

Work environment

– Horticulture safety package

Induction training >

This bulletin outlines some simple safety guidelines for those working in the horticultural industry and is one of a series on Horticultural Industry Safety.

Workers need to have information about:

- The company employing them
- The companies expectations of its workers
- The type of work they will be doing
- Domestic issues (toilets/showers/eating area/first aid)

Employers need to be aware of the following:

- New workers are often unaware of the risks associated with employment and are more likely to suffer injuries
- Also in this category are seasonal workers, workers from labour hire companies and long-term workers transferred to a new location and or different job.
- Two other situations which can lead to accidents are:
 - > New workers pushing themselves to impress their employer
 - > Workers on repetitious tasks who become despondent or over confident



Induction training should cover:

- Introduction to supervisory staff
- Hours of work and location of amenities (toilets/showers/eating area)
- Location of first aid kits/posts and identity of first aid officer/s and need to report accidents
- Emergency Procedures in case of accidents and/or fire
- Training in work systems and use of equipment/plant
- Ensuring workers have the relevant license as required
- Workers responsibility to work in a safe manner for their own health and that of others

Relevant and ongoing induction training means a safe, healthy, happy and productive enterprise.

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