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URGENT - PLEASE RESPOND IMMEDIATELY

Chemical Spill Response Training for State of South Carolina - City and County Government Employees

Please review the attached information for an upcoming training class to be held on April 21st (Anderson Area), April 22nd (Greenville Area), April 23rd (Columbia Area), and April 24th (Charleston Area).

NEWS FLASH: EPA reported inspections at 402 city and county facilities in South Carolina in the last three years. Including a \$14,000 fine at a city wastewater plant in 2024. 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

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 purchase order, check, or credit card.

This class is only offered once per year. More than 100 city and government agencies in South Carolina have sent their employees in the past.

This class meets OSHA, EPA, and DOT training standards. Also approved for Continuing Education by the State of South Carolina for Water and Wastewater Operators and by the Clemson University Dept. of Pesticide Regulation for licensed Pesticide Applicators.

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

Note: If you have at least 25 persons attending, we can hold the training at your own facility for a substantial discount. Call for details at (863) 232-2910.

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

South Carolina - 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.*

Approved by the State of South Carolina for Continuing Education for Water and Wastewater Operators and by the Clemson University Dept. of Pesticide Regulation for licensed Pesticide Applicators.

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. <u>Fuel products require reporting in some situations if only one drop is spilled</u>. 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 employ was sentenced to a year in prison for making false statements during a state inspecton. 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 25 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 <u>must</u> 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 \$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.

Anderson Area

Greenville Area Columbia Area Charleston Area

April 21st, 2025 Anderson County Eco. Dev. 1428 Pearman Dairy Rd. Anderson

April 22nd, 2025 Hampton Inn 108 Spartangreen Blvd. Duncan

April 23rd, 2025 Hilton Garden Inn 434 Columbiana Dr Columbia April 24th, 2025 Hilton Garden Inn 5265 International Blvd. North Charleston

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

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Fax Registration Form

Course Title:	Chemical Spill Response Training			
Locations:	Anderson Area Anderson County Eco. Dev. 1428 Pearman Dairy Rd. Anderson, SC 29625	Greenville Area Hampton Inn 108 Spartangreen Blvd. Duncan, SC 29334	Columbia Area Hilton Garden Inn 434 Columbiana Dr. Columbia, SC 29212	Charleston Area Hilton Garden Inn 5265 International Blvd. N. Charleston, SC 29418
Directions/Hotel Reservations:	(864) 260-4386	(864) 486-8100	(803) 407-6640	(843) 308-9330
Date of Course (Please select)	()Anderson Area April 21st, 2025	()Greenville Area April 22nd, 2025	()Columbia Area April 23rd, 2025	()Charleston Area April 24th, 2025
Fee: \$16	60 per person, 4 or more	\$135 each. Class T	ime: 8:00 a.m to 5:	00 p.m.
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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!

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