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HIGHLIGHTS

2021 Petroleum Safety Conference (PSC)

The 2021 Petroleum Safety Conference (PSC) has been postponed and will take place November 23-24, 2021. It is being planned as an in-person and virtual event at the Banff Springs Hotel.

Certificate of Recognition (COR) Program

Are you participating in the Action Plan Program this year in lieu of a Maintenance Audit? If so, watch this recorded webinar on [Building your Action Plan Proposal](#).

Safety Management and Regulatory Awareness for Wellsite Supervision (SARA) Refresher Program Certificate Extension

The program was discontinued at the end of December 2020. To ensure a smooth transition for workers, existing SARA certificates expiring between January 1, 2021 - April 30, 2021 were automatically extended for 120 days. The change will assist workers seeking IRP 7 compliant supervisor training particularly as the current drilling season winds down.

ESC offers [Supervisor Leadership for Health and Safety in the Workplace](#) which is compatible with IRP 7.

15% Discount on Bulk Purchases

As of April 1, ESC will offer a 15% discount on cash sales of access codes and course kits that meet the minimum order quantities for the following courses: Confined Space (Online), Common Safety Orientation (Online), H₂S Alive (Licensed), and Fall Protection (Licensed). Purchases can be made starting April 1 through ESC's Customer Service team: 403.516.8000 | 1.800.667.5557 | CustomerService@energysafetycanada.com.

Certificate Validation

All ESC certificates can be validated [online](#). Any concerns with a certificate can be directed to Evaluations at Evaluations@energysafetycanada.com.

Training by the Numbers – To the End of February

Course Registrations: ESC Classroom 965 | ATP-Delivered 18,601 | Online 8,563 | Virtual Classroom: 339
Number of Authorized Training Providers across Canada: 187
Contact Centre Volume: +20,500 (includes emails, inbound/outbound calls)

Recent Publications

Available for Industry Review | [Working On & Around Bodies of Water & Ice | A Program Development Guideline](#)

Available for Industry Review | [IRP 27: Wellbore Decommissioning](#)

[Safety Alert | Valve Leak Results in Pressure Release](#)

[Safety Alert | Boom Line Caught Injuring Worker](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

Webinar | Dangerous Tree Resources Re-Launch

March 31 12:00-1:00PM | [Register Now](#)

Are you managing the hazards of dangerous tree falling with your workers and sub-contractors on project leases and around your infrastructure?

The activity of falling trees is a common activity in many aspects of the energy sector, from seismic to lease and camp preparation, creating or maintaining roadways, and even pipeline construction. Join our industry expert to review what dangerous trees are and the process the industry recommends to identify and manage these hazards.

Webinar | Canada's ELD Implementation Update

April 7 12:00-1:00PM | [Register Now](#)

Are your trucks prepared with Electronic Logging Devices (ELDs)? Canada has formally adopted the Electronic Logging Devices Regulations, and ELDs will be mandatory as of June 2021. Join Andrew Barnes from the Alberta Motor Transport Association (AMTA) as he discusses the impact of regulations on Canadian fleets, the timeline and the certification process for devices to help you prepare.

Webinar | Alberta WCB Bill 47 Legislative Changes

April 14 12:00-1:30PM | [Register Now](#)

The Government of Alberta recently passed the *Ensuring Safety and Cutting Red Tape Act*, which amends the *Workers' Compensation Act*. This informative webinar provides you with an overview of the legislative changes, including the duty to cooperate, and explains what these changes mean for you.

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KEY PROJECTS

Process Safety Program

ESC's [Process Safety Program](#) now includes several posters to build awareness and prompt process safety discussion in the workplace.

Human and Organizational Performance (HOP) Community of Practice (COP)

The second meeting was held March 4 where three companies presented their journey into HOP and Safety Differently. 'Save the Date' for the April 7 COP as John Green, VP Global HSE, SNC-Lavalin Inc. will be speaking. Currently we have thirteen oil and gas companies taking part in the COP.

First Line Supervisors Blowout Prevention Certification

Starting April 1, exam challenges will be offered for two consecutive recertification cycles for First Line Supervisors Blowout Prevention. The certification will remain valid for 3 years and the student must maintain a certification that is not expired by more than 30 days to qualify for the challenge.

Drilling & Completion Committee (DACC)

IRP 2: Completing and Servicing Sour Wells

IRP 2 has been completed and will be going out for industry review. Industry provides practices for the safe planning, equipment and fluid handling for completions and servicing operations on sour wells using a service rig. "Critical" has been removed from the title and the document was updated to define the sour requirements and additional needs based on release rate and proximity.

IRP 21: Coiled Tubing Operations

[IRP 21](#) review period ended on March 25.

IRP 22: RMD/MPD/UBD Operations

[IRP 22](#) has been sanctioned and is now available.

IRP 28: Drilling and Completions Waste Management

IRP 28 has been completed and will be going out for industry review. Drilling and Completions Waste Management provides an overview of industry recommendations for waste management options for the oil and gas sector.

IRP 29: Temporary Flow Piping (New)

The committee has formed four working groups addressing: dynamic forces, defining pipe, connections and components, safety zone and risk-based approaches.



REGIONAL UPDATES

Oil Sands

Working On and Around Water and Ice Guideline is out for a 45-day industry review ending April 9, 2021; Initiatives include Driving in the Mine; Tailings Safety on Spill Boxes and Spill Pipes; Monthly Get a Grip teleconference; Alberta Prevention Initiative Slips, Trips & Falls Working Committee meeting.

British Columbia

Safety presentations were delivered for the Ryder Logistics Group on Daylight Savings Time and Life Savings Rules. Q1 Advisory Committee Meeting took place. Meetings with prime contractors and the vac truck task group continue.

Saskatchewan

Virtual meetings are now underway with surcharged employers.

A [WorkSafe Saskatchewan Anxiety & Depression Among Workers with Musculoskeletal Time-loss Injury](#) webinar will take place April 21, 2021.



DATA & ANALYTICS

Did you know that H₂S is ranked in the top three sources of Potentially Serious Incidents (PSIs)?

Top 3 Sources of PSIs:

1. Construction Materials
2. Motor Vehicle
3. Hydrogen Sulphide (H₂S gas)

How are you ensuring critical tasks are carried out as planned in relation to the prevention of H₂S exposure?

Review the [PSI Report](#) to learn more.