



SAFETY AND HEALTH IN THE WASTE SECTOR – A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

INTRODUCTION

The Netherlands is known worldwide for its advanced and sustainable approach to waste collection and processing. The union is substantively involved in the employment conditions, in legal regulations and in legislation and rules regarding waste collection and waste processing.

Today we take a closer look at the role of the trade union in the context of employment conditions and safe and healthy working conditions.

A SHORT HISTORY

The history with respect to Safety & Health in the Netherlands

- Van Houten Child Act 1874
- Safety Act 1895 and 1934
- Safety Decrees 1938
- Working Conditions Act (1983)
- Working Conditions Decree (1998)



FROM FRAMEWORK TO ACTION



- Publication sheets from the labour inspectorate
- Policy rules (1998)
- Safety & Health Catalogue (2009)



SAFETY & HEALTH CATALOGUE (I)



- The "Occupational Health and Safety Catalog" refers to a online resource that provides guidance and recommendations on occupational health and safety (OHS) issues within the waste collection and waste processing sector. The catalog is developed collaboratively by employers, employees, and sometimes government agencies or industry experts.
- The purpose of an arbocatalogus is to help organizations identify and address potential hazards and risks in the workplace, as well as to promote best practices for ensuring the health and safety of workers. They may cover a wide range of topics, including but not limited to, ergonomics, chemical safety, machinery operation, and emergency procedures.



SAFETY & HEALTH CATALOGUE (II)



- Companies are fully responsible for their own occupational health and safety policies. They must conduct a risk inventory and evaluation (RI&E) and, based on this, develop an action plan. In this plan, they choose the measures to be applied. The Occupational Health and Safety Catalog for the Waste Management Sector serves as a tool for both employers and employees in this process.



SAFETY & HEALTH IN THE COLLECTIVE LABOUR AGREEMENT



- Employers and employees want to work healthily and safely. In addition to the legal provisions on working conditions, an Arbocatalogus Afvalbranche (occupational health and safety catalogue) applies to our sector. Employers and employees in the sector work according to these guidelines. You can find all information at www.arbocatalogusafvalbranche.nl.
- Employers and employees are committed to a safe workplace. The provisions of the Arbowet, Arbobesluit and specifically the Arbocatalogus Afvalbranche apply to this. When deploying flexible workers within companies, the same level of safety and protection is offered. Employers pay attention to this specific group.

QUESTIONS



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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