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**Kentucky Labor Cabinet to Hold Free OSHA Training in Lexington**

*Free courses April 20-23 at Clarion Hotel on Newtown Pike*

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 25, 2015)** – The Kentucky Labor Cabinet will hold free training courses from April 20-23 on topics that can benefit all workers and employers in Kentucky. The training will be held at the Clarion Hotel at 1950 Newtown Pike in Lexington.

Participants will be able to choose from a wide variety of courses, including an overview of the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Program (OSH), welding safety requirements, hazard communication/GHS, injury and illness recordkeeping, basic electrical safety, protection against bloodborne pathogens and mechanical power press safety.

“There is no substitute for proper training,” said Labor Secretary Larry L. Roberts. “All workers should be aware of the problems and dangers they face, and be equipped with knowledge of the restrictions and guidelines designed to protect them.”

The courses include group-based and hands-on learning activities, and will feature presentations from the highly-trained staff of the Kentucky Labor Cabinet.

To register online, click [here](#).

The following is a schedule of the training courses:

## **Monday, April 20**

### **Overview of the Kentucky OSH Program: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

Topics of discussion include the operations of the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Program, including enforcement and voluntary compliance services, and safety and health topics currently considered for future standards and policies.

### **Hazard Communication/Global Harmonization: 1 - 4 p.m.**

This session covers the basic legal requirements and the revised provision of the standard as they relate to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS). Attendees will learn about chemical hazard classification, written program requirements, container labeling and other forms of warning, safety data sheets and associated deadlines.

## **Tuesday, April 21**

### **Permit Required Confined Space: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

This session explains the regulations regarding entry into and working in confined spaces. Topics include developing a written program, training employees, permit systems, rescue operations and employee participation.

### **Bloodborne Pathogens: 1 - 4 p.m.**

Topics of discussion include applicable definitions, infection control, engineering and work practice controls involving bloodborne pathogens, such as hepatitis B virus and human immunodeficiency virus.

## **Wednesday, April 22**

### **Mechanical Power Press Safety: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

Participants will learn about point-of-operation safeguarding methods, safe operating procedures, design expectations, as well as inspection, maintenance, and training requirements.

### **Welding: 1 - 4 p.m.**

This session includes the various types of welding processes such as oxy-acetylene, TIG, MIG, and open arc, personal protective equipment, safety and health hazard recognition and control, and Kentucky occupational safety and health requirements.

## **Thursday, April 23**

### **Injury and Illness Recordkeeping: 8 a.m. - noon**

This session is for those persons responsible for maintaining the revised injury and illness records. The forms 300, 301 and 300A will be covered. The regulations and guidelines for recordkeeping will be discussed, as well as the compliance directive the Kentucky OSH compliance officer will use to evaluate employers' records. A recordkeeping example workshop will be part of the course, time permitting.

**Note:** Participants will receive an OSHA Training Institute certificate for this class from Eastern Kentucky University's OSHA Training Institute Education Center.

### **Basic Electrical Safety 1- 4 p.m.**

This session covers the basic requirements surrounding the approval, installation, and use of electrical equipment and devices. The discussion will include installation of electrical equipment, commonly cited approval and installation violations, an overview of the equipment approval process, cord-marking requirements and basic hazards of commonly-made electrical wiring.

### **About the free training courses**

Each year the Labor Cabinet presents a series of cost-free courses at major population centers throughout Kentucky. These courses are for both employers and employees, and are typically given over a one-week period in each population center. The courses are designed to outline the requirements contained in the various subparts of the general industry and construction standards, covering both safety and health issues.

The upcoming tentative locations and months for 2015 include Kentucky Dam Village in July, Maysville in August and Louisville in October.

The classes will be available for viewing and online registration approximately four weeks prior to each session. The complete schedule will be available on the Labor Cabinet's website, [www.labor.ky.gov](http://www.labor.ky.gov).

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*compensation insurance, and all other matters under the jurisdiction of the Labor Cabinet. For more information, visit [www.labor.ky.gov](http://www.labor.ky.gov).*

