

Effectiveness of the WAH Training Standard

The evaluation of the implementation and effectiveness of the Ontario working-at-heights training standard was completed by the Institute for Work and Health in January 2019 is an interesting read. They have used input from employers, learners, training providers, MoL inspectors. And WSIB claims analysis (2017)

The evaluation has two overarching questions:

- i) To what extent has the working at heights training reached the target population?
- ii) What impact has introduction of the WAH?

You can read the [executive summary](#) or if that tweaks your interest, the [full report](#).

In Section 8, page 47 of the full report the project advisory committee suggestions can be reviewed. This could be a trend that participants groups should be keeping their eye on such as potential enforcement by drones. That alone should catch your interest.

Have You completed Your WAH Refresher?

On Page 106 of the full report above are comments from providers.

“There has been very little refresher training requested from clients. There were so many calls for the initial course, but nothing for the refresher and this is worrisome.” One of many interesting comments.

Spring is here. The Inspectors are coming out armed with additional offenses and higher fines passed in 2018. Are you aware of them? Go on line and review

Schedule 67 - Reg 213 - Increased fines and New Offences

Schedule 67.1 - Reg 213 - Increased fines

Schedule 67.3 - Reg 851 - Increased fines and New Offences

Schedule 67.4 - Reg 851 - Increased fines

Employer \$550-650, Supervisor \$450-550, Worker \$250-350

Schedule 67.5 - Reg 297 - New

Employer failing to ensure worker has valid WAH training - \$550

If you're the supervisor you need to know this information and remember your duties under the Occupational Health and Safety Act.

Section 27 (1) A supervisor shall ensure that

- (a) a worker, works in the manner and with the protective devices, measures and procedures required by this Act and the regulations and
- (b) uses or wears the equipment, protective devices or clothing that the worker's employer requires to be worn.

Your employer will not pay your fine if you are found in non compliance with the OHSA.



Test Yourself

A forklift truck has a 5,000 lb capacity at a 24” load center needs to handle a load whose center is 28” from the front face of the forks in the horizontal direction. What is the safe load capacity?

First Correct answer wins a prize – answer to be published on the web site.

Send your answer by email to: newsletter@safetyscope.net

This Months Tip:

MoL Blitzes Initiative?

Suspended access equipment

Phase 1: July 2 – Sept 27, 2019:

Compliance assistance with IHSA

Phase 2: Aug 6 – Sept 27, 2019:

Focused inspections

New and young workers

Phase 1: May 1 – August 30, 2019

Phase 2: July 15 – August 30, 2019

Focused inspections

Think about it.

Safetyscope Upcoming courses

Working at Heights

May 9 & 23

Confined Space Awareness

May 13-14

Standard First Aid

May 1-2

JHSC Part 1 Certification

May 14-17

Confined Space Resuce

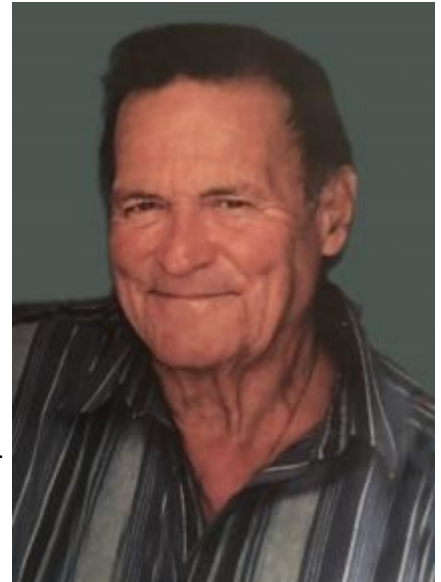
May 27-30

Contact Us with your training needs training@safetyscope.net

In Memoriam Avery Spencer (1929 - 2019)

Gary:

I was deeply saddened to get the news of your dad's passing. He was truly "one of a kind". I still fondly remember our CSSE meetings at the Holiday Inn in Cambridge. Would drive down with Bob Wright. Still chuckle about the meeting where he, after I had spent a summer developing the "Blue Book", and without me having any prior knowledge, proposed to the Board, that John A Fletcher & Associates (now Fletcher Wright) be appointed managers of the CSSE. We were, and shortly after that he was influential in our getting the ACRSP (now BCRSP) as a client, and as they say, the rest is history.



