

MLAIC Newsletter

MIDWEST CERTIFIED TRAINING, INC

UPDATE

We have several important updates for you!

OSHA announced a new regulation for SILICA that will go into full effect on June 23, 2017. This will affect you if you work with concrete, drywall, concrete blocks, glass or sand blasting.

You have until June 23rd, 2017 to write a Silica Compliance Program and a Respiratory Protection plan. Failure to do so could result in fines of tens of thousands of dollars.

We can help with this if you attend our Silica Competent Person Training, where you will learn how to write this program and what it will take to train your employees.

REMEMBER – we can bring these classes to you if you have at least 8 people.

To register or request additional information

Please contact:

Milwaukee Lead/Asbestos Information Center

www.MLAIC.com

414-481-9070

608-318-2266

MidWest
Certified
Training, Inc

New GVS low-profile respirator:



CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT:

Madison Area:

MidWest Certified Training, Inc.

741 Lois Drive

Sun Prairie, WI 53590

608-318-2266

MILWAUKEE AREA:

3495 North 124th St.

Brookfield, WI

www.MLAIC.com

THREE IMPORTANT UPDATES

New Respirators

- MLAIC.com – is the first Wisconsin distributor for the new Low-Profile respirators from GVS
- NIOSH approved: P-100
- Only \$24.95 – includes cartridges
- Hard shell carrying case available

NEW Silica regulation requires training

Employees must be trained on what Silica is, what products contain it, what are the health effects of exposure, options available to protect the employee, and respiratory protection.

Employers must write and implement a Silica Program by June 23rd, 2017.

See the side bar on the left for more details.

New Formaldehyde regulation:

On July 27th, the EPA published their “Final Rule” for Formaldehyde. This rule will not directly affect construction companies, however it may change which products you can install. In general terms, it will effect plywood/chipboard, laminate flooring, particle board, and other wood composite products. This could mean that imported products (particularly those imported from China) that you used in the past will no longer meet the new requirements. U.S. manufactures will be inspected for emissions.

Where is Silica found?

- Silica is the 2nd most common element in the Earth’s crust (27%)
- It is in concrete, landscaping blocks, drywall compound, many other cement-based products as well as rocks and ore.

What are the health risks?

When Silica is drilled, ground, pulverized, or cut it has very sharp edges that stick in your lungs.

Exposure to it can cause Silicosis, Lung Cancer and other respiratory diseases that can kill you in 5 years. There is no treatment for Silicosis and it causes about 600 deaths per year of construction workers.

Who is exposed to Silica?

Workers doing tasks such as: sandblasting, tuckpointing, jack-hammering, finishing drywall, cutting concrete, cutting concrete blocks, rock crushing, drilling in concrete, mining, and heavy-equipment operators.



For information or dates for OSHA Silica Training, visit our website at www.MLAIC.com

or call: 608-318-2266