

Do you know what is required for confined space entry?

The best way to work around a confined space is not to enter it at all.

Ensure you're prepared, trained, and know the best practices.

Entering a confined space requires practical, applied, and certified skills.

Always ask yourself if you're prepared...

Do you have the training?

Confined space awareness training should include the topics:

- Confined space identification, including:
 - Grain silos
 - Vessels
 - Tanks
 - Tunnels
 - Pipelines
- Roles and responsibilities
- Job/task specific training and competency requirements
- Common hazards
- Hazard identification, assessment, and control
- Confined Space Programs (including applicable safe work procedures)
- Entry plans and permits
- Safety watch and confined space monitoring basics
- Emergency response and rescue
- Practical training



This kind of training should include hands-on, site-specific, practical training at each worksite, with a demonstration of competency. That's because not only do workers need to be trained; they need to be competent.

Do you have a plan?

Confined Space Entry Plan

Every confined space needs a **customized Entry Plan** that identifies its **unique hazards** and their controls.

Regularly review and update these plans and permits when equipment or circumstances change.

Anyone conducting work (contractors, subcontractors, or employees) should sign off on these documents before any work is done.

Confined Space Entry Permit

A confined space permit is a written document that describes the **work to be done** in a confined space. It acts as a **checklist**. It must include:

- The date and time of entry
- The location and description of the confined space
- The purpose for entry and the type of work being conducted
- All aspects of the tasks completed in the space
- The names of the authorized personnel (attendants, entrants, supervisors, and any contractors or subcontractors)
- Hazard identification and assessment
- The Confined Space Entry Plan (Contains safe work procedures and PPE requirements)
- Communication procedures and equipment
- The Emergency Response Plan (ERP)
- A contact list
- The signature of an authorizing employee (Such as a supervisor)

Always be prepared.



When you're planning your entry into a confined space, be sure to **prepare your rescue**, too.

Ensure all equipment is thoroughly inspected.



Conduct inspections **prior to entering** and then document the inspections on the entry permit.

Do you know the best practices?

Include local emergency response in the entry planning phase.



Alert your local emergency response to the possibility of an emergency, so they can be on **standby** and aware of what to expect. Share a copy of your Entry Plan with them.

Never enter a confined space if you don't have to.



If someone can rescue an entrant **without entering** a confined space, exposure is reduced for everyone.

Get the training.
Make a plan, and then follow it.
Use the best practices.