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Health and Safety Professional of the Year

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NOMINATION CRITERIA

Sponsor Information

Full Name

Company

Job Title

Phone Number

Email Address

ABC Chapter

Relationship to Nominee

Nominee Information

Full Name

Email Address

Endorsement of Nominee (10 points)

In 250 words or less, explain why you are nominating this person to receive the Health and Safety Professional of the Year award. Details to consider are their leadership skills and roles, job performance, ABC involvement and embodiment of the merit shop philosophy and community involvement.

RECOGNITION

ABC's Health and Safety Professional of the Year will receive a \$10,000 cash prize, a plaque and a feature in *Construction Executive* magazine. Plus, the winner will receive a free registration to ABC Convention 2026, March 18-20, Salt Lake City, where he or she will be recognized during the opening ceremony.

Learn more about ABC Convention 2026 at abcconvention.abc.org.

TIMELINE

Nominations must be submitted by Friday, Oct. 10, and nominees must complete their application online by Friday, Oct. 17, to be considered. Finalists will be contacted by Monday, Nov. 10, to schedule virtual interviews for Friday, Dec. 5.

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ELIGIBILITY

Nominees must:

- Currently be employed by an ABC member that participates in the STEP® Safety Management System.
- Spend approximately 75% of their workday on jobsites as a safety professional using technical skills and knowledge (health, safety and environmental).
- Must have five years' experience in construction health, safety and environment.

Please note: Self-nominations are prohibited, and past winners are not eligible.

TERMS AND AGREEMENTS

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Important: This document does not serve as the nomination form. Nominations must be submitted electronically. Complete the nomination form today at abc.org/cwa. For questions or help, email cwa@abc.org.

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APPLICATION CRITERIA

Nominee Information

Full Name

Company

Job Title

ABC Chapter

Phone Number

Home Address

Email Address

Include a Professional Headshot

Background (15 points)

Answer yes or no to the below questions.

Do you participate in an external health and safety committee? If yes, specify.

Does your current employer participate in ABC's STEP® Safety Management System?

Do you have any professional health and safety certifications or accreditations? If yes, specify.

Work History (15 points)

Provide a detailed outline of your education, training, work experience and professional development activities.

What inspired you to pursue a career as a health and safety professional?

How many years have you worked as a health and safety professional in the construction industry?

List your duties and responsibilities as a health and safety professional.

List the training and education you have completed for your personal and professional development as a health and safety professional.

Has your current company had an employee occupational-related fatality within the last three calendar years? If so, what happened?

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Free Response Questions (100 points)

Answers are limited to 250 words each.

Professional Leadership

What health and safety initiatives have you established/implemented that have significantly and positively improved your company's health and safety performance?

What have you done to significantly enhance and improve your company's health and safety culture?

How do you motivate and encourage employees to participate and practice health and safety in their jobs?

How do you ensure that employees in your company are following health and safety regulations?

Professional Growth

What have you done to promote health and safety in the construction industry?

What has been your biggest professional accomplishment?

What do you feel are the most important traits of a successful health and safety professional?

Company Culture

What steps do you and your company take to ensure all equipment is properly maintained and safe for use?

What major challenges has your company's health and safety program faced during the last three years and how did you overcome them?

Does your company promote total human health/mental health? If so, specify.

Merit Shop Philosophy (20 points)

Answer yes or no and provide supporting examples.

Do you support the merit shop philosophy?

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DISCLAIMER

Accept or Decline

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