

Loss Control Newsletter

Kansas Automobile Dealers Workers' Compensation Fund

This newsletter is distributed to you by the Kansas Automobile Dealers Workers' Compensation Fund (KADWCF) to increase the awareness of and stress the importance of safe work practices.

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Day-to-day operations don't take a back seat during the winter months. Ice and snow means an increased slip and fall exposure to all employees at the dealership. It should come as no surprise that a high percentage of claims during the winter months are weather related slip and falls.

So far this year we have been fortunate to have a mild winter season with only a couple days with accumulated snow. Weather related slips and falls can result in serious and costly employee injuries when winter conditions produce icy and wet surfaces outdoors.

Take preventive actions to avoid accidents and injuries, whether inside or out.

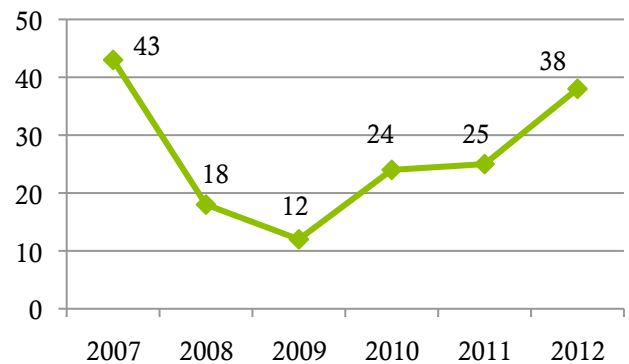
- Increase the awareness of your surroundings during winter months.
- Make the assumption that **every** road or surface can be hazardous.
- Step carefully and always proceed with caution!

While almost all dealerships take preventive action to reduce the exposure, an increasing number of injuries are being reported to the Fund. Most surprising are the increased frequency of claims for salespersons and detailers.

Please communicate the hazards to all employees and ensure that appropriate action is being taken to reduce / eliminate winter related slips and falls.

Slip & Fall Injury Trends

of Ice Related Claims



7 ice claims were recently reported within a 19 day period.

Examples of Ice Related Claims

\$194,349 – A salesperson sustained a concussion and laceration to the head resulting from a fall on an icy lot.

\$65,135 – A detailer sustained a contusion to the head and back after falling on ice while unlocking vehicles.

\$205,189 – A salesperson slipped on an icy lot and strained his back.

\$39,776 – A service technician slipped on water on the shop floor and fractured his collarbone.

If you have any questions regarding this newsletter or for additional loss control information, please contact Mark Valentine at 816-698-4611 or via email at mark.valentine@aon.com.



Slip & Fall Awareness

safety is
everyone's
responsibility...

don't fall victim to Slip and Fall injuries.



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