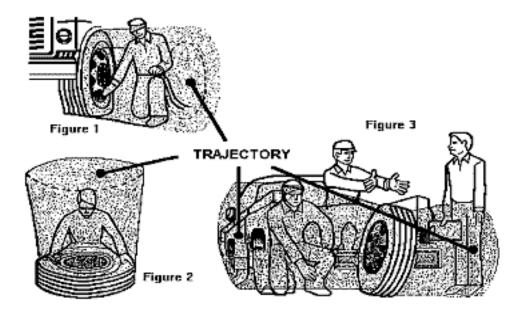


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## **M&R Workers & Tire Safety**



## STAY OUT OF THE TRAJECTORY!

Recently, at a port within ILA's South Atlantic & Gulf Coast District, an M&R worker was very seriously injured when a tire he was servicing exploded. When industrial tires explode, tremendous amounts of energy (force) are released. A worker positioned within the path of that energy will likely be killed by that force, or by the objects (such as wheel components) propelled by it.

The accident described above is not an isolated event. Other ILA M&R workers have been killed or seriously injured by similar accidents in the not-so-distant past. Typically, these types of accidents can be avoided by the use of inflation cages and by utilizing appropriate safe work practices.

The ILA-USMX Joint Safety Committee endorses the information found at the following links, in assisting workers and managers with ready access to those safe work practices:

- > WorkSafe (BC) Tire Safety Video (Click Here)
- > OSHA Publication 3086 (Click Here)

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