

SafetyFestMT

Montana Department of Labor & Industry

SafetyFestMT Virtual 2025

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Fully Virtual - Participate from Anywhere!

Class Descriptions

8 Hour HazWoper Refresher - Larry Alheim, DEQ

The 8-hour HAZWOPER Refresher course satisfies OSHA's requirement for eight hours of annual HAZWOPER refresher training. This training is designed for workers and managers at uncontrolled hazardous waste operations who previously completed 40- or 24-hour HAZWOPER training. This course satisfies training requirements outlined in OSHA standards 29 CFR 1910.120 and 1926.65. The goal of refresher training is to ensure workers stay competent and up to date on safety practices related to operations involving hazardous substances.

Personal Protective Equipment - Ryan Ashby, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

This course will cover the OSHA standard 29 CFR 1910.132. During the course, we will discuss the various forms of PPE, hazard assessments, proper PPE selection, and training requirements associated with the PPE standard.

Occupational Noise - Shawn McLain, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

Overview of noise hazards in the workplace, assessing noise exposure levels and controls to reduce harmful noise exposure to employees. This class will also review additional requirements per the OSHA noise standard.

Electrical Safety - CJ Holland, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

This presentation will provide basic level awareness training regarding electrical hazards in the workplace. Course objectives include defining and understand what electricity is and the hazards associated with it. Describe hazard protection measures as well as identifying electrical hazards in the workplace.

Powered Industrial Vehicle - Kayla Criscuolo, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

Overview of 1910 Powered Industrial Vehicle Standard. A review of PIV hazards and training and technology used to mitigate hazards and prevent incidents and injuries.

Fentanyl & Methamphetamine - Tiffany Ott, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

Fentanyl and methamphetamine abuse profoundly impacts communities throughout the state. Methamphetamine is the most abused illicit drug in Montana and over the last decade illicit fentanyl use has increased at an alarming rate. This presentation will provide an overview of the history, current trends, social implications, and potential risks associated with a variety of occupations. The Bureau of Labor Statics has reported a significant increase in overdose deaths from nonmedical use in the workplace and

NIOSH has developed guidance for workplace naloxone programs. Individuals that would benefit from this training include, employers and employees in all sectors of industry, individuals who work in emergency services, public health, property management, real estate, and the general public.

Work Zone Safety - Kaitlyn McGrath, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

To combat the increasing number of traffic fatalities in highway work zones, it is critical to educate workers about best practices for working around live traffic. Recognizing common traffic hazards and learning effective ways to avoid them is a key component to maintaining a safe work environment. This course explores the hazards found in work zones along with the protective equipment and safety procedures that road workers can use to avoid them. This training is intended for any worker who operates in highway or road construction zones.

OSHA 10 Hour General Industry - Jake Sandau, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

Participants who register for this course must have their cameras turned on during class. They also have to attend each session in order to earn their OSHA 10-Hour Card. The OSHA 10 class helps develop the critical skill of Hazard Awareness - an analysis of cause & effects of the most common injuries happening on any job site. Benefits include increased productivity, fewer worker injuries, greater employee engagement.

OSHA 10 Hour Construction Day - Bree Bosch, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

Participants who take the OSHA 10-Hour Construction course must have their cameras on during the class. Participants must attend every session in order to earn their 10-Hour card. This training is designed to educate every construction worker on the recognition and avoidance of the top four hazards in your work environment. Topics include fall protection, personal protective equipment, health hazards, and more. It also includes an introduction to OSHA's construction industry standards and requirements of the more frequently referenced and cited standards. Students receive an OSHA 10- hour card upon completion.

Trenching and Excavation Hazards - Matt Schonsberg, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

This course covers the roles and responsibilities of the employer to educate and assign a competent person to excavation sites. Course topics include understanding and application of definitions relating to the OSHA Excavation Standard, excavation hazards and control measures, soil analysis techniques, protective system requirements and emergency response. Upon course completion, students will understand the importance and duties of a competent person in excavation work and have the knowledge and skills required performing these duties.

Workplace Violence Prevention - Drew Sheehy, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

This course will cover Workplace Violence from a generic OSHA workplace environment setting, including general industry, construction, and office settings, as well as a portion outlining workplace violence specific to the healthcare industry and its workers.

Silica in Cut Stone - Drew Sheehy, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

Provides a general awareness of the risks and the regulatory requirements for protecting employees who work with or are exposed to substances or materials that contain silica.

Warehouse and Distribution Safety - Shawn McLain, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

This course will introduce students to the hazards associated with the warehousing industry and pallet racking operations.

OSHA 7300: Understanding OSHA's Permit-Required Confined Space Standard - Casey Spreeman, Mountain West OSHA Education Center

This course covers the requirements of the OSHA Permit-Required Confined Space Standard. Course topics include safety and health hazards associated with confined space entry, and the evaluation, prevention, and abatement of these hazards. The course covers OSHA requirements; it does not feature workshops (instrumentation, control methods and testing) which are included in the OSHA #2264 Permit-Required Confined Space Entry. This course is designed for small employers or a designated representative (line supervisor or manager) with the responsibility to develop a permit-required confined space program. Upon course completion students will have a basic understanding of confined space hazards, evaluating and abatement of the hazards, and determining when a confined space shall be classified as a permit-required confined space.

