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Excavations can be extremely dangerous - that's why OSHA requires a competent person to oversee all excavation and trenching operations. The competent person must have specific training in, and be knowledgeable about, soil analysis, use of protective systems, and the requirements of OSHA's excavation standard.

CAWP's Trenching & Excavation Competent Person training program helps contractors train competent persons and other employees. Although the responsibility for designating a competent person is the responsibility of the contractor, this program is designed to simplify the task by providing participants with the information and training needed to become a competent person.

The CAWP Trenching & Excavation Competent Person training program is an online program that is available free at www.cawp.org. The entire course takes 90-120 minutes and is organized into 7 modules with a final assessment. Individuals who complete all modules and obtain a passing score of at least 70% will receive an emailed certificate.

Program Topics (each module takes 15 minutes) – [COURSE OUTLINE](#)

Module 1 – Course Introduction & Excavation Hazards

Module 2 - OSHA Subpart P & Responsibilities

Module 3 - Soil Classification and Analysis

Module 4 - Protective Systems

Module 5 - Excavation Inspections and OSHA Compliance

Module 6 - Excavating around Underground Utilities

Module 7 - Course Review

Final Assessment

How To Access the Online Training Program: [INSTRUCTIONS](#)

[COURSE FLYER](#)

Note: The program is also available in the following delivery formats: PPT to present in classroom, SCORM file to insert into a LMS, or as standalone videos. Contact CAWP for more information.

This Safety Bulletin may be downloaded at www.cawp.org under [Services/Safety](#). If you have questions, contact Jason Koss at the Association office at (412) 343-8000 or jasonk@cawp.org.

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August 22
CAWP Golf Outing

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