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## ROCK CRUSHER SAFETY AND OPERATION

**LET'S CRUSH IT (SAFELY).** 

Safety on a crusher starts with the employee-owner feeding the plant. The employee-owner feeding the plant needs to be trained on best practices specific to the crusher they are working with. An operator may have years of experience operating and loading a cone crusher, but that doesn't translate into experience loading and operating a jaw crusher.

Operators need to be trained on the following:

| $\checkmark$ | What to look for to prevent unnecessary maintenance   |
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| $\checkmark$ | Cleaning and maintaining the crusher  |
| $\checkmark$ | All guards and safety devices must be secured and functional                                |
| $\checkmark$ | Wearing proper PPE, dust mask, and gloves   |
| $\checkmark$ | A fire extinguisher must be readily available and in good condition                         |
| $\checkmark$ | Hearing protection should be worn at all times while the crusher is operational             |
| $\checkmark$ | The appropriate operating capacity of the machine   |
| $\checkmark$ | Keep all platforms clean and the area around the machine clean at all times                 |
| $\checkmark$ | Ensure lubrication, flow, temperature, wear, and pressure are monitored                     |
| $\checkmark$ | When an operator is on an elevated platform, they must not be able to fall into the crusher |
| $\checkmark$ | Proper Lock-out Tag-out (LOTO) Procedures   |
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