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## WORKPLACE SAFETY NEWS FOR MEMBERS ONLY

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### SafetyNet Online Community: Hot Topics

The online member community has been busy! Recent topics include forklift accountability programs; footwear policies for parking lots; use of gloves with powered hand tools; creating a mold prevention program; and Toolbox Talks for simple OSHA violations. Post or respond through community e-mails or log in at [www.minnesotasafetycouncil.org/mo](http://www.minnesotasafetycouncil.org/mo) and click the SafetyNet link.

*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.*

### Minnesota Safety Council Officially Turns 90 on June 1

While the world has changed a lot since 1928, the need to keep people safe hasn't. In honor of our 90th Anniversary this year, we've been turning the spotlight on long-standing members leading the future of safety and helping support safer, healthier lives! View [video](#) and [print](#) member features we've highlighted so far in 2018 and watch for additional member spotlights throughout the year!

### 2018 Workplace Safety Index

U.S. employers spent more than \$1 billion a week on the most disabling injuries and illnesses in 2015, according to the [Liberty Mutual Workplace Safety Index](#) - an annual ranking of serious, nonfatal workplace injuries based on direct workers' compensation costs.

### NIOSH Webinar Series: Working Hours, Sleep and Fatigue

A significant number of workers are exposed to a broad range of health and safety risks that are associated with shift work, long work hours, and related workplace fatigue issues. NIOSH has developed a new [webinar series](#) that discusses evidence-based strategies to reduce these risks.

### Safe-in-Sound Award: Nomination Period Open

NIOSH and the National Hearing Conservation Association are [accepting nominations](#) for the 2019 Safe-in-Sound Excellence in Hearing Loss Prevention Award. The award honors people and organizations that have introduced effective practices to help prevent occupational noise-induced hearing loss and tinnitus. Third-party nomination letters are due June 15.

### Off-the-Job: New CO Law for Boaters; Seat Belt

## Safety Campaign

***Sophia's Law - Carbon Monoxide Law for Boaters:*** A new Minnesota law effective May 1 this year requires marine carbon monoxide detectors and carbon monoxide warning stickers for some boats in Minnesota. Visit the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to learn about [Sophia's Law](#) and how to comply. For additional boating tips, visit the MnDNR's [boating page](#).

***Seat Belt Safety Campaign, May 21 - June 3:*** Help protect your employees during the summer driving season by reminding them to buckle up. Link your traffic safety efforts with the "Click It or Ticket" campaign May 21- June 3. Find free resources on the [Minnesota NETS](#) website to help promote seat belt use and overall safe driving.

## Upcoming Events

### [Calendar of Safety Observances](#)

May 30-31 [10-hour OSHA Construction Safety Course](#)

May 31 [First Aid/CPR/AED Training](#)

June 4-5 [First Aid/CPR/AED Instructor Training](#)

June 4-7 [Safety Training Methods](#)

June 6-7 [10-hour OSHA General Industry Safety and Health Training](#)

June 8 [Right-to-Know Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#)

June 11-14 [30-Hour Occupational Safety and Health Standards for General Industry](#)

June 11 [Defensive Driving Course, Basic \(4-hour\)](#)

June 11-12 [Defensive Driving Course, Instructor Development \(4-hour\)](#)

June 14 [Forklift Train-the-Trainer](#)

June 15 [Lockout/Tagout Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#)

June 18-21 [OSHA #501 - Trainer Course in Occupational Safety and Health Standards for General Industry](#)

June 18-19 [Transporting Hazardous Materials and Dangerous Goods](#)

June 21 [First Aid/CPR/AED Training](#)

June 25 [Aerial Platform Train-the-Trainer](#)

June 25-26 [Defensive Driving Course, Basic \(8-hour\)](#)

June 25-27 [Defensive Driving Course, Instructor Development \(8-hour\)](#)

June 26 [Electrical Safety in the Workplace: NFPA 70E](#)

June 27 [Confined Space Entry](#)

June 28 [Drug and Alcohol Recognition Techniques for Employers](#)

June 28 [Forklift Train-the-Trainer PLUS](#)

Complete training schedule available [online](#).

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