

# AMHSA Certification Programs Offered

At AMHSA we recognize that a number of municipal employees have taken a lot of training in the field of health and safety and deserve some recognition for that. As well we know that employees and the municipality would like some guidance in what training different staff should have, depending on their role within the municipal health and safety program. To address these issues, AMHSA is please to offer the following designations:

- Recognized Municipal Health and Safety Advisor
- Municipal Supervisor in Health and Safety
- Municipal Joint Health and Safety Committee Representative

Each of these designations is described below, including the courses required to achieve the designation.

## Recognized Municipal Health and Safety Advisor

This certification is intended for those municipal employees who will be taking a lead role in coordinating the development/implementation/review of the health and safety program. These individuals could be the municipality's certified peer auditor, but this is not necessary.

Individuals intending to achieve this designation must take 12 compulsory courses, and 2 electives as follows:

### Compulsory Courses - all of the following are required:

- Health and Safety Program Development
- Disability Management
- Prime Contractor
- Confined Space Entry
- Trenching Safety
- Musculoskeletal Injury Prevention Program
- Health and Safety Program Audit
- Hazard Assessment and Control
- Formal Workplace Inspections
- Accident/Incident Investigation
- Supervisor's Role **or** Overview of H&S Programs
- WHMIS Train the Trainer

### Elective Courses - any two of the following are required:

- Flagperson Train the Trainer
- Joint Health and Safety Committees
- Inside Worker Safety
- Defensive Driving
- ⚡ Road Grader Operator Safety ⚡
- ⚡ Front End Loader Operator Safety ⚡

⚡ note that these two courses are available only those individuals who have experience operating the

equipment

## Municipal Supervisor in Health and Safety

This certification indicates that the participant has a basic understanding of the supervisor's responsibilities for health & safety. Courses required for this certification include:

- Hazard Assessment and Control
- Formal Workplace Inspections
- Accident/Incident Investigations
- Supervisor's Role **or** Overview of Health and Safety Programs
- Musculoskeletal Injury Prevention Program

## Municipal Joint Health and Safety Committee Representative

Joint Health and Safety Committee members are often expected to assist in the development and implementation of the municipality's health and safety program. Specific activities that they participate in include performing formal inspections and investigating incidents (or reviewing incident reports). Many members feel that they need more training in these areas. To receive certification as a JHSC representative, participants must take the following courses:

- Joint Health and Safety Committees
- Hazard Assessment and Control
- Formal Workplace Inspections
- Accident/Incident Investigations

### *the fine print:*

- Leadership for Safety Excellence is a two day course, consisting of 4 modules: **Supervisor's Role, Training, Formal Inspections, and Accident/Incident Investigation.** The modules will be recognized as individual required courses for these designations.
- If a municipal employee has already taken the required training for one of the designations, that previous training will be recognized. However it is up to the individual to provide the documentation to AMHSA for verification.
- All training must be completed within 3 years.

If you would like more information about these designations, or would like to apply for one, please contact our office.