

2025 | Q1 Edition

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New Safety Advisor Training Launches



In 2024, California enacted new safety standards for motion picture productions. In addition to requiring training for employees who handle or work in proximity to firearms on set (click [here](#) for more information about the firearms training requirement), California also created the **Safety on Productions Pilot Program**, which is in effect from July 1, 2025 until July 30, 2030.

Under this Pilot Program, productions receiving a California motion picture tax credit must employ a **Safety Advisor** who meets certain

minimum qualifications. Safety Advisors must complete a joint labor and management training program. This program, called **Safety Advisor Training**, has been developed by the Industry-Wide Labor-Management Safety Committee and is now available through Contract Services.

To learn more Safety Advisor Training including how to apply for access to the training [click here](#).

Contract Services Celebrates 60 Years (1965-2025)

This year, Contract Services is proud to celebrate 60 years of service to the motion picture industry. In 1965, industry Unions and Producers agreed to create the Contract Services Administration Trust Fund (CSATF). Its original purpose was to administer a brand new “industry experience roster” in Hollywood, which is still one of our core priorities. Over the last 60 years, our mission has expanded to a wide range of other services, including, most notably, the Safety Pass program which provides safety



training for the film and television production workforce and promotes a culture of safety on set. Additionally, we manage a variety of industry specific initiatives including hosting the Industry-Wide Labor-Management Safety Committee, which issues important Safety Bulletins and other safety resources.

Stay tuned for more as we celebrate this milestone throughout the year!

For media inquiries and questions, please email mrohleder@csatf.org.

Firearms Safety Training for the Entertainment Industry

On January 1, 2025, a new training requirement took effect in California for employees handling firearms on set or who may work in proximity to firearms on set. To help the industry meet this new requirement, Contract Services offers two online safety courses:

- The **S course (Firearm Safety for the Entertainment Industry)** for employees responsible for *handling* firearms on set, and
- The **S2 course (Firearms General Safety Awareness for the Entertainment Industry)** for employees working *in proximity* to firearms on set

The S and S2 courses are available to eligible Industry Professionals through the Contract Services [Industry Hub](#). If you are an Industry Professional on the Industry Experience Roster, or if you work in a classification that has training requirements through Contract Services, please visit thehub.org and log into your Portal to see whether the S or S2 course is required for your classification.

As always, employers can [search the Industry Hub](#) to see whether Industry Professionals have completed these courses.

Eligible employers may also use the [Training Referral Platform](#) to assign these courses to employees who do not already have access to them through Contract Services.

To learn more about the S and S2 courses, including their availability, [click here](#).

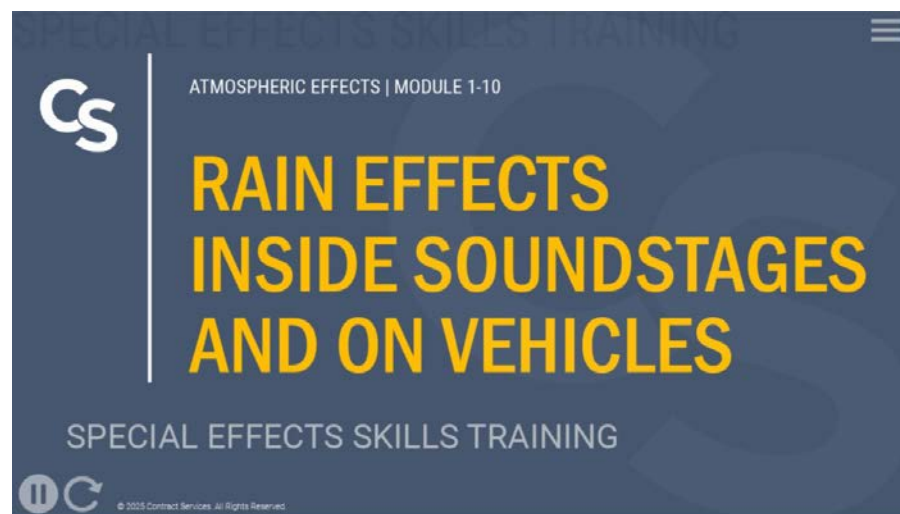
Workplace Violence Prevention Training Now Available



In early November 2024, Contract Services announced the launch of **Workplace Violence Prevention training (the WPV course)**. This course is designed to assist workers in identifying, preventing, and responding to incidents of workplace violence.

