



Take up the responsibility of watching over the safety of your co-workers and those who visit your workplace

Most companies today want to make money while keeping everybody safe. Many accidents have occurred in workplaces, especially over the last sixty years or so. Society finally started to realize that many of these accidents could have been prevented. A hundred years ago most companies were only interested in making money fast. Working people have become organized and unionized. These organizations have put pressure on lawmakers to come up with ideas to protect the working class from preventable accidents. The consequence is that most states have now DEP/EPA/OSHA requirements in place. They have come up with a lengthy list of safety precautions companies have to take. Human resources positions do not have time to deal with this and neither does any production department. The need for an environmental safety coordinator became evident in many companies.

The environmental safety coordinator has the responsibility to see to it that all DEP/EPA/OSHA requirements are respected. He has to make sure that all permits are kept current and all equipment gets inspected, maintained, and repaired when needed. He sees to it that all areas in the company are kept clean and safe. He is also responsible for dealing with all environmental issues the best way possible when they happen to occur. In other words, he is responsible that all waste products get disposed of in an appropriate environmental friendly way. Very often it is the environment safety coordinator who is in charge of in-services or he is at least present at all in-services. He has to make sure that all ideas and suggestions made to improve anything in the company are handled appropriately.

Overall companies only hire people for this [job position](#) who can appear professional at the workplace. They are often considered authority figures and have to be able to leave an impression of authority. The environmental safety coordinator has to pay attention to detail and order and his social skills have to be impeccable. He has to be computer savvy and be able to multitask. He has to be willing to be instructed in the production process of the company he works for. It is very important that an environmental safety coordinator is aware of all OSHA regulations and that he knows how to look up all

federal codes regarding the sector. [Safety coordinators](#) can find a job in different sectors.

Employment opportunities for [environmental safety coordinators](#) are in the heavy industry, for instance in car manufacturing companies or trucking companies. It may come as a surprise though that a lot of jobs are found in the health care industry. Most hospitals nowadays have an environmental safety coordinator and in many cases he has a nursing degree. In other sectors however it is not always necessary to have a college degree to be an environmental safety coordinator. This is truly a position that can usually be obtained by a high school graduate who is willing to take classes for all possible safety certifications that are general as well as those in that sector. Although a college degree is not necessary this is truly a job position that brings some status to the employee in this position. The wages of an environmental safety coordinator depend largely on the sector the job is in and can vary anywhere from ten dollars an hour to about forty five dollars an hour.

If you work in a company where an environmental safety coordinator is needed, than it is a very good idea to work on getting some certifications together that will eventually allow you to be promoted to this job position.

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