



COVID-19 Update

March 25, 2020

Energy Safety Canada recognizes the challenges our industry and stakeholders are facing. Normal business has been significantly impacted as things continue to move fast and change quickly.

On Monday, March 23 Energy Safety Canada temporarily closed to the public as a precautionary measure to protect our students and staff. During the closure, ESC is available by appointment for computer use for online proctored exams, replacement certificates and material pick-up for our network of Authorized Training Providers.

Energy Safety Canada has added to the list of certificate extensions and is granting extensions for the following courses:

- H₂S Alive
- First Line Supervisor Blowout Prevention
- Second Line Supervisors Well Control
- Well Service Blowout Prevention
- Coiled Tubing Well Service Blowout Prevention
- Detection and Control
- Oilfield Driver Awareness
- OSSA Fall Protection
- OSSA Confined Space
- OSSA Elevated Work Platform

For these courses, any Certificate of Completion previously issued by Energy Safety Canada or the Oil Sands Safety Association (OSSA), that has an expiry date between January 1, 2020 and September 1, 2020 will be deemed by Energy Safety Canada to have not expired and will remain valid up to and including September 1, 2020.

OSSA Certifications must bear the holographic OSSA security label and may be validated with the provider that issued the certificate.

Certificates will not be re-printed and no action is required to qualify for the extension. Worker profiles will be updated and can be verified using ESC's online [Certificate Validation](#) tool.

Energy Safety Canada has been actively engaged with our stakeholders to discuss solutions to support workers and industry. The extension period and certifications included will be reviewed frequently. Regardless of the status of training certifications, employers remain the stewards of their worksites and maintain responsibility for assigning tasks to competent workers capable of performing the work safely.

The situation is changing rapidly and we will continue to keep you informed of our decisions. We continue to monitor Health Authorities in areas where we operate to ensure we are following the latest guidance. Thank you for your understanding as we navigate these uncharted waters.

Please continue to visit EnergySafetyCanada.com for information on online courses and resources. You can also reach us at 1.800.667.5557 or training@energysafetycanada.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Elliott".

Murray Elliott
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