



# **Construction Safety Newsletter**

#### COR™ 101 – TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL AUDIT

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Know where and how your documentation is stored – If you can not find them, how can we mark you? Being prepared and ready for auditor will lead a much smoother opening day.

Always remember to give the Auditor an orientation as you may well find they are marking you for this! If there is specific PPE to be used above general requirements, be sure to have a set ready for the Auditor to use (check their size prior). It is all about putting your best foot forward!

Don't argue with your Auditor. If you do not agree with them, simply make a note of the item, check the requirements as per the audit tool and the applicable Acts, Regulations, standards and your own program requirements first. If you still believe they are not correct and it is affecting your scores, you may lodge an appeal with the IHSA directly. Never let your audit be sidetracked or de-motivated by getting your back up over every observation or corrective action request.

#### COCO PAVING SUCCESSFUL CYCLE 2 COR™ AUDIT

Coco Paving Inc, (Part of the Coco Group Inc.) recently completed their mammoth COR™ external audit for the 2nd cycle. The team was well prepared and ready to showcase all the work they had done to keep their hard-earned COR™ certification.

This audit covered over 20 sites across Ontario. Coco was pleased to have the opportunity to interview several auditors from the IHSA external auditor listing, and selected Heidi Brookes as they felt she best suited their industry's work.

Throughout the audit process it was evident Coco continues to work diligently to earn and maintain their COR™ status and increase their first-round scores.



Congratulations on the top-notch presentation of your company!

#### FACCA INC. SUCCESSFUL WITH CYCLE 3 COR™ CERTIFICATION!



Facca Inc. a heavy civil construction company located in Windsor, Ontario, are one of the first firms from Windsor to achieve COR™ and successfully complete Cycle 3! Facca had their audit in August and recently received confirmation from IHSA on their continued success! Teamwork really does pay off!

### **NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION SAFETY OFFICER (NCSO)**

Another one of our Consultants, Madison Brookes, has recently written his NCSO exam. Results should be back next week. We are confident in his success and will share more details in the near future.



#### ANNUAL SAFETY MEETING WITH SELECTRA INC.



ICI was invited to participate at Selectra Inc.'s annual safety meeting at the end of September in Stratford, Ontario. Topics discussed included; Silica Awareness, Lock Out/Tag Out, Annual Safety trends and Company Goals for the coming year. All Selectra employees attended and participated with great enthusiasm, indicative of a comprehensive safety culture.

## WHERE CAN YOU FIND US?

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## REFERENCES

Check out our website to read a variety of references from Companies we have worked with both internally and on COR™ External Audits.

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