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The following information will define further the Oil Sands Safety Association (OSSA) Safety Training Standards interim and final compliance date requirements.

OSSA is fully owned by the four major regional oil sands operators - Albian Sands Energy Inc., Canadian Natural Resources Ltd., Suncor Energy Inc., Oilsands and Syncrude Canada Ltd. – and is responsible for developing and implementing safety training standards.

The OSSA safety training is not a site access requirement but based on the contracts established with the Member sites and specified safety training requirements. Once a safety training standard is endorsed by the Association Owner Members and training providers accredited, the Association establishes both an “interim” and a “final compliance” date for workers required to complete the safety training.

The "Interim" date defines the beginning of a transition period for implementing the training. The "Final Compliance" date defines the timeline when all contract workers requiring the safety training on the Member sites must have attended an OSSA accredited training course.

Below is the criterion that must be met for each “interim” date and each “final compliance” date established for a safety training standard.

"Interim Date"

- From this date (an OSSA determined interim date) all **NEW workers** to an existing or new contract requiring the safety training must have completed an OSSA accredited training program.
- Should a worker move from one site to another (i.e. Suncor to Syncrude) or change Contractors and the specific safety training is required, the worker must have completed an OSSA Accredited training program.

"Final Compliance Date"

- From this date (an OSSA determined final compliance date) - **ALL contract workers** requiring the safety training must have completed an OSSA accredited training program.

The table on the next page lists training standards currently approved and implemented by OSSA and the critical interim and final compliance dates associated with each standard.

Training Standard	Interim Date	Final Compliance Date
Fall Protection	November 1, 2004	October 1, 2006
Aerial Work Platform	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Confined Space Entry	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Confined Space Monitoring	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Fire Watch	January 1, 2007	January 1, 2009

NOTE: The “interim” date and “final compliance” date for Fire Watch has been changed.
See above.

If you have any question related to the implementation of safety training standards contact the OSSA office directly at (780) 791-4944 for further information.