The WPV course is an annual requirement for nearly all classifications on the Industry Hub. Industry Professionals can complete the course by visiting the Hub (thehub.org) and logging into their Portal. The WPV course may be completed on smartphones or other mobile devices, or by using a web browser on a desktop or laptop computer.

New Special Effects Skills Training Course



Last December, in partnership with the Special Effects Qualifications Committee, we launched six modules of a new Special Effects Skills Training Course. The entire series will include 50 modules; all of which will be rolled out over the course of this year.

The training addresses topics such as rain, snow, fog, bullet hits, breakaways, hydraulics and rigging, and automobile effects. All modules will be available online and will vary in length, ranging around 15-30 minutes per module.

The non-mandatory skills training course is available to Industry Professionals in the Local 44 Propmaker, Prop Shop, and Special Effects classifications. If you're in one of these classifications, you can access the training by logging into your Portal account, clicking "View Details" of your classification, and then clicking the "Launch Training" button.

Questions? Contact us at 818.565.0550 ext. 1100.

#ICYMI: Updated Safety Bulletins and other Resources

The Industry-Wide Labor-Management Safety Committee recently updated several Safety Bulletins and an Awareness Sheet.

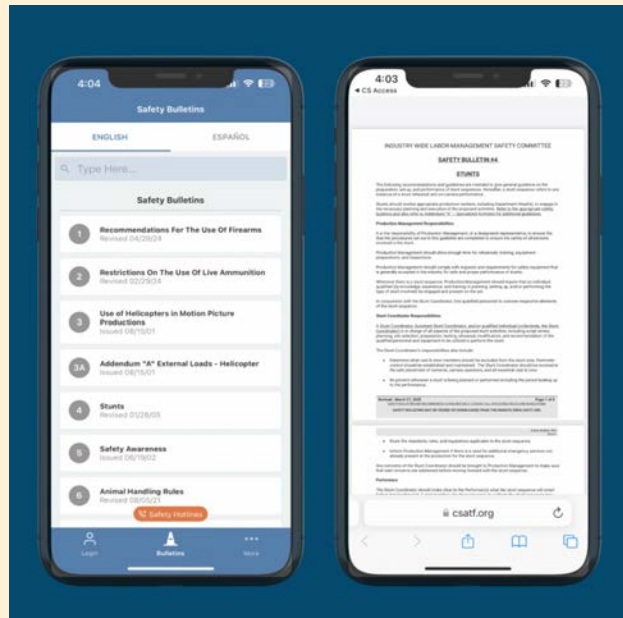
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- [Safety Bulletin #4 \(Stunts\)](#) was reorganized and expanded to include new sections on Production Management Responsibilities, Stunt Coordinator Responsibilities, Training and others.
- [Addendum #4A \(Specialized Activities\)](#) is a new addition to Safety Bulletin #4 that includes details on stunts involving animals, falls, special effects, and other areas.

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- [Safety Bulletin #17 \(Water Hazards\)](#) was expanded with new sections on environmental concerns, physical hazards, biological hazards, and safety procedures when water quality is poor. There are also new details on water quality testing.
- [Safety and Health Awareness Sheet \(Indoor Heat Illness Prevention: California\)](#) This Awareness Sheet was created in light of the recent Cal/OSHA regulation on Indoor Heat. It addresses production requirements when indoor temperatures are at or above 82 degrees. This Awareness Sheet was created in light of the recent Cal/OSHA regulation on Indoor Heat. It addresses production requirements when indoor temperatures are at or above 82 degrees.

Visit our website or download our mobile app ([CS Access](#)) to view all Safety Bulletins, Awareness Sheets and other resources.



Contract Services on the Road

In February, Contract Services joined [IATSE Local 728](#) at their Techquity Showcase, a resource fair for Studio Lighting Technicians. This event hosted several vendors who exhibited lighting equipment resources, along with other organizations that support Industry Professionals working in the motion picture production industry.

We met with many Industry Professionals (and their families), including those currently on the Industry Experience Roster and others who are looking to apply. Special thanks to Local 728 for the invitation!

If you'd like Contract Services to join your organization at an upcoming event, please reach out to outreach@csatf.org. We'd love to partner with you!



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