



## Lethbridge County Policy Handbook

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Definition:

- A worker is working alone at a work site and
- Assistance is not readily available if there is an emergency or the worker is injured or ill.

Working alone is considered a hazard.

Lethbridge County must, for any worker working alone, provide an effective communication system consisting of:

- a) radio communication,
- b) landline or cellular telephone communication, or
- c) some other effective means of electronic communication that includes regular contact by the employer or designate at intervals appropriate to the nature of the hazard associated with the worker's work.

If effective electronic communication is not practicable at the work site, the employer must ensure that:

- a) Lethbridge County or designate visit the worker, or
- b) the worker contacts the employer or designate at intervals appropriate to the nature of the hazard associated with the worker's work.

**\*\*\*THE SAFETY INFORMATION IN THIS POLICY DOES NOT TAKE PRECEDENCE OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS. ALL EMPLOYEES SHOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT AND REGULATIONS.**

March 6, 2014

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Chief Administrative Officer

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