SHOW YOUR COMMITMENT TO SAFETY

The Shipbuilders Council of America is a proud Partner of the national Safe + Sound Campaign, which encourages every workplace in the U.S. to have a safety and health program. Safety and health programs foster a proactive approach to "finding and fixing" workplace hazards before they can cause injury or illness, ensuring workers go home safe and sound every day. Use the information below to find and fix hazards in your company.

CORE ELEMENTS OF SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAMS

1. Management Leadership

2. Worker Participation

3. Finding & Fixing Hazards

RESOURCES ON FIXING HAZARDS

- Safety Resources. **Shipbuilders Council of America (SCA)** webpage that provides access to safety resources, including information on the National OSHA Alliance Program, in which SCA has a partnership.

- Hazard Communication. Outlines hazard communication requirements as they apply to the maritime industry.

- Ventilation in Shipyard Employment. Provides employers with the basic principles of ventilation for use in shipbuilding, ship repair, and shipbreaking activities.

- Control of Hazardous Energy. Provides information on the harmful effects of hazardous energy and ways to control it, including the lockout/tags-plus requirements outlined in OSHA standards.

  Also, see Shipboard Electrical Safety.

- Housekeeping Safety. Provides information on preventing safety and health hazards associated with poor housekeeping.

For a complete listing of other OSHA Maritime-related Guidance Documents, see Maritime Guidance Documents.

TOP OSHA CITATIONS FOUND IN SHIPYARD EMPLOYMENT

- Evaluation and fitting of respiratory protection *(1910.134(e)(1) and (f)(2))*
- Guarding of deck openings and edges *(1915.73(d))*
- Joint strain relief for temporary wiring *(1910.305(g)(2)(iii))*
- Securing of unattended electrical cabinets, boxes, and fittings *(1910.305(b)(1)(ii))*
- Written hazard communication program *(1910.1200(e)(1))*
- Machine guarding *(1910.212(a)(1))*

Source: OSHA Information System (OIS), 2011-2018, NAICS 336611

TOP INJURY EVENTS IN SHIPYARD EMPLOYMENT

Fatal events are resulting from:
- Contact with objects and equipment
- Falls to lower level

Nonfatal events are resulting from:
- Slips, trips, and falls
- Contact with objects and equipment
- Struck by or against objects
- Overexertion in lifting or lowering and repetitive motion
- Exposure to harmful substances or environments

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2011-2016, NAICS 336611

This Safe + Sound Week, host activities and events that promote a successful safety and health program. Below are some ideas for how you can get started.

- Implement daily safety talks related to workplace hazards.

- Initiate a safety stand-down, providing classroom training that focuses on the recognition of hazards and hands-on activity (e.g., safety scavenger hunt).

- Form a safety committee made up of workers and management to identify and resolve safety and health concerns.

- Hand out spot rewards/recognition to workers observed working safely, perhaps entering their names for a weekly drawing.

- Record and share messaging from leadership that discusses the importance of safety and health programs in the workplace. Examples/real-life experiences are always helpful.

- Investigate industry injury trends and those in your workplace. Seek help from workers to brainstorm ways to reduce or eliminate causes.

- Compile and share identified best practices for staying safe on the job.

- Implement a weekly wellness challenge. After all, being safe and healthy should be a way of life.

- Post daily messaging related to safety and health and host associated discussions/activities.

- Swap a workplace for a day and inspect another trade/shop's work area.

Visit the Safe + Sound Week webpage to register and view other examples of activities and events that successfully demonstrate the three core elements of safety and health programs: management leadership, worker participation, and finding and fixing hazards.