

## Industrial Safety and Health Associates, LLC

### WHY MAKE AUDITS and INSPECTIONS?

An essential tool for the safety and health of your employees and ensuring compliance with OSHA regulations is through utilization of our expert Audit & Inspection process. **ISHA** has 40-plus years of experience involving safety and health requirements, and will use our knowledge to compliment your companies process, production, and quality. Key benefits of implementing this program within your facility include:

- Help identify safety and health issues and give you the opportunity to correct them before they result in accidents.
- Visually demonstrates your commitment to the safety and health of your employees.
- Constructively engage with staff regarding safety and health matters and build a world class safety and health culture.

• Provides confirmation that all the elements of your Safety and Health Management System are working as you expect.

# WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN AUDIT & INSPECTION?

An inspection is a tour of the workplace to identify unsafe acts or conditions. At their best, they will involve discussions with the workforce to understand and correct the root causes of the unsafe acts and conditions. In this way, you will avoid the same unsafe condition, for example "fire escape blocked by materials" being observed again and again.

An audit is a more in-depth survey of one, or a number of, aspects of the Safety Management System. The audit will follow document trails, check the understanding of the workforce and look for evidence to demonstrate whether or not the safety management system is functioning properly and the guidelines given in Safety and Health policies and procedures are being met.



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### WHAT DO I NEED FOR AN AUDIT / INSPECTION PROGRAM?

There are a large number of audit and inspection schemes in use. Some are highly structured, others are more free flowing. They may build in some form of rating system either qualitative or quantitative. Each will have its own advantages and shortcomings. The choice depends on the type of business and the expertise available amongst the auditors and inspectors.

Whatever systems are used, they will require a degree of skill and knowledge amongst the auditors and inspectors and commitment from you to maintain an agreed upon schedule and completed corrective actions.



#### WE CAN HELP!

**ISHA** can help you with your inspection process by devising and introducing an inspection and audit program to suit your needs. We can also train your internal auditors and inspectors to give them the confidence they need to make effective observations and interventions.

**ISHA** will carry out a detailed audit of your organization's Safety and Health Management System giving you a prioritized action plan for improvement. Where appropriate, the audit can be summarized as a numerical rating against fixed performance criteria to help you identify the most cost-effective areas to direct your efforts and make direct comparisons from one audit to the next.

Contact us today to schedule your free initial consultation.