

Dangerous Goods Instructors' Symposium



Dangerous Goods Instructors' Symposium VI—Foundations of Knowledge

September 28 – 30, 2011

The Peabody Hotel, Memphis.

Foundations - Give someone a fish and you feed them for a day; teach them how to fish and you feed them for life. So goes an old saying. DGIS VI proposes to do just that – a re-examination of your skills and techniques as an instructor coupled with core updates on regulatory changes and developments. It's been a busy year on all fronts. From lithium batteries to limited quantities, the challenges for dangerous goods instructors have never been greater. And how are those ICAO packing instructions working out? Memphis is the perfect location for the DG training community to roll up their collective sleeves and engage in three days of networking, work-shopping and learning.

Program Highlights (subject to change and speaker availability)

Wednesday, September 28

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Presenter	Description
8:00 a.m. (0800)	Registration opens		Registration will be open throughout the day.

Building Blocks Workshops

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Presenter	Description
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (0900 – 1130)	The ABC's of Training Objectives	Joyce Beerbower, Safety and Compliance Services Geoff Leach, UK Civil Aviation Authority	Training objectives are the foundation of any training class. Poorly written or inappropriate training objectives are the downfall of many good trainers. This workshop covers the basics of making the learning objective a brief, clear statement of what the participant should be able to do as a result of training.
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Coast Guard Container Inspections	Team Roldan, USCG	This workshop will focus on the Coast Guard container inspection training program, its policies, enforcement and common mistakes when shipping by water.
11:30a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (1130 – 1300)	Lunch on Your Own		Explore Memphis and enjoy lunch at one of the many nearby restaurants on Beale St. or downtown!
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (1300 – 1430)	Writing of Packing and Closure Instructions: An Exercise in Authorship	Howard Skolnik, Skolnik Industries Inc.	This workshop will focus on identifying the information and observations required to write a proper packing instruction. Be prepared to participate in an active forum which will highlight some of the lesser-known specifics of getting it right - and tight!
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (1300 – 1430)	Limited Quantities, Consumer Commodities and Other Exceptions	Jim Shimko, DGM USA Atlanta	The exceptions are out there! This workshop focuses on exploring the advantages of the exceptions and dispelling the myths about consumer commodities, among other things. Real world examples and experiences will be highlighted!
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (1430 – 1500)	Break		
3:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. (1500 – 1645)	Regulatory Quirks and Oddities – Seeking Consistency and Solutions in the Regulations	DGIS Alumni Team	Is there a way to fix your "Pet Peeves" about the regulations? This workshop will focus on exploring some of the hidden problem areas in the regulations – bring your own, too!

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (1730 – 1930)

B.B. King Blues Bash - Come join us at B.B. King's Blues Club on Beale St. for cocktails, appetizers and the blues!

Thursday, September 29, Morning

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Presenter	Description
8:50 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. (0850 – 0900)	Introduction	Dwight Curtis, Labelmaster Neil McCulloch, Labelmaster	What participants in DGIS VI can expect!
9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. (0900 – 1045)	Regulatory Round-Up with Q & A		
	PHMSA	Duane Pfund, PHMSA	
	ICAO	Geoff Leach, UK Civil Aviation Authority	
10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. (1045 – 1115)	Break		
11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (1115 – 1230)	Maritime	Richard Bornhorst, Hazardous Materials Standards Division, USCG	
	Canada	Dave Evans, Purolator	

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DGIS VI Program Agenda—Continued

Thursday, September 29, Afternoon

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Presenter	Description
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. (1230 – 1400)	Lunch on Your Own		Explore Memphis and enjoy lunch at one of the many nearby restaurants on Beale St. or downtown!
2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (1400 – 1430)	The “Top Five”	Geoff Leach, UK Civil Aviation Authority	The do’s, don’t and awkward customers of dangerous goods instruction.
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (1430 – 1500)	“O2” by Air	Chris Egloff, Americase	Past, Present and Common Misconceptions
3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. (1500 – 1515)	Break		
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (1515 – 1600)	Designing Classification Questions	Gene Sanders, W.E. Train Consulting	A semi-humorous approach to learning from mistakes.
4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (1600 – 1630)	The FedEx Virtual Hub Tour	David Jones, FedEx	Take a ride through the FedEx “Closed Loop” system!
4:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (1645 – 1700)	Peabody Ducks March		Labelmaster®’s honorary Duckmaster will lead the Peabody ducks march out of the lobby fountain to their rooftop Royal Duck Palace.

5:30p.m. (1730)

Labelmaster® Fest - Meet, greet, eat, drink & win at the Labelmaster® Fest!

Friday, September 30

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Presenter	Description
9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. (0900 – 1015)	Dialogue with the “Inspectors”	Bill Stevens, PHMSA Stu Streck, PHMSA Robert DiGiacomandrea, PHMSA	The importance of training for safety compliance – special permits and most frequent violations.
10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. (1015 – 1030)	Break		
10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. (1030 – 1115)	TRANSCAER’s Trailblazing Training Program	Donna Lepik, CHEMTREC/TRANSCAER Bill Burke, DuPont David Binder, Tanner Industries	Developing a first of its kind comprehensive training program from “soup to nuts.”
11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. (1115 – 1145)	Interview with a Former Regulator	Bob Richard, Labelmaster Services Mike Hoysler, FedEx	A humorous look at life “on the inside.”
11:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon (1145 – 1200)	Ahead to DGIS VII		Overview of this year’s symposium and thinking about 2012!

12:00 noon (1200)

Conference Ends



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Important note: The final program may vary depending on the availability of experts to lead the various discussions. Active participation is a must! Updates to this agenda will be posted as they occur.

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