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MACHINE GUARDING

THE 7 QUESTIONS
everyone should ask

Our presentation will
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Cost of Claims…

$60,000,000

Caught and struck by machinery claims cost last 6 years

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Injury Impact…

36%

Impacted productivity

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Days Loss…

38,000

Days, due to
machinery injuries

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OSHA Annual Stats

Amputations, lacerations, crushing injuries, abrasions **18,000**

800 Deaths

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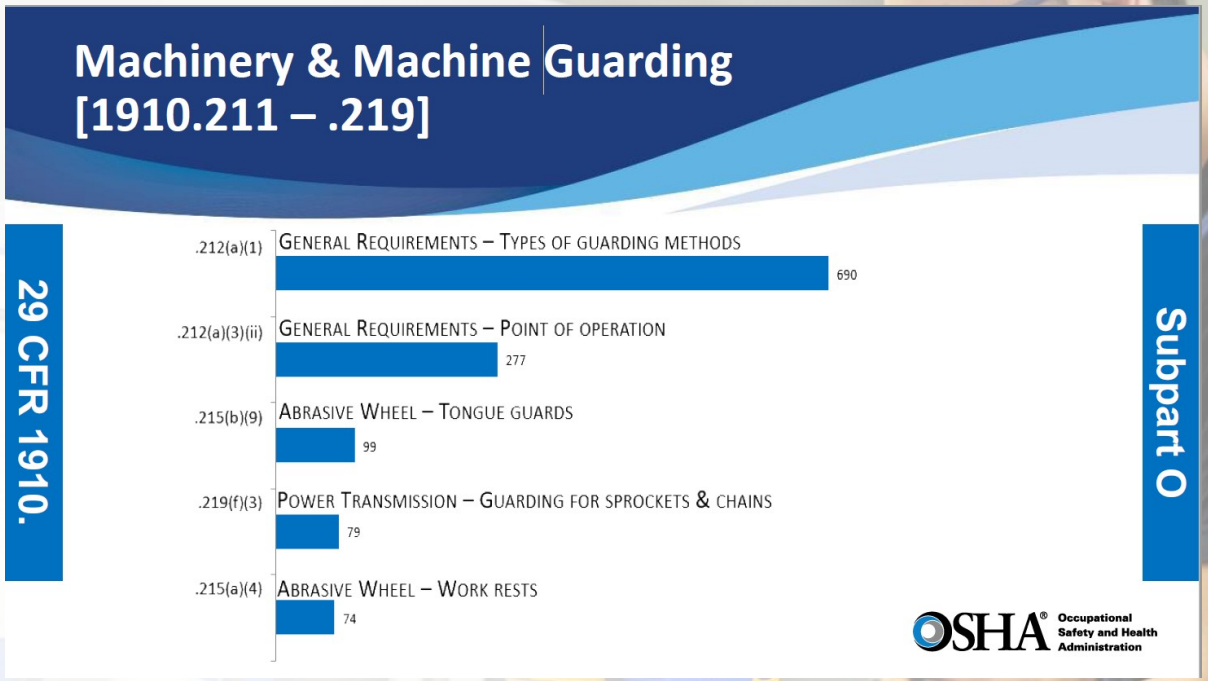
OSHA Most Cited Serious Violations FY2021



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Safeguards prevent:

- Struck by work (kickback, flying chips)
- Struck by machinery (traverse motion)
- Struck due to failure (blade failure)
- Caught between/in (gears, conveyor belts)

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Machines needs protection in 4 areas

1. The point of operation
2. Power transmission apparatus
3. Other moving parts
4. Flying Chips and Sparks

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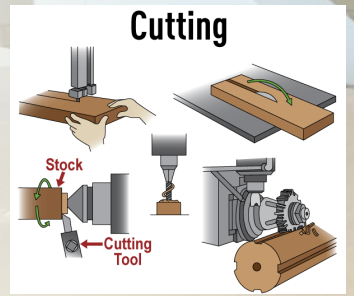
Machines needs protection in 4 areas

The point of operation

- The point where **work is performed** on material
  - cutting
  - shaping
  - boring
  - forming of stock



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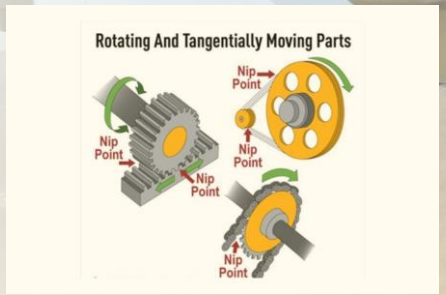
Machines needs protection in 4 areas

Power transmission apparatus

- All components of mechanical systems that transmit energy to machine part performing work
  - Flywheels
  - Pulleys
  - Belts
  - Connecting rods
  - Couplings
  - Cams
  - Spindles
  - Chains
  - Cranks
  - Gears



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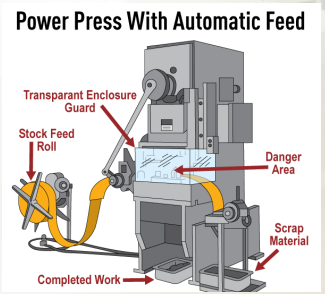
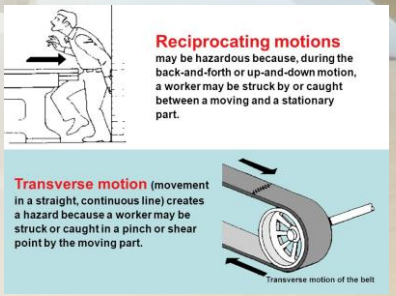
Machines needs protection in 4 areas

Other moving parts

- All machine part that move while machine is working
  - Reciprocating
  - Rotating
  - Transverse moving parts
  - Feed mechanisms
  - Auxiliary parts





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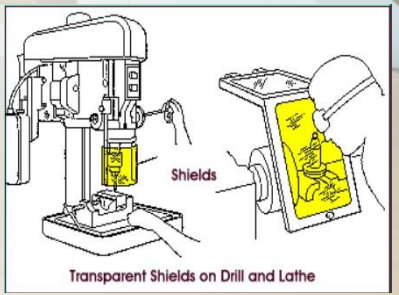
Machines needs protection in 4 areas

Flying chips and sparks

- Operators must be protected from being struck by all **product and materials** used in creating product



