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#### **➢** JOINT PROCLAMATION ❖

#### APRIL 28 - DAY OF MOURNING

The Day of Mourning offers us the opportunity to stand together with the country's workers to remember those who have lost their lives or been injured on the job, and to reflect on what needs to be done to prevent further workplace deaths and injuries.

#### On April 28<sup>th</sup>:

- **We** remember all workers who have been stricken with workplace illness, suffered workplace injury, or have lost their lives on the job.
- We remember children left without a parent, and families facing hardship.
- **We** remember young workers who die and are injured at a higher rate than mature workers.
- **We** remember women workers whose risks are sometimes ignored or which are slow to be recognized by health studies.
- We remember those, including family and friends, who nurse or care for ill and injured workers.

The Day of Mourning was initiated by the union movement. It was created by workers as a result of their efforts to achieve safe working conditions. Recognizing the ongoing efforts by Unions that help establish laws and protections to make workplaces safe:

- **We** acknowledge that an "injury to one is an injury to all".
- We support the continued enforcement of health and safety laws.
- **We** applaud those who place workers' health and safety before profits and denounce those who place profits before workers' health.
- We proclaim our right to safe workplaces.
- We reassert the right to a safe and healthy workplace, and will engage in the cooperation required to ensure a continuing safe and healthy workplace.

On April 28<sup>th</sup>, we mourn for those who have been injured and who have lost their lives, and we reaffirm our commitment to workplace health and safety, and our commitment to continued improvement of healthy working conditions and safe workplaces.

The Parties recognize the right of Employees to work in a healthy and safe environment. Both Parties also acknowledge that the Employer and Employees have duties and responsibilities with regard to health and safety in accordance with the provisions of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA).





#### **Central Joint Health and Safety Committee (CJHSC)**

- Formally approved by the Ministry of Labour.
- Oversees health and safety for the entire University of Guelph community.
- Focuses on enhancing workplace inspections and increasing awareness about health and safety resources.
- Offers resources, policies and programs to support employee well-being.

#### **Local Joint Health and Safety Committees (LJHSC)**

- Operates at the Guelph campus under the oversight of the CJHSC.
- Membership and Terms of Reference are accessible through Courselink.
- Minutes and inspection records are available for review

More info: https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/about-hr/environmental-health-safety-ehs/joint-health-and-safety-committees





The Ministry of Labour has designated several entities, to provide assistance for safety within Ontario.

#### **Health and Safety Ontario**

Several associations exist within Ontario to provide consulting and training. They are:

- Public Services Health and Safety Association (PSHSA) for education and culture (museums), municipalities, hospitals and health care.
- Workplace Safety and Prevention Services (WSPS) for industrial clients, farms and the service sector (fast food/ hospitality).
- Infrastructure Health and Safety (IHSA) for transportation, trucking, and construction safety.
- Workplace Safety North (WSN) for mining and forestry.

In addition, the Worker Health and Safety Centre provides training for workers.

The Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers (OHCOW) are medical clinics in Ontario providing specialized care for occupational injuries and disease.

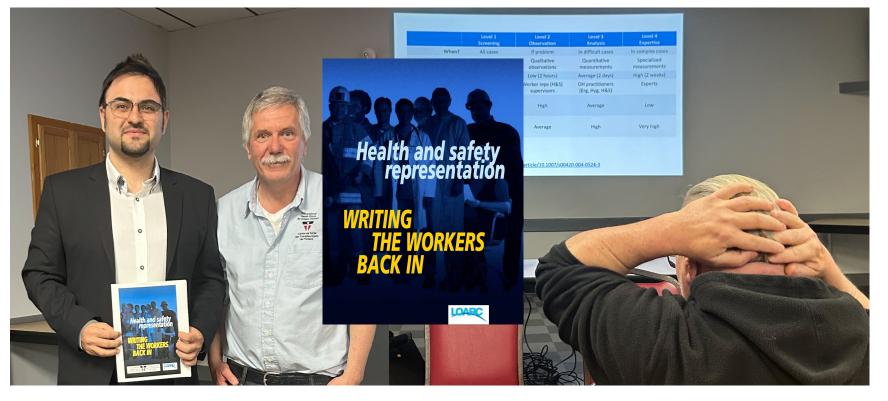
For more information on the topics discussed within this course, please refer to the <u>University of Guelph's New Employee Handbook</u>



