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| Please forward to: | Public Works | Highway Maintenance |
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URGENT - PLEASE RESPOND IMMEDIATELY

Chemical Spill Response Training for

State of Arkansas - City and County Government Employees

Please review the attached information for an upcoming training class to be held on October 16th (West Memphis Area), October 17th (Little Rock Area), and for those in South Arkansas, Dec 3rd (West Monroe, LA).

NEWS FLASH: EPA currently lists 277 violations at city and county facilities in Arkansas, including a \$16,000 fine at a city wastewater plant. 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 the following employees:

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

The registration fee for the course is \$160 per employee, four or more employees are \$135 each. Fee includes all textbooks and other course materials. Payment may be made by government purchase order, check, or credit card.

If you have any questions call Sigma Consulting and Training, Inc. at (863) 232-2910 or e-mail: info@sigmatrainingservices.com

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

This class meets OSHA, EPA, and DOT training standards. Approved by the Arkansas Dept. of Health for 8 hours of renewal training for Water Operator Licenses, and by the Arkansas Dept. of Env. Quality for persons with Wastewater Operator Licenses. (The West Monroe class does receive Arkansas credit hours)

Payment is not 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.

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

Arkansas - 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.

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 \$160 per employee, four or more employees are \$135 each. This includes textbooks 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.

Approved by both the Arkansas Dept. of Health and Arkansas Dept. of Environmental Quality for 8 hours of Renewal Training hours for 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 are?

Learn the source of the Camp Lejeune water contamination. Could the same happen at your facility?

In 2023, a city wastewater plant employee was sentenced to a year in prison for making false statements during a state inspection. Do you know the rules that apply to you?

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.

W. Memphis Area

October 16th, 2024
LaQuinta Inn
1550 North 6th Street
West Memphis

Little Rock Area

October 17th, 2024
Hampton Inn
307 Office Park Drive
Bryant

South Arkansas Area

December 3rd, 2024
Hampton Inn
601 Mane Street
West Monroe, LA

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To register by fax: Complete and return fax the attached registration form to (888) 350-1506.
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

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| Location: | W. Memphis Area LaQuinta Inn 1550 North 6th Street W. Memphis, AR 72301 | Little Rock Area Hampton Inn 307 Office Park Drive Bryant, AR 72022 | South Arkansas Area Hampton Inn 601 Mane Street West Monroe, LA 71292 |
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| Directions/Hotel Reservations: | (870) 551-4453 | (501) 847-3200 | (318) 938-2800 |
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| Date of Course: (Please select) | () W. Memphis Area October 16 th , 2024 | () Little Rock Area October 17 th , 2024 | () South Arkansas Area December 3 rd , 2024 |
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Fee: \$160 per person, 4 or more \$135 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: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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.

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

Cancellations received at least three days prior to the class will receive a 100% refund. No refunds less than three days prior to class. Class size is limited.....You must register in advance to secure your seat in the class!