

2010 Enforcement Report TOP 10 PENALTIES

Employer Name / Operating City	CU	Penalty amount / Description	Fatalities
Penfolds Roofing Inc. West Vancouver	721051	\$145,046.98 Two of this firm's workers were working on a roof between 4.5 m (15 ft.) and 6 m (19 ft.) above grade without using any form of fall protection. This was a repeated violation of the fall protection requirements as well as the requirement to provide workers with the information, instruction, training, and supervision necessary to ensure their safety.	0
Diveco Marine Ltd Klemtu/Bella Bella	764015	\$100,000.00 This firm's worker was fatally injured while diving to recover dead fish from a fish farm pen. As he ascended rapidly to the surface from a depth of 31.5 m (103 ft.), he experienced an air embolism, then lost consciousness and drowned. A WorkSafeBC investigation found that this firm did not have adequate safety procedures for diving operations. It failed to provide its workers with the information, instruction, training, and supervision necessary to ensure their health and safety.	1*
Davey Tree Expert Co of Canada Ltd North Vancouver	764062	\$89,808.02 This firm failed on numerous occasions to adequately train, instruct, and supervise its workers to fall trees safely. In one incident, the firm's worker was in the process of cutting down a tree. Part of the tree trunk split off and struck the worker, who suffered serious injuries, including the loss of an eye. The worker's supervisor did not ensure that the worker used safe falling methods.	0
0205568 B.C. Ltd. New Westminster	721028	\$83,570.62 This firm's worker was fatally injured at a construction site while setting up the temporary framework (falsework) for a concrete pour. The firm failed to ensure that the falsework was braced and used according to the manufacturer's instructions. As a result, the falsework collapsed, and several sheets of plywood that had been stacked on top of it fell and struck the worker. The firm failed to ensure that the falsework was capable of withstanding the weight of the plywood. The firm also failed to provide its workers with adequate information, instruction, training, and supervision to ensure their safety for installing falsework.	1
Marine Harvest Canada Inc. Klemtu	702001	\$75,000.00 A worker was fatally injured while diving to recover dead fish from a pen at this firm's fish farm. As he ascended rapidly to the surface from a depth of 31.5 m (103 ft.), he experienced an air embolism, then lost consciousness and drowned. As the prime contractor of a multiple-employer workplace, this firm failed to coordinate the health and safety activities of employers, workers, and others at the workplace, and it failed to establish and maintain a system to ensure compliance with the Workers Compensation Act and the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation.	1*

*Both penalties are associated with the same workplace fatality.

Teck Metals Ltd. Richmond	810804	\$75,000.00 This employer's worker was transferring an industrial solution from one large tank to another. Each tank contained a rotating shaft and an impeller with four blades that was neither turned off nor locked out. The hose the worker was using to perform the transfer became entangled in one tank's impeller and began to wrap around the shaft, pulling the worker's hand in between the hose and the shaft. Four of the worker's fingers were severed. The employer failed to ensure that the energy-isolating device was locked out and that the rotating parts were guarded. It also failed to provide its workers with the information, instruction, training, and supervision necessary to ensure their health and safety.	0
Vancouver Organizing Committee for the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games West Vancouver	721028	\$75,000.00 Workers at this firm's worksite climbed onto work platforms up to 14.5 m (48 ft.) above grade using the vertical poles of a scaffold. Suitable ladders were not provided. As the prime contractor of a multiple-employer workplace, the firm failed to coordinate the health and safety activities of employers, workers, and others at the workplace, and it failed to establish and maintain a system at the workplace that would ensure compliance with the <i>Workers Compensation Act</i> and the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation. This was a repeated violation.	0
Peter Kiewit Infrastructure Co. Richmond	721028	\$75,000.00 Workers did not have access to a certified first aid attendant when a propane explosion occurred at a remote construction camp. As the prime contractor at a multiple-employer worksite, this firm failed to ensure that the required first aid services were available and coordinated. This was a repeated violation.	0
Western Forest Products Inc. Gold River	703008	\$75,000.00 Two of this firm's workers were falling trees within a two tree-length radius of one another. One of the fallers cut down a tree that struck the other faller, inflicting fatal injuries. The firm failed to ensure that its fallers worked the required two tree-length distance from each other, and it failed to provide its workers with adequate supervision and instruction.	1
Interior Roads Ltd Bella Coola	723002	\$73,305.41 A faller was fatally injured at this multiple-employer workplace when he was struck by a leaning alder tree that split vertically (barberchaired) while he was falling it. Violations occurred at this workplace relating to the falling activity, first aid requirements, and supervision and instruction. As the prime contractor, this firm failed to do everything reasonably practicable to establish and maintain a system or process to ensure compliance with the <i>Workers Compensation Act</i> and the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation with respect to the workplace.	1