## **SAFETY SHOOTER**



## Daily Inspection Can Improve Safety

by ASA Safety Committee Chair — Chris Zynda of Concrete Structures

It's 5:30 in the morning in our yard. All of the compressors, trucks, shotcrete pumps, and related equipment are on their way out of the yard for the day's operations. It's important that the equipment gets to the various jobsites, which could be

anywhere from 10 to 150 miles away, on time and without incident. But what can be done to assure that everything is road-worthy?

A simple inspection form or checklist can be a great help. Just as an aircraft pilot does a "walk-around" to assure safety during the upcoming flight, this same type of inspection is a vital part of safety for your rolling stock. Check the brakes, lights, hitches, safety chains, side markers and reflectors. Assure that all loose equipment such as nozzles and hoses and packaged materials are securely tied down.

The whole operation takes less than five minutes...but these few minutes can pay huge dividends in peace of mind and result in fewer accidents and more on-time arrivals with everything, and more importantly EVERYONE, arriving at the jobsite safely.

An added benefit is a written record for your mechanics who struggle to keep the equipment in working order, and a savings of their time related to finding ongoing equipment problems.

So create a checklist appropriate for your operations and invest the time to inspect for safety. You'll be glad you did.



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Above: A sample inspection checklist.

Left: Don't leave for the day's jobs without a pre-trip inspection of trucks and equipment!

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