

Workplace Health and Safety Snapshot for Ontario Tree Planters in 2017



384

Full-time employees

0 Injury
0 Disease*
Work-related fatalities

26
Total injuries

5
Lost-time injuries

6.78
Total injury rate per 100 workers

-52.6%
Change in injury rate from previous year

Events resulting in lost-time injury or illness

Injury or illness severe enough to require one or more days lost from work



40%

Falls
(falls on same level)



40%

Transportation incidents
(highway incidents)



20%

Contact with objects and equipment
(struck by objects)

Total number of lost-time injuries

2 **Falls**, includes falls to floor, walkway, or other surface; and falls on same level.

2 **Transportation incidents**, includes moving in opposite directions, oncoming, and non-collision incidents.

1 **Contact with objects and equipment**, includes struck by objects.

Occupational Disease



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Noise-induced hearing loss WSIB claims for healthcare, being off work, loss of wages, or permanent disability.

*Disease fatality claims with a fatality effective date of 2017. Source: WSIB Enterprise Information Warehouse as of March 31, 2018. RG 033A May 2018 WSN

SafePlanting.com: Official online health and safety training for Ontario tree planters

E-learning helps both new and experienced tree planters understand the challenges

This fully updated e-learning program provides dynamic and interactive pre-employment training for rookie tree planters. The program is also of value to more experienced planters who may not have had access to such a comprehensive overview of the hazards and necessary controls to do the work safely and productively.

Safeplanting.com is mobile-friendly. Participants can log in to the course from anywhere with an Internet connection, and managers can access administrative features from their preferred device. Upon successful completion of the quizzes in all modules, a certificate will be issued confirming successful completion of the training.

The course also includes a SafePlanting.com reference app – so planters can get health and safety information where they are planting, no cell signal required. The app can be downloaded from Google Play or the App Store onto devices and accessed any time – regardless of location.

WHMIS 1988-2015

Ontario workers must be trained on both WHMIS 1988 and 2015 until Dec. 1, 2018, and this new WHMIS1988-WHMIS2015 course, jointly designed by Ontario's four designated health and safety associations, includes information on both old and new WHMIS versions to ensure all Ontario workplace health and safety programs meet legal training standards. The half-day course reviews specific requirements for hazard identification and product classification for any workplace that uses, handles, stores or disposes of hazardous materials.

Safe Travel on Logging Roads

(Disponible en français)

This half-day classroom training course reviews the hazards of driving company, personal or recreational vehicles on logging roads. It covers the unique physical nature of these roads, how to travel safely on them, and how to prepare a vehicle and driver for travelling on them. Divided into five modules, the course covers the following topics: characteristics and types of logging roads, duties and rights of workers, types of vehicles travelling on logging roads and legislation, safe, defensive, and seasonal driving practices, components of a circle check, and radio communication systems.

Membership benefits

A strong safety culture is a sign of a healthy, productive workplace. As a member of Workplace Safety North (WSN), you're entitled to expert advice and information, including access to classroom training programs, on-site consultations, health and safety audits, industrial hygiene testing, specific problem-solving, and more.

- On-site employee health and safety training
- Supervisory and management health and safety training
- Workplace safety and health inspections
- Technical safety and health consultation
- Access to health and safety resources

About Workplace Safety North – Your local health and safety partner

An independent not-for-profit, Workplace Safety North is one of four health and safety associations in Ontario, and the only one located in the north, for the north. WSN provides provincially-approved workplace health and safety services for mining and forest products sectors, as well as businesses and communities across northern Ontario.

With health and safety specialists located across the province, WSN and its legacy organizations have been helping make Ontario workplaces safer for more than 100 years. As a leading provider of health and safety services, businesses and communities call upon WSN for expert advice and training. For more information, visit workplacesafetynorth.ca.

Services

Safe Workplace Ontario third-party business health and safety certification program, Workplace Safety and Insurance Board safety group incentive programs, and business health and safety culture and program audit.

Training

Provincially-approved courses: Joint Health and Safety Committee Certification, Working at Heights Safety Training, mining and forestry common core mandatory skills training. Related courses include Competent Supervisor, Mental Health First Aid, Positive Psychology, and Mine Rescue.



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