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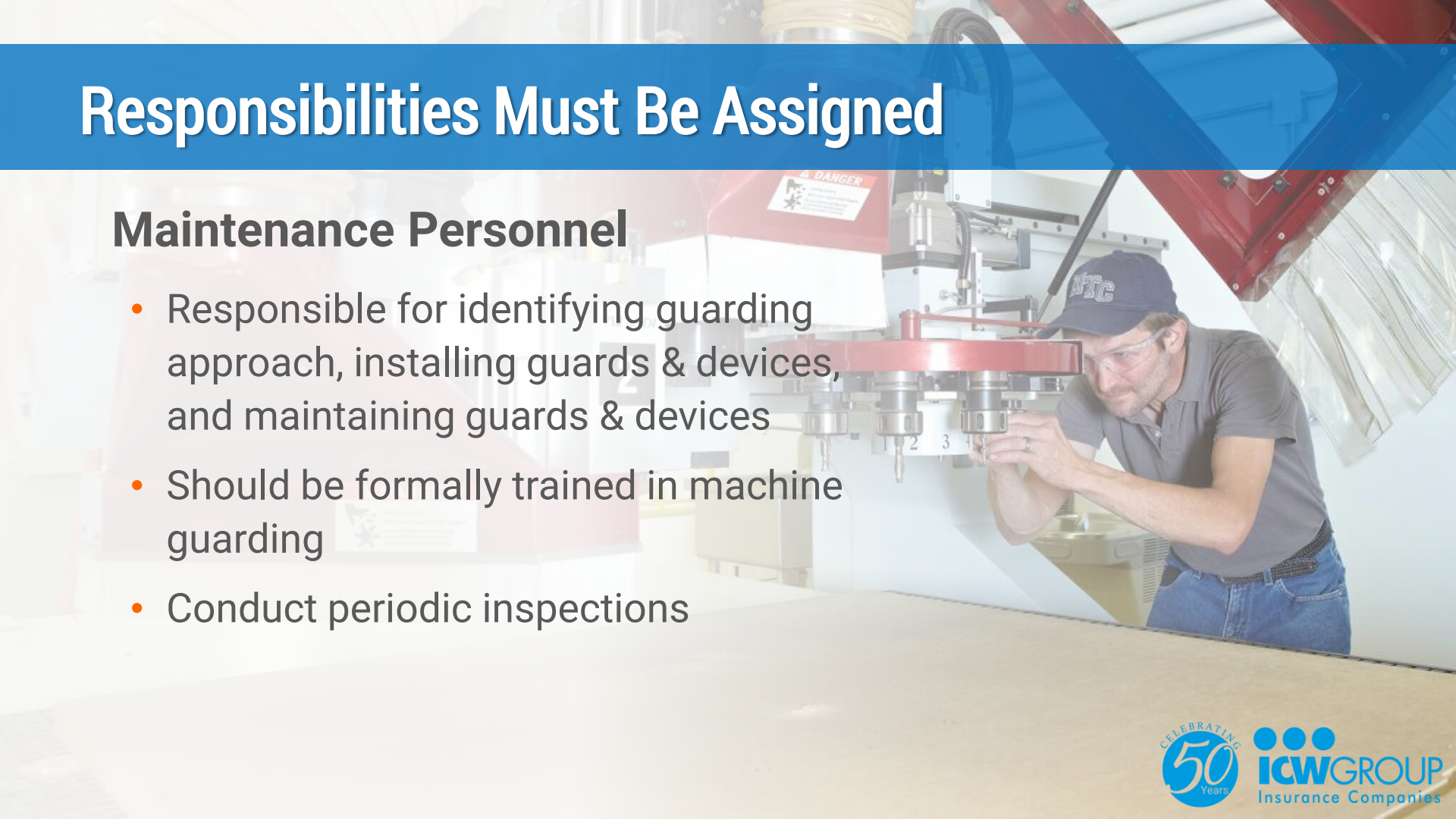
Responsibilities Must Be Assigned

Maintenance Personnel

- Responsible for identifying guarding approach, installing guards & devices, and maintaining guards & devices
- Should be formally trained in machine guarding
- Conduct periodic inspections



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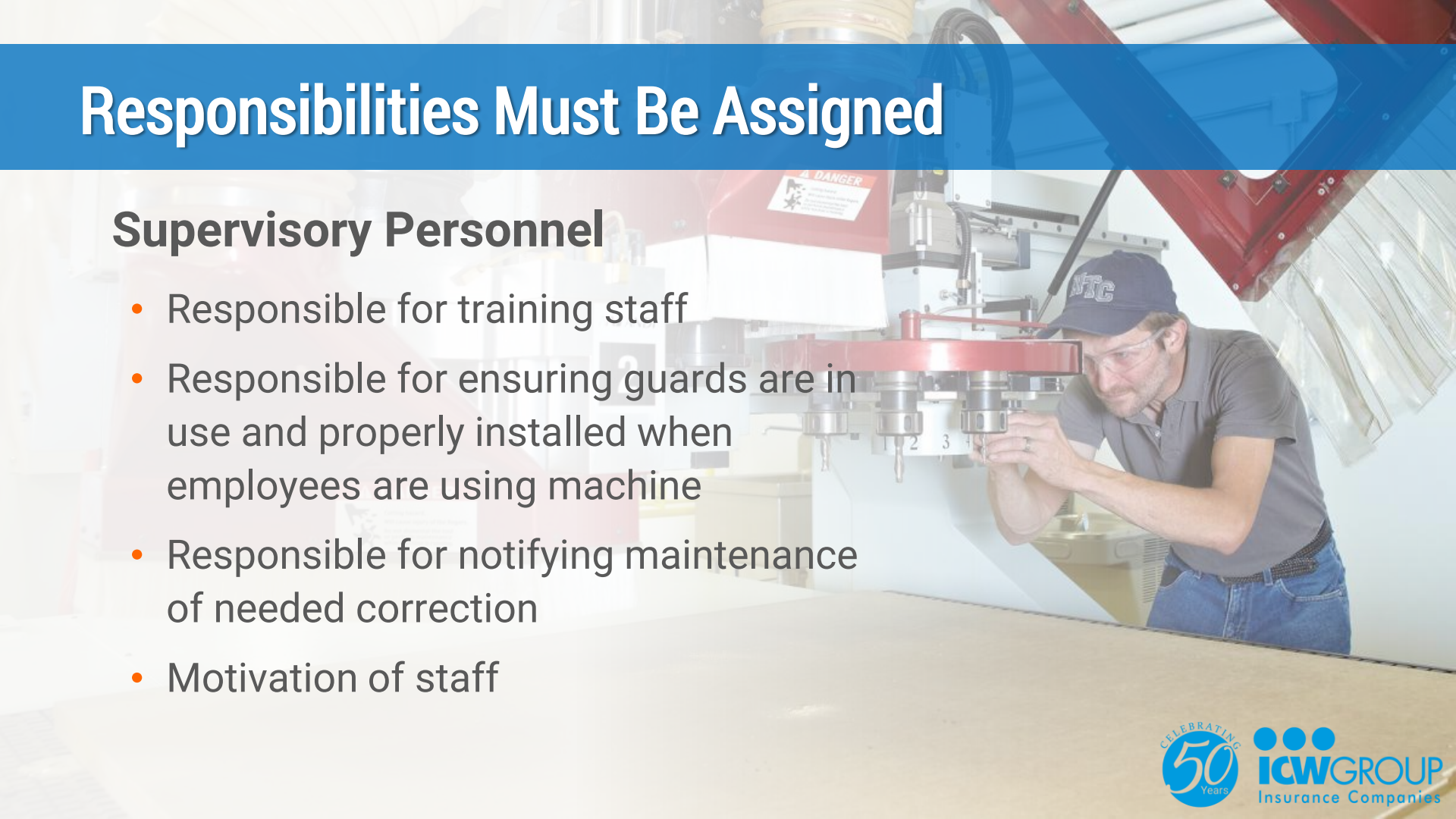
Responsibilities Must Be Assigned

