

Trench Excavation

SAFETY CHECKLIST

Company _____ Name _____ Job Site Location _____ Date _____ Time _____

DESCRIPTION	YES	NO	N/A
Overall jobsite is free of debris and good housekeeping is being maintained.			
Employees exposed to vehicular traffic are wearing proper warning apparel.			
Employees are wearing proper personal protective equipment, including but not limited to hard hats, safety glasses, steel toed boots.			
Work area is properly protected with barriers and/or barricades.			
All utilities are located prior to opening excavation.			
Utilities are supported, protected, or removed in open excavations.			
Surface encumbrances that create a hazard are supported or removed. (These include sidewalk, curb, gutter, landscaping, etc.)			
Adjacent structures have been adequately supported.			
Employees are protected from excavation cave-ins through proper slope, shore, shield, or other protective system.			
Excavated material is placed at least two-feet from edge of excavation.			
Ladders used in access and egress are secured and extend 3 feet above the excavation.			
Ladders within 25 feet of workers.			
Excavation inspected for possibility of water accumulation.			
Excavation continually monitored and properly protected if water accumulates.			
Employees are prohibited from working under any overhead suspended load.			
Employees are protected from loose soil or rock falling from excavation face.			
Proper walkways/bridges are provided where employees are required to cross excavations.			
Remote excavations are left properly protected with barriers and/or barricades.			
If hazardous atmosphere could reasonably be expected, proper precautions have been taken. (OSHA Confined Space Regulations may be applicable.)			