#### **Internal Responsibility System (IRS) Workshop**

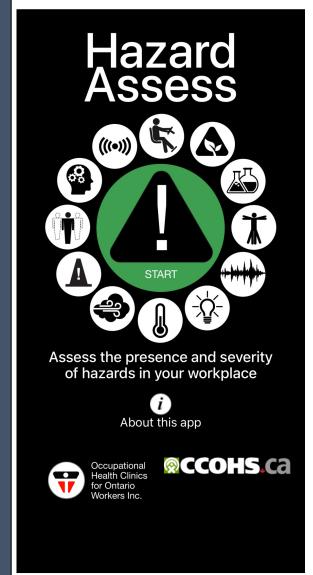
The Internal Responsibility System (IRS) is a key concept in workplace health and safety:

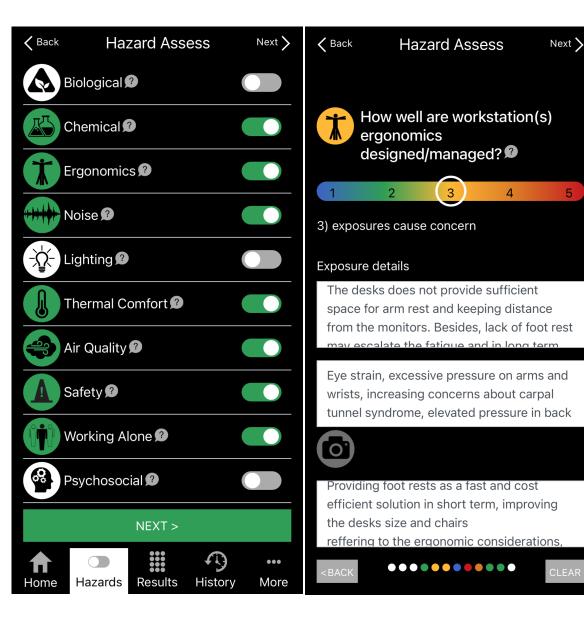
- Shared Responsibility: Everyone in the workplace is responsible for health and safety.
- Proactive Approach: Focuses on preventing hazards before they cause harm.
- Open Communication: Encourages reporting and discussing safety issues.
- Beyond Compliance: Aims to exceed basic legal safety standards.
- **Continuous Improvement**: Constantly seeks better safety practices.



Link: <a href="https://www.whsc.on.ca/Files/What-s-New/2016-LOARC-Workers-Guide\_generic\_col\_LR.aspx">https://www.whsc.on.ca/Files/What-s-New/2016-LOARC-Workers-Guide\_generic\_col\_LR.aspx</a>

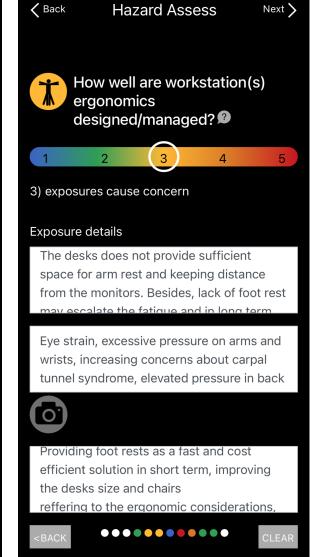
















#### Incident and Injury Reporting

To report an injury, incident or accident including emergencies and critical injuries, please follow the University Injury Reporting Process and complete the Incident Reporting Form.

Report a Near-Miss Incident (an unplanned event that did NOT result in injury, illness or property loss but had the potential to do so) to your immediate Supervisor and complete the Incident Reporting Form.

Report Hazardous Conditions (an existing or potential condition in the workplace that can result in injury, illness or property loss) to your Supervisor and to EHS if further assistance is required so that they may be dealt with as quickly as possible. Hazardous conditions that are easily addressed should be corrected immediately. Those that require a work order to address or for emergency repairs should be submitted to Physical Resources, this includes the reporting of winter hazardous conditions that may require snow removal, salting or sanding.

Please ensure that a copies of the Incident reports are sent to the <u>bargaining group</u> and local JHSC, as applicable.

For reporting workplace harassment or workplace violence please use the Workplace Harassment

Reporting Form or the Workplace Violence Reporting Form respectively.

Link: https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/about-hr/environmental-health-safety-ehs/incident-and-injury-reporting-0





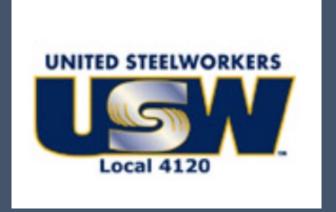
#### **ILLNESS or INJURY INCIDENT REPORT**

This form must be initiated and faxed/ emailed within 24 hours of the Supervisor learning of the incident. Fax to 519-780-1796 or email to <a href="mailto:ohw@uoguelph.ca">ohw@uoguelph.ca</a>. Submit additional information as available.

