

Workplace Health and Safety Snapshot for Ontario Paper Products Sector in 2018



4,353

Full-time employees



Events resulting in lost-time injury or illness

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



39%

Bodily reaction and exertion
(excessive physical effort, free bodily motion that results in stress or strain on the body, assuming an unnatural position, and repetitive motion)



36%

Contact with objects or equipment
(struck by or against object, caught in or compressed by equipment or objects)



14%

Falls
(falls to lower level and falls on same level)



11%

All other
(contact with temperature extremes, non-highway incident, pedestrian struck by vehicle and assaults, violent acts and harassment by person(s))

Total number of lost-time injuries

25 **Bodily reaction and exertion**, includes injuries and illnesses resulting from repetitive motion, bending, climbing, crawling, reaching, twisting, slipping, tripping, overexertion in lifting, pulling, pushing, carrying or turning objects.

23 **Contact with objects and equipment**, includes struck by or against object; struck by flying, falling, rolling object; caught in running equipment or machinery; caught in or compressed by equipment or object; and struck by or slammed in swinging door or gate.

9 **Falls**, includes falls down stairs or steps; falls to floor, walkway or other surface; falls from floor, dock or ground level; falls from ladder; and falls onto or against objects.

Occupational Diseases

Based on approved WSIB claims for healthcare, being off work, loss of wages, or permanent disability.

5 **Noise-induced hearing loss**

2 **Injury and poisoning**, includes burns of cornea and conjunctival, and heat or sunstroke.

1 **Respiratory diseases**, includes upper respiratory inflammation due to chemical fumes.

1 **Symptoms, signs and conditions of diseases**, includes palpitations.

*Disease fatality claims with a fatality effective date of 2018 Source: WSIB Enterprise Information Warehouse as of March 31, 2019. RG 341 Nov 2019 WSN

Overview of Joint Health and Safety Committee certification training

JHSC Part 1, 2, and Refresher training – focus on workplace-specific hazards

JHSC Certification: Part 1 (three days)

(Disponible en français)

This mandatory course provides participants with an understanding of how to recognize, assess and control workplace hazards, the rights and duties of certified members, and how to conduct effective workplace inspections and incident investigations.

JHSC Certification: Part 2 (two days)

Focusing on the concepts of recognition, assessment, and control of hazards, and evaluation of the hazard controls, participants learn how to apply these concepts to a minimum of six hazards relevant to their own workplaces. In addition, learners practise drafting action plans and recommendations for the employer.

Key hazards in the corrugating workplace include:

- Unsafe operation of equipment
- Inadequate maintenance of machine guarding
- Failure to follow lock out procedures
- Poor lifting procedures
- Working in uncomfortable positions
- Work or equipment operation requiring repetitive motion
- Inadequate attention to workplace hazards while walking
- Failure to follow procedures while handling hazardous substances

JHSC Certification Refresher (one day)

Training includes a review of key concepts in Part 1 and 2 of JHSC certification along with updates to legislation, standards, and best practices.

The one-day refresher training program is legally required every three years and provides the most up-to-date information that JHSC professionals can use to keep their workplace health and safety practices current and effective.

Also Available

Competent Supervisor Training

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Equivalent to Ministry of Labour mandatory awareness program for supervisors, this program makes supervisors aware of their legal duties and responsibilities, and provides a sound foundation of health and safety knowledge to deal with the variety of issues they will face in their work. Supervisors are responsible for helping set and maintain an organization's safety culture.

Health and Safety Representative Basic Training

Employers with 6 to 19 workers are required to ensure workplaces have a worker Health and Safety Representative (HSR), as stated in the Occupational Health and Safety Act. To help small businesses comply with the law and strengthen their internal health and safety culture, the Ministry of Labour and Ontario health and safety associations (including Workplace Safety North) have developed an e-learning program that provides HSRs with the knowledge and skills they need to perform their legislated duties effectively.

About Workplace Safety North

Your local health and safety partner

An independent not-for-profit, Workplace Safety North (WSN) is one of four health and safety associations in Ontario, and the only one headquartered in the north.

WSN provides province-wide government-approved workplace health and safety services for forest products and mining sectors, as well as for 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.

WSN is a leading provider of health and safety services, and businesses and communities call upon WSN for expert advice and training. For more information, visit workplacesafetynorth.ca.



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