



SAFETY BLITZES

Please be aware that there are two Ministry of Labour safety blitzes in effect right now:

NEW AND YOUNG WORKERS

May 1, 2017 to August 31, 2017

Ministry inspectors may interview new and young workers to determine the level of orientation and safety training they receive and whether or not they have been mentored and received ongoing on-site safety instructions.

SUPERVISOR AWARENESS & ACCOUNTABILITY

June 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017

This will focus on documentation of Orientations, Safety Talks, Hazard Identification, appointing of H&S Reps and H&S Committee Meetings along with Mandatory Signage, Safety Signage around the site, use of Hazard Controls and general compliance to the OH&S Act & Regulations



MERIT JERSEY OF COURAGE TOUR

June 2017

Safety week 2017 marked our first Jersey of Courage Tour. The jersey visited all 11 active Merit jobsites and the Niagara Construction Association Safety Awareness Day, which was held at the Niagara Catholic School Board's Launch Centre in Welland.

Throughout the week, 14 presentations were made by our Health & Safety Manager, Michael Souchette, about the League of Champions and the commitment to safety that it represents. The interest shown by the workers and their positive comments were very gratifying. In total, 99 signatures were placed on the Jersey of Courage.

This effort will only be considered a success if we have achieved a higher level of safety awareness and a greater commitment to safety by our staff and our subcontractors.

It is important to note that Merit joined the League of Champions in April of 2016 and was the 9th company to commit to this new initiative.

In the year since, the number of member companies has increased to 48 along with 14 patron companies.



It is our intent to use the Jersey of Courage regularly in our future safety activities.



For more information on the program, please visit... <http://mysafework.com/the-jersey-of-courage>