



Manufacturing, Processing and Packaging

Summary of OHS proactive inspections

Overview

Alberta Labour and Immigration carried out proactive occupational health and safety (OHS) inspections under the Manufacturing, Processing and Packing (MPP) program commencing in February 2021.

The inspections focused on common hazards identified to the sector, and monitoring work site parties had effective controls in place to eliminate, mitigate and control hazards. Inspections took place from February to December 31, 2021 at 811 work sites throughout Alberta.

Inspection program infographics



Orders analysis

During the inspection program, OHS issued 1439 compliance orders. The most common compliance orders issued related to:

- Hazard assessments;
- General safety training;
- Respiratory protective equipment
- Emergency preparedness and response planning
- First aid providers
- Equipment specifications and certification
- Violence and harassment prevention and planning

Next steps

The MPP inspection program has been extended to continue through to December 31, 2022.

For employers and workers: raising awareness and taking action

To help address findings from the MPP inspection program, employers and workers can access key resources through the [OHS resource portal](#). By topic, these include:

- General compliance and the internal responsibility system:
 - [Health and Safety Committees and Representatives](#)
 - [Occupational health and safety and the internal responsibility system](#)
- Hazard Assessments
 - [Hazard Assessment and Control: A Handbook for Alberta Employers and Workers](#)
- Personal Protective Equipment
 - [Respiratory Protective Equipment: An Employer's Guide](#)
 - [Development of a Code of Practice for Respiratory Protective Equipment: OHS Information for Employers](#)
- Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System
 - [WHMIS Information for Employers](#)
 - [WHMIS Information for Workers](#)
- Violence and Harassment Prevention
 - [Harassment and violence in the workplace](#)
 - [Workplace violence and harassment](#)

Employers and workers can also contact health and safety associations to take health and safety training courses. Employers may also consider the province's [Certificate of Recognition](#) program for health and safety management systems.

For the government: strategic planning and action

Alberta Labour and Immigration continue to consult with various MPP partners to determine next steps for ongoing support to this sector.

Conclusion

The 2021 MPP Inspection Program continues to be prosperous and facilitated Alberta Labour and Immigration building positive working relationships with the sector partners, including the Manufacturers Health and Safety Association and Alberta Construction Safety Association.