APRIL 28 DAY OF MOURNING

Every year, on April 28, workers, families, employers and others come together and remember those who have lost their lives to work-related incidents or occupational diseases.

Last year, ten forestry workers lost their lives.

Day of Mourning is a day to reflect and honour the memory of those who lost their lives on the job, as well as an opportunity to talk to each other and renew our commitment to workplace safety.



If we all commit to building a culture where safety and health is the priority, and we are all encouraged to make a contribution, we can make fatalities and workplace incidents a thing of the past.

On April 28 at 10:30am, please take a moment of silence to recognize those we've lost and renew our commitment to ensuring every forestry worker goes home safe everyday.



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SUPERVISORS:

Review some of the fatalities relevant to your line of work and discuss what actions can be taken to prevent similar occurrences.

Discuss some circumstances that may have led to these incidents and which safety procedures you have in place to help reduce the risk(s).

Encourage workers to share their insights and experiences by asking:

- What risks do you face in your day-to-day work?
- How can we reduce the potential for serious injury or fatalities related to specific jobs/roles/assignments in the workplace?
- Do you have feedback or concerns about something seen on-site?
- If you could do one thing differently today based on what's been discussed, what would it be?

Day of Mourning Resources

Day of Mourning www.dayofmourning.bc.ca

Canadian Center for Occupational Health and Safety www.ccohs.ca/events/mourning

BCFSC - Day of Mourning www.bcforestsafe.org/resource/day-of-mourning-april-28th