

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

10 Hour Safety Training

Do you want to work? It is a LAW – Section 1. Section 39M of Chapter 30 of the General Laws. “(3) who shall certify that all employees to be employed at the worksite will have successfully completed a course in construction safety and health approved by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration that is at least **10 hours** in duration at the time the employee begins work and who shall furnish documentation of successful completion of said course with the first certified payroll report for each employee;”

***** Being qualified, as an Operating Engineer and having all the proper certificates and licenses will no longer be enough effective AUGUST 2006. *****

Not only is it imperative for you to have this important card but the knowledge that goes along with it. You now have the support of the Legislature that voted for you and your families' safety. You always knew what was safe and what was not but now you have the law on your side to step up and tell your employer.

These are the facts:

- 1) The Training Center has been offering this very important class since 1996. YOUR LOCAL UNION has been offering this to YOU, OUR MEMBERS, FOR 10 YEARS.
- 2) We have excellent speakers trying to make it interesting, incentive awards, and you do not respond. June 2005 OSHA class we had 39 registered, 8 confirmed, only 16 members attended, 11 made a courtesy call to cancel or reschedule and 12 members did not show or call.
- 3) If we need to CANCEL future classes or have the course every other month, do not complain when next August 2006 arrives and you will not be able to work because you have not had this training.
- 4) **IT IS UP TO YOU AS LOCAL 4 MEMBERS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE COURSES BEING OFFERED AT THE ENGINEERS TRAINING CENTER.** We cannot make you come and attend any of the courses that are being offered. Do a little research on your own and see how much a welding class, hoisting license upgrade course or maybe a HAZMAT 40 class would cost you?