



LET'S KEEP IT GREEN

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**IT IS YOUR GOOD NAME** – For years we have been emphasizing the penalties for non-compliance, albeit the penalties are a deterrent it is much more important that we view safety as a responsibility to our families, our employees, our environment and ourselves. Often we report tragic stories to exemplify and stress the importance of complying with these regulations. With a growing concern for sustainable development and an understandable need to maintain ecological balance the magnitude of these events is undeniable and thus, it is necessary to raise a heightened awareness to ensure that similar tragedies do not occur under your watch. It continues to be our objective to keep you informed and safe. We are here to ensure you and your organizations are able to get all the help you need all you have to do is ask.



**A SUMMER JOB SHOULD START A FUTURE, NOT END A LIFE**

**Founder of Our Youth at Work speaks at St. Ignatius of Loyola high school.** Rob Ellis is the founder and president of the organization that promotes safety to thousands of students through presentations at school assemblies and corporate meetings. Ellis lost his 18-year old son when he was cleaning a dough-mixing machine at an Oakville bakery when it turned on and pulled him into the blades. It was his second day on the job.

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Gaining early work experience is a great way for young people to get a head start on their careers. However if their focus is exclusively on learning new job skills and making a good impression, safety can fall by the wayside. In 2005, 60 Canadian workers aged 15 to 24 were fatally injured as a result of workplace hazards. Another 52,920 young workers were injured on the job. Each of those numbers represents a loved one. Somebody's young son was killed when he became crushed between the trawl door and main stern roller of the fishing boat he was working on. Another family lost a loved one when their young construction worker fell 20 feet from a deck, through a hole that was partially covered by plywood. As exciting as it is for young people to enter the workforce, they are entering an unfamiliar environment with new people, new rules, and hazards they have never encountered before. The employee/boss relationship is new and can be intimidating. It is our responsibility as adults to make sure they think and act with safety in mind.

**Section 42(1) of the Occupational Health and Safety Act** requires that the employer educate "a worker exposed or likely to be exposed" to a controlled product. An exposed worker can be defined as an employee who stores, handles, uses or disposes of a controlled product or supervises another worker performing these activities. It is the responsibility of the employer to ensure that all employees receive proper health & safety training even if they are temporary employees.

**Swimming Pool School of Safety:**

**Handling Chemicals** - What makes pool water so refreshingly clear and inviting is a cocktail of disinfectants and sanitizers. Many of these chemicals are chlorine-based, depending on the system you use. It's important to be aware of potential chemical hazards when using or storing these products at work or at home. Many swimming pool chemicals such as chlorine are oxidizers and may also be corrosive and can chemically destroy body tissues, the damage begins as soon as the chemical touches the skin, eyes, respiratory tract or digestive tract.

**David Bradley, CEO of the CTA and president of the OTA speaks to the Canada-United States Law Institute**

"The Smart Border Accord of 2001 spoke to the need for more security PLUS improved trade facilitation through risk management, but things have gone off-track," he said, citing the myriad of mainly US security measures. "We are now grappling with the theatre of security, where it's check everything, everyone, all the time." He put the added cost to trucking companies to comply with all the new rules at around \$500 per truck. At a time when our customers are trying to compete with good's producers from China and elsewhere does it make sense to heap the kinds of additional costs on the supply chain that we have seen?" "By participating in secure shipper/carrier programs we were supposed to see speedier and easier border crossings; it hasn't worked out that way," he said.



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