

Learn fall protection and prevention! Attend a BWC stand-down event

In 2017, there were 971 construction fatalities nationwide; 366 of them resulted from falls from elevation.

Additionally, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) again lists fall protection in construction as its [most frequently cited standard](#).

To raise awareness and reduce injuries and fatalities, OSHA promotes its annual [National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls](#). The stand-down encourages employers across the nation to hold events in conjunction with the multi-day event, May 6-10 this year. As always, the stand-down encourages employers to pause during their workday for topic discussions, safety demonstrations, and trainings in hazard recognition and fall prevention.

We have scheduled four **FREE training events** open to the public during the week of the stand-down. We've listed information for each below.

Garfield Heights event

- **When:** 8 a.m. to Noon May 7
- **Where:** BWC's Garfield Heights Service Office – 4800 E. 131st St., Garfield Heights, OH 44131
- **Event details:** Presentations by experts from T. Allen Incorporated, The Albert M. Higley Co., Werner Ladder, Honeywell and the Cleveland OSHA Area Office
- **Register:** Visit the [BWC Learning Center](#) and enter Stand-Down Event in the search field then enroll for the Garfield Heights event.

Mansfield event

- **When:** 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. May 7
- **Where:** MHS Industrial Supply – 70 Sawyer Parkway, Mansfield, OH 44903
- **Event details:** Presentation by experts from FallTech; co-hosted by MHS Industrial Supply
- **Register:** Visit the [BWC Learning Center](#) and enter Stand-Down Event in the search field then enroll for the Mansfield event.

Pickerington event

- **When:** 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. May 10
- **Where:** BWC's Ohio Center for Occupational Safety and Health – 13430 Yarmouth Drive, Pickerington, OH 43147
- **Event details:** Presentations by experts from Guardian Fall Protection with Pure Safety, LBJ Inc. and the Columbus OSHA Area Office
- **Register:** Visit the [BWC Learning Center](#) and enter Stand-Down Event in the search field then enroll for the Pickerington event.

Youngstown event

- **When:** 7:30 – 9 a.m. May 7
- **Where:** Boak & Sons, Incorporated – 75 Victoria Road, Austintown, OH 44515
- **Event details:** Presentation by experts from 3M and a drop demonstration truck; co-hosted by Boak & Sons, Incorporated

- **Register:** Email [David Costantino](#) or call 330-301-5825; email [David Loughner](#) or call 216-538-9720

We may add more events in the coming weeks. Also, don't forget the [BWC Library](#) offers an extensive collection of audiovisual materials related to fall hazards and fall prevention. Additionally, we offer year-round classes throughout Ohio to address fall protection requirements.

It's not too late for your company or organization to plan a stand-down event. We're here if you need help planning your activity. Just call 1-800-644-6292 for assistance.