

Top 10 OSHA Citations of 2015

1. Fall Protection – General Requirements (1926.501)
 - Provide guardrails, toe boards, and clean/dry floors in working areas. Train workers about job hazards when working above **6 feet**.
2. Hazard Communication (1910.1200)
 - Employers must have a written HazCom Program and provide training to all employees. Safety Data Sheets must be made available and updated regularly. All containers holding chemicals must be labeled properly.
3. Scaffolding (1926.451)
 - Some hazards associated with scaffolds **10 feet** tall or higher are falling from elevation; collapse of the scaffold; being struck by falling tools, work materials, or debris; and electrocution due to proximity to power lines.
4. Respiratory Protection (1910.134)
 - Proper mask fittings are required to ensure that there is an airtight seal. Replace filters based on the concentration of the hazardous exposure, rather than the date of first install.
5. Lockout/Tagout (LOTO) (1910.147)
 - Employers are required to provide lockout mechanisms, train staff on LOTO procedures, and implement energy control practices and procedures while repairing or servicing equipment.
6. Powered Industrial Trucks (1910.178)
 - Training is required for all operators. Regular inspections should be conducted. **Always** yield to pedestrian traffic.
7. Ladders (1926.1053)
 - Always maintain a three-point (two hands and a foot or two feet and a hand) contact on the ladder when climbing. Keep your body near the middle and face the ladder.
8. Electrical - Wiring Methods (1910.305)
 - OSHA standards require that certain approved testing organizations test and certify electrical equipment before use in the workplace to ensure the equipment is safe.
9. Machine Guarding (1910.212)
 - Safeguards ensure the safety of workers operating powered machinery and equipment; Lockout/Tagout protects workers when machinery or equipment is shut down for maintenance.
10. Electrical – General Requirements (1910.303)
 - OSHA's electrical standards are designed to protect employees exposed to dangers such as electric shock, electrocution, fires, and explosions.