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Keep the Conversations Rolling in Your SafetyNet Online Community

Thanks to all of you who continue sharing your questions and expertise as the conversations keep rolling in the SafetyNet online member community. Respond through community emails or log in through www.minnesotasafetycouncil.org/mo and click the "SafetyNet" link.

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Free Webinar: Tools for a Successful Workplace Safety & Health Program

Join this free, one-hour [webinar](#) Wed., Feb. 21, 1:00 p.m. CST, to learn about OSHA's Safe Workplace + Sound Business Campaign and new features of two popular CPWR resources you can use to improve jobsite safety.

Regulatory News

Proposal to Eliminate Line-Speed Limits in Pork-Processing Plants: The U.S. Department of Agriculture [proposal](#) to remove maximum line speeds in pork-processing plants will add to the existing high risk of worker injuries and food contamination, according to worker safety experts.

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.

Contingency Plan for Suspension of Operations: OSHA currently has a [contingency plan](#) in place outlining operations that would continue to be carried out in the event of suspension of agency operations.

New Resources

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 model for managing

safety and health risks. It is expected to be published in March.

42% of Construction Worker Deaths Involve Falls: A [new database](#) shows that in a 33-year period, falls accounted for nearly half of all construction worker deaths - and more than half of the workers killed lacked access to fall protection, according to the Center for Construction Research and Training.

Hazards of Confined Spaces on Farms: 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.

Safety of Work Zone Plans: The National Cooperative Highway Research Program has released a [guidebook](#) that provides clearer guidance to encourage the use of data-driven, comprehensive, collaborative planning approaches to improve work zone safety.

Hands-Free Driving Rally, State Capitol, Feb. 22

Show your support for safe driving and going hands-free with cell phones! The Minnesota Safety Council will be hosting a hands-free cell phone rally at the Capitol Rotunda on Thursday, February 22 at 10:30 a.m. The rally will feature transportation experts, safety champions and families who've been impacted by distracted driving. Come out and support passage of a [hands-free bill](#) in Minnesota!

Upcoming Activities

[Calendar of Safety Observances](#)

February 15 [First Aid/CPR/AED Training](#)

February 16 [Forklift Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#)

February 19-21 [ASP \(Safety Fundamentals\) Review Course](#)

February 20 [Drug and Alcohol Recognition Techniques for Employers](#)

February 21 [Preventing Workplace Harassment and Discrimination Workshop](#)

February 22-24 [CSP Comprehensive Practice and Specialty Examination Review Course](#)

February 23 [Aerial Lift Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#)

March 2 [Accident/Incident Investigation](#)

March 2 [Forklift Train-the-Trainer PLUS \(Cabela's Owatonna\)](#)

March 6-9 [OSHA #501 - Trainer Course in Occupational Safety and Health Standards for General Industry](#)

March 9 [Right-to-Know Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#)

March 12 [Forklift Train-the-Trainer](#)

March 13 [Lockout/Tagout Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#)

March 13 [OSHA Recordkeeping: Beyond the Basics](#)

March 14 [Defensive Driving Course, Basic \(8-hour\)](#)

March 14-16 [OSHA #503 - Update for General Industry Outreach Trainers](#)

March 19 [Electrical Safety in the Workplace: NFPA 70E](#)

Complete training schedule available [online](#).

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