

## NAVFAC NORTHWEST SAFETY BULLETIN

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- “Fall” Into Safety
- New EM 385 Manuals
- NEW EM 385 40  
Hour Training
- CIRS Entries
- Contract Safety  
Oversight Visit

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# Safety Shack

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## “FALL” INTO SAFETY



### Preventing Falls in Construction

According to DOL, in 2013 Fall Fatalities nationally were:

Characteristic:	All Industries
*Falls slips trips	724
Falls on same level	110
Falls to lower level	595
Fall from collapsing structure or equipment	45
Fall through surface or existing opening	68

**Falls are in the top reasons for employee fatalities or injuries.**

- Falls, slips and trips has been the most common entry into ESAMS for mishaps throughout the summer 2015 for NAVFAC NW.
- **EM 385-1-1, 30 November 2014 edition, Chapter 21 covers Fall Protection (available on the portal).**



### EM 385-1-1 Manuals

The newest edition of the EM385 have been ordered and should be arriving soon.

Electronic version can be found on the Safety portal site:

[https://hub.navfac.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID\\_2141547%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased](https://hub.navfac.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID_2141547%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased)



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### EM 385 40-Hr Training

Registration will be available via NAVFAC NW Total Force by 01 October 2015

**First Class:** 02-06 November, on NAS Whidbey Island.

**Guest Instructor:** Mr. Jim Hewitt, Safety, NAVFAC ATLANTIC

*Keep an eye out in the POTW for more information!*



“Asking me to overlook a simple safety violation would be asking me to compromise my entire attitude towards the value of your life”.  
Author Unknown.  
Jug’s personal motto.

## “Who’s on First...I don’t Know...He’s on Third Base”

**Solid, clear, concise data means more to YOU!**

Better data provides YOU information that can aide you in the development your Safety programs, APP’s and AHA’s.

⇒ Vague, non-descript, entries into CIRS and/or no supporting documents will be returned for further information and clarification. An administrative remark will be provided to help with identifying what corrections and/or additions need to be done.

⇒ Remember, all Contractor Mishap reports shall be logged into the CIRS portion of the ESAMS program within **FIVE** working days of mishap. (Source: UFGS, ch 2, Feb 2012, 1.12.2 Accident Reports; other reporting requirements can be found in EM 385-1, 30 NOV 14, Chapter 1, Program Management, 01.D Mishap Reporting and Investigation, page 1-21).

## Contract Safety Oversight Inspection

At the end of September, NAVFAC Northwest will be going through a Contract Safety Oversight Inspection.

The catalyst for this inspection is due to the increase in Contractor Fatalities NAVFAC wide.

Contact Mark Hurst for more information.

## 2016 Contractor Safety Meeting

The **2016 Contractor Safety Meeting** will be held on **April 20th, 2016** at the **Keyport Undersea Museum** from **0900-1300**.

In an effort to incorporate requests/suggestions from previous years surveys, there will be changes in the program and an opportunity for group discussions.

Invitations will be sent out again via “E-Invite” shortly after the New Year to allow for RSVP’s.

More to come.....

# Safety Focus - Near Miss Reporting

By definition, a “near miss” is an “An event that does not result in an injury or damage” but has the potential to do so.

A faulty process or management system invariably is the root cause for the increased risk that leads to the near miss and should be the focus of Improvement.

Other familiar terms for these events are a “close call,” a “narrow escape,” or in the case of moving objects, “near collision” or a “near hit.”

History has shown repeatedly that most loss producing events (incidents), both serious and catastrophic, were preceded by warnings or near miss incidents. Recognizing and reporting near miss incidents can significantly improve worker safety and enhance an organization’s safety culture.

**A few Best Practices:**

1. Leadership is involved.
2. Reporting system non-punitive.

3. Investigate near miss incidents to identify the root cause and the weaknesses.
4. Use investigation results to improve safety systems, hazard control, risk reduction, and lessons learned. All of these represent opportunity for training, feedback on performance and a commitment to continuous improvement.

