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Safe work for life: Master Builders ACT launches Safe Work Month program

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Master Builders ACT is doubling down on its commitment to safety as a central priority for the ACT building and construction industry, launching a month-long program of initiatives for National Safe Work Month.

This year's National Safe Work Month theme, 'Safe work is for life', reinforces the importance of safety on the job and for life.

Master Builders ACT Chief Executive Officer Anna Neelagama said safety was central to the Association's 2030 Strategic Plan and its commitment to unite members in delivering safe, skilled, sustainable and high-quality building and construction outcomes for a better ACT.

'Safety is fundamental to a strong, productive and high-quality construction industry. Everyone deserves to go home safely at the end of the day,' Ms Neelagama said.

'Statistics from Worksafe ACT show that construction continues to be a high-risk sector for workplace safety incidents with falls from heights one of the major areas for improvement.

'This Safety Month, we're delivering a range of initiatives to promote awareness, education and best-practice safety culture across our entire membership and movement.

'Safety is everyone's job, from employers and business owners through to every construction worker on site.

'Our focus this October is on giving our members and their workers practical opportunities to learn, talk about safety and strengthen the systems and culture that keep people safe, not just during Safety Month, but every day of the year.'

MASTER BUILDERS ACT SAFETY MONTH PROGRAM

Throughout October, Master Builders ACT will deliver a range of safety initiatives, including:

- Construction Industry Safety Group Roundtable Thursday 8 October
Bringing industry representatives together to discuss emerging safety issues, priorities and practical approaches to improving safety across the ACT construction industry.
- Master Builders ACT Safety Fair Tuesday 20 October
A practical, industry-focused safety event featuring safety information, demonstrations and industry engagement. The Acting ACT Work Health and Safety Commissioner will address the Safety Fair, alongside a free egg and bacon roll, BOSCH tool lucky prizes and giveaways, and more. Attendees can register [here>>](#)
- Safety training specials throughout October
15% off MBA Training safety short courses booked in October. Book courses [here>>](#)

'Safe work is for life. That means safety cannot be something we think about only during October, after an incident or when an inspector arrives on site,' Ms Neelagama said.

'It needs to be part of how we work, how we train our people and how we build our industry every day.

'Our members build the homes, infrastructure, workplaces and communities that make Canberra what it is. We want every person involved in that work to be safe, skilled and supported to do their best work.'



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