

"Prevention is
our intention"

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Safety Partnership Vision

*Getting contractors to the job-site
trained and ready for work, in a
timely and cost-effective manner*

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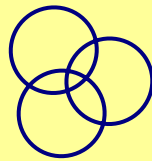
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Safety Training Standards: News & Updates

July Monthly Safety Topic is found on the IEC website at:
[http://www.sarniasafety.com/testsite/msttopics .php#t](http://www.sarniasafety.com/testsite/msttopics.php#t)

August Safety Topic: Confined Space & Safety Watch

On the website is the following information:

- 1) Topic Information
- 2) Test Questions
- 3) Test Answers

It is expected that contractors complete this test and submit records
to: info@sarniasafety.com

MOL BLITZ RESULTS: Ladders - May 2009 to March 2010

Incidents involving safe ladder use and fall protection continue to result in
critical injuries and deaths among Ontario construction workers.

Problems encountered by inspectors included:

- ladders in poor condition
- ladders too short for the task
- ladders not secured top and bottom
- ladders used too close to live electrical conductors or equipment
- lack of fall protection during use of ladders
- ergonomic issues arising from prolonged use of ladders as work
platforms, and
- the use of ladders when safer options are available.

The campaign reached large numbers of untrained workers, and students
concerning many aspects of workplace safety.

The ministry will continue to focus on hazards related to ladder use during
routine workplace inspections and as part of the continued enhanced
enforcement of fall-prevention regulations.

Six Month Safety Refresher: In September, only the Six
Month Safety Refresher will be required. As a result there will be no
September Monthly Safety Topic.

Local Safety Culture Survey: Peter Stock

Thanks to the twenty local contractors who volunteered to participate
in a local safety culture survey. Your assistance in this project is
much appreciated.

Collecting local data as a benchmark to the Nanticoke survey results is the
last phase of our WSIB funded project.

Final results of this phase of the research project including the two survey
results will be presented to WSIB senior management staff in Toronto in
September.

All Safety Culture surveys need to be completed before the end of August.

8-Week Ontario Safety Campaign:

Labour Minister Peter Fonseca kicked off a province-wide tour of construction emphasizing the need for everyone on the job to train properly, be aware of dangers, and keep everyone safe.

"Workers, supervisors and employers need to watch out for each other on construction sites. I hope these strong messages will remind them of what's at stake. It's about lives, limbs and livelihoods. It's about going home to your family safe and sound at the end of the work day," said Minister Fonseca.

Sponsored by the Ontario MOL, the WSIB and the Infrastructure Health & Safety Association, the campaign will use coffee trucks, posters, multicultural newspapers, and social marketing to reach thousands of workers, employers, and supervisors across the construction sector.

NEW HOTLINE: The public can call toll-free (1-877-202-0008) to report work practices that appear unsafe.

NEW WEB RESOURCES: The Ministry of Labour has consolidated most of its resources relating to construction safety on one page of its website: <http://www.labour.gov.on.ca/english/hs/topics/construction.php>. There, viewers can see a range of information about safe work practices, including a video about fall hazards on residential construction projects, and soon, a new video about suspended platforms.

YouTube RESOURCES: These can also be seen on **YouTube** and downloaded for safety training sessions and meetings. This website is available in English and French.
http://www.labour.gov.on.ca/english/resources/gallery_video.php#fall

During a three-month enforcement blitz (ending in April this year) of more than 2,800 construction sites across Ontario, Ministry of Labour Inspectors found many violations related to missing or inappropriate use of guardrails, scaffolding and fall protection systems. More information can be found at:
http://www.labour.gov.on.ca/english/hs/sawo/blitzes/preliminary_report.php

If you have feedback about this campaign or questions about health and safety, feel free to e-mail the Infrastructure Health and Safety Association at: feedback@ihsa.ca



CSSE CLASSES OFFERED LOCALLY

Project Management for the Health & Safety Professional Sept 25 & 26
 (CSSE has awarded this course 16 CHSC Maintenance Points)

For more information contact Brian Parizeau at: bparizeau@mts1.ca

CHSC DESIGNATION COURSES

Applied Risks Oct 26 & 27
Consulting Skills Nov 30 & Dec 1
 Contact Angie Vandenheuvell
 Tel: (519) 344-1163
 Fax: (519) 344-8495

You can register for these courses online:
http://www.csse.org/content/safety/course_registration.asp

MOL Fatality Report: As of June 30th **11 Fatalities: 55% are from falls!**

Jan	Worker fell 10 feet off a scaffold
Feb	Worker fell 60 feet while repairing a balcony
Mar	Worker fell 32 feet through a floor opening
Mar	Worker fell 15 feet from a ladder
May	Worker was buried in a trench
May	Worker fell 17 feet through a roof opening
May	Worker was electrocuted assisting boom truck
May	Worker crushed by block wall while in a trench
Jun	Worker fell 10 feet through a floor opening
Jun	Worker was buried in an excavation on a farm
Jun	Worker crushed when mobile home roof collapsed

SUMMARY: JAN 1 to JUN 30, 2010

6 falls (average fall distance was 24 feet)

1 electrocution

2 buried in trench

2 crushed by Material or Equipment