

RJR Safety Inc

"Working Safe, Preventing Injuries, & Protecting Profits"

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Open to the Public Course Schedule for 2017



Upcoming dates:

Apr. 11 - Bridgeport WV
Apr. 20 - Washington PA
May 04 - Washington PA
May 09 - Cambridge OH
June 01 - Washington PA
June 13 - Bridgeport WV
July 11 - Cambridge OH

Online Registration and Payment is available at www.rjrsafety.com by selecting "Training" then "Open Enrollment" then the class and then "Click to Register" in the last column on the right.

NIOSH Sound Level Meter App

NIOSH has released the NIOSH Sound Level Meter mobile application (App) as a tool to measure sound levels in the workplace and provide noise exposure parameters to help reduce occupational noise-induced hearing loss.

Key Benefits include:

- Raises workers' awareness about their work environment
- Helps workers make informed decisions about the potential hazards to their hearing
- Serves as a research tool to collect noise exposure data

[For more information, go to the NIOSH website.](#)

OSHA Operating Business as Usual, though Silent

Seven weeks after the inauguration of President Trump, the Department of Labor/OSHA has yet to post a single news release about an enforcement fine. By contrast, the Obama administration saw the announcements - essentially publicly shaming companies - as a major tool in its workplace safety enforcement.

Per a spokes person "The Department of Labor is

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Upcoming Events

Come to see RJR Safety Inc. at the following events:

***ASSE WPA Risk Assessment Seminar
March 29-31, 2017***

***Appalachian Pipeliners Association
April 18, 2017***

continuing to operate business as usual, including enforcement operations,"
[Read more on the "why" here.](#)

New Hires, Fatalities, & Days Away Injuries

Published statistics bear out the fact that 65% of fatalities occurred within first year of service (employment) and of those 34% of fatalities occurred within first 3 months of service (employment). Besides fatalities, the statistics show that "...30 to 40% of injured workers have been on the job less than a year." (BLR Workplace Safety News, May 2015).

A review of statistics from the BLS database reveals that employees with less than 1 year of experience had a significant number of injuries that were considered as Days Away cases as shown below:

- 2013 - 29% of Days Away injuries
- 2014 - 30.2% of Days Away injuries
- 2015 - 31.7% of Days Away injuries