



LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Immigration

Oct 1: Under Yukon's new agreement with the federal government, foreign nationals living in Yukon with work permits that have expired since May 16, 2024 (or that are set to expire before December 31, 2024) will now be able to apply for a new Yukon-specific work permit that will be valid for up to 2 years.

New Laws

Oct 8: Yukon announced that it's increasing the honorarium for volunteer firefighters from \$22 to \$30.74 per hour, including hours spent in training. The honorarium increase, which takes effect this month, is the first since 2009.

Drugs & Alcohol

Oct 17: Cannabis wholesale-to-retail sales in Yukon have grown steadily, rising from \$2.03 million in 2018–19 to \$9.2 million in 2023–24. That's one of the key findings of the recently completed [review](#) of the *Cannabis Control and Regulation Act* that Yukon is required to perform every 5 years. The report also found that cannabis-impaired driving rates in Yukon match national levels.

Action Point: Find out how to [effectively control substance abuse](#) at your workplace.

Workers' Comp

Sep 11: With the Compensation Fund in a surplus, the Yukon WSCB announced that it will distribute \$10 million in workers' comp rebates to eligible employers before the end of the year.