



AEA SAFETY COMMITTEE

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Know Your Workplace Noise Levels

If you need to raise your voice to speak to someone 3 feet away, noise levels might be over 85 decibels. Several sound-measuring instruments are available to measure the noise levels in a workspace. These include sound level meters, noise dosimeters, and octave band analyzers.

Noise may be a problem in your workplace if you:

- Hear ringing or humming in your ears when you leave work.
- Have to shout to be heard by a coworker an arm's length away.
- Experience temporary hearing loss when leaving work.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) [Sound Level Meter App](#) is one tool available to the public to download on mobile iOS devices that measures sound levels in the workplace and provides noise exposure parameters to help reduce occupational noise-



[OSHA Noise Guidance](#)
[NIOSH Noise and Occupational Hearing Loss](#)
[Hearing Protection PPE Guide](#)



REMINDER!!!!!! 2024 OSHA 300 LOGS MUST BE POSTED FEBRUARY 1st – April 30th 2024

<https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/forms>

Keeping Our Crews Safe: Move Over and Slow Down to Get Around

Utilities employees often encounter distracted drivers while doing their important work on the roads. The law requires that the operator of any motor vehicle this is approaching a stationary authorized emergency vehicle, such as police, fire, EMTs, utility vehicles such as electric, garbage trucks, wastewater Jet Vacs, DPW vehicles, etc., that are displaying a flashing, blinking or alternating red or blue light or, any configuration of lights containing one of these colors, shall approach the authorized emergency vehicle with due caution and shall, absent any other direction by a law enforcement officer, move over one lane if possible and always slow down below the posted speed limit. Violations of this law may result in fines up to \$500.

In an effort to keep employees safe, AEA member Atlantic County Utilities Authority has launched a safety campaign to remind drivers of the [Move Over Law](#) in New Jersey.

ACUA created a video featuring our team members' real-life experiences to remind drivers what can happen when they do not slow down or move over. Will you join us in spreading the word?



[ACUA - ACUA Urges Public to Slow Down When Passing Collection Vehicles](#)

If you have any safety or risk management issues the AEA Safety Committee is here to help!

Need answers or resources email JKessler@acua.com or Karen@aeanj.org

Our committee meets quarterly if you would like to join us!

Our next scheduled Zoom meeting is Friday, April 19, 2024 at 10:00 am

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