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CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC CONTROLLER - FLAGGER

OSHA Construction Traffic Controller
Course: Hours Instruction
Hours: Class Room
Hours: Field Instruction

Regulation 1926.21(b)(2)
Prerequisites:
Fee:
CE Credits:

Every year millions of Americans experience road construction at some point. We've all seen the trucks, the "stop" and "slow" signs and waited for the wave to pass safely through a construction zone. Your local Construction Traffic Controller works to save lives, control or re-route traffic and to reduce liability in cities, counties and for contractors and project owners. Traffic Controllers safely warn, guide and separate the motorist, pedestrian and construction workers.

"Flaggers" (traffic control specialists) are exposed to a high-risk work environment every day. It's called the American transportation infrastructure. Many factors create a natural dangerous environment for flaggers, but there are many other unpredictable elements that are cause for heightened awareness and concern for personal safety.

Work zones are used to move traffic in an approved direction and are typically identified by signs, cones, barrels, and barriers. There must be a traffic control plan for the movement of vehicles so that drivers, workers on foot, and pedestrians are able to see and understand the routes they are to follow, all under the direction of the Construction Project Manager.

Who Should Take This Course:

- Construction Project Manager
- Flagger
- Equipment operators
- Signal Persons

Course Objectives:

- Identify the importance of proper work methods, physical fitness, professionalism, and clothing regulations
- Identify the signs, barriers, flags, STOP/SLOW paddle, and lights employees use at the work site
- Recognize where to position himself/herself for optimum safety, how to judge traffic speed and congestion, and regulate it accordingly
- State common methods to communicate with other flaggers and the public
- Recognize the various types of warning signs, channeling devices, and tapers and how they are set up
- Identify the special equipment and precautions associated with night and freeway flagging
- Learn to use the universal hand signals to communicate with drivers
- Learn to deal with hostile drivers

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General Guidelines:

- Barriers, Signs, and Lights
- Regulating Traffic
- Flagger Review
- Flagger Stations
- Flagger Techniques
- Flagger Communication
- Setting Up Methods of Traffic Control
- Special Cases

Flagger workers should be able to satisfactorily demonstrate the ability to:

- Receive and communicate specific instructions clearly, firmly and courteously
- Move and maneuver quickly in order to avoid danger from errant vehicles
- Control signaling devices (such as paddles and flags) in order to provide clear and positive guidance to drivers approaching a temporary traffic control (TTC) zone in frequently changing situations
- Understand and apply safe traffic control practices, sometimes in stressful or emergency situations
- Recognize dangerous traffic situations and warn workers in sufficient time to avoid injury

United Safety Solutions Course Covers:

- Principles of Traffic Control Devices
- Fundamental Principles of Temporary Traffic Control
- Temporary Traffic Control Zones
- Summary-Lane Closure on a Multi-lane Road
- Lane Closure on a Two-Lane, Two-Way Road Using Flaggers
- Summary - Lane Closure on a Two-Lane, Two-Way Road
- Pedestrian and Worker Safety
- Worker Safety Apparel Signs
- Barricades
- Channelizing Devices
- Pavement Markings
- Arrow Panels
- Portable Changeable Message Signs
- Typical Applications
- Traffic Incident Management Areas
- Warning garments (reflectorized vests, jackets or shirts in accordance with ANSI)

Certification:

Successful completion requires 80% on both classroom and practical skills.

Upon successful completion, participants receive a wallet card, documentation to satisfy OSHA.