

NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

FOUNDED SEPTEMBER 24 1913
INCORPORATED IN ILLINOIS OCTOBER 1 1920
INCORPORATED BY ACT OF CONGRESS AUGUST 13 1953

Purposes and Powers Certain essential provisions of the Act of Congress which incorporated the National Safety Council are as follows:

Objects and Purposes

The objects and purposes of the corporation shall be -

to further encourage and prepare methods and procedures leading to elimination of loss of life and limb among employees and employers and among citizens in general in homes, in schools and offices, in business, in travel and in recreation, and in other public and private places

to collect statistics and disseminate educational and information data relative to safety methods and procedures

to advise and maintain the interest of the people of the United States in territories and possessions in safety and in accident prevention and to encourage the adoption and maintenance of safety methods by all persons - and organizations

to organize, publish and conduct programs for the education of all persons in safety methods and procedures

to cooperate with others and develop the cooperation of and between all persons, and organizations both public and private, in the carrying out of any or all of the foregoing purposes

Powers

The corporation shall have power -

to establish and maintain offices for the conduct of its business and to charter land, boats and required safety organizations in appropriate places throughout the United States its territories and possessions to charge and collect membership dues subscription fees and receive contributions or grants of money or property to be devoted to the carrying out of its purposes to receive such officers directors trustees managers agents and employees as the business of the corporation may require

to adopt around and alter a constitution and bylaws to organize establish and conduct conferences on safety and accident prevention

to publish magazines and other publications and materials consistent with its corporate purposes, to adopt and use and display such emblems, seals and badges as it may adopt

Nonpolitical Nature

The corporation and its officers, directors and duly appointed agents as such shall not contribute to or otherwise support or assist any political party or candidates for office

No Stock or Dividends

The corporation shall have no power to issue any shares of stock nor to declare nor pay any dividends

Audit and Congressional Report

The financial transactions shall be audited annually by an independent certified public accountant. A report of such audit shall be made by the corporation to the Congress not later than six months following the close of each fiscal year for which the audit is made

Exclusive Right to Name and Emblem

The corporation and its subsidiaries, divisions and general state and local chapters shall have the sole and exclusive right to use the name National Safety Council. The corporation shall have the exclusive and sole right to use, or to allow or release the use of such emblems, seals and badges as it may to legally adopt

Transfer of Assets

The corporation may acquire the assets of the National Safety Council. Incorporating a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois upon declaration of its incorporation by the payment and discharge of all of the liability of such corporation and upon complying with all laws of the State of Illinois applicable thereto

Congressional and Presidential Approval The Act which incorporated the National Safety Council was passed during the First Session of the 83rd Congress and was designated Public Law 553. Leadership in the Congress was as follows:

Introduced by Senator J. McMillan Illinois	Reported by the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare Senator J. McMillan Illinois	Reported by the House Committee on Education and Labor Representative J. McMillan Illinois	Reported by the House Committee on Education and Labor Representative J. McMillan Illinois
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The Act was signed by the President of the United States Dwight D. Eisenhower on August 13 1953

Transfer of Operations to the Federal Corporation At the time the Act was passed granting the National Safety Council a federal charter the Council was functioning as an Illinois corporation. The arrangements continued until on which date the Council's assets, operations and organizational structure were transferred from the Illinois corporation to the federal corporation.

Fig. 1-1. The National Safety Council is the only national nonpolitical and nonprofit organization established solely for the purpose of accident prevention. In 1953, the 83rd Congress of the United States issued a Federal charter for the Council, thus recognizing its work as an integral part of the American way of life