



Fraudulent ATV Tickets

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Competency has always been a “buzz” word in the safety world. In order to ensure a worker is able to perform their duties to the best of their ability, they must be competent. Competency can be assessed in a number of different ways, including but not limited to the knowledge, experience and training an individual has or has taken part in. As an HR or HSE Manager, it is your job to ensure that the training received outside the organization is valuable and pertinent.

Take ATV use! Generally, CAGC member companies recognize the Canada Safety Council (CSC) as the superior ATV training course. Instructors in Alberta for this ATV course are typically certified through the Alberta Safety Council (ASC) and are endorsed through the Canadian Safety Council. Upon completion of the ATV course, a student will receive a small pink wallet card with CANADA SAFETY COUNCIL written on top and a 5 digit number located in the bottom left corner. Also, a wall certificate is awarded that has a pale blue border that cannot be reproduced in a photocopy. Why is this of importance? Recent reports indicate that fraudulent ATV tickets are now in circulation.

These “fake” tickets are easily distinguishable as they showcase the ALBERTA SAFETY COUNCIL name and logo on either the wall or wallet certificate. Alberta Safety Council DOES NOT issue ATV tickets. In addition to using the incorrect certifying body’s logo, there are also minor differences in the logo that may be harder to distinguish. For instance, the red and black lines in the actual ASC logo do not pass over or behind the font. In the fraudulent tickets, these lines do intersect behind the letters meaning there is no white space within the logo.

If a worker possesses a fraudulent ticket while operating an ATV on an active worksite, they are NOT considered competent in the operation of the equipment, and therefore, are a liability to your organization. A review of internal and external policies should be completed and the individual dealt with in accordance to the in-house progressive discipline policy.

Should these fraudulent tickets end up on your desk or in your company, the Alberta Safety Council should be contacted immediately at their toll free number- 1-(800)-301-6407. The council would also like a copy of the fraudulent ticket faxed to their office in Edmonton at (780) 462- 7318 for quality control purposes.