



# Fisheries Safety Association

## OF NOVA SCOTIA

June 2010

### Town Hall Meetings being held June 14, 2010

The Fisheries Safety Association of Nova Scotia is hosting "town hall" discussion sessions on June 14 in both Yarmouth and Barrington. Invited speakers are Dr Jamie Cox, Chief Medical Officer of the Workers Compensation Board of N.S. along with Mary Morris of the Office of the Employer Advisor. Dr Cox will be able to provide information regarding new initiatives with Doctors of NS . Mary Morris will speak about the office of the Employer Advisor and how she can be of assistance to you. Both of these dynamic speakers will provide important information and will be available to answer any questions you may have. Tommy Harper, Executive Director of the Fisheries Safety Association of NS will also be in attendance at both sessions. These sessions will provide an opportunity for the Safety Association to meet with its stakeholders and to listen to what you have to say . Don't miss out on this important event!

#### Yarmouth Session Information:

Date: Monday, June 14, 2010

Location: Yarmouth Mariners Centre

Time: 10 am

#### Barrington Session Information:

Date: June 14, 2010

Location: Barrington Lions Club

Time: 2 pm

**To register for either session please call 902-742-6167**

### Fisheries Safety Association First Aid Courses

The FSANS is pleased to offer you, its members, special reduced rates on First Aid courses from Saint John Ambulance. As part of the Safety Association you will be eligible for the rates below when you sign up for courses through the Fisheries Safety Association. If you are interested in taking a course, please contact Tommy Harper at 902-233-5068 and we will try to arrange one in your area.

	Fisheries	Safety Association of Nova Scotia	Course Pricing	
Course Name		Safety Assoc Pricing	SJA Public Pricing	Percent Discount
Emergency First Aid CPR level "A"		\$45.00 (class size 10 or more)	\$70.00	36%
Emergency First Aid CPR level "A"		\$55 (class size under 10)	\$70.00	21%
Standard First Aid CPR level "A"		\$55 (class size 10 or more)	\$100.00	45%
Standard First Aid CPR level "A"		\$65 (class size under 10)	\$100.00	35%
WHMIS		\$210 per class	\$350.00	40%
WHMIS		\$15 per student	\$35.00	57%

## 2010 WCB Rates

WCB rates for the Fishing Sector for 2010 are as follows:

The Fisheries Safety Association will be focused on helping the fishing industry to reduce accidents and injuries and in turn see a reduction in WCB rates. Congratulations to the Processing Sector on reducing their rate for 2010. The processing rate has gone down by a margin of 12%.

NEW RATES	2009	2010	Change
SIC 311	\$7.48	\$7.55	↑ 1%
SIC 312/321	\$4.18	\$5.01	↑20%
SIC 1021	\$5.19	\$4.55	↓12%

## Office of the Employer Advisor

The OEA is designed to work with and support employers with issues arising from occupational health and safety, workers' compensation and a variety of workplace issues. It is the focal point for information and training relative to current employment issues affecting employers of Nova Scotia. By leading and providing guidance for employers, the OEA will directly contribute to the health and vitality of the Nova Scotia business community.

The Office of the Employer Advisor offers training for employers on issues and topics focussed on the employer's needs. Topics such as Drug and Alcohol Use and Testing Policy, Workers' Compensation processes, Managing Complex Workers Compensation Claims, Employer's Guide to Workers Compensation Appeals and Employer's Guide to Understanding Labour Standards in Nova Scotia.

Mary offers training to large groups of business associations, or customized to your workplace. Book your training dates now with The Office of the Employer Advisor, Nova Scotia! Call 902.401.8490 or toll free at 1.877.515.7039 or email: [mary.morris@oea-novascotia.org](mailto:mary.morris@oea-novascotia.org)

### Startling Industry Facts

- Over the last 5 years 22 people have died at work in Nova Scotia in the fishing industry.
- In 2009 the fishing sector had the highest injury rates of all industries in Nova Scotia.
- 1 in every 25 workers in the seafood sector was injured severely enough to miss 2 or more days of work
- WCB rates will continue to increase if workplace safety and the cost of claims in the seafood industry don't improve.

### **New Safety Programs**

#### **Incident Investigation**

- Steps
- Learning
- Action Plan

#### **Hazard ID**

- Identification and Controls
- Inspections
- Follow Up

## Contact Us

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