



South Louisiana Chapter
New Orleans

NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL, SOUTH LA CHAPTER OCCUPATIONAL AWARDS CONTEST RULES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2009

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Occupational Contest, which was initiated by the South Louisiana Chapter (formerly known as the Metropolitan Safety Council) in 1950, is to give companies a means of comparing their safety record with others participating in this contest. Also, by reason of the competitive instincts of all workers, this contest may create improved employee morale and pride in reducing accidents, injuries and preventable illnesses.

PARTICIPATION

The contest is available to all corporate members of the National Safety Council, South Louisiana Chapter (zip code 70***) whose dues are current at the time of the entry deadline date and who have worked 15,000 or more hours during the contest period. Also, entry is limited to employee count of NSC membership dues.

CONTEST PERIOD / ENTRY DEADLINE

The contest reporting dates are January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Entry forms must be received by Friday, March 5, 2010.

AWARDS PRESENTATION

The awards for the contest will be presented at the 59th Annual Meeting held during the banquet luncheon on **Wednesday, April 7, 2010**. Reservations for the luncheon must be received by Friday, March 5, 2010.

DEFINITION OF LOST WORKDAY CASE

Lost Workday Case is defined by OSHA using the current definition as one on which, because of occupational injury or illness, the employee was away from work. The number of Lost Workday Cases is the number listed on Column (H) of your OSHA 300A. Where any other incident is questionable or disputed, a brief description must be included on the Contest Entry Form under "Comments." The decision of the Occupational Contest Committee shall be final. No attempt will be made by the Contest Committee to measure severity. Only the Lost Workday Incidence Rates will be published.

COMPUTING INCIDENCE RATE

The Incidence Rate gives the number of lost workday cases per 100 full-time workers per year using 200,000 employee hours as the equivalent. The Incidence Rate is computed by multiplying the number of lost workday cases by 200,000 and then dividing by the total hours worked by all employees. Use the Contest Entry Form to compute the Incidence Rate.

OCCUPATIONAL CONTEST DIVISIONS

The Occupational Awards will be divided into the following nine divisions by total hours worked by all employees during the contest period: 15,000-30,000 hours; 30,000-50,000 hours; 50,000-100,000 hours; 100,000-250,000 hours; 250,000-500,000 hours; 500,000-1,000,000 hours; 1,000,000-2,000,000 hours; 2,000,000-4,000,000 hours; over 4,000,000 hours.

AWARDS LEVELS

There are two award levels: Award of Honor and Award of Merit. In order to qualify, the incidence rate must be less than the composite average of all participants. The Award of Honor will be presented to the company with the lowest incidence rate in each division, if under the composite average. An Award of Merit will be presented to each company with an incidence rate between the lowest in each division and the composite average of all participants. Those participants with incidence rates higher than the average of all participants will receive a Certificate of Participation.

NOTE: These rules may be revised at any time by the Occupational Safety Contest Committee.