



WHAT IS A JOB HAZARD ANALYSIS (JHA)?

▶ Purpose:

- ▶ JHA is a tool used to identify potential hazards before starting a job - and determine how to prevent injuries or incidents.
- ▶ A step-by-step look at a job to spot what could go wrong and figure out how to keep people safe.

▶ Why It Matters for Small Breweries:

- ▶ Many tasks involve chemicals, pressurized systems, lifting, or confined spaces.
- ▶ Smaller teams mean fewer backups - one injury can impact operations significantly.
- ▶ OSHA expects hazard identification to be part of your safety program.



COMMON BREWERY TASKS THAT BENEFIT FROM A JHA

▶ Think of JHAs as **pre-job safety planning** for high-risk or routine-but-risky tasks:

Cleaning & Sanitizing Tanks

- ▶ Chemical exposure, slips, confined space

Keg Handling & Transfer

- ▶ Strains, CO₂ exposure, pinch points

Hot Work (Welding or Grinding)

- ▶ Fire risk, eye injury, ventilation needs

Draft Line Cleaning (Front or Back of House)

- ▶ Chemical burns, splash, cross-contamination

Packaging Line Maintenance

- ▶ Lockout/tagout (LOTO), moving parts, electrical shock



HOW TO DO A SIMPLE JHA



Break Down the Job into Steps

- ▶ Example: Transferring beer → connect hoses, start pump, monitor transfer, disconnect



Identify Hazards for Each Step

- ▶ Slips, pressure, pinch points, chemical exposure, lifting strain



Determine Controls

- ▶ PPE (gloves, goggles), procedures (LOTO), buddy system, signage, ventilation

▶ **Bonus Tip:**

Involve the person who does the job! They know the risks best.



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