

visors and two councils concerned with safety of tank truck operations and of automobile transporters. Such councils conduct monthly and quarterly meetings and engage in safety engineering activities that relate to their particular interests according to geographic locations or type of operations.

The American Waterways Operators, Inc.
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The American Waterways Operators, Inc., is a trade association representing the national interests of operators of towboats, tugboats, barges and shallow-draft self-propelled freighters and tankers engaged in domestic trade primarily over the inland waterways of the United States. AWO has a safety committee which pursues three primary objectives:

- Promotion of individual member company's safety programs,
- More participation by members in the Barge and Towing Vessel Industry Safety Contest which the Association co-sponsors with the National Safety Council, and
- Preparation and distribution of AWO safety posters which the Association issues to its members each month.

The association's manual, *Basic Safety Program for the Barge and Towing Vessel Industry*, is designed either (a) to be adopted as a complete company program, or (b) to be used as a guide to develop or supplement an individual company's program. The manual covers methods and techniques for accident prevention, and contains valuable guidelines on all aspects of personnel safety in the barge and towing vessel industry.

American Water Works Association
666 W Quincy Ave., Denver, Colo 80235

The AWWA Safety Practices Committee (a) collects and compiles annual injury statistics on more than 2500 water utilities employing 80,000 workers, (b) issues awards to utilities with outstanding or improved performance in accident prevention, and (c) sponsors accident prevention schools for water utility personnel. The committee has prepared a manual entitled *Safety Practice for Water Utilities*, which may be purchased from

the Association. Another committee manual, *Tailgate Lectures for Water Utilities*, was issued in 1967.

American Welding Society
2501 NW 7th St., Miami, Fla 33125

The society is devoted to the proper and safe use of welding by industry. Through its Committee on Safety Recommendations the society coordinates safe practices in welding by cooperating with committees on promoting new and revising existing standards.

"Safe Practices for Welding and Cutting Containers that Have Held Combustibles" is one booklet produced by this committee and available to industry. Another is "Recommended Safe Practices for Gas Shielded Arc Welding," which covers such subjects as ventilation, clothing, eye protection, and radioactivity. The necessary precautions are indicated, and unfounded fears are dispelled.

The society also sponsors American National Standards Institute Sectional Committee Z49, whose publication, *Safety in Welding and Cutting*, is the authoritative standard in this field. It deals with the protection of workers from accidents, occupational diseases, and fires arising out of the installation, operation, and maintenance of electric and gas welding and cutting equipment.

Frequent articles on safety in welding appear in the official publication of the society, *The Welding Journal*.

Associated General Contractors of America, Inc
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This association of contractors specializes in the building, highway, railroad, and heavy construction fields. All areas of the United States are served by the association's 131 chapters, which carry on their own programs and render assistance to their members.

The association has had about 50 years of continuing interest in the activities of its Accident Prevention Committee, to which member contractors have freely contributed their time and effort. The committee's *Manual of Accident Prevention in Construction* is revised periodically. Each year, the national organization presents awards to members and chapters for significant achievement in accident prevention.