

NOTE: Generally, OSHA does not post the top ten violations until after the first week in April, so as to allow the prior fiscal year's inspection data to finalize past the close of the fiscal year (September 30th).

Top 10 Most Frequently Cited Standards

for Fiscal Year 2020 (Oct. 1, 2019, to Sept. 30, 2020)

The following is a list of the top 10 most frequently cited standards following inspections of worksites by federal OSHA. OSHA publishes this list to alert employers about these commonly cited standards so they can take steps to find and fix recognized hazards addressed in these and other standards before OSHA shows up. Far too many preventable injuries and illnesses occur in the workplace.

- Fall Protection, construction** (29 CFR 1926.501) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Hazard Communication Standard, general industry** (29 CFR 1910.1200) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Respiratory Protection, general industry** (29 CFR 1910.134) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Scaffolding, general requirements, construction** (29 CFR 1926.451) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Ladders, construction** (29 CFR 1926.1053) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Control of Hazardous Energy (lockout/tagout), general industry** (29 CFR 1910.147) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Powered Industrial Trucks, general industry** (29 CFR 1910.178) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Fall Protection—Training Requirements** (29 CFR 1926.503) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Eye and Face Protection** (29 CFR 1926.102) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]
- Machinery and Machine Guarding, general requirements** (29 CFR 1910.212) [related OSHA Safety and Health Topics page]

- To search the top violations of an industry with a specific NAICS code, see <https://www.osha.gov/pls/imis/citedstandard.html>
- To search and view the industry profile for violations of any specific OSHA standard, see <https://www.osha.gov/pls/imis/industryprofile.html>



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