Supervisory Personnel

- Responsible for training staff
- Responsible for ensuring guards are in use and properly installed when employees are using machine
- Responsible for notifying maintenance of needed correction
- Motivation of staff



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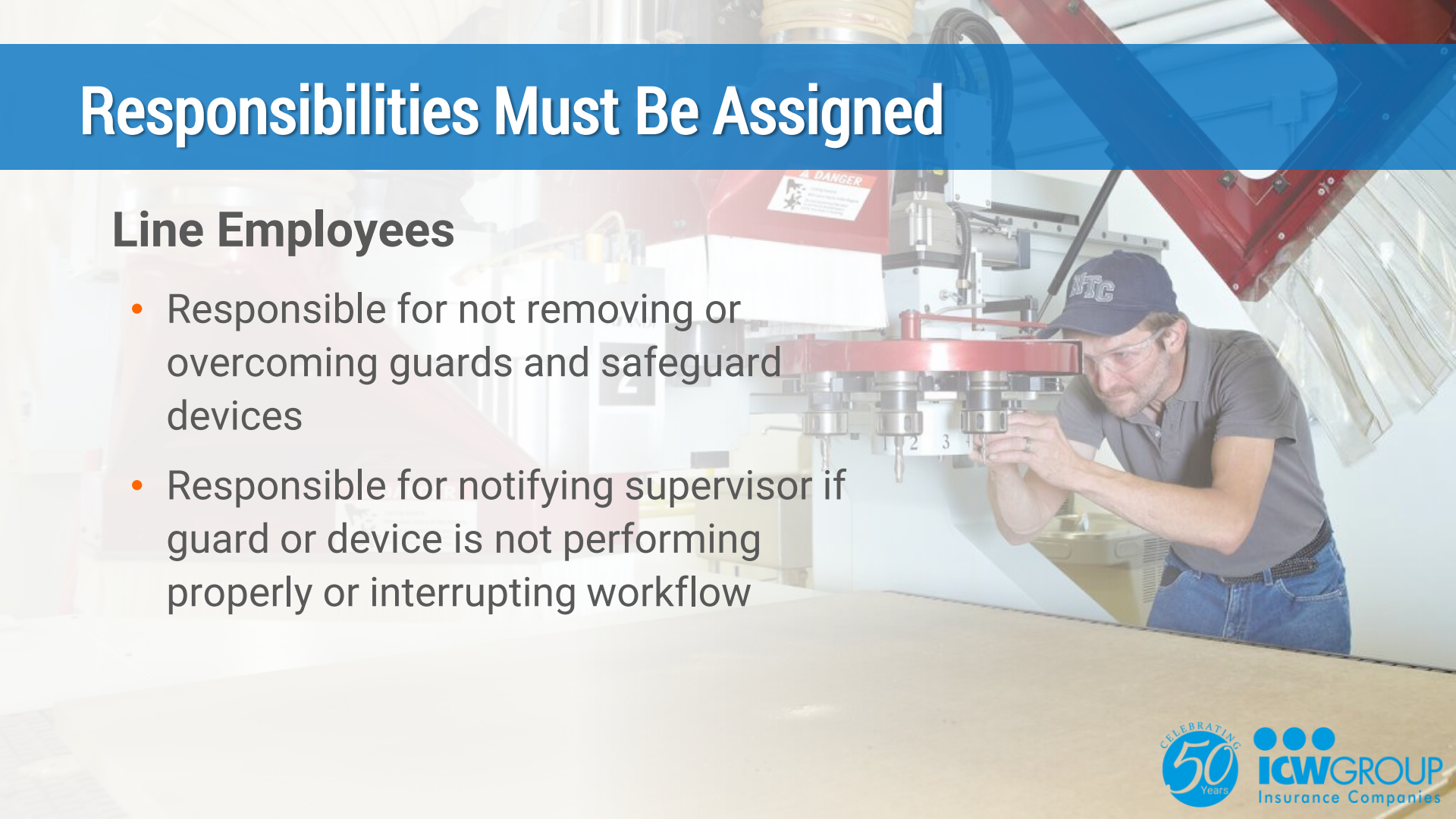
Responsibilities Must Be Assigned

Line Employees

- Responsible for not removing or overcoming guards and safeguard devices
- Responsible for notifying supervisor if guard or device is not performing properly or interrupting workflow



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Is It Missing?

Prevent contact:

- Safeguards must prevent hands, arms, or any part of a worker's body or clothing from making contact with dangerous moving parts.
- Good safeguarding systems engineer out possibility of operator contacting moving parts

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Is It Missing?

Primary Ways of Safeguarding

- Guards
- Devices
- By Distance/Location
- By Opening Size

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Is It Missing?

Guards: Barriers against contact

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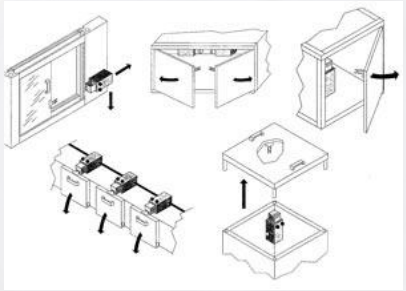
Is It Missing?

