

NSW Work Health and Safety Legislation Implementation Program



New Work Health and Safety legislation will come into force from 1 January 2012 and will change the way Health and Safety is managed in all workplaces.

The Work Health and Safety Act 2011 will mean that NSW laws will be harmonised with other jurisdictions in Australia and we will have essentially the same OHS laws nationwide.

Key changes for NSW include:

- The general duty of care will be 'so far as is reasonably practicable'.
- A new duty of due diligence for Officers of Corporations.
- An employer will be known as 'persons conducting a business or undertaking' (PCBU).
- PCBU's can be an employer, body corporate, unincorporated body, partnership, association or sole trader and will need to consult with other PCBU's about work health and safety.
- Employees will now be known as 'Workers' and will become duty holders for their own workplace safety.
- Introduction of Health and Safety Representatives (HSR's).
- The right of a Health and Safety Representative to issue provisional improvement notices and order cessation of work in certain circumstances.
- Requirement to hold a Work Health and Safety entry permit for authorised representatives of employee organisations e.g Union Officials.

Seminar series

To assist businesses with the implementation of the model laws, NSW Business Chamber will deliver a program through a series of seminars under the 2010 WorkCover Assist Program.

The program will raise awareness of the new Work Health and Safety legislation and help businesses meet their legislative obligations under the new laws.

Series 1

Delivered throughout NSW, the first series of seminars on the Work Health and Safety Act will run from August to November and will provide an overview of the changes occurring as a result of NSW participating in harmonisation.

Series 2

The second series on the Work Health and Safety Regulations will provide a detailed overview of how businesses can comply with specific obligations under the new legislation through areas such as for example consultation, first aid and induction.

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LOCATION	VENUE	DATE	TIME
Sydney CBD	Sebel Surry Hills	Tue 30 Aug	8am - 10am
Newcastle	Newcastle Panthers	Tue 30 Aug	2pm - 4pm
Maitland	Mercure Maitland	Wed 31 Aug	9am - 11am
Cardiff	Cardiff Panthers	Wed 31 Aug	1pm - 3pm
Tamworth	West's Diggers Club	Tue 6 Sep	7.30am - 9.30am
Armidale	Armidale City Bowling Club	Tue 6 Sep	1pm - 3pm
Grafton	Grafton District Services Club	Tue 6 Sep	10.30am - 12.30pm
Lismore	Lismore Workers Club	Tue 6 Sep	3.30pm - 5.30pm
Ballina	Ballina Beach Resort	Wed 7 Sep	8am - 10am
Tweed Heads	South Tweed Heads Sports Club	Wed 7 Sep	2pm - 4pm
Coffs Harbour	Coffs Harbour Showground	Wed 14 Sep	9am - 11am
Port Macquarie	Panthers Port Macquarie	Wed 14 Sep	3pm - 5pm
Queanbeyan	Queanbeyan Golf Club	Wed 14 Sep	8am - 10am
Mittagong	Mittagong RSL Club	Wed 14 Sep	2pm - 4pm
Shoalhaven	Bomaderry Bowling Club	Thur 15 Sep	8am - 10am
Wollongong	Novotel Wollongong Northbeach	Thur 15 Sep	2pm - 4pm
Dubbo	The Quality Inn	Wed 21 Sep	2pm - 4pm
Orange	Duntry Leagues Club	Thur 22 Sep	8am - 10am
Bathurst	Quality Hotel Bathurst	Thur 22 Sep	1pm - 3pm
Dee Why	Warringah Golf Club	Tue 18 Oct	9am - 11am
Campbelltown	Campbelltown Catholic Club	Wed 19 Oct	9am - 11am
Penrith	Penrith City & District Business Advisory Centre	Wed 19 Oct	1pm - 3pm
Albury	Country Comfort	Wed 19 Oct	9am - 11am
Wagga Wagga	The Lawson Motor Inn	Wed 19 Oct	2pm - 4pm
Griffith	Griffith Exies Club	Thur 20 Oct	9am - 11am
Parramatta	Parramatta Stadium	Tue 25 Oct	9am - 11am
Hills District	Crowne Plaza, Baulkham Hills	Tue 25 Oct	1pm - 3pm
Gosford	Gosford RSL Club	Wed 26 Oct	9am - 11am
The Entrance	Diggers at the Entrance	Wed 26 Oct	2pm - 4pm
North Sydney	NSWBC Offices, North Sydney	Wed 2 Nov	2pm - 4pm
Bondi	Swiss Grand Resort & Spa	Tue 8 Nov	9am - 11am
Leichhardt	Club Five Dock RSL	Tue 8 Nov	2pm - 4pm
Chatswood	The Sebel Residence Chatswood	Wed 9 Nov	9am - 11am
Miranda	Tradies Gynea	Wed 9 Nov	2pm - 4pm

MEMBERSHIP	STAGE 1 SEMINARS	STAGE 2 SEMINARS	BOTH SEMINARS
NSWBC Members	FREE	FREE	FREE
Local Chamber of Commerce*	\$30 incl GST	\$35 incl GST	\$65 incl GST
Non-members	\$40 incl GST	\$45 incl GST	\$85 incl GST

*Must be a member of a local chamber that is a NSW Business Chamber Chamber Alliance Partner.

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