



Road Construction Safety



As road work begins to unfold, it is crucial for everyone to be conscious of the presence of workers when passing through these construction zones. It is important to remember that although you may not know who those workers are, the workers are cherished members of someone else's family.

As well as the construction unfolding, it is summertime for kids as school is finally out. During this time, you will notice an increase in children riding bikes and playing outdoors. We kindly urge drivers to remain vigilant and exercise caution regarding kids, pedestrians, and construction workers in the upcoming months!

New Course Schedule



Our July-December 2023 schedule is now available! Plan ahead and mark your calendars with our upcoming courses. If you would like to register, you can email registration@nbcsa.ca!

To check out the complete schedule, simply [Click here.](#)

Management Training



Companies looking for Construction Management training for their staff should look at the courses offered by Moncton Northeast Construction Association. Click [HERE](#) for the link.



Online access to CSA standard

New Brunswick's legislation references more than 50 Canadian Standards Association (CSA) standards. Following positive results obtained during a pilot project, WorksafeNB partnered with the CSA to provide users with free access to CSA standards referenced in federal, provincial and territorial OHS regulations.

The relevant standards are available as a PDF file. Users can view the documents, but do not have the ability to copy and paste text, or print or download the standards. Over 250 CSA standards are available, including referenced versions as well as current editions published in English and French, where applicable. These are presented in alphabetical order by province and territory.

To access the CSA standards cited in the NB regulations users must create an account on the CSA Communities website.

1. Click on CSA Communities
2. Create account or sign in (if you already have username and password)
3. Click on:
 - > Standards
 - > Standards View Access
 - > OHS
4. Click on New Brunswick
5. You can then click on the desired OHS Standard

To see this on WorkSafeNBs website, [Click Here](#).

Every industry or workplace may have a confined space - they are not industry-specific

Employers and employees must be able to identify a confined space, implement an effective code of practice, and provide or follow instructions and training to protect the health and safety of everyone in the workplace. The majority of deaths in confined spaces result from oxygen deficiency and lack of air quality testing. More than half of those who die in confined spaces do so trying to rescue fellow employees.

"Confined space" means, other than a development heading in an underground mine and excavations, heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) plenums and related ventilation ductwork, crawl and attic spaces with openings to the outside allowing for continuous passive ventilation and other similar structures provided that there are no factors that could lead to the presence of atmospheric or other hazards, an area that:

- is enclosed or partially enclosed,
- is not designed or intended for continuous human occupancy, and
- has limited or restricted means for entry or exit that may complicate the provision of first aid, evacuation, rescue or any other emergency response.



The CFCSA: Sharing Construction Safety Resources and Building Safety Harmonization From The Bottom Up

As a construction employer, you'll recognize at least one of these important construction safety organizations helping you to work safer.

- [BC Construction Safety Alliance](#)
- [Alberta Construction Safety Association](#)
- [ASP Construction Association sectorielle paritaire](#)
- [Construction Safety Association of Manitoba](#)
- [Construction Safety Nova Scotia](#)
- [Heavy Construction Safety Association of Saskatchewan](#)
- [Infrastructure Health & Safety Association](#)
- [Manitoba Heavy Construction Association](#)
- [New Brunswick Construction Safety Association](#)
- [Newfoundland & Labrador Construction Safety Association](#)
- [Northern Construction Safety Association](#)
- [Northern Safety Network Yukon](#)
- [Saskatchewan Construction Safety Association](#)

But if you printed each of these names on trading cards and sealed them in a wax pack, the wrapper would read "CFCSA: The Canadian Federation of Construction Safety Associations."

The name may not be familiar to everyone, but as a united umbrella organization, the CFCSA represents a formidable force. The CFCSA shepherds national programs such as the COR® accreditation standard, the National Construction Safety Officer (NCSO®) and National Health and Safety Administrator (NHSA™) designation programs. In addition, the association promotes awareness of construction health and safety practices and programs, facilitates information sharing, and collaboratively produces workplace health and safety training, standards and information resources.

The CFCSA meets annually and the chairperson is typically the head of the construction safety association scheduled to host the next annual meeting. Standing committees meet throughout the year.

Sean Scott, immediate past chair of the CFCSA, notes that the organization takes on the difficult problems of harmonization of safety regulations across the country.

