

Amendments to WHMIS Reg 860

The Ontario government has amended the WHMIS Regulation (R.R.O. 1990, Regulation 860) made under the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA) to allow an exception for employers to create WHMIS2015 compliant labels for WHMIS 1988 products that will continue to be used in the workplace after November 30, 2018.

Employers who wish to use WHMIS 1988 products in the workplace are required to produce a WHMIS2015 compliant label to be affixed to the products in question, which would replace the WHMIS 1988 supplier label or workplace label. Employers are also required to produce a WHMIS 2015 compliant safety data sheet (SDS) to replace the WHMIS 1988 material SDS where they are unable to obtain an SDS from the supplier.

The amendments to the WHMIS Regulation came into effect on November 2, 2018. The revocation of Section 25.1 of Regulation 860 regarding transition periods will come into force on December 1, 2018, when the transition to WHMIS 2015 is complete.

Amendments to Reg. 851 (Industrial Establishments)

The [Industrial Establishments Regulation](#) (Reg. 851) under the [Occupational Health and Safety Act](#), sets out requirements in section 13 for where guardrails must be installed. Section 13 also states that the guardrail requirements do not apply to certain areas in the workplace, namely, loading docks, roofs that are accessed only for maintenance purposes, or pits used for work on an assembly line or for vehicle maintenance.

Section 13 of Reg. 851 was recently amended to add a new exemption for a conveyor or similar system that transports a vehicle or vehicle part and any raised platform used with the conveyor or similar system. The exemption is limited to situations in which a guardrail would obstruct the passage of the vehicle or vehicle part, prevent workers from performing work, or pose a hazard to a worker.

In situations where any of the exemptions to the guardrail requirements apply and there is no guardrail, an additional amendment now requires employers to develop and implement other measures and procedures to protect workers from the hazard of falling.

The amendments came into force on October 26, 2018.



Test Yourself

Inhalation and skin absorption are the most common routes by which workplace chemicals enter the body

True or False

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

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

This Month's Tip: Do you need retraining?

Workers who took mandatory working at heights training in 2015 must take refresher training, as the training is valid for three years. If the training has expired and a worker hasn't taken refresher training, they cannot work at heights.

Think about it.

Safetyscope Upcoming courses

Dec 14

Working at Heights

Dec 7, 21

Working at Heights Refresher

Dec 10-11

Confined Space Awareness

Dec 17-20

Confined Space Rescue

Contact Us with your training needs training@safetyscope.net

CORCAN Health and Safety Training

CORCAN is a key rehabilitation program of the Correctional Service of Canada (CSC). It contributes to safe communities by providing offenders with employment and employability skills training while incarcerated in federal penitentiaries, and for brief periods of time, after they are released into the community. CORCAN's work supports the social policy of the Government of Canada to safely reintegrate offenders into society in a way that promotes their success as Canadian citizens.

The contract with CSC (Correction Service Canada), Ontario region has been awarded to Safetyscope and Auspice Safety. This standing offer for 12 courses per year for the next 4 years will provide services for Asbestos, Mould, and Lead awareness training programs to fulfill CORCAN's mandate by providing expertise in employment and employability to offenders. The training will take place in the following Corcan institutions :

- Beaver Creek in Gravenhurst,
- Collins Bay & Joyceville in Kingston
- Walkworth in Campbellford
- Bath in Bath
- CORCAN's National Warehouse in Kingston.

This one week course will be presented by Safetyscope and our partner in this training Auspice Safety Inc. (ASI). The content of this course:

- Asbestos Type 3 Abatement: to prepare participants to write the 253w exam
- Lead Awareness Level 1
- Mould Awareness
- Respiratory Awareness
- Environmental Awareness - Waste Management
- Confined Space Awareness - General Content

Gary T Spencer, of Safetyscope, has been providing training through St Lawrence College Kingston to CORCAN for the past 5 years in the following programs.

- MOL working at heights
- Construction Safety:
 - OH&S Awareness for Workers
 - Traffic Control Person
 - Ladders & Scaffolding Awareness
 - Elevated Work Platform
- Carpentry Safety:
 - Carpentry Hazards
 - Trenching Hazards
 - Lockout Tagout
 - Personal Protective Equipment Awareness

Safetyscope Confined Space Site Supervision

Our service provides your organization with the resources required to comply with Confined Space Regulation 632/05. Our safety specialists offer a number of services while we supervise your site:

- We ensure everyone on site is following the Ontario Health and Safety Act
- We are also your rescue team when an entry is required for rescue
- We can also be the attendant on your site while your workers are in the confined space

During site supervision, the paper work WE fill out for the confined space is as follows:

- Hazard Management Plan (HMP)
- Confined Space Permit
- Incident Report
- Vehicle Inspection Checklist
- Service Time Sheet

The paper work that is sent back to YOU is the:

- Confined Space Permit
- Service Time Sheet

You can request to see the:

- Hazard Management Plan
- Vehicle Inspection Checklist

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.

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October 25, 2018 Coldstream Concrete Ltd fined \$75,000

As one worker operated a crane from the cab, and the other was on the ground, rigging the culverts to the crane. The operator raised the culvert about five feet and, while it was suspended, the worker on the ground reached underneath and started to chisel the date plate away. While doing so, the worker heard a cracking noise and was knocked to the ground by the culvert due to the cranes sudden catastrophic failure. The worker knocked to the ground suffered a permanent injury as a result.

Section 74 of the Regulation for Industrial Establishments prescribes that "machinery, equipment or material that is temporarily elevated and under which a worker may pass or work shall be securely and solidly blocked to prevent the machinery, equipment or material from falling or moving."

Coldstream failed to ensure that the measures and procedures prescribed by section 74 of the Regulation for Industrial Establishments were complied with at the workplace, contrary to section 25(1)(c) of the OHSA.

Reg 213 requires that workers use and be trained in the use of a fall protection system when working at heights (Section 26.2(1.1)).

October 17, 2018 Coco Paving Inc. fined \$325,000

A worker was working alone welding two sections of steel casing on the north shoulder of Highway 7. The total length of the two sections was about 50 feet and weighed about 5,400 pounds. A wheel loader with forks attached (a forklift) approached the steel casing to lift and rotate the casing to complete the weld.

The steel casing suddenly became dislodged from its wooden support and started to roll into a six-foot ditch. The casing rolled onto the worker, who became pinned in the ditch under the casing resulting in a fatality.

The company was found guilty of failing as an employer to take every precaution reasonable in the circumstances for the protection of a worker, contrary to section 25(2)(h) of the Occupational Health and Safety Act; in this case, of failing to take the reasonable precaution of ensuring that a worker was not on the ditch side of the pipe when a front-end loader or forklift was in proximity to the pipe.

MOL Blitzes—Industrial

February 1 – March 29, 2019 - Machine guarding

MOL Provincial initiatives 2018-19 Are you ready?

Construction	IRS	June 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019
Industrial	IRS – newly registered small businesses	April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019
Mining	IRS – occupational disease prevention	April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019
	Electrical/mechanical – mine hoist plants	April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019

Health care initiatives IRS - workplace violence prevention

Phase 1: compliance support and prevention education	April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019
Phase 2: compliance and enforcement	July 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019
Health care high hazards	April 1 – June 30, 2018

IRS – long-term care/retirement homes, IRS workplace violence, needle safety – primary care (family health teams, community health centres), workplace violence – hospitals