

MN ABC and MN OSHA Construction Partnership Performance Survey Checklist

On March 28, 2006 MN ABC and MN OSHA signed a major safety initiative designed to reduce the number of injuries, illnesses and fatalities at the jobsites for ABC employers. The partnership acknowledges the importance of providing a safe and healthy work environment and seeks a working relationship between owners and construction workers. The three participant award levels of the partnership based on ABC's STEP program are: Silver (basic), Gold (intermediate) and Platinum (advanced). Based on award levels MN OSHA will provide incentives to employers including: special written recognition, maximum good faith penalty reduction, and reduced programmed and unprogrammed inspections. As a qualifying STEP participant, please review the checklist below to determine the level of recognition you deserve. For further information call the MN ABC at 952-941-8693.

Requirements	Silver	Gold	Platinum
Implement a comprehensive written safety and health program that addresses those hazards that are the four leading causes of death on construction sites (falls, struck-by, caught in / between and electrocutions). Also to be included, a written AWAIR and ERTK program.	√	√	√
Ensure through inspection that any written site-specific safety and health plan is incorporated by those contractors that have a direct written contract with the applicant.			√
Conduct and document weekly employee safety meetings.	√	√	√
Conduct and document self-audits, at least on a weekly basis.	√	√	√
Conduct an orientation of all new employees in the safety and health program of the company, and show evidence of effective employee training.		√	√
Receive a performance survey / jobsite review from the members' designated safety representative. (ABC Safety Committee)	√	√	
Show evidence of employee involvement in the safety and health program. Safety training, and incident near miss or accident investigation would be acceptable.		√	√
Develop, implement, and maintain a prohibited substance policy and testing program that complies with applicable laws, statutes and agreements.		√	√
Include random substance testing.			√
Provide all field construction supervisory personnel with training equivalent to the OSHA 10-hour training.		√	√
Additional training shall be provided for competent persons in such areas as Scaffolding, Excavation, Fall Protection, etc.			√
Maintain a total case injury / illness incidence rate that is at / or below the most current Bureau of Labor Statistics State of MN rate for the applicants 4-digits SIC code.		√	√
Maintain BLS rate that is 50% below the most current rate.			√
Applicants strongly encouraged to participate in MNOSHA Workplace Safety Consultation Programs.		√	√
Applicant agrees to serve as a mentor to their subcontractors on its projects who have yet to obtain the same level of recognition within the partnership.			√
Assign a minimum of one employee who will administer the firm's Safety and Health program. This person must complete the OSHA 30-hour course or equivalent curriculum within 3-years following application.			√
safety and health program, such as self-audits, site inspections, job hazard analysis, program reviews, investigations.			√
Implement a 6-foot fall protection policy. This requirement would be incorporated for the applicant's direct employees only.			√
Applicants are required to participate in MNOSHA Workplace Safety Consultation Program, whenever feasible.			√
Receive a qualifying inspection, by MN OSHA Workplace Safety Compliance, in conjunction with the ABC Safety Committee.			√
Have no willful violations that became final in the last 3-years.			√
Have no repeated serious violations that became final in the last 3-years.			√
Have no fatalities or catastrophes within the last 3-years that resulted in serious or willful citations related to the incident.			√

Inspection Signatures and Dates:

MN ABC Safety Committee Signature _____ Date _____

MN OSHA/MN ABC Partner Signature _____ Date _____