TRENCHING SAFETY

5 Things You Should Know to Stay Safe

1. Ensure there’s a safe way to enter and exit.
   
   See 1926.651(c)

2. Trenches must have cave-in protection.

   See 1926.652(a)

3. Keep materials away from the edge of the trench.

   See 1926.651(j)

4. Look for standing water or other hazards.

   See 1926.651(h)

5. Never enter a trench unless it has been properly inspected.

   See 1926.651(k)