



Loss Control Best Practice

Line of Business: All

Subject: Safety Management - Self-Inspections

Purpose:

The purpose of this best practice is to provide resources to assist with the development and management of safety self-inspection programs.

Routine self-inspections are a critical component of safety programs for all industries including the public sector. Self-inspections are primarily conducted for the following purposes*:

- Identify potential health or safety hazards
- Assess the current status of safety in the workplace;
- Look for opportunities to help improve on current operational procedures
- Provide feedback to employees on good safety practices;
- Raise awareness of health and safety with employees
- Demonstrate visible management and supervisor commitment to safety standards

A key factor when developing and implementing a safety self-inspection program will be to develop forms and standards e.g. frequency of inspections, that will fit the specific needs and exposures within your organization.

The form presented in the resource section of this best practice document is a generic self-inspection form.

Additional Resources and References:

Self-Inspection Checklist - Nonprofit Risk Management Center

<http://www.nonprofitrisk.org/tools/workplace-safety/public-sector/foundation/selfinschk-ps.htm>

***How to Conduct Workplace Health and Safety Inspections - ISQEM**

<http://isqem.wordpress.com/2013/10/26/how-to-conduct-workplace-health-and-safety-inspections/>

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