTS/CONTRO	DL MEA	SURES/EQUI	PMENT		
ATTENDANT	X								
* Respiratory Protection									
* Protective Clothing									
* PPE									
Fire Extinguisher									
* Non-Entry Rescue Eqpt									
* Lockout/Tagout									
* Ventilation									
* Follow-up Testing									
* Other Controls									
Are workers trained?									
* COMMENTS REQUIRED IF CHECKED "YES"									
Communication: (Circle)	VIS	UAL		DIRECT VERBAL	PH	IONE	RADIO		
EMERGENCY CONTA	CT:	BASE	FIRE	DEPARTMENT (EMS)		PHONE:	911		
IS THE SPACE LABELED? YES or NO OTHER COMMENTS:									
PERMIT ISSUED - ENTRY SUPI PRINT NAME HERE:	ERVISOR'	S SIGNAT	TURE:	PERMIT CANCELLED - ENTRY PRINT NAME HERE:	SUPERV	ISOR'S SIGNATU	RE:		
PERMIT REVIEWED BY (INITIALS & DATE): SHOP SUPERVISOR CSPM									
- PERMIT MUST REMAIN AT ENTRY POINT(S) UNTIL WORK IS COMPLETE – A COPY MUST BE FORWARDED TO CSPM WITHIN ONE WEEK OF ENTRY – MAINTAIN ONE COPY AT SHOP LOCATION - ONLY AUTHORIZED ENTRANTS LISTED ON PERMIT MAY ENTER PRCS –PERMIT MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY - NOTIFY CSPM OF ANY UNEXPECTED HAZARDS OR EMERGINCIES ENCOUNTERED- FOR ASSISTANCE CALL CSPM – (910) 451-7449									

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## Confine Space Detector Calibration



- Monitors will be verified for proper operation daily prior to use.
- Record the results of the calibration or bump test in the calibration log and on the permit.
- Fresh air or zero calibrate the monitor prior to each entry of the day.





# Confined Space Emergency Response



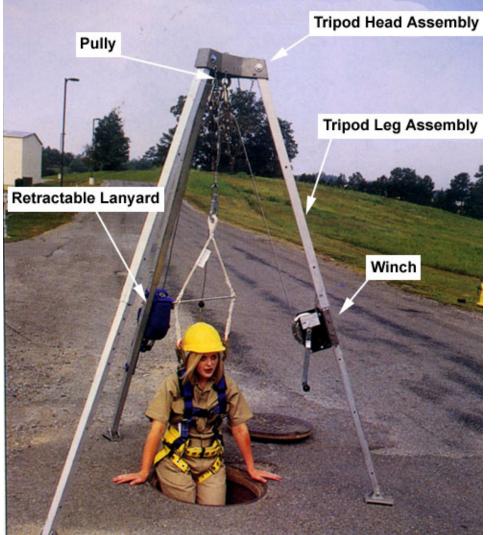
- Non-Entry rescue authorized only!
- Most PRCS deaths are from would be rescuers
- Maintain a means to communicate with the Fire Dept, annotate on permit
- Dial 911!!





# PPE and other safety gear





Know how to use and take care of PPE and special gear





# Know how to use and keep detectors calibrated





# *Know and practice your Emergency Action Plan (EAP)*





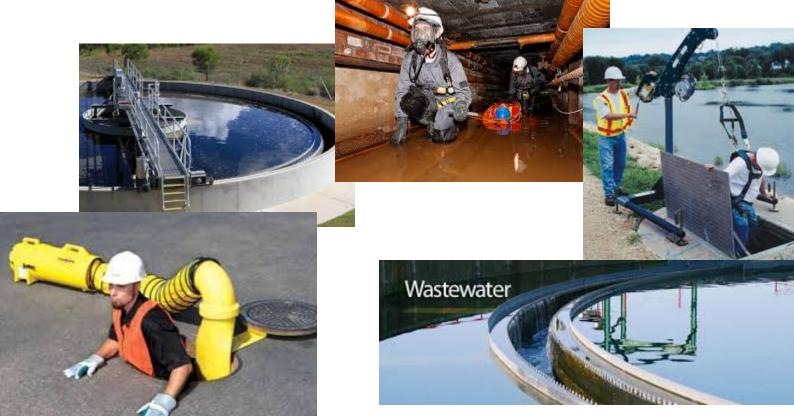






# Confined Spaces come in limitless places and sizes...all are DANGEROUS!



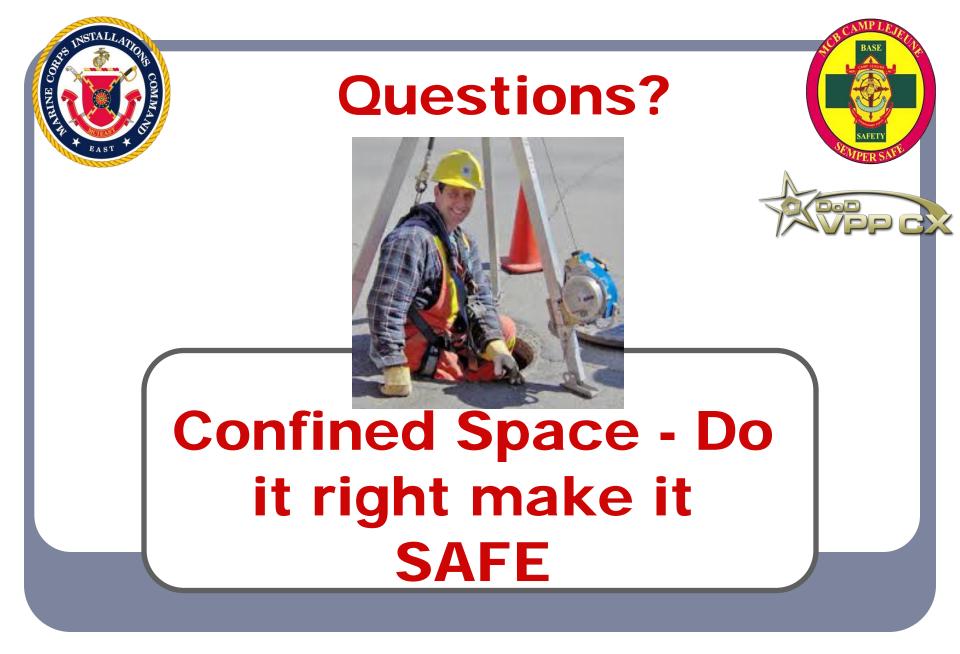


# Be prepared for the unexpected in all entries





#### Follow the SOP....know your duties



**Contact the PRCS Program Manager at 451-5725**