More than anything, I recall his passion for certifying safety professionals while facing huge opposition from within the profession itself. He kept repeating, "If we don't do it, someone else, and not safety professionals, will do it and we will have lost control of the profession." I hope that before he passed he was aware that what he started had become a worldwide recognized, ISO accredited certification and a leader in promoting safe and healthy workplaces.

The fact that BCRSP now has more certificate holders than CSSE has members speaks volumes about the foresight the original Governors had, in particular, your dad. When I was Executive Director I recall mentioning numerous times to the Governing Boards that the original founders of the certification program laid solid groundwork for our current certification program, but at the same time, in their wildest dreams, never visualized the success the program would become.

My sincere condolences for your loss. We both have every reason to be so very proud of our fathers who were pioneers and respected leaders of this very special profession.

Peter (Fletcher)

Bob Wright was Corporate Safety Loss Control for Gulf Oil Canada, was Toronto Chapter Chairman, CSSE, and eventually became President of CSSE (deceased).

John Fletcher (better known as "Jack") was author of many books (Total Loss Control, Total Loss Control Institute, Toronto). He was Corporate Safety Manager, Massey Ferguson, in downtown Toronto for many years, and, with Bob Loftus (Imperial Oil Canada), the were both influential in the Canadian safety movement in Ontario and influential in formulating the work of Frank Bird (Five Star Safety Auditing Programs (International Loss Control Institute, Atlanta, Georgia). When Jack retired, he set up John A Fletcher & Associates.

Avery Spencer was named after WWI flying ace William Avery Bishop (Billy), and he was my father, my friend and my idol.

Gary T Spencer

In the Courts [Click for more Information](#)



April 24, 2019 Vinyl Window Designs Ltd., fined \$165,000 after death of Worker

A worker was killed after entering a barrier enclosure to troubleshoot a machine that had not been properly locked out.

The machine was surrounded by a fenced enclosure. The worker entered the enclosure through a gate. The line was not running in operation mode at the time. The worker asked the operator to put the line into operation mode to run a window through the infeed. While the worker was spraying oil on parts of the machine, the machine's transfer arms cycled, crushing the worker against the frame of the machine. The worker died from the injury. Apart from disabled interlock devices, the machine did not have its power source disengaged and locked out as required by regulation. There was a lockout procedure in place at the time of the incident.

The operator, a supervisor and the plant manager, who were at the opposite end of the machine near the operator's station at the time of the incident, were aware of the open gate but had not received specific training on lockout procedures.

Section 24 of Regulation 851 - the Industrial Establishments Regulation - states that "where a machine or prime mover or transmission equipment has an exposed moving part that may endanger the safety of any worker, the machine or prime mover or transmission equipment shall be equipped with and guarded by a guard or other device that prevents access to the moving part."

High Risk Traumatic Hazards – Slips, Trips And Falls Blitz

This initiative is happening in all sectors (i.e., construction, health care, industrial and mining).

Phase 1: Compliance assistance Dates: March 18 to July 12, 2019

Phase 2: Focused inspections Dates: April 15 to July 12, 2019

Inspectors will check that employers have assessed for slip, trip and falls hazards and controlled for them (for example, through posting appropriate signs and good housekeeping practices).

For slips, trips and same-level falls, common hazards include:

- slippery substances like spills, snow and ice
- debris or obstructions in walkways
- improperly maintained equipment (for example, ladders)
- dirty work areas and surfaces
- unsafe use of ladders
- poor lighting
- changes in walkway levels and slopes

Falls from height: Constructors and employers must ensure adequate fall protection systems are being used where workers are exposed to a fall:

- of more than 3 metres from one level to another
- of 2.4 metres or more where work is on platforms, scaffolds, ramps, raised floors, mezzanines or balconies
- of 1.2 metres or more if the work area is used as a path for a wheelbarrow or similar equipment
- into, onto or through operating machinery, liquid, a hazardous substance, hazardous object, or an opening

Fall protection systems include: guardrails, travel restraint, fall arrest equipment or safety nets. Fall protection systems should be chosen using these criteria:

