SafetyNet Online Member Community: Recent Questions

Recent postings have included questions about floor mats, ergonomic sit/stand policies, and SCBA use. Add your experience to the conversation! Log in at www.minnesotasafetycouncil.org/mo and click the SafetyNet link, then on the top navigation click All Members > View Discussions.

Forgot your ID number? Enter your e-mail address into the "Forgot Your Password?" box on the right side of the Members Only homepage and submit it. You'll receive an e-mail momentarily.

What Keeps a Safety Leader Up at Night?

EHS Today's 2018 National Safety Survey reveals how safety leaders are using data to overcome safety challenges.

Regulatory News

OSHA Extends Compliance Date for Parts of General Industry Beryllium Standard: Federal OSHA has issued a final rule to extend the compliance date for specific ancillary requirements of the general industry beryllium standard to Dec. 12, 2018. This extension affects provisions for methods of compliance, beryllium work areas, regulated areas, personal protective clothing and equipment, hygiene facilities and practices, housekeeping, communication of hazards, and recordkeeping.

New Resources

MNOSHA Fatality, Serious-injury Investigation Summaries Online: Each month, Minnesota OSHA Compliance publishes current, updated summaries of its fatality investigations and serious-injury investigations.

Importance of Contractor Selection, Oversight: The Chemical Safety Board (CSB) has published a new Safety Digest highlighting several investigations where insufficient safety requirements for contractor selection and oversight were found to be causal to the incident.

CPWR Hazard Alert Targeting Opioid Crisis in Construction: The Center for Construction Research and Training has issued a hazard alert to raise awareness on the issue of opioid-related overdose deaths among construction workers.

Susan Harwood Training Grant Opportunities: OSHA recently announced three Susan Harwood Training Grant funding opportunities to support the creation of in-person, hands-on training and education including the development of materials for industries with high injury, illness and fatality rates; and vulnerable workers, who have limited English proficiency or are temporary workers. Applications must be submitted online no later than Sept. 2.
Statewide DWI Campaign

Don't let summer be a buzz kill with a DWI. Make use of our free MN NETS impaired driving resources to share with your employees. Piggyback efforts with the statewide DWI "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" enforcement campaign in effect now through September 2. Utilize newly-created drug-impaired driving messages from NHTSA.

September is National Preparedness Month

Disasters happen - plan now. Just a few minutes of planning and preparation now can make a big difference. Make an emergency plan; sign up for alerts and warnings in your area; and learn skills you need to help yourself and others until help can arrive. Find more emergency preparedness resources for the workplace on the Live Safe page of our website.

Upcoming Events

Calendar of Safety Observances
August 21-24 OSHA #511 - Occupational Safety & Health Standards for General Industry
August 28 Fall Protection for General Industry Train-the-Trainer PLUS
September 5 Right-to-Know / GHS Workshop
September 6 Confined Space Entry
September 7 Ladder Safety Train-the-Trainer PLUS
September 11-14 OSHA #500 - Trainer Course in Occupational Safety and Health Standards for Construction Industry
September 12-13 10-hour OSHA General Industry Safety and Health Training
September 12-13 First Aid/CPR/AED Instructor Training
September 18 Bloodborne Pathogens Train-the-Trainer PLUS
September 19 Emergency Response Refresher (HAZWOPER)
September 19 Preparing for a DOT Audit
September 20 First Aid/CPR/AED Training
September 24 Defensive Driving Course, Basic (4-hour)
September 24-25 Defensive Driving Course, Instructor Development (4-hour)
September 24 Forklift Train-the-Trainer
September 25 Introduction to Occupational Safety
September 25 2018 Northern Regional Safety Day
September 26 Defensive Driving Course, Basic (8-hour)
September 26 Introduction to Occupational Health
September 27 Drug and Alcohol Recognition Techniques for Employers
September 27 Introduction to Loss Control
September 27 Tenth Annual Minnesota Childhood Injury Summit

Complete training schedule available online.

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