Guards: Barriers against contact

- Fixed
- Adjustable
- Self Adjusting
- Interlocked



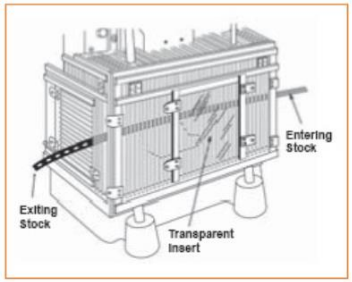


Figure 9. Fixed Guard on a Power Press

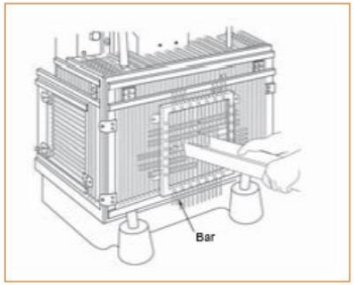


Figure 10. Power Press with Adjustable Barrier Guard

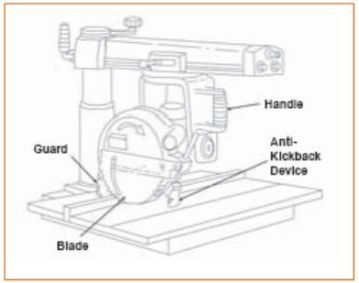
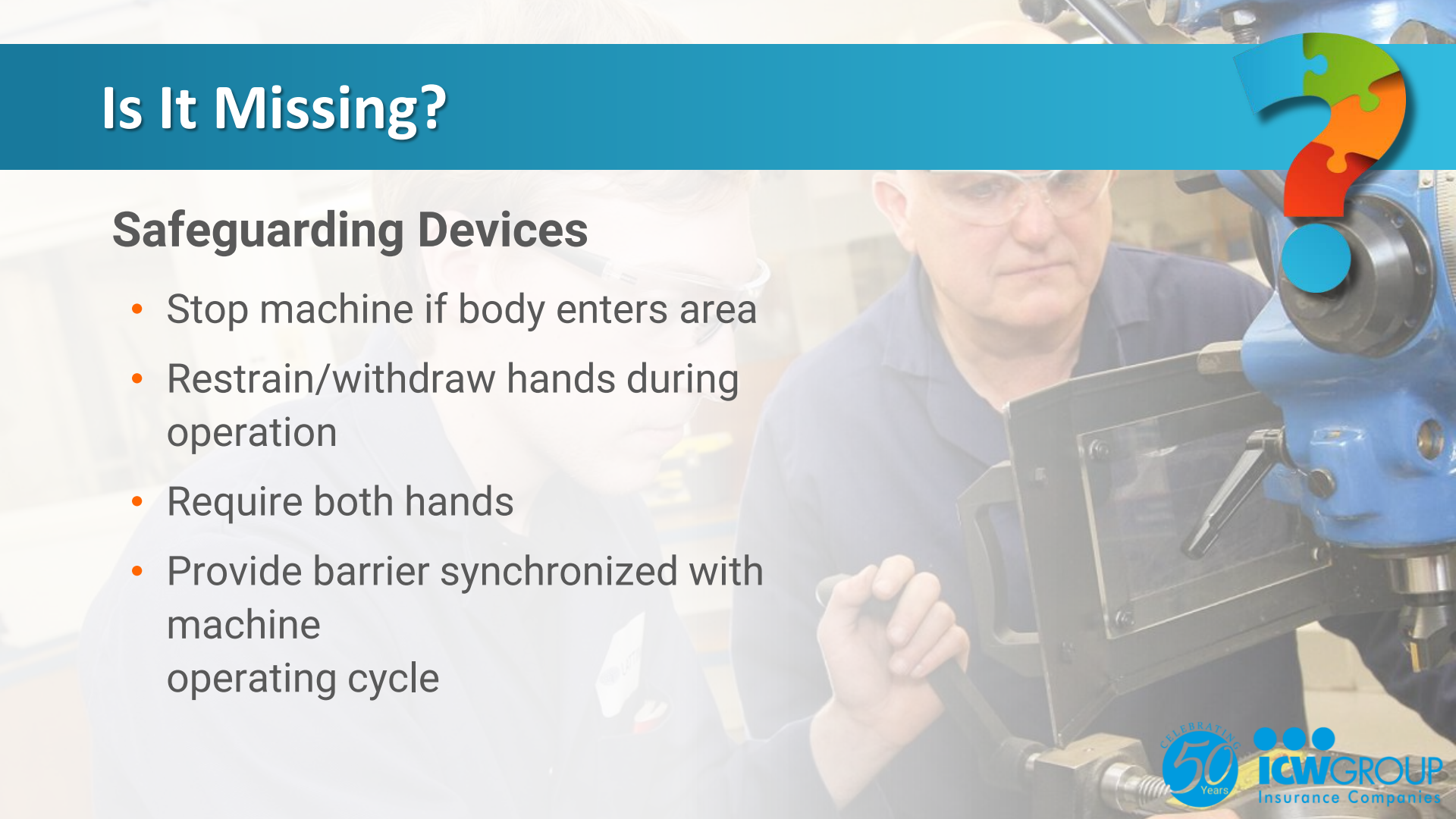


Figure 11. Self-Adjusting Guard on a Radial Saw

Is It Missing?

Safeguarding Devices

- Stop machine if body enters area
- Restrain/withdraw hands during operation
- Require both hands
- Provide barrier synchronized with machine
  operating cycle



Is It Missing?

Safeguarding by Location

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Is It Missing?

Safeguarding by Location

- Control Station Distance
  - Operator sufficient distance from moving parts
- Height
  - Part more than 7 feet above floor
  - AND can't be accessed

It doesn't require a guard

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Is It Missing?

Safe opening size

Safe?

Is It Missing?

Safe opening size

OSHA table 0-10

- Created in the 1940s
- Based on women's size 6 glove

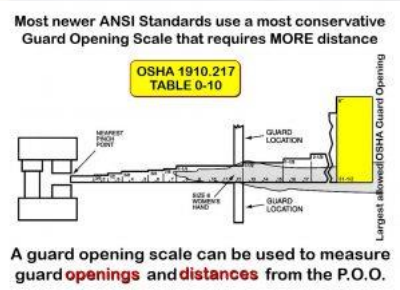

Table O-10

[In inches]

Distance of opening from point of operation hazard	Maximum width of opening
1/2 to 1 1/2	1/4
1 1/2 to 2 1/2	3/8
2 1/2 to 3 1/2	1/2
3 1/2 to 5 1/2	5/8
5 1/2 to 6 1/2	3/4
6 1/2 to 7 1/2	7/8
7 1/2 to 12 1/2	1 1/4
12 1/2 to 15 1/2	1 1/2
15 1/2 to 17 1/2	1 7/8
17 1/2 to 31 1/2	2 1/8

This table shows the distances that guards shall be positioned from the danger line in accordance with the required openings.

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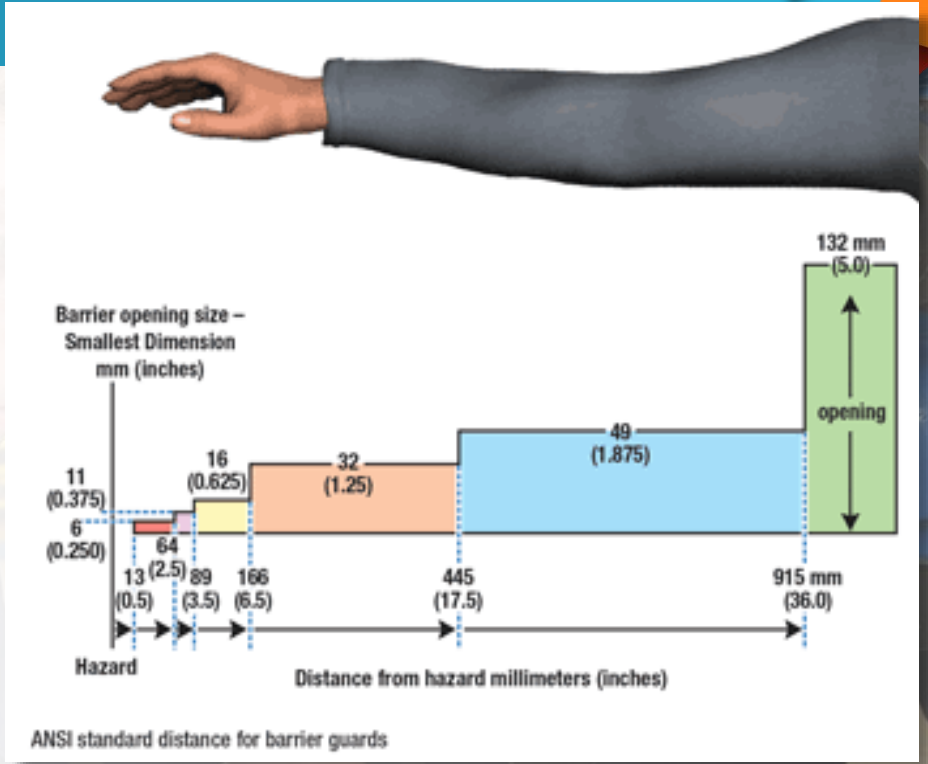
Is It Missing?

