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#### **URGENT - PLEASE RESPOND IMMEDIATELY**

Chemical Spill Response Training for Commonwealth of Virginia - City and County Government Employees

Please review the attached information for an upcoming training class to be held on August 1st (Roanoke Area), August 3rd (Culpeper Area), and August 5<sup>th</sup> (Richmond Area).

NEWS FLASH: In Virginia alone, EPA reported inspections at 878 city and county facilities in the last three years. <u>Including a \$207,000 fine at a county facility in December 2021!</u> Are you ready for an inspection?

Training is now required by OSHA and EPA for all state and local government employees that are expected to respond to a chemical spill. This class is especially important for employees at the following locations due to the chemicals they routinely handle:

Public Works Employees - Fuel products, anti-freeze, parts cleaners, paints and solvents

Parks and Recreation Employees - Pesticide products, fuel products, paints and solvents

Highway Maintenance Employees - Paints and solvents, herbicides, and fuel products

Water and Wastewater Treatment Employees - Chlorine (both gas and liquified), Propane

Mosquito Control - Pesticide products, fuel products Solid Waste/Sanitation Employees - Discarded chemical containers, unknown products

This class is only offered once per year. More than 100 City and County agencies in Virginia have sent their employees to this class in the past.

This class meets OSHA, EPA, and DOT training standards. This class is also eligible for Continuing Education hours for many licenses, including water and wastewater license holders.

Payment <u>is not</u> required prior to attending, but you must register in advance.

Note: If you have at least 20 persons attending, we can hold the training at your own facility for a substantial discount. Call for details at (863) 232-2910.

The registration fee for the course is \$150 per employee, four or more employees are \$125 each. Fee includes all textbooks and other course materials. Payment may be made by government purchase order, check, or credit card.

Register on-line by going to sigmatrainingservices.com or click on the link: sigmatrainingservices.com

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# Virginia - City and County Employees Chemical Spill Response Training

It's not a matter of if a chemical spill is going to occur, it's just a matter of when! Chemical handling is a requirement for many jobs in government service. From the variety of paints, solvents, and pesticides, to the fuel products we use everyday. Think about the products we transport on public highways. Even the gasoline or diesel fuel in your vehicle may become spilled in a traffic accident. Part of being a good manager is making sure things go right on the job, and being prepared in case they don't.

This class is also eligible for **Continuing Education hours** for many licenses, including water and wastewater license holders.

Also satisfies annual refresher requirement for other Hazmat training.

#### Do you know the rules?

Last year alone, there were over 33,000 spills large enough to require reporting to the federal government. Failure to make the necessary notifications can result in substantial fines. Fuel products require reporting in some situations if only one drop is spilled. Do you know what they

A school employee was awarded \$289 million for exposure to chemicals on the job. Do you know what protective gear is required?

An employee placed a zip tie on a fuel dispenser handle, resulting in a \$500,000 cleanup and \$90,000 fine. Do you know the rules that apply?

EPA issued a \$66,000 fine for simply not reporting a chlorine leak. Do you know when you have to notify authorities?

OSHA and EPA strictly regulates who can respond to chemical releases. Without spill response training, your employees will not be allowed to assist you in cleaning up a chemical spill.

The majority of all spills are less than 50 gallons, yet may cost \$10,000 or more to clean up when using an environmental contractor. Most cities and counties have all the necessary equipment, but employees must have the proper training.

Trained employees can respond in a matter of minutes, instead of hours that most environmental contractors require to get to your site.

Sigma Consulting and Training, Inc., is offering chemical spill response training in your area to prepare your employees to respond to an emergency. The training satisfies the OSHA requirements for emergency responders, and includes eight hours of training covering: Spill response procedures, decontamination, personal protective equipment, respiratory protection, chemical storage and handling, and more.

Registration fee for the course is \$150 per employee, four or more employees are \$125 each. This includes textbooks, DOT emergency response handbook, and handout materials. Laminated wallet card and certificate of training will be provided after the course.

The course instructor is a nationally recognized speaker and has trained employees from more than 300 companies, along with federal, state, and local agencies. These include the U.S. Army and Navy, Kennedy Space Center, and U.S. Dept. of Justice. The instructor also meets "Master Trainer" qualifications with the U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security.

#### Roanoke Area

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 Holiday Inn 3315 Ordway Drive Roanoke

### **Culpeper Area**

August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 Best Western Inn 791 Madison Road Culpeper

#### Richmond Area

August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Comfort Inn & Suites 10601 Telegraph Road Glen Allen

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A confirmation will be sent to you upon receipt of your registration.



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## **Fax Registration Form**

Course Title: Chemical Spill Response Training Location: Roanoke Area Culpeper Area **Richmond Area** Best Western Inn Holiday Inn Comfort Inn & Suites 3315 Ordway Drive 791 Madison Road 10601 Telegraph Road Roanoke VA 24017 Glen Allen, VA 23059 Culpeper, VA 22701 **Directions/Hotel** Reservations: (540) 362-4500 (540) 825-1253 (804) 262-2000 Date of Course: ( ) Roanoke Area ( ) Culpeper Area () Richmond Area (Please select) August1st, 2022 August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Fee: \$150 per person, 4 or more \$125 each. **Class Time:** 8:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m. Indicate number attending: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please provide names if known in advance). Agency & Dept: Names of Attendees: Business Mailing Address: Telephone: Fax: e-mail: Please indicate payment method: Check Purchase Order Credit Card Payment does not have to be received prior to attending the class. Name (as it appears on the card) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Circle one: Visa MC AMEX Credit Card Number: \_\_\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_ Credit Card Billing Address:\_\_\_\_ \_\_ State:\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code:\_\_\_\_ (must match the billing address and zip code on your credit card statement) \_\_\_\_Amount:\$\_\_\_\_\_\_Signature:\_ \*Security Code found on front of AX (4 digits over last 4 numbers) and back of MC/VISA (last three digits by signature)

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(Please forward a copy of your purchase order when completed)

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