

JULY 2023 MONTH IN REVIEW

Northwest Territories

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fire Safety

May 1: [Bill 67](#), which amends the *Fire Prevention Act* to prevent money damages lawsuits against fire officials, authorizes the Fire Marshal to delegate their duties and powers and creates a new process for appealing the Fire Marshal's plan review orders, officially took effect.

Action Point: Go to the [OHSI Fire Safety Compliance centre](#) for resources you can use to prevent fires and explosions at your workplace

Transportation Safety

Jun 1: Proposed changes to *Hours of Service Regulations* (under the *Motor Vehicles Act*) require commercial vehicles weighing 4,500 kilograms or more to use Electronic Logging Devices (ELDs) when operating in the Northwest Territories, as opposed to paper mileage driven logs required under current rules. Exemptions apply to vehicles of 11,794 kg or less driven only in NWT.

Workplace Violence

May 24: The federal government announced that it will provide \$500,000 in additional funding to support gender-based violence hotline services across the territories through March 2026.

Action Point: Implement a [workplace violence and harassment compliance game plan](#) at your site