

MINNESOTA SAFETY COUNCIL

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April "Memo to Members" Newsletter

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Drive Safe!



On Tuesday, February 27, a commercial truck plowed into the back of a passenger vehicle on Highway 36 in Lake Elmo. The passenger vehicle was stopped for a red light. The truck was going 63 miles an hour and did not attempt to brake or avoid the collision. The truck driver was reportedly exchanging texts and looking at homes on a real estate app when the crash occurred. The passenger vehicle driver was killed on impact.

A normal traffic day in Minnesota has 200 crashes, about 50 of which involve distraction. That same normal day sees 100 traffic related injuries, about 25 of which involve distraction and every fourth day, someone is killed in a distraction related event.

Every crash, every injury, every death is preventable.

[Read more](#)

Rules and Regulations

New Global Standard for Creating Safer Workplaces

A newly-approved [voluntary consensus standard](#), ISO 45001 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems, is a first-of-its-kind global

OSHA's Respirable Crystalline Silica Final Rule

An overview of the [silica rule's requirements](#) and what the future may hold for the regulation's standards.

model for managing safety and health risks.

Five New Hazmat Rules to Look for in 2018

A [review](#) of five new or changing DOT hazmat rules most likely to hit the books as Final Rules this year.

Compliance Assistance Program for Highway Safety

A [new program](#) from NHTSA aims to help regulated entities, including vehicle and trailer manufacturers, equipment manufacturers, and dealers, comply with safety regulations as a means to promote safety on U.S. highways.

New Resources & Online Tools



Safety Walk-Arounds for Managers

This new [OSHA fact sheet](#) provides guidance to help managers and business owners identify hazards in the workplace and communicate with workers about hazards in their jobs, by conducting safety walk-arounds.



Addressing America's Drug Epidemic

An [extensive review](#) conducted by the National Safety Council looks at the scope of the opioid crisis and evaluates how states are taking action.



Nanotechnology Workplace Design

Four new [NIOSH documents](#) offer tips on the design of exposure controls for nanomaterial production, post processing and use.



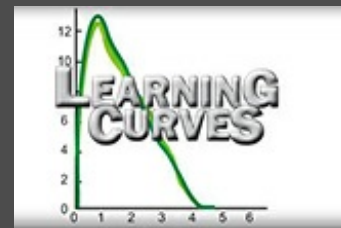
Total Worker Health Webinar Series

NIOSH's Total Worker Health program has developed a [free webinar series](#) aimed at providing the latest research and case studies for protecting the safety and health of workers.



Silica Rule for General Industry, Maritime

OSHA has published a [fact sheet](#) to help employers comply with the agency's standard on worker exposure to respirable crystalline silica for general industry and maritime.



Spirometry Training Video

A new [NIOSH film](#) consists of seven downloadable video modules intended to support the NIOSH Spirometry Training Program curriculum and assist occupational health professionals.



Confined Spaces on Farms



Revised Construction Statistics



Excavation Safety Stand-

A new fact sheet published by OSHA highlights hazards in the agricultural industry related to working in confined spaces such as grain silos and manure storage tanks.

The Center for Construction Research and Training has revised its free [Construction Chart Book](#), which includes statistical information covering economic, demographic, employment/income, education/training, and safety/health issues in construction.

down

Visit the [MN OSHA website](#) for resources to help raise awareness among employers and workers about preventing excavation accidents during the statewide Excavation Safety Stand-down, April 16-20.

Articles of Interest

Top 10 Most Dangerous Jobs of 2018

A look at the [most dangerous occupations](#) in the U.S., as measured by fatal work injury rate.

Safety in Store: Retail Work Job Hazards

According to the Bureau of Labor Statics, retail workers experienced a combined injury and illness rate higher than the construction industry in 2016. This [article](#) highlights recommendations and tools to help employers improve safety in retail work.

Foundation of an Effective NFPA 70E Implementation?

A review of [five critical areas](#) of an effective NFPA 70E implementation.

Fall Protection Training - Protective Equipment

For the first time, Fall Protection Training Requirements has made OSHA's Top 10 list of most frequently cited standards. Check out [key components](#) of an effective and compliant Fall Prevention Program.

Connected Worker Technology

A look at how [connected worker technology](#) plays a crucial role in the shift to a safer and more productive work environment.

Lockout/Tagout Inconsistencies

This [article](#) reviews common gaps in lockout/tagout programs and important steps for compliance and safety.

Northern Minnesota Safety Conference April 17, 2018

Evangelical Covenant Church's Family Life Center, Bemidji

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AND BRING SAFETY HOME, both on the road and everywhere you live.

Find [all conference details online](#) and [register now!](#) **(Early-bird discount ends Friday, April 20!)**

Your Solution for Training

We offer online, classroom and customized on-site training as well as regional training sessions and consultation on 100+ topics to help you comply with regulations and keep workers safe. **Take a look at our [training schedule online](#).**



Don't Get Tripped Up on the New Rule

Do you have questions about the new Walking-Working Surfaces rule? We have a new [Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#) class coming up to give you an opportunity to get up-to-date on the regs and ask your burning questions.

April 24 - [Fall Protection for General Industry](#)

Members: \$355 / Nonmembers: \$395

Additional Employees: \$95 each

With this class, you'll get J.J. Keller's newly-updated DVD kit including a PowerPoint, trainer's guide, employee handbooks, and much more - in both English and Spanish - to assist you in your training.

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