Safe opening size

- 1996 ANSI standard created for smaller hand
- OSHA still uses their distances for citations



ANSI standard distance for barrier guards

Can I Remove It?

Guard should be secured

- Workers shouldn't be able to easily remove or tamper with safeguard
- Special tool should be required
- NOT able to remove using only hands and fingers.

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Can I Drop Stuff Through It?

Protect from falling objects:

- Ensure nothing falls into moving parts
  - Even a small tool dropped into cycling machine can become deadly projectile!
- Is a work platform above machine?

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Can I Hurt Myself On It?

A safeguard shouldn't be a hazard!

- Defeats its own purpose if it creates a hazard
  - shear point
  - jagged edge
  - unfinished surface

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Can I Hurt Myself On It?

A safeguard shouldn't be a hazard!

- Material guard is made of may deteriorate over time
- If it cracks
  - Could strike workers
  - Allow product to strike workers

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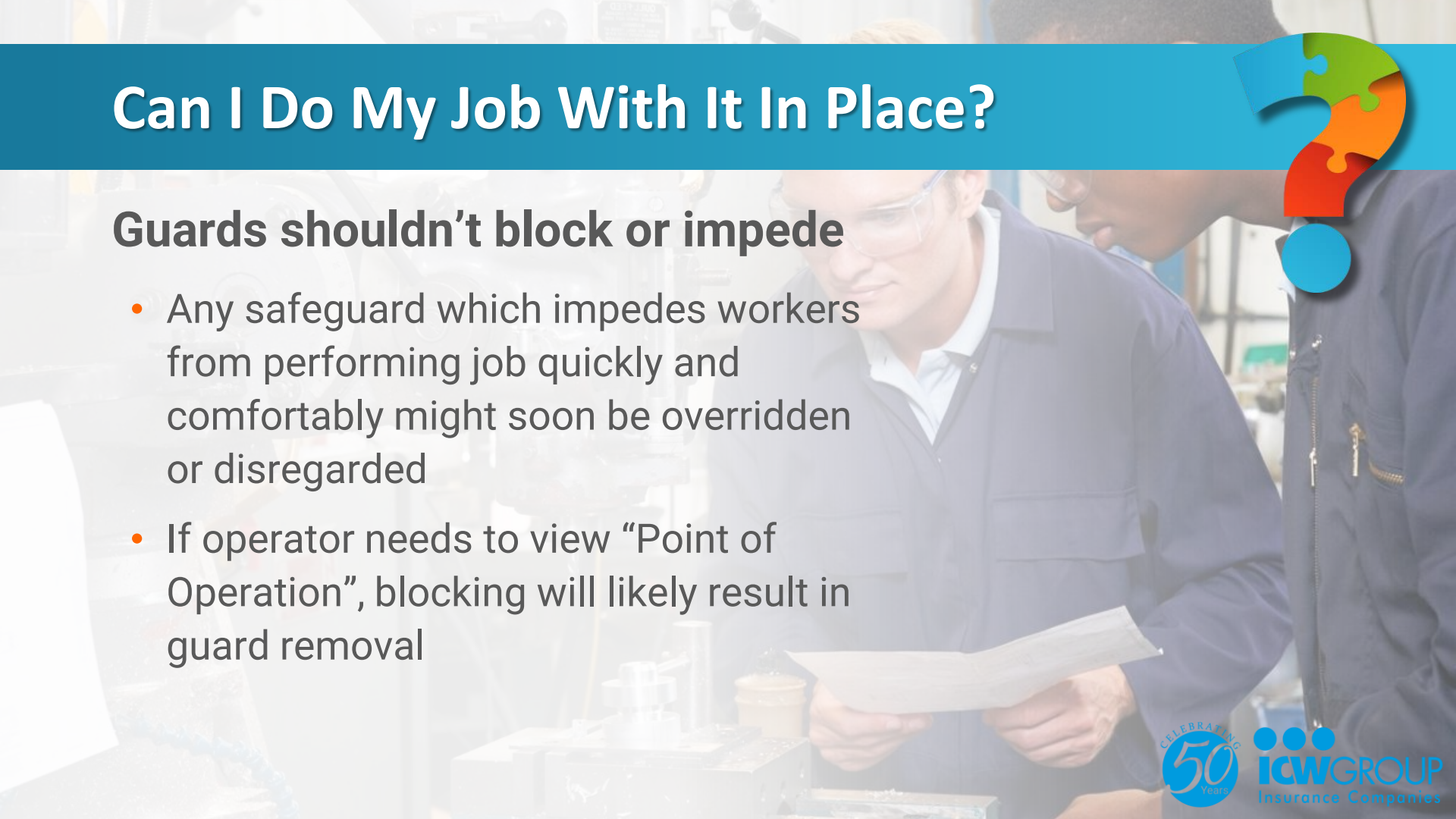
Can I Do My Job With It In Place?



Guards shouldn’t block or impede

- Any safeguard which impedes workers from performing job quickly and comfortably might soon be overridden or disregarded
- If operator needs to view “Point of Operation”, blocking will likely result in guard removal

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Can I Do My Job With It In Place?

Example

- “Device” controls entry into danger area
- But with new technology, devices like pull backs are often just source of interference

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Do I Have To Remove It For Maintenance?

Allow safe daily maintenance and lubrication

- If possible, maintenance should be possible without removing safeguards
- Locating oil reservoirs outside guards, with line leading to lubrication point, reduces need to enter hazard area

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Can I Outsmart It?

Not be easily bypassed

- Shouldn't be able to override interlocks

If you can "GRAB" it - STOP!

Get over it

Reach through it

go **A**round or

Below it

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Can I Outsmart It?

Interlock Guards

Can I Outsmart It?

Interlock Guards

- Drawback of interlocks - they can be defeated
- Are interlocks working as expected?
- Installed by qualified person

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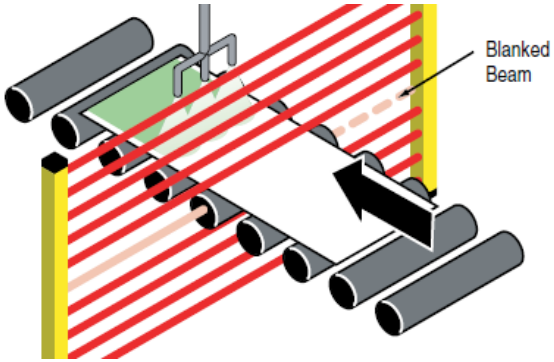
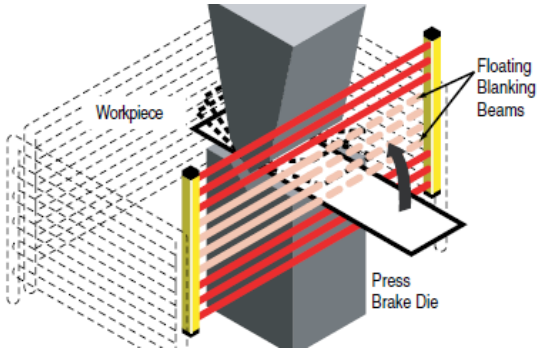
Can I Outsmart It?