Notes:

This OSHA 7300 Virtual Instructor Led Training (VILT) is intended for persons who either reside or work in the state of Montana. This course is being offered in support of the 2025 Montana Dept. of Labor & Industry SafetyFest.

Also note, this is only an enrollment confirmation for this course you have enrolled in and isn't login information. You will not receive detailed login information to connect to the VILT course, until the day before the start of the course from the OSHA Program Administrator. Please look for a (weber.edu) email from Mountain West OSHA the day before the scheduled start date. Thank you!

Combustible Dust - Kayla Criscuolo, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

This course covers the hazards posed by combustible dust within general industry. Course topics include recognizing the hazards and risks associated with combustible dust, control of electrical installation hazards, and developing controls and strategies to prevent or mitigate combustible dust fires and explosions.

Machine Guarding - Bree Bosch, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

This course explains the process to identify, select and properly safeguard machinery, to protect employees and others in the work area and deliver appropriate training in safe work practices. Intended as an overview course for employees in a machining environment and allied safety professionals who can benefit from attending to enhance on-site machine guarding applications.

Slips, Trips, and Falls - Amy Horne, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

Slips, trips, and falls are one of the leading causes of accidents, both in and out of the workplace. As a result, they are a significant problem both to the public and the workplace. This class will cover practical methods to reduce slips and falls.

Workers' Compensation Claims Practices - Mike Bartow, Workers' Compensation Compliance

This class provides an overview of Montana's workers' compensation system, including the history and purpose of workers' compensation, coverage requirements, rights and responsibilities of the employer and injured worker, benefits structure, and dispute resolution process.

Confined Space Hazards - Alexander Monteverde, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

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Recordkeeping - Jim Messer, OSHA

This session will highlight OSHA's recordkeeping and reporting requirements. This will include when to record and report work-related injuries and illnesses and how to complete the required forms.

Emergency Action Plans - Amy Horne, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

This course will review Emergency Action Plans (EAPs) which are written documents required by OSHA standard 1910.38 that should address emergencies that could occur in the workplace.

Ethical Choices on Inputs Can Precipitate Improved Results in Workers' Compensation - Brian Allen, VP of Government Affairs – Enlyte Pharmacy Solutions

Attendees will: 1) Gain understanding of ethics & the definition, 2) Consider ethics in healthcare and work comp industries, 3) Examine personal ethical performance, and 4) Weigh claims examining decisions – legal vs ethical.

OSHA #7405 - Fall Hazard Awareness for the Construction Industry - Construction Education Foundation Colorado

This course covers the identification, evaluation, prevention and control of fall hazards in the construction industry. The course focuses on falls to a lower level rather than falls to the same level resulting from slips and falls. Course topics include identifying, analyzing, and preventing fall hazards utilizing OSHA Fall Protection Standards. At the conclusion of the course, students will have an awareness level of identifying fall hazards and methods to control and abate the hazards. (5 hrs contact time)

Ergonomics - Theresa Stack, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

Cumulative trauma injuries are becoming one of the top workers' compensation claims that employers face. This presentation will discuss physical work place risk factors and how to use a lifting assessment tool the ACGIH Lifting Index, to conduct an ergonomic assessment for employees. The class also covers the use of the lifting index to design solutions to common lifting challenges.

Hazardous Materials - CJ Holland, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

This course will provide an overview of the Hazard Communication Standard. We will cover the methods for learning about chemical hazards, including labels, safety data sheets and hazard assessments, as well as standard requirements in the workplace.

Lock Out Tag Out - Ryan Ashby, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

This training course will review the requirements of the Lockout/Tagout regulation under OSHA 29 CFR 1910.147. This program will also cover the various types of active and stored energy sources and the controls necessary for employee protection. The various categories of tasks and activities requiring energy

isolation will be reviewed including typical lockout procedures, equipment and devices used as well as an understanding of employee lockout and verification responsibilities.

Struck By and Caught In Between - Brian Walsh, Montana Public Sector Safety Compliance

The purpose of this course is to provide workers with information that will enable them to recognize common struck by and caught in/between hazards at the worksite.

Return to Work - Cindy Zimmerman, Workers' Compensation Compliance

A primary objective of the workers' compensation system is to restore the injured worker to productive employment as soon as possible after an injury. An effective return-to-work program is a key component for a business looking to contain costs associated with workers' compensation claims. Surprisingly, a large percentage of employers do not implement return-to-work programs within their workplace. This course will explore the factors influencing return to work, and the challenges employers may face with creating effective return-to work programs.

Thermal Exposure (Heat) - Kaitlyn McGrath, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

Millions of U.S. workers are exposed to heat in their workplaces. Although illness from exposure to heat is preventable, every year, thousands become sick from occupational heat exposure, and some cases are fatal. This course covers the signs of heat illness and methods to control risk.

Safety in Grain Handling - Ethan Anderson, Montana Safety and Health Consultation Program

This class will look at safety and health hazards that are commonly found in Grain Handling. We will be discussing the six most common hazards found in Grain Handling/Storage, abatement options for mitigating safety and health hazards, OSHA's Grain Handling standard 1910.272 and looking at tools and resources for employers to use when identify and mitigating safety and health hazards.

Human Rights - Barry Ivanoff, Montana Human Rights Bureau

Learn about steps you can take to keep your employees and patrons safe from sex discrimination. We will also review how to best respond if you do receive a report of sex discrimination or harassment to best protect your organization.