Compactor Safety Checklist



Check that all signs and warnings are in place and in good condition:

- [ ] All access pannels must have a warning sign: "CAUTION - DO NOT REMOVE ACCESS COVER EXCEPT FOR SERVICING. TURN CONTROL PANEL KEYSWITCH TO 'OFF' POSITION & REMOVE KEY"
- [ ] All electrical devices such as contol cabinet, motor, etc., where voltage exceeds 120V must have warning: "DANGER - HIGH VOLTAGE"
- [ ] Near any opening where a person can enter or reach into: "CAUTION - KEEP OUT"
- [ ] Inside an area such as a hopper or chute: "DANGER - DO NOT ENTER"
- [ ] At all security doors: CAUTION - CLOSE SECURITY DOOR"
- [ ] At all openings for feeding material: "CAUTION - DO NOT OPERATRE COMPACTOR WHILE FEEDING"

Check the following control functions for proper operation:

- [ ] On/Off Keyswitch
- [ ] For/Rev. Pushbutton Selector Switch
- [ ] Stop Button
- [ ] Man/Auto Selector Switch
- [ ] Cycle Start Button
- [ ] Full Light

Security Door at Chute:

- [ ] Chute has a security door
- [ ] Security door has electrical interlock
- [ ] Chute door is a walk up style
- [ ] Security door has mechanical interlock

Overall Safety Requirements and Physical Appearance

- [ ] Mainline disconnect switch must be located so that it can be seen from the compaction end of the compactor.
- [ ] Direct feeding compactor where the loading height is less that 42 inchest must have:
- [ ] Deadman controls, with the control panel located in such a way that the operator cannot reach the loading zone pinchpoint area.
- [ ] The installation of a point-of-operation guard that shall: prevent entry of hands, fingers, or any part of the body into the point of operationl; in itself, creat no pinch point between the guard and moving stationary compactor parts.
- [ ] Direct feed compactors having automatic cycling, must have an access cover to close off the opening, interlocked so that when the cover starts to open, the automatic cycling mode will not function

Clean up area around compactor

- [ ] Pad Size & Condition
- [ ] Thru wall kit condition
- [ ] Clean up of area is necessary
- [ ] Condition of Hoses, especially by ground
- [ ] Hinge Size
- [ ] Cylinder & Pin Size
- [ ] Condition of Chute
- [ ] Condition of Compactor, i.e. rust & paint

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