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Forklift Safety: Newsletter



Safety and Rescue Training
for high-hazard work activities

**Confined Space
Fall Protection
Excavation
Forklift**

Forklift Train the Trainer Schedule

**April 14 - Boardman
April 28 - Salem
May 19 - Medford
June 2 - Eugene**

Register online at:

www.d2000safety.com

or email:

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Have a forklift safety story or photo to share?

Please send it to Bruce at:

bhulberg@d2000safety.com

We will not publish company or individual's names. You can also contact Bruce to be added to our newsletter email.

Our programs reflect:

ANSI/ASSE Z490.1 *Criteria for Accepted Practices in Safety, Health, and Environmental Training*

Columbia Forklift Challenge 2015

When was the last time that your forklift operators had a chance to show off their skills and have a little fun? I'm not talking about doing donuts in the parking lot. I'm talking about participating in a forklift skills competition; sometimes referred to as a forklift rodeo.

These events have been around for decades and are an opportunity to:

- Show off your operating skills,
- Bond with your co-workers, and
- Learn from the successes (and failures) of others.

This year the GOSH Conference in Portland is hosting the Columbia Forklift Challenge on March 11th. The event is limited to a maximum of 35 operators.

If you would like to sign up go to www.oregongosh.com and complete the entry form. The enrollment deadline is February. 6th.

One of the practical benefits of attending a rodeo is to get some ideas on setting up a driving course at your facility.

This is a great way to:

- Test your operator's current skills as part of their certification.
- Provide them with a place to practice and develop their hand/eye coordination.

How do you prepare for a forklift competition? There is plenty of information online regarding forklift rodeos. One of the more comprehensive publications you can download is [Ohio's "Forklift Rodeo Guide"](#). The guide will give you ideas on how to set up your own course. There are also a number of [YouTube videos](#) which will give you a better idea of what to expect at a forklift rodeo.

If you're planning to attend [GOSH](#) be sure to stop by our booth and we hope to see you at the Columbia Forklift Challenge!