□Injury	NO Injury (hazardous situation)
☐First Aid	(nazardous situation)
No First Aid	Possible Exposure
Health Care	☐Near Miss
(Medical Aid)	

Who was the affected person?	Last Name:	First Name:	Initial: Phone or Extension:		
□EMPLOYEE □STUDENT	Occupation, if applicable:	Department:	Union/Bargaining Group:		
□ VISITOR □ VOLUNTEER	Name of Supervisor:	Phone or Extension:	Name of Dept. Head:		
☐ CONTRACTOR	Date & Time of Incident (ex. 6/14/22 9:46 am):	Date & Time Reported to Supervisor (ex. 6/14/22 10:19 am):	Date & Time Submitted (ex. 6/14/22 11:01 am):		
Slip, Trip or Fall       Struck by/against Object       Muscle Strain         Electrical Shock/Burn       Exposure to possible hazardous / infectious material       Repetitive Strain         Needle/Sharp/Puncture/Cut       infectious material       Other         Loss of Consciousness       Animal Bite/Sting/Scratch					
If Slip or Fall describe footwear:  Complete Workplace Harassment Reporting F for reporting harassment in the workplace or Workplace Violence Reporting Form, for reporting workplace violence					

Link: https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/system/files/2024.03.18%20-Incident%20Report%20Form%20-%20CURRENT.pdf



Description of Incident: Please limit description to two sentences and use second page if needed										
Witnesses (Name/Phone Number):										
	Guelph Campus				Buildi	ng Name &	Room N	lumbe	r:	
Where did	☐Ridgetown Campus									
occur?	the incident									
	Other:									
☐ Cafeteria ☐ Classroom ☐ Hallway ☐ Kitchen ☐ Lab ☐ Stairwell ☐ Office ☐ Washroom ☐ In Vehicle ☐ Stairs ☐ Loading Dock ☐ Parking Lot ☐ Walkway ☐ Other:										
Area of Injury (Body Part) - (Please check all that apply)										
☐ Head ☐ T	eeth Dupper Back	eft	Right Le	t	Right Left		Right	Left		Right
☐ Face ☐ N	eck Lower Back	Shoulder		Wrist		Hip			Ankle	
Eye(s) C	hest	Arm		Hand		Thigh		H	Foot	片
☐ Ear(s)	Pelvis	Elbow				Knee			Toe(s)	
Other:		Forearm		1		Lower Leg				

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occur?	Research Station:											
	Other:											
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Area of Inju	ıry (Body Part) - (P	lease check	all tha	t app	ly)							
☐ Head ☐ ☐	Гееth ☐ Upper Back	Left	Right	Left		Right	Left		Right	Left		Right
☐ Face ☐ I	Neck Lower Back	Shoulder		$ \Box$	Wrist	П		Hip		П	Ankle	
	Chest Abdomen	Arm			Hand			Thigh			Foot	
Ear(s)	Pelvis	Elbow			Fingers			Knee			Toe(s)	
Other:		Forearm	Ш					Lower Leg				
Did you see a medical professional?  Treatment of Injury:												
No ☐Yes *If yes, Date of Visit (m/d/yy): ☐First Aid ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐												
*If yes, Name, Address and Phone Number of Medical Professional:												

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THIS SEC	CTION TO BE COMPLETED WITH OR BY THE S	UPERVISOR
Contributing Factors: What conditions	contributed to the incident?	
Operating Without Authority	Inadequate Housekeeping	Not or Improperly Guarded
Inadequate Work Procedure	Improper Position/Posture	Hazardous Environmental Condition
Failure to Lockout	Inadequate Illumination	Inclement Weather
☐ Insufficient Training	Infraction OR Unsafe Practice	Other
Unsafe Equipment	Failure of Personal Protective Equipment	
<b>Explanation of Contributing Factors:</b>		
Details of Property Damage (if any):		
To your knowledge, has the employee	reported a previous similar injury or simil	lar hazardous situation before?
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Corrective Measures: Actions taken to	prevent a reoccurrence Check all that apply	:
Control Operation / Access	Perform Housekeeping	Review Personal Protective Equipment
Improve Work Procedure	Ergonomic Assessment	Install Safety Guard / Device
Apply Lockout / Tag-out	Job Safety Analysis	Inform Dept. Supervision
Provide Training	Request Lighting Review	Inform all Staff
Repair / Replace Equipment	Re-instruction of Persons Involved	Other
<b>Explanation of Corrective Measures:</b>		
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Deadline to complete		
Corrective Measure (m/d/yy):		
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Reminder: For Health Care (Medical-Aid) Injuries the Injury Package must be given to the employee.  By checking this box you have confirmed this Injury Package is given to the employee (if applicable)					
Indicate / confirm copies are distributed as appro	priate to: Dept. Head Union / Bargaining Group Local JHSC				
Description of Incident continued:					
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	☐Continued on Attachment				
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	Incident Report Page 2				

