



AgSafe offers an educational program that will assist you in improving workplace health and safety, reduce the high costs associated with workplace injuries and illnesses and comply with Cal/OSHA requirements. An effective injury and illness prevention program (IIPP) will enable you to take control of safety and the costs of workers' compensation. Our goal is to provide the safety professional with the knowledge and skills needed to have an effective injury and illness prevention program. With this in mind, the California Agricultural Safety Certificate Program offers a series of courses that provides the essential foundation for the safety professional.



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CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURAL SAFETY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The Program

The program consists of twenty hours of training which includes both required and elective courses and a roundtable discussion. The four required courses provide twelve hours of instruction. To complete the program, four hours of elective classes must be completed, followed by participation in a roundtable discussion session.

Those who complete the program will be recognized at the annual AgSafe Conference and will receive a Certificate of Completion issued jointly by AgSafe and the Ag Safety Institute at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, the Center for Agricultural Business at California State University, Fresno, and the University of California, Center for Occupational and Environmental Health.

For more information, please visit our website or contact the AgSafe office at (559) 278-4404.

Required Courses

- 101 Safety Laws & Regulations
 - 102 Developing & Maintaining an Effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program
 - 103 Hazard Identification and Control
 - 104 Effective Safety Training
- Elective Classes
- 105 Roundtable Discussion Session
(*elective requirement must be fulfilled before taking 105.)

Please see below for a complete description of each of the courses.

What if I Have Already Taken Some of the Courses?

If you have already taken some of the courses, you have received credit for them. Please contact the AgSafe office to see which courses you need to take in order to complete the program and receive your certificate.

Where are the Classes Held and When are They Offered?

Courses are offered at various locations within California throughout the year.

Courses are also offered at the annual AgSafe Conference. For the most current information on upcoming classes check the AgSafe website.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Course 101: Safety Laws and Regulations

This course will provide you with an overview of the current regulations that affect workplace safety in California agriculture. The course will:

- Review the key California agricultural safety regulations
- Help you identify the regulations that are relevant to your operation
- Show you how to access the regulations online
- 3 hour class

Course 102: Developing and Maintaining an Effective IIPP

Your Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) is the backbone of your company's safety program. The purpose of this course is to provide:

- An understanding of the eight essential elements of an IIPP
- General guidelines for developing, improving, implementing, and maintaining your IIPP
- Guidance for developing an effective safety program or making sure that your current IIPP works for your operation
- The information you need to implement your IIPP and improve safety at your workplace
- 3 hour class

Course 103: Hazard Identification and Control

To improve the safety of your operation, you must identify workplace hazards and learn how to eliminate or control these hazards in order to avoid tragic and costly injuries. This course will provide guidelines for:

- Identifying and evaluating workplace hazards
- Investigating safety incidents at the workplace
- Correcting unsafe and unhealthy work conditions
- Enforcing workplace safety
- 3 hour class

Course 104: Effective Safety Training

A safe workplace depends largely on training your employees how to work safely. This course offers:

- An understanding of the need for and value of safety training
- Techniques for overcoming the potential barriers to effective training
- Ways to ensure that the training you provide is effective
- The tools for identifying the topics you need to include in your safety training sessions
- 3 hour class

Course 105: Roundtable Discussion Session

Upon completion of the coursework, you will be required to participate in a roundtable discussion session designed to allow for discussion of how the information learned through the coursework was used, or could be used to enhance the company's safety program.

- 4 hour class

Elective Requirement

You can choose from a variety of approved classes to complete your elective coursework. If you are already enrolled in the certificate program, you will be notified when approved electives are being offered throughout the year.

- 4 hour class



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