

JOB PROCEDURES

AIRBAGS

**This information does not take precedence over OH&S. All employees should be familiar with the Saskatchewan Employment Act and the OH&S Regulations.*

APPROVED BY:	REVIEWED/REVISED DATE:
MATERIAL & EQUIPMENT REQUIRED	PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Suitable overalls 2. Eye protection if risk of contamination from gases 3. Safety footwear 4. Gloves (skin protection)

JOB STEPS

KEY HAZARDS

1. Unplanned deployment of air bag causing injury to body and eyes.
2. Unplanned actuation of the seat belt pre-tensioner as a result of maintenance or attendance at vehicle RTA.

RISKS

1. Physical injury
2. Burns to body/limbs
3. Eye damage (deployed airbags issue irritant but not toxic gases)

DO'S

1. Check for 'SRS' or 'AIRBAG' signs on internal trim/steering wheel and seats, including side air bags.
2. Avoid placing body in front of undeployed air bag after an accident.
3. Disconnect battery first if working on steering column/seats after accident.
4. As a precaution, disconnect battery before towing a vehicle with undeployed air bag.
5. Treat any airbag module as a 'sealed unit' and make no attempt to dismantle.
6. Treat any seat belt tensioner as a 'sealed unit' and make no attempt to dismantle.
7. Store spare air bag modules in appropriate containers.

DON'T'S

8. Work on airbag modules or seat belt pre-tensioner modules if you don't know what you are doing. (i.e. properly trained, competent or under instruction)
9. Work on the steering column area or any internal trim area thought to house an air bag without disconnecting the battery.
10. Remove seats with seat belt tensioners without paying great care to wiring loom joints. (disconnect battery first)
11. Expose air bag modules to excessive heat.