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DISASTER PLANNING: WHAT SUPERVISORS NEED TO KNOW

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Course: 8 Hours Instruction

Hours: Class Room

Hours: Field Instruction

Regulation:

Prerequisites:

Fee:

CE Credits:

Workplace disasters can strike any time and with very little warning. Fires are the most common type of workplace disasters. The National Fire Protection Association reports that a fire department somewhere in America responds to a fire every 16 seconds. The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that fires cause as many as 10,000 employee injuries and 200 employee deaths every year. Losses from industrial fires cost over \$4 billion a year in property losses and more than \$8 billion in business interruption costs (U.S. Fire Administration).

Explosions resulting from fires, bombs, or other causes can claim many lives, leave many more badly injured, and destroy property. Hurricanes and floods may be in the forecast, but other natural disasters such as earthquakes and tornadoes can strike without warning.

Effective emergency action in these situations will be required and supervisors must be prepared to take action that is understood by every employee. Supervisors play an essential role in preparing their organization to deal with workplace disasters and other emergencies. Training employees to plan for proper emergency procedures and special response duties is critical to reduce injuries, property damage and loss of life.

Who Should Take This Course:

Supervisors who will learn to prepare for disasters they may face in their specific workplace.

Course Objectives:

Supervisors and safety managers will be trained to:

- Recognize the types of workplace disasters they may encounter
- Understand the requirements of the emergency response plan
- How to respond to emergencies while at work
- What employee training requires
- Carry out emergency response duties effectively while at work

United Safety Solutions Course Covers:

This training course includes administrator tools, reports, and analysis and course topics including:

- The incident command system
- Disaster work zone safety
- Respiratory protection
- Communication issues
- Applying elements of successful adult training programs
- Knowledge, skills, and attitudes to awareness training about safety standards at natural and human-made disaster sites
- Students are provided the opportunity to practice knowledge and skills through discussion, planned exercises, demonstrations, and presentations.

Effective and comprehensive disaster planning is essential in reducing work-related injuries. This course guides employers to develop a program that identifies and provides emergency response procedures on the following topics:

Work Plan

- Supervisor and employee responsibilities and means of communication
- Define the tasks and objectives of site operation

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Site Evaluation and Control

- Site evaluation prior to a disaster and immediately following the disaster is crucial to the safety and well-being of workers.
- Site evaluation provides employers with the information needed to identify immediate hazards in order to select appropriate protection methods for employees.

Site-Specific Safety Plan

- Include characteristics unique to the particular site, i.e. procedures for confined space entry, air and personal monitoring and environmental sampling, and a spill containment program to address the particular hazards present at the site.

Personal Protective Equipment Program

- Equipment selection and use, maintenance and storage, decontamination and disposal, training and proper fit, donning and doffing procedures, inspection, in-use monitoring, program evaluation, and equipment limitations.

Monitoring Airborne Contaminants

Accurate information on the identification and quantification of airborne contaminants is useful in:

- Selecting personal protective equipment
- Delineating areas where protection and controls are needed
- Assessing the potential health effects of exposure
- Determining the need for specific medical monitoring

Medical Surveillance

- Minimize employee exposure and injury to handle possible emergencies
- Personnel roles, lines of authority, and communication procedures
- Pre-emergency planning
- Emergency recognition and prevention
- Emergency medical and first-aid treatment
- Methods or procedures for alerting onsite employees
- Safe distances and places of refuge
- Site security and control
- Decontamination procedures
- Critique of response and follow up
- Evacuation routes and procedures
- Site topography and layout
- Procedures for reporting incidents to local, state, and federal government agencies

Certification:

Successful completion requires 80% on both classroom and practical skills.

Upon successful completion, participants receive a wallet card, documentation to satisfy OSHA.