PSD – Presence Sensing Device

- Light curtains only need to be active during hazardous times
  - Muting = shutting off light curtain during non-hazardous cycle time
  - Blanking = blocking off portion of light curtain so areas don't emit or receive light
  - Must be small enough so hands and arms can't get through





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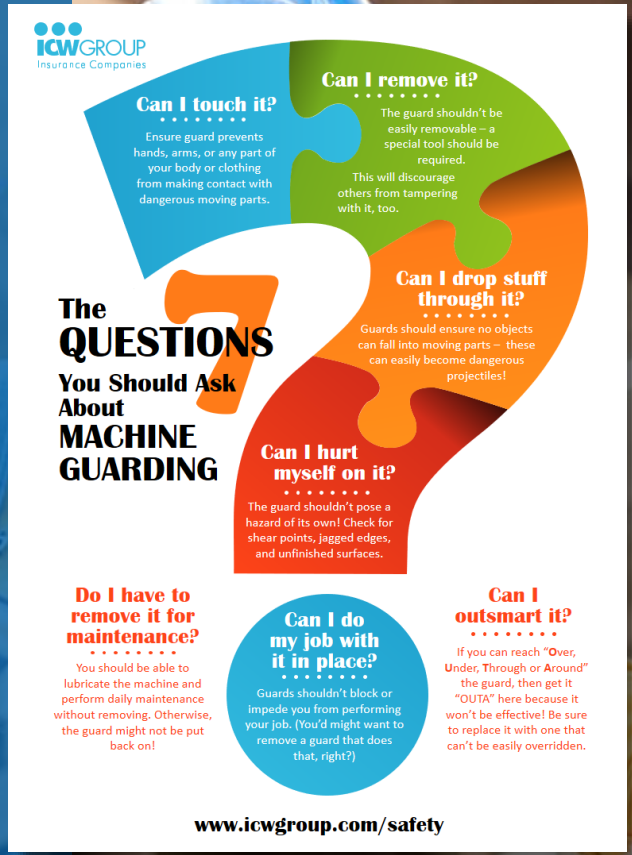

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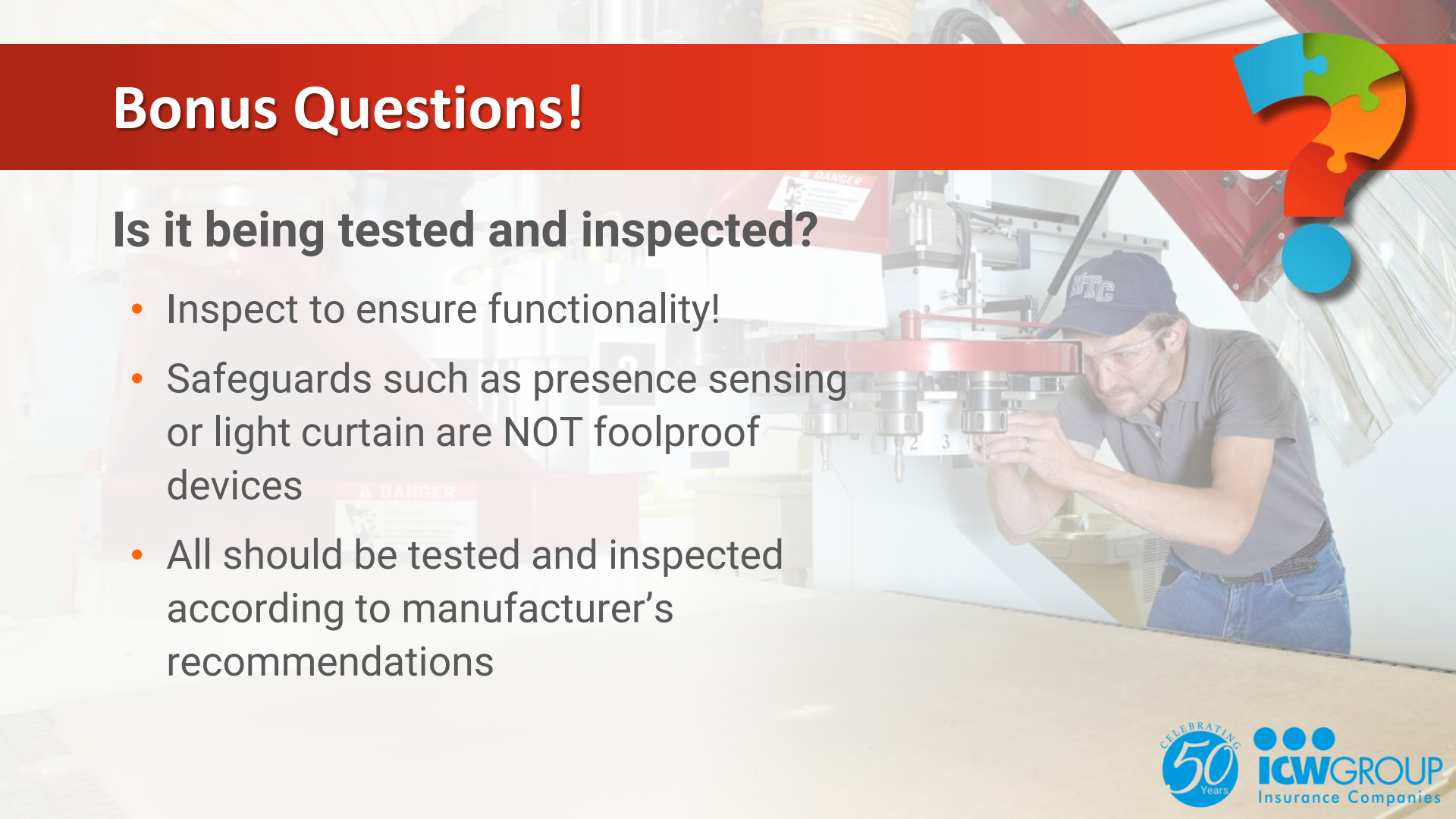
Bonus Questions!

Is it being tested and inspected?

- Inspect to ensure functionality!
- Safeguards such as presence sensing or light curtain are NOT foolproof devices
- All should be tested and inspected according to manufacturer's recommendations



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Bonus Questions!

Is it being tested and inspected?

- Light curtains must be mounted and programmed properly!

When was the last time they were tested?
How did you determined where to mount curtain?

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Bonus Questions!

Is it being tested and inspected?

