

## Improving Safety Technology

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### BACKGROUND AND BUSINESS ISSUE

This framing contractor has been building homes in the southern Catskill area for many years. He has an experienced framing carpentry crew. He knows that good job safety planning and quality work go hand in hand. That is one of the reasons they are doing high end home building in this exclusive Catskill area. How did they get to this level of work?

### ACTIONS TAKEN

This contractor works closely with the site developer daily. They accept the owner's rigid safety standards as part of their bid process. They discuss the safety procedures and planning that go along with the work to be done that day and in following days.



### Fines for substandard housekeeping on site

Housekeeping on this job is excellent. The project owner requires daily site cleanup of all contractors. Contractors who don't clean up are fined \$500 a day.

This home interior was one of the cleanest sites I have seen in 25 years reviewing safe work

practices on construction sites.

### GOOD RESULTS

To obtain good results they have a plan for window delivery and installation. They have planned a window lay down area. The larger windows will be set in place with automated material handling to save time and worker efforts.

This work will be coordinated with other trades working at the site. Windows that are properly set and installed make other trim and finish work easier to do.



### 2 x 12" rafters, plywood sheathing, & 12' x 12" post & beam construction

Their projects use higher quality materials and craftsmanship. 12" x 12" post and beam construction is part of their framing operations on this project. 2" x 12" rafters are used with plywood sheathing to bring the structure frame together. This sets the tone for other craftsmanship on this worksite.

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