



Safety Update

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LAST CHANCE TO ENTER YOUR SAFETY PROGRAM IN THE OHIO CONSTRUCTION SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARDS PROGRAM!

The Construction Safety Excellence Awards (CSEA) program recognizes contractors for their overall safety efforts. Entries for the national CSEA program were due to AGC of America last month. AGC of Ohio is accepting entries for the statewide program through Friday, January 16.

If you entered in the national CSEA, you can simply send a copy of the same application to AGC of Ohio with the \$50 entry fee. If you didn't participate in the national CSEA and want to compete for an Ohio CSEA award, fill out the application and submit it and the entry fee to AGC of Ohio.

View the [instructions](#) and the [application](#).

EVALUATE YOUR SAFETY RECORD WITH THE NATIONAL AGC SAFETY AWARDS (NASA)

The National AGC Safety Awards (NASA) program offers AGC members an opportunity to evaluate their safety record. It only takes a few minutes to submit with your completed OSHA 300A log. Completed participant forms are due to AGC of Ohio by February 4. [View the instructions and access the participant form](#).

All participating contractors receive a confidential printout to compare their company's safety statistics with similar size and type AGC contractor members both locally and nationally. (Individual company names and information are kept confidential.) Additionally, this information can be used to assist in determining if additional accident prevention and loss-control measures are necessary.

Companies that have participated for three consecutive years and have a 2014 incident rate 25 percent below their division average will receive a Certificate of Commendation for Safety Excellence. The certificates will be presented during the AGC of Ohio Safety Luncheon in the spring.

UPCOMING SAFETY EVENTS

ACI OSHA Safety Day: February 24, Sharonville Convention Center, Cincinnati

Join Allied Construction Industries and OSHA for the 16th Annual Safety Day - a day of dynamic training from industry experts, cutting-edge technologies and vendor products, and priceless networking opportunities with safety professionals and colleagues. Early bird pricing ends this Friday. [Learn more and register](#).

OSU OSHA Safety Day: February 5, OSU Fawcett Center, Columbus

The 10th Annual OSU OSHA Safety Day includes educational programs categorized as basic, intermediate and advanced to meet the needs of those at a variety of different safety levels. The registration deadline is February 1. [Information and Registration](#).

NEW OSHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS NOW IN EFFECT

Beginning Jan. 1, 2015, there is a change to what covered employers are required to **report** to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. **Employers are now required to report all work-related fatalities within 8 hours and all inpatient hospitalizations, amputations, and losses of an eye within 24 hours of finding out about the incident.**

Previously, employers were required to report all workplace fatalities and when three or more workers were hospitalized in the same incident. The updated reporting requirements have a life-saving purpose: they will enable employers and workers to prevent future injuries by identifying and eliminating the most serious workplace hazards.

Employers will have three options for reporting these severe incidents to OSHA. They can call their [nearest area office](#) during normal business hours, call the 24-hour OSHA hotline at 1-800-321-OSHA (1-800-321-6742), or they will be able to report online. (Please note, that the online reporting will be not be available until mid January.) For more information and resources, visit OSHA's [Web page](#) on the updated reporting requirements.

Employers who are required to keep Form 300, the Injury and Illness log, must post Form 300A, the Summary of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses, in a workplace every year from February 1 to April 30. Current and former employees, or their representatives, have the right to access injury and illness records. Employers must give the requester a copy of the relevant record(s) by the end of the next business day.