

# You Have a Right to a Safe and Healthful Workplace.

# IT'S THE LAW!

- You have the right to notify your employer or TOSHA about workplace hazards. You may ask TOSHA to keep your name confidential.
- You have the right to request a TOSHA inspection if you believe that there are unsafe and unhealthful conditions in your workplace. You or your representative may participate in the inspection.
- You can file a complaint with TOSHA within 30 days of discrimination by your employer for making safety and health complaints or for exercising your rights under the TOSHA Act or the Tennessee Hazardous Chemical Right-to-Know Act.
- You have a right to see TOSHA citations issued to your employer. Your employer must post the citations at or near the place of the alleged violation.
- Your employer must correct workplace hazards by the date indicated on the citation and must certify that these hazards have been reduced or eliminated.
- You have rights under the Tennessee Right to Know Law concerning hazardous chemicals in your work area. Your employer must provide

training about health effects, protective measures, safe handling procedures, as well as information on interpreting labels and material safety data sheets (MSDS). You must be provided access to the material safety data sheets and the workplace chemical list.

- You have the right to copies of your medical records or records of your exposure to toxic and harmful substances or conditions.
- Your employer must post this notice in your workplace.



The **Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972**, T.C.A. §§ 50-3-101 et seq., assures safe and healthful working conditions for working men and women throughout the state. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Occupational Safety and Health (**TOSHA**) has the primary responsibility for administering the TOSHA Act. The rights listed here may vary depending on the particular circumstances. To file a complaint, report an emergency or seek TOSHA advice, assistance or information, call 1-800-249-8510 or your nearest TOSHA office. • Chattanooga (423)634-6424 • Jackson (731)423-5641 • Kingsport (423)224-2042 • Knoxville (865)594-6180 • Memphis (901)543-7259 • Nashville (615) 741-2793. To file a complaint online or obtain information on Federal OSHA and other state programs, visit OSHA's website at [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov). For additional information on TOSHA visit [www.tn.gov/labor-wfd/tosha.shtml](http://www.tn.gov/labor-wfd/tosha.shtml)

