

AUGUST 2024 MONTH IN REVIEW

Manitoba

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OHS Enforcement

Jul 15: Since April 1, 2024, Manitoba has carried out 1,789 WSH inspections, resulting in the issuance of 141 Stop Work Orders and 3,439 Improvement Orders. There were also 5 reported OHS work refusals and 15 alleged reprisals.

Action Point: Find out how to implement an [OHS inspections policy](#) in case inspectors show up at your door.

Transportation Safety

Jul 24: Manitoba implemented an electronic pre-clearance program enabling heavy commercial trucks to bypass inspection stations, provided that: i. the driver, truck, and carrier have the required credentials; or ii. the truck meets legal weight limits and has no visually apparent vehicle or cargo security defects; or iii. the carrier has a safe operating record.

New Laws

Aug 9: Manitoba announced that it's investing \$20.4 million on construction projects to repair dikes and dams across the province, including rehabilitation of the Carman Dam, Cox Drain, and dikes along the Assiniboine River between Portage la Prairie and Baie St. Paul.

CASES

Material Handling: Machinery Plant Fined \$25,000 for Tire Stacking Mishap

A machinery plant worker suffered back and neck fractures after getting crushed by the tire of a heavy-duty earth-moving scraper that tipped over while it was being loaded. The plant was fined \$25,000 for not implementing work procedures to perform the operation safely [*K-Tec Earthmovers Inc.*, [Govt. News Release](#), July 19, 2024].

Action Point: Use the resources on the OHS Insider Material Handling [Compliance Center](#) to prevent injuries and violations at your workplace.