

# Certification Part I



**Ministry of Labour (MOL)-approved Certification Part 1 training, also known as Basic Certification training,** is the first of a three-part process to attain and maintain Certification status for joint health and safety committee members in Ontario. See the WHSC product sheet entitled, *Certification Training: The Process* for details.

WHSC's *Basic Certification Training* was one of the first to be approved by the MOL. It is applicable to all provincially-regulated workplaces. Participants gain a full understanding of occupational health and safety legislation, including rights and responsibilities of the workplace parties and certified reps in particular. Equally important, participants learn about general hazard control and prevention theory and best practices for administering workplace health and safety policies and programs.

The law mandates this program to be a minimum of three days. Believing this minimum insufficient to ensure all essential learning objectives are met, the WHSC's comprehensive program is delivered over four days.

**WHSC Basic Certification Training** consists of the following modules:

- Introduction
- The Internal Responsibility System
- Understanding the Law
- Employer Responsibilities
- Worker Participation
- Enforcement
- Joint Health & Safety Committees
- The Certified Member
- Human Health
- Health & Safety Policy and Program
- Hazard Identification
- Hazard Assessment
- Hazard Control
- Workplace Inspection
- Workplace Investigation
- Policy and Program Review.

**Note:** Following completion of *Basic Certification Training*, JHSC certification candidates must then complete *Workplace-Specific Hazard Certification Training*, also known as *Certification Part II* within six months of completing *Basic Certification Training*. See WHSC *Certification Part II* product sheets for additional details on our various MOL-approved options.

To maintain certification status, a JHSC member must also complete *Certification Refresher Training* every three years. To meet this need, WHSC is updating our existing program and will be submitting for approval fall 2016.

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