- Light curtains must be mounted and programmed properly!

General rule: Safety Light Curtains should never be mounted closer than **6 inches** from point of operation or pinch point hazard.

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Bonus Questions!

Is it being tested and inspected?

- Light curtains must be mounted and programmed properly

How will you know if an employees breaks light curtain with their hand, that machine will stop before their hand gets to danger point?

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Bonus Questions!

Is it being tested and inspected?

- When determining safety distance, portable or built-in stop-time measuring unit must be used to check machine stopping time (Ts)

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Bonus Questions!

Is it being tested and inspected?

- The OSHA “CFR Subpart O 1910.217” safety distance formula:

$$D_s = 63 \times T_s$$

- **63** - OSHA recommended hand speed constant in inches per second
- **T_s** - Total stop time of all devices in safety circuit Must include response times of all devices

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Bonus Questions!

Is the machine vetted for safety initially?

- Formal review process for new equipment
- Safety should be part of the discussion early on
- The safety committee can provide valuable insight

Bonus Questions!

Is the machine vetted for safety initially?

grand·fa·ther clause
ˈgran(d)fäTHərˌklôz/
*noun*North American, *informal*
1.a clause exempting certain classes of people or things from the requirements of a piece of legislation affecting their previous rights, privileges, or practices.

Conduct a Risk Assessment

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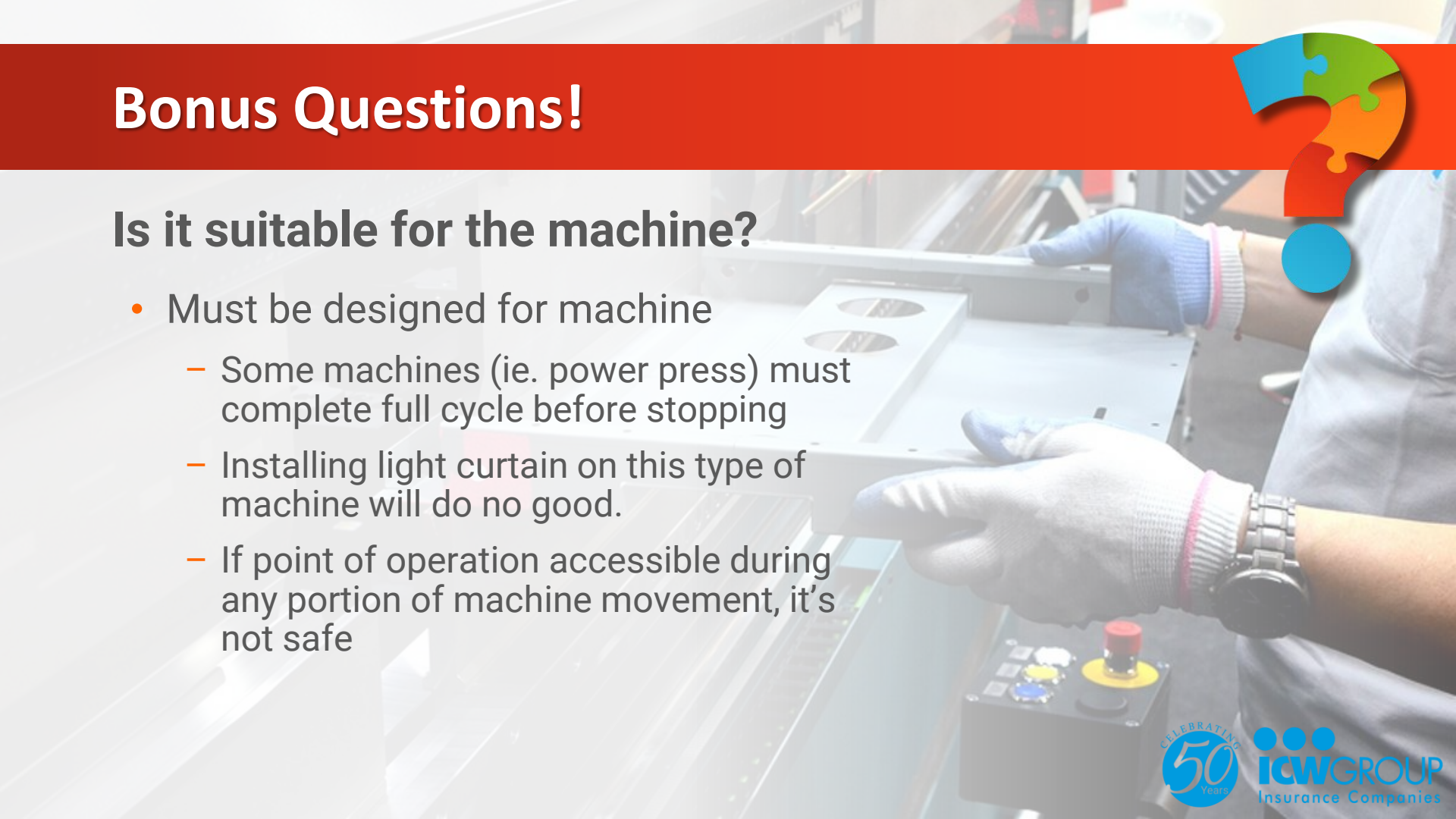
Bonus Questions!

Is it suitable for the machine?

- Must be designed for machine
  - Some machines (ie. power press) must complete full cycle before stopping
  - Installing light curtain on this type of machine will do no good.
  - If point of operation accessible during any portion of machine movement, it's not safe



Bonus Questions!

Is it suitable for the machine?

- Two hand controls/trips require
  - Constant, concurrent pressure by the operator to activate the machine
  - Concurrent application of both control buttons to activate machine cycle, after which hands are free

