

# Prince Edward Island

## LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Respiratory Protection

Nov 8: The Prince Edward Island WCB issued [new guidance](#) to help employers train workers about the dangers of breathing in silica dust, including the risks of developing silicosis, lung cancer, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Silica dust has also been linked to kidney disease and tuberculosis and other cancers.

**Action Point:** Find out how to implement a compliant [Respiratory Protection Policy](#) at your workplace.

### Transportation Safety

Nov 1: As a thank you for their service, PEI is now allowing retired volunteer firefighters with at least 15 years of service to renew their driver's license and register and receive license plates for 2 vehicles without having to pay the normal fees.

### Drugs & Alcohol

Nov 6: The federal government proposed [regulations](#) that allow PEI to participate in the new national coordinated system of excise taxes on vaping products. This means that PEI will be allowed to impose additional duties on vaping products manufactured in or imported into Canada at the federal rate, starting in 2025.

**Action Point:** Use the [OHS Insider Substance Abuse Compliance Game Plan](#) to curb drugs and alcohol at your workplace.

### Environmental

Nov 6: PEI rolled out a new [strategy](#) to help the all-important seafood sector adjust to climate change. Recommended measures include establishing a climate impact monitoring program and database, implementing a seafood industry resilience program, and continued support for Broodstock programs and shellfish operations.