

Safety Seminar

Safety & the Supervisor

Steve Wallace examines the role of the Frontline Manager (or Supervisor) and the challenges, perspectives, and responsibilities that they encounter in the role of Safety Supervisor.

Which is the most important leg in a 3-legged stool? Just like the levels of management (Senior Management, Frontline Management, and the Worker), all 3 are important. But the Supervisor is often referred to as the key person because they deal with senior management expectations and the actual working environment of the worker.

About the Speaker:

Steve Wallace has made considerable contributions to injury prevention in the province of Saskatchewan. He was the Safety Director of the Heavy Construction Safety Association of Saskatchewan for two decades, leading the heavy construction industry in safety matters. He began his safety career in the mining industry, which led him to becoming the Occupational Safety Coordinator for the Saskatchewan Safety Council. Prior to that, he was a Firefighter with the City of Regina Fire Department.

He received his Canadian Registered Safety Professional designation in 1989, at that time he was the youngest person in the province to attain this designation. He also received his Construction Safety Officer and his Certified Safety Professional. During his career, he has taught and developed countless courses. Many of these have been at the advanced or Instructor level. Throughout his career, Wallace has contributed several safety articles to publications such as OHS Canada. He regularly speaks at safety conferences across Canada and has taught Safety Auditing at the University of Regina. Wallace is busy as a volunteer in the community as a First Responder with the North Shore First Responders and as a volunteer Fire Chief with the Sifton Fire Department.

He has served on the Saskatchewan Safety Council's Board of Directors as President and was a volunteer Motorcycle Instructor for over 20 years. He has been actively involved with the Canadian Society of Safety Engineering for over 20 years and is the current Chair of the Regina Regional Screening Committee for the CRSP designation. Wallace has received numerous awards throughout his 30-year safety career including the Canadian Society of Safety Engineering President's Award, the Canadian Registered Safety Professional's Volunteer of the Year Award, the Saskatchewan Safety Professional of the Year Award and the Saskatchewan Safety Council's Volunteer of the Year Award to name a few.

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