

Contact information

Central library

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Columbus, OH 43215-2256
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Resource center and video library

13430 Yarmouth Drive
Pickerington, OH 43147
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614-644-0018 (Video library)
614-728-6464 (Reference desk)
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Division of Safety & Hygiene
Library Services

BWC's Division of Safety & Hygiene libraries can save you and your organization time and money. The libraries offer you access to information, training materials and experienced staff members that will help you with your workplace safety and health activities.

The Division of Safety & Hygiene has two libraries to serve you:

- The central library in the William Green Building in downtown Columbus;
- The resource center and video library located at the Ohio Center for Occupational Safety and Health (OCOSH) in Pickerington.

Both libraries are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Central library

The central library provides free informational services on the topics of occupational safety and health, workers' compensation and rehabilitation. BWC provides the only such library in the state of Ohio; and it's one of the few in the nation. While most special libraries are not open to the public, BWC's library serves employers, local and state government, lawyers, health-care professionals, union members and students, as well as the general public.

Your need for information does not require a visit to the library; you can phone, fax, or e-mail your requests for a quick response. The experienced and knowledgeable staff members provide personalized, objective research services and in-depth answers. They respond to questions with accurate and timely information, using state-of-the-art information technology and library networking. In addition to online databases and the Internet, the library staff uses subject files consisting of more than 1,200 topics.



You can borrow books from either library location. BWC's online book catalog is combined with that of the State Library of Ohio. You may search the online catalog at library.ohio.gov. For more information, visit BWC's Web site at ohiobwc.com.

Collection highlights include:

- A complete collection of the Ohio safety codes dating back to 1924
- More than 200 magazines and newsletters
- More than 6,000 books
- American National Standards Institute standards related to occupational safety
- National Fire Protection Association fire codes.

Resource center

The OCOSH resource center offers resources and support for the training center located at OCOSH. It provides many of the same services to the public that the central library offers because the two libraries share resources.

Video library

The video library is a lending library of occupational safety and health videotapes and DVDs. It has an extensive collection of more than 800 titles, and the library adds many new titles yearly. It is a convenient and popular source for Ohio employers to obtain quality occupational safety- and health-related training aids. There is no direct charge for borrowing videos. Users may view or preview videos on site. Please request a copy of BWC's Division of Safety & Hygiene's Services Catalog for a list of titles and ordering information, or visit BWC's Web site at ohiobwc.com.