- if practicable, a guardrail system should be used
- if a guardrail system is not practicable, then a travel restraint system should be used
- if a travel restraint system is not practicable, then a fall restricting system should be used
- if a fall restricting system is not practicable, then a fall arrest system should be used
- if a fall arrest system is not practicable, then a safety net should be used

Skills Pass Employer Portal

One of the significant advantages of the MoL initiative to move to SkillsPass was to allow administrators to be able to monitor their employees health and safety training via one Learning Management System. Employers should take the first steps by completing the Employer Network Configuration Form and sending it to talonbeek@bluedrop.com.

Once received they will receive notification from SkillsPass that their Employer Portal configuration has been completed and will be given instructions to claim/activate their administrator account.

There are links to various support materials that will provide information on how to add employees to your team and how to view their certificates. An Employer Network Admin has the ability to manage all users within their Network, assign users to an associated Training Network for Course Offerings, as well as review Employee reports and certificates.

Safetyscope is a OWWCO Training Provider

These courses meet the criteria in subsection 29(4) of O.Reg. 128, Certification of Drinking Water System Operators and Water Quality Analysts. On Completion of training all participants will receive a certificate of completion with corresponding CEU Value.

1. Working at Heights	.7 CEU
2. WHMIS 2015	.4 CEU
3. TDG	.4 CEU
4. Working in Confined Spaces Rescue Level	2.8 CEU
5. Confined Spaces Attendant Non Entry	1.3 CEU
6. Confined Spaces Advanced Awareness	.7 CEU
7. Confined Spaces Attendant Refresher	.7 CEU
8. Confined Spaces Rescue Refresher	.7 CEU
9. Standard First Aid	1.4 CEU
10. Self Contained Breathing Apparatus	.4 CEU
11. Spill Response	.7 CEU
12. Trenching Hazards	.4 CEU



Safetyscope is a TSSA Approved Training Provider

Safetyscope is an approved training provider for CH-02 construction heaters under 4000,000 btu and tiger torch under the TSSA Authorization Number 000287944.

Safetyscope is an approved provider for Corrections Canada

Safetyscope with the partnership of Auspice Safety in Ottawa, have a 4 year standing offer contract to teach 12 one week courses for inmates at various prisons in Ontario.

The one week course content will include the Workers Asbestos Type 3 Course (2 day), Awareness to Lead and Mold, Awareness to environmental legislation, Confined space awareness, Respirator training (including care, use, and maintenance and fitting of respirators) and to complete the week, a sessions to preparing student to write the MTCU asbestos worker 253W exam.



Up Coming Workshops

PPE Inspection Competent Person July 2, 3, & 4

Persons and/or positions tasked with the responsibility of PPE examination, professionals working at height, recreational users participating in vertical sports are among many groups who could benefit from this three day workshop.

- Gain competency in the thorough examination of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and
- Learn how to create an effective PPE-management system.

To download more information on this workshop **Click here**

Georgian College Marine Training& Research

Safetyscope will be supporting Georgian College Marine Training& Research in offering their courses in the Toronto area. Small Vessel Operator's require MED A3 and SVOP to operate their vessel

The first two courses will be scheduled May 13-May 17

- [Small domestic vessel basic safety MED SPV-BS \(MEDA3\)](#)
- Small vehicle vessel operators proficiency (SVOP)

Go online to Georgian College get more information on the course or contact carol.record@georgiancollage.ca or marinetraining.ca

Tradeshows – Hope to see you there.

May 10, 2019: NAOSH Week Durham,
605 Rossland Road, Whitby

May 22, 2019: Vaughan Rodeo, 1300 Elgin Mill Rd East in Richmond Hill
Featuring Ergodyne Tool Tethering and Confined Space Demonstration

June 21, 2019: OMHSRA Education Day,
Mississauga Grand Banquet Hall, 35 Brunel Rd., Mississauga, Ontario

CSSE East

June 18, 2019 A Mock Trial - featuring Norman Keith 8:00 AM –4:00 PM Location: Regional Municipality Of Durham 605 Rossland Rd EWhitby, Ontario L1N 6A3