

Central Classes

Be a WorkSafe Champion

The WorkSafe Champions program gives participants a strong foundation of knowledge to develop and implement a workplace safety culture. The curriculum provides safety information and tools that participants must use to graduate from the course.

The WorkSafe Champions Central Class of 2022 is set to begin in September 2021. This course is open to all Montana businesses, you do not have to be a Montana State Fund policyholder. The only prerequisite is a signed agreement that your organization is committed to the program

The WorkSafe Champions Central Class will be offered in nine locations around the state

Billings	Glasgow	Kalispell
Bozeman	Great Falls	Miles City
Butte	Helena	Missoula

Why Commit

- Only one employee from a business needs to participate.
- It is an opportunity for participants to interact and network with other businesses in their area.
- The maximum class size for each location is 15 participants. Priority will be given to policyholders.

Class Schedule

Class participants will meet five times between September 2021 to September 2022 (once a quarter), this is roughly 20 hours of classroom time covering eight modules. (The dates and locations are listed at the bottom of this document) At each session, approximately one to two modules will be addressed depending on the amount of discussion and participation. A graduation celebration will take place during the final meeting.

Course Curriculum

Module 1 – Introduction to Workers’ Compensation

Module 2 – Claims Management

Module 3 – Motivating

Module 4 – Culture

Module 5 – Hazard Management & Training

Module 6 – Incident Management

Module 7 – Regulatory Compliance

Module 8 – We Are the Champions

Course Requirements

The course curriculum mirrors that of the WorkSafe Champion Onsite Class format. The commitment agreement provides an outline of the expectations between the business and Montana State Fund.

MSF can accept one or more participants per business. At least one of the participants needs to influence safety within their organization. If the company already employs a WSC graduate with a safety influence on staff, a participant can be accepted without authority confirmation. Attendance is necessary to graduate, and participants can only miss one course session. In case of inclement weather or other situations, the MSF instructor can offer a make-up opportunity at their discretion and availability.

To graduate the participants must accomplish the following within 6 to 12 months:

- Meet the attendance requirements
- Complete the eight modules
- Conduct a workplace assessment of their workplace
- Create a safety action plan
- Act on the plan and document the progress (Submitted to MSF)

If you are interested, please contact Kirk Smith at kirksmith@safemt.gov.



2022 Tentative Schedule

This schedule is dependent on getting enough participants per location.
Classes start September 2021.

Billings	Bozeman	Butte
Location: Hampton Inn (West I90)	Location: BW GranTree Inn	Location: La Quinta Inn
Dates: September 17, 2021 December 10, 2021 March 11, 2022 June 10, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)	Dates: September 21, 2021 December 1, 2021 March 15, 2022 June 14, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)	Dates: September 8, 2021 December 14, 2021 March 2, 2022 June 1, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)
Times: 1-5 pm	Times: 1-5 pm	Times: 1-5 pm
Glasgow	Great Falls	Helena
Location: Cottonwood Inn	Location: Holiday Inn	Location: Holiday Inn Express
Dates: September 15, 2021 December 8, 2021 March 9, 2022 June 8, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)	Dates: September 10, 2021 December 3, 2021 March 4, 2022 June 3, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)	Dates: September 9, 2021 December 2, 2021 March 3, 2022 June 2, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)
Times: 1-5 pm	Times: 1-5 pm	Times: 1-5 pm
Kalispell	Miles City	Missoula
Location: Hampton Inn	Location: Sleep Inn & Suites	Location: BW Grant Creek Inn
Dates: September 23, 2021 December 16, 2021 March 17, 2022 June 16, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)	Dates: September 16, 2021 December 9, 2021 March 10, 2022 June 9, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)	Dates: September 24, 2021 December 17, 2021 March 18, 2022 June 17, 2022 September 2022 (Date TBD)
Times: 1-5 pm	Times: 1-5 pm	Times: 1-5 pm