



NORTHWEST  
CHAPTER

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### Upcoming Events

**Join Us - Tuesday, November 8, 11:30am-1:00pm**

- **Topic:** ANSI/ASSP Z359.14-2021 Self-Retracting Devices (SRL's): An Overview of Change 2014 vs 2021 Revision
- **Venue:** Marsch & McLennan Agency

Register [Here](#)

This presentation will outline the changes coming from the updates to the ANSI/ASSP Z359.14 standard. Participants will learn about the new design, testing, and performance requirements of SRL's certified to the Z359.14

standard. When participants see “Z359.14-2021” compliant labeled on future SRL’s they will understand what criteria the product had to meet to “earn” that certification.

## **Learning Outcomes**

1. What a “Class 1 and Class 2” SRL is and what characteristics do each class exhibit.
2. When and why some SRL’s have energy absorbers on the lifeline. How does this affect safety when working near sharp leading edges
3. Recognize existence of SRL labels containing fall clearance charts and the importance of them.
4. Effective date of the standard updates and its effect on existing equipment certified to previous revisions of Z359.14.

## **CEU Policy**

Virtual attendees are eligible for CEUs. All virtual attendees must be present by 12:00 noon and stay logged in until the end of the program in order to receive CEUs. Login time is tracked via zoom.

## **Speaker Info**



**Jason Giefer, Application Engineer, 3M Fall Protection**

Jason is an Application Engineer for 3M's Fall Protection division. He is passionate about keeping workers at heights safe. This philosophy of keeping workers happy spans a 20 + year career in the fall protection equipment industry.

Participating in hundreds of work site visits assessing fall hazards and providing solutions afford him an understanding of many challenges safety managers and workers encounter in real life work settings. He supports 3M's domestic and international fall protection teams. Additionally, he works as a member of new product development teams to ensure newly developed products meet the real-life needs of end users. Jason maintains strong knowledge base of the applicable fall protection regulatory standards, such as OSHA and ASNI.

Register [Here](#)

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**AIHA UMS Fall 2022 Professional Development Conference**  
**November 10, 2022**  
Find Additional Details and Registration [Here](#)

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**Save the Date - Friday, November 11 10:00am-4:00pm EST**

- **Topic:** WISE Virtual Retreat
  - **Venue:** Virtual (and free if you are a WISE member)
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**Save the Date - Tuesday, December 13 11:30am-1:00pm**

- **Topic:** TBD
  - **Venue:** Ergodyne
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**Save the Date - Tuesday, January 24 11:30am-1:00pm**

- **Topic:** Joint Chapter Meeting with AIHA and AHMP
- **Venue:** TBD

**Other Topics**

### **Mentorship Corner: Need Some Help or Do You Want to Help?**

Sometimes, ASSP members encounter difficult matters that transcend technical questions, and it can be quite helpful to reach out to other members (on a confidential basis) to discuss approaches and resources that may lie outside the professional literature, and represent creative solutions. On the other side of the coin, seasoned professionals, as mentors can gain significant benefit from knowing that they have had a positive impact on the safety and well-being of employee groups connected with their mentee's workplace. We invite you to explore such opportunities. To learn more, use the following link: <https://northwest.assp.org/asse-northwest-chapter-mentor-program/>

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### **Interested in Taking Your Membership To the Next Level?**

We are looking for Chapter Members who have interest in serving in volunteer roles. We have several volunteer opportunities available with varying ranges of time commitment. Let us know if you have interest!

### **News to Share**

**[Why Empathy Should Be the Cornerstone of Your Safety Program](#)**

Integrating empathy into your safety management system can improve safety and reduce incidents. Two experts share details and real-world examples.

[Read more](#)

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### **How Safety Professionals Can Help Prevent Suicide in the Workplace**

Lori Schroth joined us on “The Case For Safety Podcast” during National Suicide Prevention Week and discussed strategies for supporting employee mental health. [Listen now](#)

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### **Get the Safety Career You Want With These Expert Tips**

Now is a great time to start or advance your safety career. Get advice from two hiring and job search experts who work with safety and health professionals. [Read more](#)

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### **Did You Know? OSHA's Injury Tracking Applicaiton (ITA) Update**

- New Login Procedures effective October 2022
- Check out more details [here](#)

## **Career Opportunities**

Looking for a new career opportunity? Be sure to check out the Northwest Chapter Jobs Page on our [website](#). There are a number of recent postings, so you'll want to check it out if you haven't been there for a while!



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