

# Your Association Update - February Activities

Dear Andrew,

Below please find your regular monthly update covering all of the latest activities of the SIAC.

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## SAE Regulations Now in Effect - Still Waiting for Guidance

The new Suspended Access Equipment Regulations went into effect on January 1, 2017, and yes, we are still waiting for the Ministry of Labour's Guidance Document.

The Association has argued that it is impossible for our industry to comply with the new regulations, without properly understanding the intent of the Ministry in the Regulations.

Last month Roger Marsland sent the Ministry of Labour a letter urging them to finalize the Guidance Document. You can view a copy of that letter [HERE](#).

In February, the SIAC received a response to Roger's letter. It explained the Ministry was working on the Guidance Document, but unfortunately did not contain a timeline for when the document could be expected. You can view a copy of that letter [HERE](#).

A copy of the full updated regulations can be found [HERE](#).

## Working at Heights Training Deadline Approaching

All workers who use fall protection on a construction project must complete an approved working at heights training program by April 1, 2017. This includes workers who met the fall protection training requirements of the Construction Projects Regulations prior to April 1, 2015.

You can find a list of approved providers, by clicking [HERE](#).

## Employers

As of April 1, 2015, employers must ensure that certain workers complete a working at heights training program that has been approved by the Chief Prevention Officer (CPO) and delivered by a CPO approved training provider before they can work at heights.

The training requirement is for workers on construction projects who use any of the following methods of fall protection: travel restraint systems, fall restricting systems, fall arrest systems, safety nets and work belts or safety belts.

There has been a two-year transition period for workers who, prior to April 1, 2015, met the fall protection training requirements set out in subsection 26.2(1) of the Construction Projects Regulation. These workers will have until April 1, 2017 to complete an approved working at heights training program.

This training requirement is in the Occupational Health and Safety Awareness and Training Regulation, and is in addition to training requirements under the Construction Regulation.

## Fundraiser for Injured UK Scaffolder a Success!

In January, Roger Marsland notified the membership about a fundraising campaign to support a UK scaffolder who lost both his hands in a tragic accident just before Christmas. Roger encouraged the membership to join him in supporting this family during this very difficult time.

We are happy to report back that this fundraising campaign has been extremely successful. Over 2,600 people have donated, raising over \$106,000. A special thanks to all members who helped in this important cause!

If you would still like to contribute to this campaign, you can do so by clicking [HERE](#).

## Save the Date - Upcoming AGM

The Association is in the process of organizing its Annual General Meeting. More details will follow shortly, but

please save the morning of **Thursday May 4th** for this very important event.

## Summer Magazine Advertising

If you are interested in purchasing advertising for the upcoming summer publication, you can click [HERE](#) to download the 2017 Sales Kit.

You will see in the sales kit that prices for the bulk purchases have increased by 5% over last year and that all Members will receive a 10% discount. In addition, all 2016 advertisers have been grandfathered at existing rates. Please note that our publisher, Media Edge, is handling the sales of advertising on our behalf.

## Call for Magazine Article Topics

The Association is now planning the Summer Issue of Access Canada, working with our new publishing company, Media Edge. Advertising sales are going very well, and the writers are drafting the articles. If you have any ideas about interesting topics the industry would be interested in for this edition, please send them our way by emailing [info@siac-ontario.com](mailto:info@siac-ontario.com)

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