Master Brewers Safety Toolbox Talk



2023 Brewery Safety Wrap-Up and Preview of 2024

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It is hard to believe that 2023 has come and gone, and we are swiftly moving into 2024. Our MBAA Brewery Safety Committee was very busy during 2023 developing tools and resources for our brewing community. We are looking forward to furthering our work in 2024 and supporting the brewing community with items that can help make your brewery operations safe and productive. There are several items from 2023 that we want to highlight, and a few things we want to share with you regarding the future endeavors of our committee.

OSHA Recordkeeping Posting Requirements

First, our committee wants to remind you of the OSHA recordkeeping requirements. If your brewery had more than 10 employees in 2023, you must post your "signed" OSHA 300A summary log in a prominent place where employees can review it. The following rules apply:

- The log must be fully completed. (If there are no cases to report, you must place "0" in the respective columns.)
- A high-ranking company official must sign the log.
- The log must be posted from February 1, 2024, to April 30, 2024.

Electronic Reporting of Injury/Illness Data

OSHA has instituted changes to the rule that are effective as of January 1, 2024. Establishments with 100 or more employees in certain high-hazard industries must electronically submit information from their Form 300 log of work-related injuries and illnesses, and Form 301 injury and illness incident report. Most breweries are included in NACIS code 312120, which falls under this new requirement.

Electronic reporting of your OSHA Form 300A data for calendar year 2023 is required unless one of the following applies to your business:

- The establishment's peak employment during the previous calendar year was 19 employees or fewer, regardless of the establishment's industry.
- The establishment's industry is on this list, regardless of the size
 of the establishment.
- The establishment had a peak employment between 20 and 249 employees during the previous calendar year and the establishment's industry is not on this list.

Data reporting will begin January 2, 2024. The deadline for electronic reporting is March 2, 2024. You can find links for electronic reporting of injury/illness data on the OSHA website, as well as a host of other great information concerning this topic.

2023 Toolbox Talk Review

During 2023 the Brewery Safety Committee was able to produce a variety of excellent resources for our community to use. The committee produced the following Toolbox Talks in 2023:

Record Keeping Best Practices Hose Storage Grain Handling Ergonomics OSHA Updates

The OSHA Top 10 List showcases the items that OSHA cited most frequently for its fiscal year 2023 ending on September 30, 2023. To review a detailed summary of the OSHA Top 10 visit the Top 10 Most Frequently Cited Standards | Occupational Safety and Health Administration (osha.gov).

Safety Certificate Program

Additionally, we applied for a grant and received \$15,000 to develop a Safety Certificate program. This program will be structured as modules addressing critical topics in the safety arena, such as LOTO and Confined Space Entry & Rescue to name only a couple.

This program will offer training and a certificate program in each of the critical topics.

Looking Ahead to 2024

For 2024 the Brewery Safety Committee will expand on the topics we covered in 2023. We want your input as well. If you have ideas for topics to cover or to expand on, or if you want to contribute to a particular subject, let us know.

We will also be diligently working on the Safety Certificate program and are hoping to have four or five topics rolled out for use, thereby allowing brewers to develop internal subject matter experts on these very important topics.

We will also be working with the Podcast Committee to develop at least two podcasts related to safety.

Thank You! The Brewery Safety Committee wants to thank all our community members who have contributed to our success with publications and requests. We are excited to serve such a great group of breweries. We look forward to serving you further in 2024 and the years beyond. As the committee chair, I would like to send a personal thank you to our wonderful committee members. These men and women have spent numerous hours of their own time researching, brainstorming, and de-

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veloping the documents, tools, and resources that have been published over the last several years. The information this team has given is incredible, without any desire for recognition. It is a true statement of their desire to see our breweries operate safely for all employees and guests alike. Thank you all so very much for your contributions and hard work. I look forward to 2024 being a wonderful year for all of us.

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