

EVERYONE

is responsible for workplace

HEALTH and SAFETY

Even if the workplace is a car, truck or big rig

Vehicle collisions are a leading cause of worker deaths. Whether you're an employer, supervisor, driver or other worker, make sure you know your health and safety responsibilities.

Employer responsibilities

- Establish and maintain a health and safety program that addresses driver, trip, load and vehicle risk factors
- Ensure that drivers and other workers have the safety training they need
- Support the safety activities of supervisors, workers and joint committees
- Remedy unsafe conditions and take action when someone tells you about a hazardous situation
- Investigate workplace incidents; report serious accidents to WorkSafeBC
- Provide first-aid services and necessary personal protective equipment

Supervisor responsibilities

- Ensure the safety of drivers and other workers you supervise
- Instruct drivers and other workers in safe work procedures
- Make sure that only authorized personnel operate equipment
- Correct unsafe acts and conditions
- Young and new workers are at higher risk for injuries — make sure they receive comprehensive training and supervise them closely

Driver/Worker responsibilities and rights

- Protect yourself and other workers — follow the safety rules at your workplace
- Don't work impaired
- Use personal protective equipment when and where required
- Don't assume you can do a task you've never done before — ask your supervisor or employer to show you how
- Immediately report unsafe conditions. Report any injury to a first-aid attendant or supervisor
- You have the right to refuse work that you think is unsafe
- Get involved — make safety suggestions to your supervisor or local committee