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Brief

EM 385-1-1 Update:

Changes to the EM are developed and published on the USACE Publications website periodically and YOU should be aware of what is in them. In addition, you should also be familiar with the CESO

#### http://www.usace.army.mil/ CESO/Pages/Home.aspx

This website will keep you informed of EM changes, work involving our highhazard working groups, free training and other important safety-related information. All USACE employees should have their own EM 385-1-1 to work with. If you need one, contact your local safety office OR visit the CESO website at the link above and it will tell you how to obtain one.

Change #5 was published and is effective 1 Apr 11. This change replaced the entire Section 15, Rigging. A Power Point presentation that details the changes is available on the CESO website.

Change #6 was published and is effective 15 Jul 11. It replaced the entire Section 16, Cranes and Hoisting Equipment. These changes were necessary due to recent OSHA updates.

A Power Point presentation that details the changes made is available on the CESO website. In addition, an itemized summary of changes is provided as well. These tools were developed to assist you with a better understanding of the current requirements and how they affect you.

The Operator Certification/Licensing requirements in Section 16.C. changed with the new OSHA standard published in August 2010. Again, there are basically 4 options through which operators can obtain their training – not all 4 apply to everyone.

In addition, Signal Persons and Riggers are now required to be qualified to perform these duties. Details can be found in 16.B.06 and 15.B and on pages 4-5 of this paper.

USACE has developed a signalperson/rigger training class for our personnel that can be brought to a project site, district or division to accomplish this training.

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