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Contractor Records Management

The Safety Partnership Executive approved the purchase and installation of a state of the art records management database system. This system will be installed and activated by late June and will:

- Contribute to the standardization process
- Reduce duplication of training
- Enhance contractor pre-qualification services
- Enable contractors to better manage training records
- Promote on-line registration of workers
- Create new opportunities for future swipe or smart card capabilities
- Will support future locally developed computer based training courses

Access fees are currently being calculated.

Open house demonstrations of this new system are being planned following the installation and training period.

SUMMER IS COMING! HEAT STRESS GUIDELINE EXCERPT

Colour	Humidex Reading	Actions	Liquids
Green	33 to < 38	Issue recognition/ alerts	Drink water
Yellow	38 to < 40	Reduce physical activity to 45 minutes per hour	Drink 1 cup of water every 20 minutes
Orange	40 to < 42	Reduce physical activity to 30 minutes per hour	Drink 1 cup of water every 20 minutes
Red	≥42	Stop all non-essential work Essential work can proceed with controls in place (fans etc)	Drink 1 cup of water every 20 minutes

See www.sarniasafety.com for the full version of this Safety Partnership Heat Stress Guideline

Membership: Categories & Benefits

Members and Associate Members will receive various discounts on services provided by the IEC. The details of these membership categories, benefits, services and costs will be shared with you in the next few weeks

Member: The 20+ owner- clients that own this IEC training cooperative are members. In addition, the Sarnia Construction Association has recently become a member.

Associate Member: Contracting companies that would like to receive the benefits of an associate membership of the IEC will be invited to join.

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WHEN: The new records management database will be installed by the end of June. The system could "go live" as early as July 13th 2009.

FEES: "Going live" means that there will be a fee for each training record kept in this database. This training record fee will be added to the price of training.

NOTE: If a worker comes in for training on their own time, the records fee will be paid at the time of the training and the worker will be reimbursed by the contracting company hiring their services.

MEMBERS VS NON-MEMBERS: Members of the IEC will have a discounted records management fee. More information about the types of membership and fees will be published in the next few weeks.

News Bulletins are being issued on a weekly basis that will carry up-to-date information.

Safety Training Standards Review of Draft Standards

1. Draft Fall Protection Standard
2. Draft Asbestos Awareness Standard

The feedback/ comment period has closed as of Thursday June 4th.

Next Steps: The next step is the review and approval of these two standards at the STS Steering Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday June 11th.

Following this process final ratification will be made by the IEC Executive at their meeting held on Tuesday June 16th.

Thanks to all of the dedicated members that put in long hours on these two teams.

I am confident that Sarnia-Lambton will be a safer more productive work community as a direct result of these efforts.

This has been another example of the great cooperation between owner-clients, contractors and the building trades!

2008: 1st Quarter MOL Statistics

Twenty-nine workers were killed or injured in the construction sector in Ontario in the first three months of 2008. Three workers were fatally injured and another 25 workers were critically injured. The causes of these injuries and fatalities were:

- Falls: 68%
- Struck by: 29%
- Electrocutation: 3%

The use of ladders was common in many of these incidents. Ladders were a factor in 43% of the falls investigated by the MOL. During 2008 in Ontario an average of 30 workers sought medical attention from falls from ladders each month.

NOTE: This year MOL inspectors will be focusing specific attention on ladder use.

Dates in June & July

STS Steering	Thurs Jun 11, 2009
IEC Executive	Tues Jun 16, 2009
Partnership Steering	Tues Jun 23, 2009
S-LISC	Thurs Jun 25, 2009
Canada Day	Wed Jul 1, 2009