

Health & Safety at Work

➤ Prevention Starts Here

Ontario's Occupational Health and Safety Act gives workers rights. It sets out roles for employers, supervisors and workers so they can work together to make workplaces safer.

➤ Improve Health and Safety:

- **Find out** about your Joint Health and Safety Committee or Health and Safety Representative.
- **Talk** to your employer, supervisor, workers, joint health and safety committee or health and safety representative about health and safety concerns.

Call the Ministry of Labour at 1-877-202-0008

Report critical injuries, fatalities, work refusals anytime.

Workplace health and safety information, weekdays 8:30am – 5:00pm.

Emergency? Always call 911 immediately.

Find out more:

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➤ Workers have the right to:

- **Know** about workplace hazards and what to do about them.
- **Participate** in solving workplace health and safety problems.
- **Refuse** work they believe is unsafe.

➤ Workers must:

- **Follow** the law and workplace health and safety policies and procedures.
- **Wear and use** the protective equipment required by their employer.
- **Work and act** in a way that won't hurt themselves or anyone else.
- **Report** any hazards or injuries to their supervisor.

Employers must NOT take action against workers for following the law and raising health and safety concerns.

➤ Employers must:

- **Make sure** workers know about hazards and dangers by providing information, instruction and supervision on how to work safely.
- **Make sure** supervisors know what is required to protect workers' health and safety on the job.
- **Create** workplace health and safety policies and procedures.
- **Make sure** everyone follows the law and the workplace health and safety policies and procedures.
- **Make sure** workers wear and use the right protective equipment.
- **Do everything** reasonable in the circumstances to protect workers from being hurt or getting a work-related illness.

➤ Supervisors must:

- **Tell** workers about hazards and dangers, and respond to their concerns.
- **Show** workers how to work safely, and make sure they follow the law and workplace health and safety policies and procedures.
- **Make sure** workers wear and use the right protective equipment.
- **Do everything** reasonable in the circumstances to protect workers from being hurt or getting a work-related illness.