For more information on Best Practices on Near Miss Reporting program, visit

<http://www.nsc.org/WorkplaceTrainingDocuments/Near-Miss-Reporting-Systems.pdf>



## TRAINING

### EM 385 Online Refresher Training

NAVFAC HQ will be updating the ESAMS EM385 required training. This will be “refresher” training for all personnel who have attended EM 385 in the past. Expected date: DEC 2015

### ESAMS Training

**Mark Hurst is working with NAVFAC HQ on the “interesting, new” ESAMS training requirements that are for FY2016. Keep an eye on your ESAMS training list for updates (deletions).**

### It’s a “New Year”

Start reviewing your training requirements NOW to ensure they are scheduled (and financed). Work with your supervisor if a number of personnel are requiring the same training to arrange for an in-house class.

## Signed Instructions

The following instructions have been signed by the Commanding Officer and are available on the NAVFAC NW Portal:

### 1. Fall Protection Program

[https://hub.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID\\_2125301%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased](https://hub.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID_2125301%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased)

### 2. Confined Space Entry Program

[https://hub.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID\\_2096731%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased](https://hub.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID_2096731%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased)

### 3. Respiratory Protection Program

[https://hub.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID\\_2136879%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased](https://hub.navy.mil/webcenter/ShowProperty?nodeId=%2FWebCenterSpaces-ucm%2FID_2136879%2F%2FidcPrimaryFile&revision=latestreleased)



- ◆ Safety Awards Program
- ◆ Near Miss Reporting

# Pedestrian Safety

It's that time of year ...days are getting shorter and school is back in session. The following is from the Washington State Traffic Safety Council.

Between 2008 and 2012, 332 pedestrians died in Washington traffic crashes. Pedestrian fatalities represented 14% of all traffic fatalities during that interval.

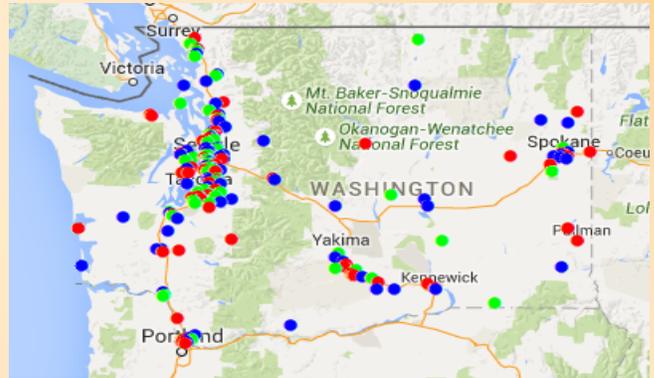
- Sixty-one percent of pedestrian fatalities arose from crashes between October and March.
- More than two-thirds (68.7%) of pedestrians were killed in crashes during dark hours.
- **Over half (58%) of pedestrian deaths occurred at non-intersections where the pedestrian was on the road and not in a crosswalk.**
- Two-thirds (66.7%) of all pedestrians were killed in crashes on urban roads.
- Over 45% percent of all pedestrian fatalities resulted from crashes on roads with speed limits between 35 and 50 MPH. More than 30% of pedestrian deaths happened on roads with posted speeds between 15-30 MPH.
- More than half (51.5%) of pedestrians killed were impaired by alcohol or drugs when they were fatally injured –

56.8% of males and 41.1% of females. Impaired pedestrians were more likely to not be visible to the vehicle driver and more likely to fail to yield right of way.

- The driver hit-and-run percent in pedestrian fatal crashes is over nine times higher than for all other types of fatal crashes.

Source:

[http://wtsc.wa.gov/wp-content/uploads/dlm\\_uploads/2014/11/Factors-in-Pedestrian-Fatals-Crashes-2008-12.pdf](http://wtsc.wa.gov/wp-content/uploads/dlm_uploads/2014/11/Factors-in-Pedestrian-Fatals-Crashes-2008-12.pdf)



Map of Pedestrian Fatalities, Washington State 2008-2012

Year	All Traffic Deaths	Pedestrian Deaths	All Serious Injuries	Pedestrian Serious Injuries
2009	492	62	2646	289
2010	460	63	2482	292
2011	454	68	2136	288
2012	438	75	2200	337
2013 <sup>4</sup>	436	50	1915	260

Next time....

## 2016 Contractor Safety Mtg Updates - Washington Winter Hazards - 2016 EM 385 40 Hour Classes



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