



Weekly Safety Tip

“Your Connection for Workplace Safety”

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We're about service, commitment, results, and accountability!

Our Weekly Safety Tip provides valuable and current safety information relevant for Work, Home & Play.

And, you will be kept current on the latest Safety Compliance issues.



SCI SAFETY NEWS OR TIP



SCI OSHA NEWS OR COMPLIANCE



SCI HEALTHYLIVING and WELLNESS NEWS

We want to hear from you! Send us your feedback and give us ideas for future safety topics.

Let us know how you feel about our new look!

Safety Slogan

Be alert! Accidents hurt.

James Lehrke-SCI

of the week

SCI Safety Tip: Check Your Way to a Better PPE Program

Sources: <http://www.blr.com>

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This checklist can assist with PPE-related duties and help ensure that your PPE program complies with regulations and protects employees from hazards.

Survey work areas for hazards and potential hazards such as:

- Chemical exposures
- Tool and equipment hazards
- Pinch points
- Sharp objects
- Rough surfaces
- Falling or dropped objects
- Bump hazards to heads and toes
- Respiratory hazards
- Heat or cold
- Excessive noise

Select PPE that:

1. Provides adequate protection against identified hazards
2. Meets ANSI standards
3. Protects against multiple hazards when necessary
4. Offers varied sizes to fit all workers comfortably and correctly

Make sure that training teaches workers:

- When they have to use PPE
- Limitations of PPE protection
- How to inspect PPE
- How to put on and adjust PPE
- How to remove PPE safely

Invites You To Join Us At The Upcoming:

Permit & Reporting Workshop

Wednesday April 24th 7:30-9:30 AM

At Black Wolf Run 1111 W Riverside Dr, Kohler, WI 53044

**Are you confused about Wastewater, Air, or Tier II requirements?
Need to brush up on the basics? We will have 3 agency reps onsite
to answer your questions.**

**Come for breakfast & learn about the:
General Wastewater & Air Emissions permits from the WI
Department of Natural Resources**

**Tier II Chemical Inventory process from the Division of
Emergency Management**

**This 2 hour workshop will be split into three segments showcasing
each of the permit triggers, reporting processes, & provide an intro
to the particular websites. Plus Q&A!**

**To register for this valuable & unique opportunity please email
Laura@safetyconnections.com**

**Cost is \$25 a person, Hurry, Space is limited!!
*Agency staff involvement is in no way an
endorsement for SCI**

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- How to care for and store PPE
- Useful life of PPE
- How to replace worn or damaged PPE
- Where to dispose of PPE that might be contaminated by hazardous substances

SCI OSHA Compliance: Navigate Your Way Safely Through the Inspection/Enforcement Process

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Here's some information about inspections and enforcement actions that can help you successfully navigate your way around big problems and costly penalties.

Since OSHA can't inspect all 7 million workplaces it covers each year, it seeks to focus its inspection resources on the most hazardous workplaces in the following order of priority:

Imminent danger situations—hazards that could cause death or serious physical harm— receive top priority. Compliance officers will ask employers to correct these hazards immediately— or remove endangered employees.

Fatalities and catastrophes—incidents that involve a death or the hospitalization of three or more employees—come next. Employers must report such catastrophes to OSHA within 8 hours.

Complaints—allegations of hazards or violations also receive a high priority. Employees may request anonymity when they file complaints.

Referrals—hazard information from other federal, state or local agencies, individuals, organizations or the media receive consideration for inspection.

Follow-ups—checks for abatement of violations cited during previous inspections—are also conducted by the agency in certain circumstances.

Planned or programmed investigations—inspections aimed at specific high-hazard industries or individual workplaces that have experienced high rates of injuries and illnesses—also receive priority.

Phone/Fax Investigations

For lower-priority hazards, with permission of a complainant, OSHA may telephone the employer to describe safety and health concerns, following up with a fax providing details on alleged safety and health hazards.

The employer must respond in writing within 5 working days, identifying any problems found and noting corrective actions taken or planned.

If the response is adequate and the complainant satisfied with the response, OSHA generally will not conduct an on-site inspection.

Appeals

If OSHA finds through the inspection process that violations have occurred, it must issue a citation and proposed penalty within 6 months of the violation's occurrence.

When a citation is issued, OSHA offers the employer an opportunity for an informal conference with the OSHA Area Director to discuss citations, penalties, abatement dates or any other information pertinent to the inspection. The agency and the employer may work out a settlement agreement to resolve the matter and to eliminate the hazard.

Alternatively, if you don't want to settle, you have 15 working days after receipt of citations and proposed penalties to formally contest the alleged violations and/or penalties by sending a written notice to the Area Director. OSHA forwards the contest to the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for independent review.

Citations, penalties, and abatement dates that are not challenged by the employer or settled become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission.



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In Loving
Memory of Jessica
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