

SERVICE PROVIDERS

ARE YOU PREPARED?

AB BILL 30

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JUNE 1, 2018 - SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE TO BE COMPLIANT WITH THE NEW ALBERTA OHS ACT

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO SERVICE PROVIDERS

The following changes to the new Alberta OHS Act apply to service providers:

- “Service provider” means a person who provides training, consulting, testing, program development or other services in respect of any occupation, project or work site
- Services offered will enable the people provided the service to comply with the Act
- All services provided comply with the Act and are completed by workers who are competent to provide the services
- No person at or near a worksite is endangered as a result of the service provider’s activity
- Service providers are to:
 - Cooperate with any person exercising a duty imposed by this Act, the regulations and the OHS code
 - Comply with the Act

HOW THIS MAY IMPACT YOU

- Ensure competency management system are revised and up to date with Bill 30
- Have safety information readily available
- Ensure your company policies and procedures meet the minimum requirements
- Ensure products and equipment do not introduce uncontrolled hazards to the worksite

ACTIONS TO CONSIDER

- Reference available resources
- Conduct a gap analysis and create an action plan to correct identified deficiencies
- Key areas of the Act that have changed include:
 - The basic rights of workers - Purposes of this Act
 - Responsibilities of work site parties - Part 1
 - Availability of information - Part 2
 - Worksite health and safety committees and representatives - Part 3
 - Right to refuse dangerous work - Part 4
 - Health and safety program - Part 5
 - New role for OHS Council- Part 5
 - Reporting serious injuries, incidents and fatalities- Part 5
 - Medical assessments - Part 7
 - Compliance and enforcement - Part 8
 - Appeals process - Part 9
 - Offences and penalties - Part 10
 - Information collection and exchange - Part 11
 - Duties of the government - Part 12
- Apply a risk assessment to your action plan to determine the best use of your resources
- Evaluate your available resources and professional skillsets to determine whether additional professional support is needed to achieve compliance

RESOURCES

- Energy Safety Canada:
 - White Paper on the transition of Bill 30
 - Safety bulletins specific to each work site party
 - Potentially Serious Incidents (PSI): A Guideline on Classifying & Reporting
- Templates:
 - Gap analysis and action plan template with new OHS changes
 - Risk assessment
- Alberta Occupational Health and Safety:
 - Occupational Health and Safety Act, Bill 30
 - Highlights of Changes to the Act

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