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8-Hour Modular
Site Worker Refresher
Participant Guide

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The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standard to help ensure health and safety at hazardous waste sites requires initial introductory general training on basic hazard recognition, use of provided protective equipment, basic hazard control, decontamination procedures and other relevant standard operating guides, followed by three days of on-site training, during which the specifics of the protective equipment, decontamination methods, and other procedures and information at the site are discussed and practiced. At that time, the elements of the site-specific standard operating procedures are detailed. Following initial training, annual refresher training is required; this program is designed to meet that requirement. (See 29CFR1910.120a-o).

Additional training is necessary to perform many activities. These activities include implementing the emergency response plan, identifying materials using monitoring instruments, selecting protective equipment, and performing work in permit-required confined spaces.