Vehicles as work sites

OHS information for employers and workers

Vehicles used for work purposes are work sites when the vehicle is being used off the work site, some examples include driving to deliver a parcel, driving between work sites, driving off road. For this reason, the hazard assessment requirements apply to the operation of vehicles, whether they are personal or employer vehicles.

"work site" means a location where a worker is, or is likely to be, engaged in any occupation and includes any vehicle or mobile equipment used by a worker in an occupation.



-OHS Act, s. 1(bbb)

When vehicles are used on a work site (e.g. hauling material on a site) the vehicles become equipment being used on that work site and not an autonomous work site.

Each work site is different and employers are required to conduct a hazard assessment in accordance with the OHS legislation to determine appropriate controls.

If a worker is dispatched by their employer, OHS considers that driving as driving for work. However, driving to or from work is not under the jurisdiction of Alberta OHS.

For further information, please contact the OHS Contact Centre at 780-415-8690 in the Edmonton area or 1-866-415-8690 in the rest of Alberta.

An employer must assess a work site and identify existing and potential hazards before work begins at the work site or prior to the construction of a new work site.



OHS Code, Part 2, s. 7(1)

For more information

Driving for work: Developing safe practices for employers and workers (BP014)

ohs-pubstore.labour.alberta.ca/bp014

Driving safety tips (BP039)
ohs-pubstore.labour.albeita.ca/bp039



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OHS Contact Centre

(Complaints, questions, report serious incidents)

Anywhere in Alberta

• 1-866-415-8690

Edmonton and surrounding area

• 780-415-8690

Deaf or hearing impaired

- 1-866-232-7215 (Alberta)
- 780-427-9999 (Edmonton)

Call the OHS Contact Centre if you have concerns that involve immediate danger to a person on a work site.

File a complaint online

alberta.ca/file-complaint-online.aspx

Report a potentially serious incident online

alberta.ca/report-potentially-serious-incidents.aspx

Report a mine or mine site incident online

alberta.ca/report-mine-or-mine-site-incidents.aspx

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