

The Employers' Adviser



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EAO's New Webinars!

In August, the EAO held two webinar sessions for its new seminar, "Changes to OHS Enforcement", and your feedback told us loud and clear that this method of seminar delivery is most welcome! A third webinar for this topic is scheduled for September 14, with plans for more webinars later in the fall. Check out all our [seminar offerings!](#)

EAO's Quarterly Reports

The EAO's Quarterly Reports are now available on our website! Included in the report is a sampling of our representation files and our service numbers. See our [2016 Quarter 1 Report!](#)



Did you know? Previous issues of the EAO's newsletters and bulletins from 2015 are available on our [website](#) for your reference.



Joint Committees and Other Proposed Regulatory Amendments

WorkSafeBC is holding [public consultations](#) to discuss a number of proposed regulatory amendments. Included in the list are three joint committee regulations stipulating:

- minimum training requirements for joint committee members and worker representatives;
- level of participation in employer investigations; and
- the requirement for an evaluation of joint committee effectiveness.

With respect to the latter, WorkSafeBC is also seeking feedback via email or mail regarding an extensive [draft evaluation tool](#).

Other proposed amendments include new requirements for:

- E-cigarettes
- Storage racks
- Notice of project
- Asbestos, lead, and silica dust

These and the other proposed regulations may significantly impact your operations. We encourage you to review the proposals and **provide feedback by October 7**, or contact the Employers' Advisers Office for more information.