**Supervisor Signature** 

**Printed Supervisor Name:** 

**Dept. Head Signature** 

**Printed Dept. Head Name:** 

**Signature of Person Reporting Incident** 

**Printed Name of Reporting Person:** 



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20.2 - The Employer shall make all necessary and reasonable provisions for the occupational health and safety of its employees and shall comply with the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act.

a. The Union will appoint or elect its representative(s) to the **Central Joint Health and Safety Committee** (CJHSC);

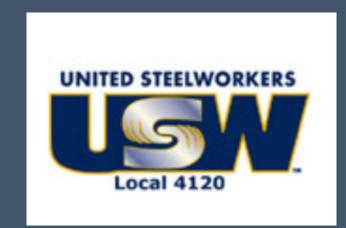
https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/about-hr/environmental-health-safety-ehs/joint-health-and-safety-committees/central-joint-health

b. The Union will select its representatives to the Local Joint Health and Safety Committees;

https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/about-hr/environmental-health-safety-ehs/joint-health-and-safety-committees/joint-health-and-safety



- 20.2 The Employer shall make all necessary and reasonable provisions for the occupational health and safety of its employees and shall comply with the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- e. The Employer recognizes and acknowledges the right of employees to be informed about hazards in the workplace, to be provided with appropriate training and personal protective equipment, and the right to refuse unsafe work consistent with the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act R.S.O as amended 1 June 2011;
- f. The Employer will provide (at no cost to the Employee), and Employees will wear, appropriate protective clothing and/or other devices, which the Employer deems necessary, to protect Employees from workplace injury or hazard;



- 20.2 The Employer shall make all necessary and reasonable provisions for the occupational health and safety of its employees and shall comply with the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- h. Upon submission of a receipt of purchase of Canadian Standards Association (CSA) approved safety footwear, Employees, whose jobs require the wearing of safety footwear, will be issued a safety shoe subsidy in accordance with the University's Safety Footwear Subsidy Program.
- i. Employees whose job, as determined by the Employer, requires the wearing of prescription safety glasses, will be entitled, once every two (2) years, to CSA approved prescription safety glasses in accordance with the University's Protective Eyewear Program. Cost of such CSA approved glasses shall be paid by the Employer. Authorization forms for purchase are provided through the Environmental Health and Safety office.

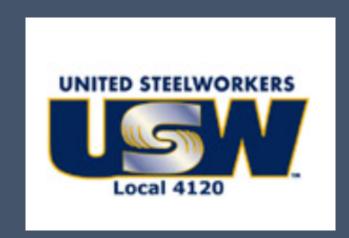


#### 20.7 Education and Training

a. Academic departments and administrative units are responsible for providing workplace-specific safety orientation and training. Faculty Supervisors shall provide, or arrange for, this training at the onset for all new Employees or Employees new to the work, and provide refresher workplace-specific training at an appropriate frequency. Workplace-specific training may include but is not limited to training for the safe use of hazardous materials, use of specialized equipment, departmental procedures, and use of required personal protective equipment. All such training must be documented and the records kept in the Department.

b. Safety training requirements must be met prior to the commencement of work by the Employee. The time spent completing the required training by the Employee shall be considered time worked.

https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/ehs-training



20.9 The Employer will continue to provide access to First Aid/CPR and (re)certification training at no cost to Employees that require it as part of their work tasks/job.

20.10 Where immunizations are required as part of an Employee's employment duties, the cost of such immunizations shall be borne by the Employer.

20.15 No Employee will be discharged, penalized or disciplined for acting in compliance with this Article or with the OHSA and/or its regulations.

20.16 The Employer will provide First Aid kits in the workplace.

# USW District 6 Injured Workers Assistance Program



# **USW District 6 Injured Workers Assistance Program**

Filing a compensation claim can be a daunting, complex process.

Too often, injured workers fall victim to an adversarial system that thwarts their rights to fair compensation. Many have faced poverty and hardship as a result.

The USW District 6 Injured Workers Assistance Program defends the rights of injured Steelworkers by providing mentoring, consulting, training and expert representation for all compensation claims.

Our program has a proven track record of success – since 2009, more than 4,000 District 6 members have benefited from our services!

Protect the rights of your members – enrol your local today!

Application forms are available from your staff representative, the District 6 office, online at usw.ca/iwap, or from Program Co-ordinator **Jim Pasel** at Tel: 905-658-0252, Toll-free: 1-877-836-9291, Fax: 289-836-8426 <a href="mailto:injuredsteelworkers@live.ca">injuredsteelworkers@live.ca</a>.



#### Additional resources

USW4120 website:

https://uswlocals.org/usw-local-4120

Environmental Health and Safety

https://www.uoguelph.ca/hr/hr-services/welcomeenvironmental-health-safety