

Manitoba

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OHS Enforcement

Sep 28: Since April 1, 2025, Manitoba has carried out 3,773 WSH inspections, resulting in the issuance of 315 Stop Work Orders and 7,461 Individual Improvement Orders. There were also 4 reported OHS work refusals and 37 alleged reprisals.

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

Transportation Safety

Oct 6: Newly tabled [Bill 49](#) would amend *The Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation Act* to clarify that any discount from a premium payable to insure a vehicle must be based on the driver safety rating of the registered owner of the vehicle, subject to exceptions that would have to be specified in the regulations.

New Laws

Sep 16: The province signed a new contract, its first Manitoba jobs agreement (MJA), with Manitoba Building Trades for the construction of 4 new schools. The MJA will apply to all contractors and workers involved in the school construction projects to be carried out in the Devonshire Park and Prairie Pointe neighbourhoods of Winnipeg, West St. Paul, and Brandon.

Drugs & Alcohol

Oct 9: Second Reading for [Bill 48](#) allowing the police to detain intoxicated persons who pose a danger in public places for up to 72 hours, the length of a meth psychosis, for their own protection. Individuals who are still intoxicated after 24 hours in a protective care centre must be assessed by a health care professional.

Action Point: Find out how to create a legally sound [Substance Abuse & Fitness Duty for Policy](#) at your workplace.

Workers' Comp

Sep 29: Manitoba appointed 4 individuals to the *Workers Compensation Act* legislative review committee, which is legally required to conduct a comprehensive review of the legislation at least every 10 years. The review is expected to take approximately 16 months, with the report to be delivered by Dec. 31, 2026.

Environmental

Oct 6: Manitoba published an ambitious new ["Path to Net Zero" plan](#) for building a low-carbon economy and achieving net-zero emissions by 2050. Key initiatives include partnering with Indigenous nations on clean energy, transitioning Manitoba's electricity grid to net zero by 2035, expanding renewable energy generation and smart grid technology, building EV charging infrastructure across the province, supporting low-emission building practices and retrofits, and advancing sustainable agriculture programs and waste diversion strategies.