

# **SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM**

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The National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) helps its members build communities. Each year, NAHB members construct about 80% of the new homes built in the United States, both single-family and multifamily. A federation of more than 700 state and local associations, NAHB represents more than 140,000 members. About one-third are home builders and remodelers. The rest work in closely related specialties such as sales and marketing, housing finance, and manufacturing and supplying building materials. NAHB's website address is [www.nahb.org](http://www.nahb.org).

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# INSTRUCTIONS – HOW TO USE THIS PROGRAM

The SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM is model company safety program for home builders/general contractors and is intended to cover their employees only. It contains the materials you need to effortlessly set up a safety program for your company. It is intended to be used by management, who can take the program and provide it to each jobsite so that each site (or superintendent, if applicable) will have a site specific program.

The SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM is designed with small to mid-size construction companies in mind. It is intended as a practical, hands-on guide for implementing an effective safety program without hiring an additional employee to develop it.

There are places in SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM that are **highlighted in Blue** in which companies should input their company specific information. It is intended for management to fill out the information prior to sending to the jobsite (or superintendent, if applicable). Be sure to insert your company's name and the name of any company personnel in the appropriate places highlighted.

Home builders/general contractors should require all subcontractors, trade partners, suppliers and vendors to develop, implement and follow *their own* SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM, including providing the proper competent person(s) for the specific task they are responsible for.

The SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM is made up of 18 Sections. **START** with Section 1, which is a checklist that walks home builders/general contractors/ superintendents through tasks when starting up a new project. Included as part of the SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM is an **Employee Safety & Health Handbook** that contains many of the important elements of the company Safety & Health Program.

Home builders/general contractors should use a 3-ring binder for their SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM as there are forms that should be filled out, returned, and then filed in the binder. You can also use the cover page/table of contents (below) and insertable 3-ring binder dividers with tabs to separate each section.

In addition to the SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM, **forms** are provide that could be used on the site, by the office, or posted on the site, as well as construction safety **resources guides** that can be used to assist home builders/general contractors/ superintendents in managing safety of subcontractor trades.

Home builders/general contractors are encouraged to reproduce this program, or any portion(s) of it, for use in their own companies. *NOTE: this SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM is meant to be adaptable—not all of its Sections are necessarily applicable to every construction project.*

More information is available at [nahb.org/safetyprogram](http://nahb.org/safetyprogram).

# **SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM**

**COMPANY NAME:**

**JOBSITE:**

This safety and health program is for our company employees only. As a Home Builder, we require all subcontractors, trade partners, suppliers and vendors to develop, implement and follow their own safety and health program, including providing the proper competent person(s) for the specific task they are responsible for.

# SAFETY & HEALTH PROGRAM

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