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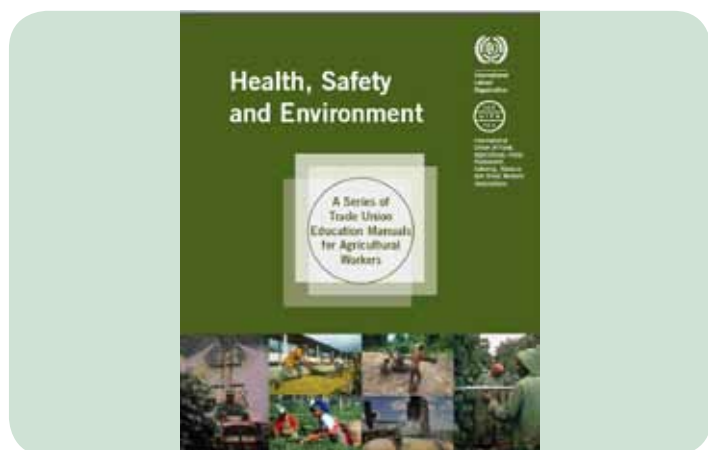


International Labour Office

Rural-Relevant Tools

Health, Safety and Environment: A Series of Trade Union Education Manuals for Agricultural Workers

Themes



What are the Health, Safety and Environment manuals?

A series of manuals to help trade unions representing agricultural workers to tackle health, safety and environmental (HSE) problems, through their training programmes, jointly developed by ILO's Bureau for Workers' Activities (ACTRAV) and the International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers' Associations (IUF), a global trade union federation organizing workers in the food chain

For whom?

- **Direct beneficiaries:** Those working with agricultural and rural workers such as agricultural producer organizations, international/regional and national agricultural agencies and organizations, environmental organizations, rural development organizations, donor agencies
- **Direct and also ultimate beneficiaries:** Agricultural/rural workers – waged workers, self-employed, etc. – and especially worker HSE representatives and members of joint worker-management HSE committees

For what purpose?

- Help worker representatives and union educators to:
 - Address the key HSE concerns of workers and their representatives
 - Provide essential information on HSE to workers and their representatives
 - Help workers and their representatives to tackle HSE issues
 - Plan and run educational activities with trade unions
 - Help trade unions build their organizational capacity on HSE
 - Promote ratification and implementation of ILO Convention No. 184 on Safety and Health in Agriculture



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How is it delivered?

- Training of trainers
- Training of worker HSE representatives and workers in agriculture and allied sectors

What are its components?

A series of six manuals:

- 1: An educator's guide
- 2: HSE for "grassroots" members
- 3: HSE for worker HSE representatives
- 4: HSE Fact Sheets
- 5: Pesticides' Health, Safety and the Environment
- 6: ILO Convention on Safety and Health in Agriculture, 2001 (No. 184).

Which technical areas are covered?

- Health, Safety and Environment issues in agricultural workplaces
- Helping worker representatives and workers to organize to improve Occupational Safety and Health conditions in agricultural workplaces
- ILO Convention No 184 on Occupational Safety and Health in Agriculture
- Occupational Safety and Health in supply chains

Can it cover more technical areas?

No, it is a specific tool which addresses all Occupational Safety and Health issues in agriculture



Where has it been used?

In 12 countries: Benin, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi, Mali, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, and Uganda (see map)

Which languages?

Available in 1 language: English, but Manual 5 is also available in French

Is it suitable for rural areas?

The manuals are designed for workers in rural areas.

What are its strengths?

- Comprehensive approach to Occupational Safety and Health in agriculture targeted at worker representatives
- Specific training manual on the implementation of the Convention 184 on Occupational Safety and Health in agriculture
- Specific manual (number 5) on pesticides
- Community issues with Occupational Safety and Health issues and pesticide residues in food and water are addressed

Is there a training course in ITC-Turin?

The manuals are used in various Occupational Safety and Health courses in ITC-Turin, and also in other courses such as *Hazardous child labour in agriculture*

Where to find more information?

- Website:
<http://www.ilo.org/actrav/> and www.ilo.org/safework
- Tool:
http://www.ilo.org/actrav/what/pubs/lang--en/docName--WCMS_111413/index.htm

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