"Construction safety regulations are primarily issued at the provincial or territorial level, so it's a challenge to get those jurisdictions to harmonize regulations," says Scott. "As a national organization, we look at the large picture and advocate for that type of harmonization, and help our members operating in different provinces to navigate the remaining differences."



Mike McKenna, executive director of the BC Construction Safety Alliance, notes that the CFCSA has also endorsed a harmonized audit approach for COR® certification. Similarly, a memorandum of understanding between CFCSA members provides a simple path for companies that are COR® certified in their home jurisdiction to apply to have that certification recognized in any other jurisdiction, at no cost. This allows companies to bid on any project requiring COR® certification in a jurisdiction in which they don't have a permanent base of operations.

"The CFCSA exists to make safety simpler for all of its members," he says. "There's a real benefit for employers who work across jurisdictions."

Jackie Manuel, chief executive officer of the Newfoundland & Labrador Construction Safety Association, says that information sharing between associations provides the greatest benefit to local members.

"The early sharing of COVID-19 resources by larger construction safety associations who had in-house epidemiologists benefitted more than just construction companies here," she says. "Our website became the go-to source for working during a pandemic for many employers in the province."

When road contractors were asked to perform night work on a provincial highway project for the first time in the province's history, Manuel quickly sent out a query to CFCSA members across Canada who already had experience with the practice.

"Safe work practices and procedures related to night work on a highway already existed," she says. "Our contractors were quickly able to adapt them to their specific circumstances."

Roy Silliker, CEO of the New Brunswick Construction Safety Association and current CFCSA chair, says that sharing of information resources has helped his organization to stretch its budget.

"One of the biggest benefits is the ability to get materials, programs, and toolbox talks that have been developed in other jurisdictions free of charge," he says. "That allows associations such as ours to get resources that we may not be able to develop due to lack of funding. Any time we're looking at doing something new or different we survey our sister associations in the CFCSA to see if they've tried it, done it or have materials for us to work with."

CFCSA member organizations understand that — even if safety regulations aren't perfectly aligned across all jurisdictions — a fall is a fall wherever it occurs.

"But when CFCSA members talk to each other and share best practices, they tend to become the accepted regulatory standard in each jurisdiction in which they operate," Scott says. "That helps to build regulatory harmonization from the bottom up."

For more information, visit www.cfcsa.ca.



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- MRDC Operations Corporation
- Sansom Equipment Limited
- Springhill Construction Limited

June COR®

- Boudreau L & S Excavation
- Clearview Trucking & Excavation Inc.
- Groupe GCE Inc.
- PMC Energy
- Select Mechanical Incorporated
- Topgun Asphalt Maintenance

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Fredericton, NB

November 2nd

**DELTA HOTELS BY
MARRIOTT**

In-Person meeting

**Registration opening
soon!**

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Confined Space 2023 Legislation

Please click on the following link for an interactive presentation on the Confined Space 2023 Legislation:

<https://nbcsa.ca/content/confinedspace2023legislation/story.html>



July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10th-11th: 8:30 am Moncton Confined Space Awareness Generic 10th-11th: 8:30 am Tracadie Confined Space Awareness Generic			13th: 8:30 am Fredericton Lockout	14th: 8:30 am Moncton JHSC Blended 14th: 8:30 am Saint John Fall Protection I Basics for Workers
17th-18th: 8:30 am Moncton Principles of Loss Control 17th-18th: 8:30 am Saint John Confined Space Awareness Generic		19th-21st: 8:30 am Fredericton Joint Health & Safety Committee 19th: 8:30 am Moncton Hazard Identification & Control	20th: 8:30 am Miramichi Trenching/Excavation Awareness	21st: 8:30 am Miramichi Fall Protection I Basics for Workers
24th-25th: 8:30 am Miramichi Confined Space Awareness Generic 8:30 am Fredericton Manlift Safety Awareness 8:30 am Fredericton Traffic Control Person/WATCM Awareness	25th: 8:30 am Fredericton DTI WATCM 2021	26th: 8:30 am Saint John WHMIS 2015 Train the Trainer	27th: 8:30 am Edmundston Fall Protection I Basics for Workers 27th: 8:30 am Moncton PLC Audit	28th: 8:30 am Fredericton Fall Protection I Basics for Workers 28th: 8:30 am Saint John JHSC Blended



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