



## SSC Construction Inspection Safety Findings/Stats

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## Construction Safety Findings: 01-05 April 2013

### Findings Total: 1

- -Serious Findings: 1
- 1. An employee was observed wearing a personal fall arrest harness without the left arm or chest strap secured, while exposed to a fall from level seven. 29 CFR 1926.503
- -Less than Serious Findings: 0

### Mishaps / Close Calls: 0





## Construction Safety Findings: 08-12 April 2013

### Findings Total: 1

-Serious Findings: 0

-Less than Serious Findings: 1

1. Respirator cartridges not being kept in plastic bags (Maintenance and care of respirators, storage) in accordance with 29CFR1910.134 (h) (2) (l); Respiratory Protection Plan. "All respirators shall be stored to protect them from damage, contamination, dust, sunlight."

# Mishaps / Close Calls: 0 Other:

1. LaRC (Langley Research Center) Mishap Warning Action Response (see following slides)

IRIS Case No. S-2013-046-00004	Mishap Title LaRC New Town II—Welding Injury	
NASA Advisory No. NASA-LaRC-2013-01	Date of Warning-Action-Response 2013-04-01	
Mishap Classification Type B	Dollar Property Loss/Injury Severity Overnight hospitalization	
Date of Mishap 2013-02-15	Location or Center of Mishap Langley Research Center (LaRC)	

#### Brief Description of Mishap

On February 15, 2013 at approximately 11:45 a.m. EST, a General Services Administration (GSA) subcontractor was working at the New Town II project construction site at Langley Research Center (LaRC). During welding, the worker's synthetic clothing caught fire resulting in second-degree burns to his leg.

#### Problem Description and Details

The New Town Project, managed by GSA, is a 15-year repair by replacement revitalization project at LaRC, which when completed in 2020, will consist of six new and two rehabilitated buildings. On February 15, 2013, a subcontractor welder was applying puddle welds on the second floor decking of the future Integrated Engineering Services Building (IESB) (Figure 1), when his synthetic sweatpants (worn under denim pants) ignited from contact with weld material (Figure 2).



Figure 1. Integrated Engineering Services Building Second Floor Decking

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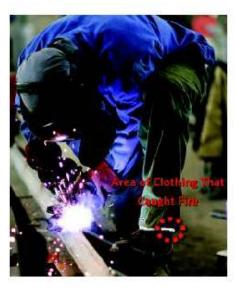


Figure 2. Site of Contact on Welder's Exposed Synthetic Clothing

The resulting fire caused second- and third-degree burns to the welder's lower leg. In addition, a coworker, attempting to assist by smothering the flames, sustained first-degree burns.

Personnel at the construction site transported both injured parties to the LaRC Medical Services unit. Medical services personnel contacted LaRC dispatch requesting emergency transport to a nearby burn unit located at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital. The welder's injuries resulted in overnight hospitalization. The incident was classified as a Type B mishap.

At the time of the mishap, welding was being done under a site Hot Work Permit (HWP) requiring a fire watch, which was in place. Work has resumed at the construction site with additional fire watch checks and improved training for personnel involved in hot work.

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#### Action Recommended

- 1. Share this MWAR with Center personnel responsible for hot work operations.
- Review Center procedures and HWPs and update to include stipulation that welders are not to wear synthetic clothing or cuffed pants. (Reference the American Welding Society (AWS) fact sheet and ANSI Z49.1).
- Ensure Center's available fire watch training includes a hazard warning associated with wearing synthetic fabrics.
- Make certain Center's HWPs require fire extinguishers appropriate for the work and fire watch while monitoring areas as well as workers' clothes.

Response Required: None	
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Date Signed: 2013-03-05	Date Signed: 2013-03-05





### Construction Safety Findings: 15-19 April 2013

### Findings Total: 1

-Serious Findings: 0

-Less than Serious Findings: 1

1. Employees working without the minimum required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for a construction site. SCWI-8715-0008(9.3)

# Mishaps / Close Calls: 0 Other:

1. As of the end of March 2013, 875,000 hours have been worked at the A-3 Test Stand construction site without a Lost Time Incident.





## Construction Safety Findings: 22-26 April 2013

### Findings Total: 0

-Serious Findings: 0

-Less than Serious Findings: 0

### Mishaps / Close Calls: 0





### Don't forget – due today!

### NASA / SSC CONTRACTOR Mishap Exposure Report MONTHLY

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ACE CONSTRUCTION General Contractor		NNS13AA25T Contract Number		2013 Fiscal Year			April Month			
				In	cidents that requ	ire a NASA Mis	han Report (NE	1627)	1	
Contractor and all Sub- Contractors by Name	Average # of Workers	Total Hours Worked	Close Calls	# of Fatalities	Incidents with Property Damage or Minor Injury	# of Job Transfer or Restricted Duty Cases	# of Lost Time Injury/Illness Cases	# of OSHA Recordable Injury/Illness Cases*	Lost Time Incident Rate**	OSHA Incident Rate ***
ACE CONSTRUCTION	13	2080	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Top Rate Excavation	15	2400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Straight Survey, Inc	3	120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	31	4600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
		etv.	_	May 2	2013		ACE CONSTRUCTION			
Joe Safety Safety Name of Submitter Title		•	May 2, 2013  Date			•	Company			
* Total # of OSHA Recon	dable Injurie:	s / Illnesses fo	r the Cale	ndar Month	excluding Lost	Time Incidents.				
** Lost Time Incident Rate =		Total # of Lost Time Injuries x 16,867 Total Hours Worked								
***OSHA Incident Rate =	:		Total # of	OSHA Rec	ordables + Lost		16,667			
SSC-950 (44/2009) MS Ev	cal				rotal Hours v	TOIREG				

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Summer is fast approaching, let the following video remind you to practice safety at home too...





### Questions?







#### Have a SAFE month!