

MINNESOTA SAFETY COUNCIL

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September "Memo to Members" Newsletter

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Old Scout



Raging fires, flash floods, blistering heat, it's been quite a summer for unusual events. As we turn to fall and winter, maybe it's a good time to think about being an old scout.

"Be Prepared" is the 100+ year-old motto of the Scouts and good advice when it comes to dealing with emergencies. But what does "Be Prepared" mean? How can I prepare for fires and floods and heat or ice storms and power outages and two-day blizzards? Certainly, each of these events has its own challenges but there are some things worth considering ahead of time.

➔ [Read more](#)

Rules and Regulations

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

OSHA Proposes Rule to Better Protect Personally Identifiable Information

Federal OSHA has issued a [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) to better protect personally identifiable information by removing provisions of the "Improve Tracking of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses" rule. The proposed rule eliminates the requirement to electronically submit information from OSHA Forms 300 and 301 for establishments with 250 or more employees. These

practices, housekeeping, communication of hazards, and recordkeeping.

establishments would continue to be required to submit information from their Form 300A summaries. Comments must be submitted by September 28, 2018.

Updated ISO Food Safety Management Systems Standard Released

ISO 22000:2018, an [ISO standard](#) on food safety management systems, has been released. The new standard offers a dynamic control of food safety hazards combining the following key elements: interactive communication, systems management, Prerequisite Programs (PRPs), and Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) principles.

OSHA Bulletins on Respiratory, Hearing Protection for Temp Workers

OSHA has issued several [bulletins](#) under its temporary worker initiative on respiratory protection and noise exposure/hearing conservation.

New Resources & Online Tools



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.



MNOSHA Fatality, Serious-injury Investigation Summaries Online

Minnesota OSHA Compliance publishes updated monthly [summaries](#) of its fatality investigations and serious-injury investigations.



Quick Sleep Tips for Truck Drivers

NIOSH has created a [brochure](#) for truck drivers and trucking companies wanting more information and strategies on how to sleep better and to reduce risks associated with drowsy driving.



CSB 'Safety Digest': The Importance of Contractor Selection, Oversight

The Chemical Safety Board 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.



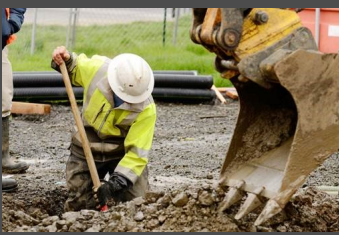
NIOSH Worker Health Charts

NIOSH's Worker Health Chart tool has been [updated](#) with new data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). Examine chronic conditions, health behaviors, health status, healthcare utilization/access, and more by industry and occupation.



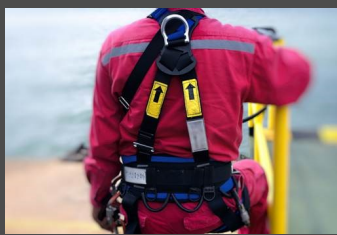
CBRN Respiratory Protection Handbook

This recently-published [handbook](#) provides technical information on respiratory protective devices for chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) hazards. The information will assist any user of CBRN respirators, but is particularly useful to those responsible for administering respirator protection programs.



Trench Safety Poster/Sticker

Trenching is one of the most hazardous construction operations. OSHA has created a new [safety poster](#) and "Slope It, Shore It, Shield It" [sticker](#) with key steps to protect workers from trench collapses.



Fall Protection Virtual Reality Training Tool

The American Society of Safety Professionals has created a new [Fall Protection Experience app](#) that provides an immersive experience in which users enter a virtual environment to learn hazard identification and building a fall protection system.



OSHA: Workplace Chemical Information Database

A [new database](#) from OSHA offers access to safety profiles and information on workplace chemicals. Users can search chemicals by name or identification number and group them.

Articles of Interest

Translating Safety

Too often corporate leaders and safety professionals speak very different languages. This [article](#) looks at four key strategies to overcome this language barrier.

What the 'Gig Economy' Means for Worker Protections

A [review](#) of the fast-growing "gig economy" work arrangement and new questions about state laws regarding employer/employee relationships, and who will bear the burden of the cost if a gig worker is hurt on the job.

Risk Awareness: Knowing the Rules - and When to Break Them

This [article](#) looks at encouraging workers to focus on daily risks instead of simply safety to enable them to make informed decisions, be more proactive, and reduce complacency.

Optimize Safety Training by Properly Leveraging E-Learning

A look at how [e-learning](#) can improve the safety and compliance training experience for Millennials by making it more engaging, accessible and effective.

How Can We Measure Impulse Noise Properly?

This new NIOSH Science [blog](#) reviews impulse noise measurement, risk characterization, and the best way to protect workers against such exposures.

Changing the Statistics of Confined Space Injuries and Fatalities

Permit required confined spaces are still the leading cause of multiple fatalities in the workplace. This [article](#) provides a closer look at NIOSH investigations of confined space incidents and actions to protect workers to change injury/fatality statistics.

Northern Regional Safety Day

September 25 | Spirit Mountain, Duluth

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Just added - Hazwoper Refresher!

Are you one of our many members who need to take your 8-hour Hazwoper Refresher this fall? Don't miss out on an opportunity later this month to fulfill your annual training requirement!

[Emergency Response Refresher, 8-hour](#)
September 19 | \$275.00

Instructor: Bill Stuart, MPH, CSP - Minnesota Safety Council

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