

For Zero Accidents

KOSHA certify Hyundai Elevator with ‘zero accidents 15 times’ , which eliminated risks through running of ‘company-wide safety check system’

“Zero accidents movement is more than making work places free from accidents. It is an essential factor to protect workers, families and company itself.”

-Sang-ho Han, representative from Hyundai Elevator

President Hun-ki Baek of KOSHA certified Hyundai Elevator in achieving the goal of zero accidents on 15, March, as it recorded no accident occurred between January 2011 and February 2013 for two years and two months.

The period of time is translated into 5.4 million hours which is the standard that has to be met to be certified for the establishment with over 500 workers in the industrial machinery manufacturing sector. The elevator manufacturer got certified for the first time among other industrial manufacturers.

One of the factors that greatly contributed for the company to being certified is its ‘company-wide 5 steps safety check system’ which was built to prevent injuries that can happen during production, installation and repairing of elevators, escalators, moving walks and systems such as logistics automation system and parking system.

The ‘company-wide 5 steps safety check system was developed to identify risks across the whole processes, involving all internal stakeholders: workers, safety supervisors, safety team staffs, labor and the management.

Further, the Hyundai Elevator has run various kinds of programs: training safety managers by teams; setting prevention guidelines by processes and work sites; on-site training of employees including those from partnered companies; ‘Lock Out & Tag Out’ system which was created to prevent injuries during repairing and maintenance works; training on emergency treatment such as CPR.

The labor and the management of the company identified and responded 48 problems through 12 joint inspections, and run OSH training over 36 hours on average per worker last year.

All of these efforts help the company record zero accidents while other businesses in the machinery and device sector witness 0.2-0.3% of injury rates, leading to save KRW 1 billion in its compensation expenses.

Meanwhile, around 170,000 establishments are involved in the zero accidents movement ever since it began in 1979. Some 1,600 establishments are certified a year.

President Baek said “The zero accidents have contributed to preventing injuries across the country thus saving lives of working men and women by making work places healthier and more pleasant.”



President Baek is taking a photo with Jeong-eun Hyun, chairwoman of Hyundai group, Sang-ho Han, CEO of Hyundai Elevator, and a representative of the workers.