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Slips and trips can cause serious injuries. They're also preventable by using a bit of care and the right PPE.

Check your boots

- Boots with spikes are good for some jobs (eg, walking over slippery terrain) but not for others (eg, climbing ladders or operating machines).
- Wear boots that are right for the work you're doing.
- Make sure your boots always have good tread for extra grip and strong ankle support.

Keep your skid site tidy and your machine clean

- Clear away debris and slash from where you need to walk.
- Store equipment and rigging away tidily.
- Keep machine handholds and footholds clear.
- Clean up any fluid or fuel leakages to prevent slips.

Walk and work to the conditions and terrain

- Weather can make terrain slippery, frosty or icy so walk to the conditions – slow down and watch your step.
- Walk around debris, slash or patches of rough ground rather than trying to walk through/climb over it.
- Don't climb over or work on log stacks (eg, don't trim while standing on log stacks).
- Carry only what you need and what's safe to carry – make another trip if there is too much to hold safely.