



## \*Safety Awards Nominations\*

The University Health & Safety Committee wants to recognize OSU members who are taking extra steps to promote health & safety, and to reduce accidents, incidents, and injuries to employees, students or visitors. If you would like to nominate someone, please do so here:

<https://ehs.oregonstate.edu/announcement/safety-award-nominations>

## NEW @ EH&S

- ❖ New occupational safety training modules applicable to shops and farms. Sample of courses include Machine Guarding, Electrical Safety, Ladder Safety, Hearing Protection and Hazard Communication. See EH&S **Training Materials**, Occupational Health & Safety section for complete list of courses. Click on course to login and take course.

## Coming Soon

- ❖ DUSC Seminar, Wednesday, 11/13/2019, 10:00-11:45am, MU Horizon Rm 49

## New Hazardous Materials Shipping Location

University departments ship a variety of hazardous materials, also termed dangerous goods. Examples:

- **Laboratory chemicals** such as flammable, toxic, explosive, radioactive, or cryogenic materials
- **Biological samples** such as viruses, bacteria, human or animal blood or tissue.
- **Household/Custodial materials** such as paints, stains, cleaners, fuels, and disinfectants.
- **Hidden hazardous materials** such as rechargeable batteries contained with powered equipment, mercury in thermostats, etc.

Hazardous materials shipping is highly regulated by the U.S Department of Transportation with heavy consequences for failure to meet requirements. Due to the complicated nature of dangerous goods shipments, **Printing and Mailing has opened a location on campus to assist with the packaging and shipping of all dangerous goods at 191 SW 35<sup>th</sup> St.**

The building sits between the Radiation Center and USDA FSPRC. Fully regulated packages go out by 10 a.m. and Exempt Quantity and Dry Ice by 2 p.m. [Learn More.](#)

## Hallway Storage

Do you have material in your room, lab or building that you need to have removed and don't know where to place it?

- It is never acceptable to place any material in a hallway for eventual pickup by another organization. The Oregon Fire Code prohibits the storage or placement of material in exit hallways and civil penalties may be issued by the Corvallis Fire Department.
- Either leave the material inside the room it came from or investigate the possibility of staging the material in another room in the building until such time it can be picked up. Please coordinate your efforts with your building manager, administrative staff or Campus Recycling.

Further questions can be sent to: Jim Patton, Fire Safety Officer, <mailto:jim.patton@oregonstate.edu>

## Field Work Safety Tips

Do you work outside conducting fieldwork? If so, here are a few field safety tips we have compiled for you!

- Bring an emergency preparedness/first aid kit and ensure at least one person in the group has been first-aid/CPR trained.
- Identify major hazards & risks you may encounter while in the field prior to leaving. Make sure you have a plan to reduce or eliminate those hazards.
- Test equipment (include safety equipment and PPE) to ensure it is in good working order.
- Work through field scenarios you may encounter on your trip to better prepare.
- Create a fieldwork safety plan and ensure each individual has a copy to bring along.
- Be aware of local wildlife and how to protect yourself.
- Always remember to bring sunscreen, water, and any PPE required for your task.
- Check the weather forecast ahead of time and prepare accordingly.
- Plan your route in advance. Carry a map, compass and GPS unit.
- Have a check-in/check-out communication plan with someone on campus.
- Avoid traveling alone, especially in remote areas.

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