



NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL, SOUTH LA CHAPTER OCCUPATIONAL AWARDS CONTEST RULES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011

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 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, 2011 through December 31, 2011. Entry forms must be received by Friday, March 2, 2012.

AWARDS PRESENTATION

The awards for the contest will be presented at the 61st Annual Meeting held during the banquet luncheon on **Wednesday, April 4, 2012**. Reservations for the luncheon must be received by Friday, March 2, 2012. There is no charge to enter the contest, however at least one ticket to the 4/4/12 event will be required for entry submission.

DEFINITION OF TOTAL OSHA RECORDABLES*

OSHA recordable cases are defined in 29CFR1904 and listed on OSHA Form 300 for the calendar year of 2011. *The total number of OSHA recordable cases will be used to calculate the Incidence Rate for contest purposes. This is a change from Occupational Contests of previous years, where only the lost workday cases were used.

COMPUTING INCIDENCE RATE

The Incidence Rate gives the number of total OSHA recordable 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 OSHA recordable 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.