

OCTOBER 2024 MONTH IN REVIEW

Manitoba

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OHS Enforcement

Sep 30: Since April 1, 2024, Manitoba has carried out 3,063 WSH inspections, resulting in the issuance of 251 Stop Work Orders and 5,843 Improvement Orders. There were also 7 reported OHS work refusals and 30 alleged reprisals.

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

New Laws

Sep 24: Manitoba plans to expand breast cancer screening utilization by progressively reducing the age for self-referrals from 50 to 40, starting with a commitment to get to age 45 by the end of 2025. The addition of breast screening clinics and staffing will nearly double the breast screening program's capacity to over 80,000 screening mammograms per year.

New Laws

Oct 3: Second Reading for [Bill 16](#), a reform bill that would require the Manitoba provincial government to publish an annual report on all of its regulatory accountability initiatives during the year.

Workplace Violence

Oct 10: The Manitoba Assembly tabled [Bill 39](#) banning sale of machetes and other long-bladed weapons to anyone under age 18. *The Long-Bladed Weapon Control Act* would also require retailers to collect photo ID from purchasers and maintain records on each purchase for at least 2 years.

Action Point: Find out how to implement an effective [Workplace Violence and Harassment Compliance Game Plan](#) at your site.