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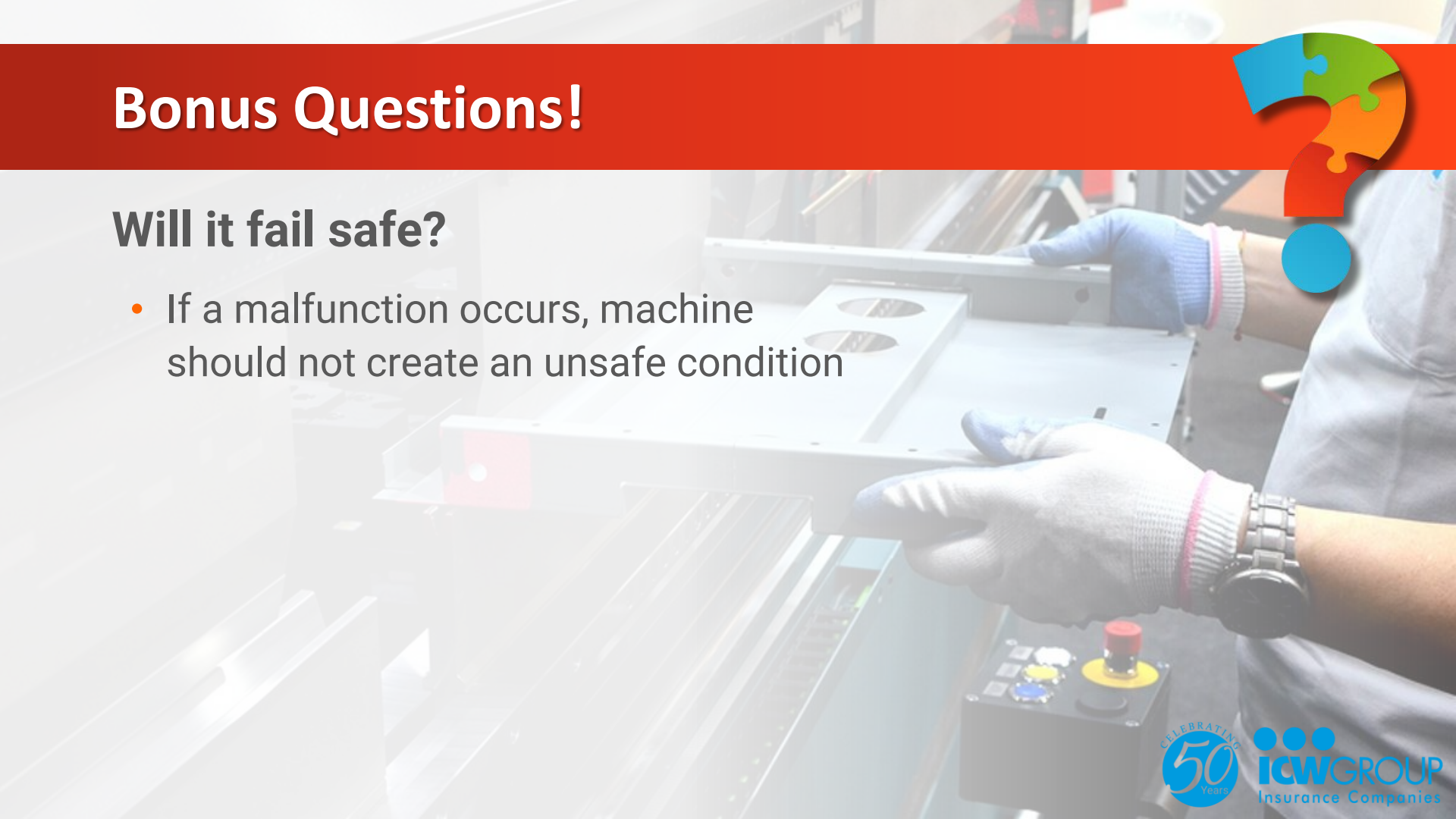
Bonus Questions!

Will it fail safe?

- If a malfunction occurs, machine should not create an unsafe condition



Bonus Questions!

Will it fail safe?

- Control Reliability - **OSHA 1910.211**
  - Fault occurring inside system doesn't prevent activating normal stop process
  - Another machine cycle can't be executed before fault is removed
  - Fault can be revealed by simple test, or displayed by control system

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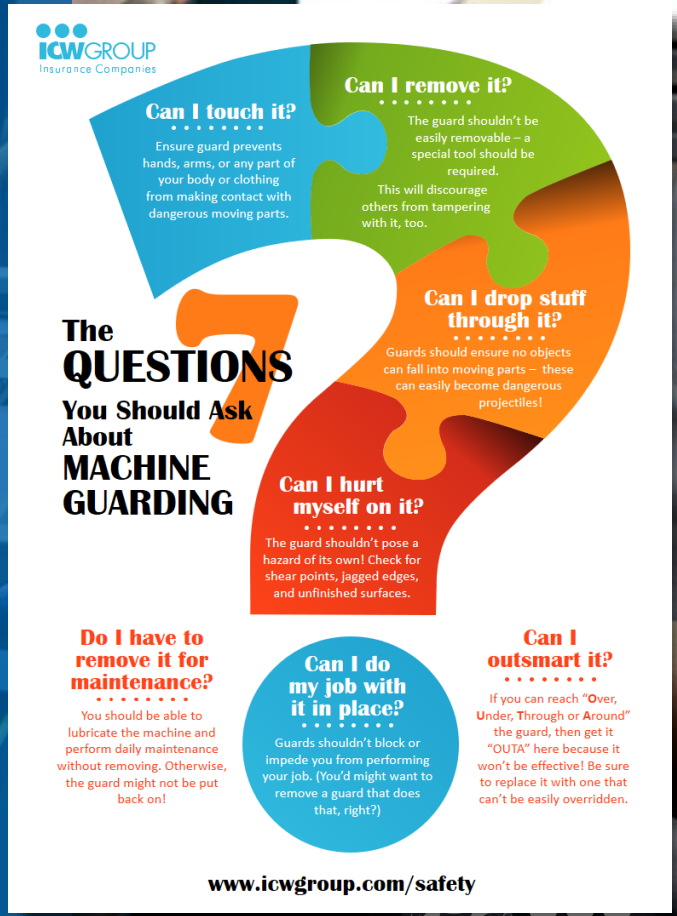

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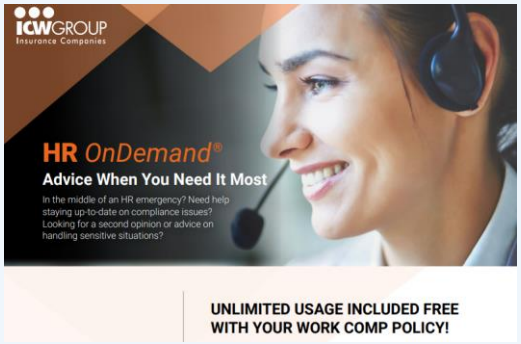

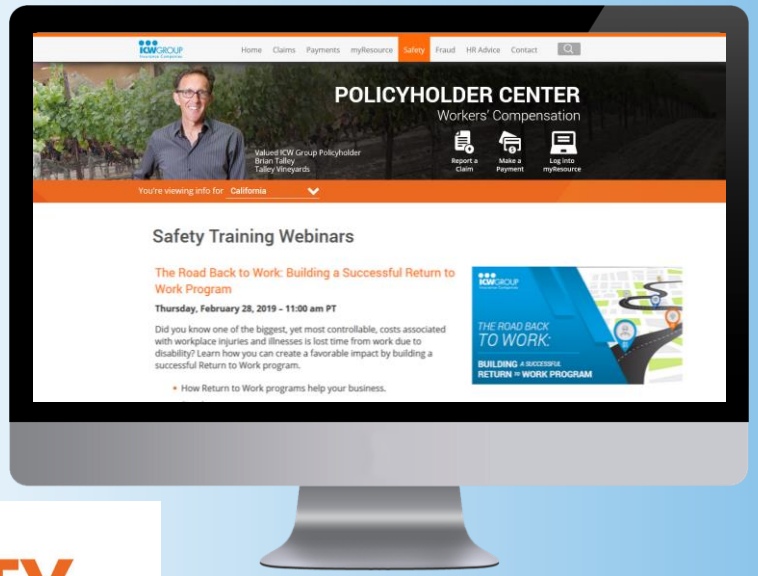

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