

BWC Division of Safety & Hygiene Safety Council Announcements February 2024



BWC Training Opportunities

Virtual Training

Qualifies for safety council rebate external training credit with submission of attendance certificate to safety council sponsor by 6-30-2024.

- **February 7-8th** Electrical safety in the workplace through insight and implementation of NFPA 70E
- **February 12th**-Hazardous waste operations and emergency response series Module 5: Decontamination, spill control
- **February 15th**- Accident Analysis half-day workshop
- **February 21st**-Hazardous waste operations and emergency response series Module 6: Incident command system and termination
- **February 22nd**-OSHA recordkeeping half-day workshop

In-Person Classes

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- **February 28-28th** Lima-OSHA 10: Construction safety basics
- In-Person Classes [View the full schedule here](#)

Webinars

- **February 7th**- Setting up an employee recognition program
- **February 27th**-Introduction to workplace noise evaluation and control

BWC Program Deadlines

Private Employers

- **February 28th**-Self-insured assessment due first half
- **February 28th**-Self-insured SI-40 due

Public Employers

- **February 1st**-PERRP 300AP submission deadline for previous calendar year statistic
- **February 15th**-Policy year 2023 payroll true-up report and payment deadline
- **February 28th**- Self-insured assessment due – first half
- **February 28th**- Self-insured SI-40 due
- **February 29th**- Drug-Free Safety Program action plan (DFSP-5) deadline, Advanced level only, for 1/1 program start date

Safety Information

OSHA civil penalty amounts adjusted for 2024

- Maximum penalties for Serious and Other-than-serious violations will increase from **\$15,625** per violation to **\$16,131** per violation
- Maximum penalty for Willful or Repeated violations will increase from **\$156,259** per violation to **\$161,323** per violation
- Visit the [OSHA Penalties page](#) and read the [final rule](#) for more information.

OSHA Recordkeeping Webinar

OSHA is hosting a webinar on electronically submitting workplace injury and illness data using the [Injury Tracking Application](#) on February 7 from 1–2 p.m. EST. [Registration is free](#) and Spanish translation will be available.

2024 Safety Congress and Expo

As previously communicated

- Date: March 27-29 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center
- Education: 13 educational tracks, 150+ educational sessions, 14+ interactive workshops
- Continuing education: IACET, HRCI, SHRM, RN, LPN, Attorney
- BWC discount credits: One Claim Program, Group Experience Rating, 100-Percent EM Cap and safety council rebate external training credit
- Live-stream: Select number of sessions (**no continuing education or BWC discount credits**)
- Questions: Contact us at safetycongress@bwc.ohio.gov
- Discounted hotel rates available through March 5
- Book at [2024 Ohio Safety Congress and Expo - Start your reservation \(passkey.com\)](#)