

Saskatchewan

As a CUPE member in Saskatchewan YOU have the legal right to refuse unsafe work, according to the Occupational Health and Safety Act – Section 23, when there is reasonable grounds to believe that an act or a series of acts is unusually dangerous to YOUR or another person's health and safety.

Here's how YOU can refuse unsafe work...

1. If you believe that a dangerous situation may exist at work, you have the right to refuse the work.
2. Notify your supervisor or employer about your concerns, and refuse to perform the unsafe work.
3. The employer must remedy the situation and/or inform the occupational health and safety committee. The committee must investigate and advise you of the decision.
4. If you are not satisfied with the remedy, you may refuse unsafe work. The government occupational health officer must be notified.
5. The officer must investigate your concerns and make recommendations. A written report must be given to you and the employer.

YOU cannot be discriminated against for complying with the legislation, according to the Occupational Health and Safety Act – Section 27.

You have the legal right to a healthy and safe workplace.

For more information or assistance, contact your local union health and safety representative, your union executive, your CUPE representative or the CUPE National Health and Safety Branch at:

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