

WorkSafeBC You! And the board officer!



Where we're going.....

- We're covering what we think you want but...

What would you like to hear?



A little about the Law

- Our authority comes from the Workers Compensation Act.
- Your rights & responsibilities come from there as well.

WCA – Board Mandate

- Undertake Inspections, Investigations, and inquiries on matters of occupational health and safety and environment.

Jurisdiction of the Board

- **An Officer of the Board is empowered by the WCA to enter any place, vehicle, vessel or mobile equipment.**

Role of the board officer ?

- Inspection
- Consultation
- Education
- Accident/incident Investigation



Inspection Protocol

- An employer and worker representative are entitled to accompany an Officer during an inspection.
 - availability of worker representative.
 - the employer can object, but!

As a result of an Inspection

- The board may make orders.... and require it be carried out immediately or within the time specified.

Stopping Work

- Orders to stop using or supplying unsafe equipment.
- Orders to stop work.
 - workers' wages maintained for up to the next 3 days.

Consultation

- Phone questions
- Engineering services
- Provide guidance
- Certification services

Education not Training

- Who is responsible for training?
- Crew talks
- Public presentations
- Schools

Accident Investigation

- Initial response by the officer
- Depending on seriousness
- Investigation officers

The board officer may be there...

- Injury / Claim
- 3.12
- Action Request

Other reasons for a visit.....

- Invitation
- Observation
- Variance Request
- Discrimination



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Questions?