

2018

OSHA's Most Frequently Cited Standards



Health Care and Social Assistance (NAICS 62)

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) keeps records not only of the most frequently cited standards overall, but also within particular industries. The most recent statistics from OSHA reveal the top standards cited in the fiscal year 2018 for the health care and social assistance industry. This top 10 list comprises establishments providing health care and social assistance for individuals. The sector includes both health care and social assistance because it is sometimes difficult to distinguish between the boundaries of these two activities. The industries in this sector are arranged on a continuum starting with those establishments providing medical care exclusively, continuing with those providing health care and social assistance, and finishing with those providing only social assistance.

DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATION	CITED STANDARD NUMBER	ACV*
1. Bloodborne Pathogens - Protection against occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials.	29 CFR 1910.1030	\$2,201
2. Hazard Communication - Properly transmitting information on chemical hazards through a comprehensive program, container labeling, SDS and training.	29 CFR 1910.1200	\$883
3. Reporting Fatalities, Hospitalizations, Amputations, and Losses of an Eye - Following the reporting guidelines set by OSHA following death, hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye due to a work-related incident.	29 CFR 1904.39	\$2,697
4. General Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Requirements - Selecting the correct PPE, providing instruction, monitoring its use and maintaining the PPE to standards.	29 CFR 1910.132	\$3,118
5. Respiratory Protection - Properly administering a respiratory protection program, selecting correct respirators, completing medical evaluations to determine which employees are required to use respirators and providing tight-fitting equipment.	29 CFR 1910.134	\$4,374
6. Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/Tagout) - Following minimum performance requirements for controlling energy from the unexpected start-up of machines or equipment.	29 CFR 1910.147	\$934
7. General Electrical Requirements - Ensuring electric equipment is free from recognized hazards likely to cause death or serious physical harm to employees.	29 CFR 1910.303	\$2,985
8. Forms - Using OSHA required forms for recordable injuries and illnesses.	29 CFR 1904.29	\$2,723
9. Medical Services and First Aid - Ensure the ready availability of medical personnel for advice and consultation on matters of plant health.	29 CFR 1910.151	\$774
10. Wiring Methods, Components and Equipment for General Use - Using proper wiring techniques and equipment to ensure safe electrical continuity.	29 CFR 1910.305	\$391

*ACV (Average Cost per Violation) - The dollar amount represents the **average cost per violation** that employers in this industry paid in 2018. To understand the full capacity and scope of each standard, click on the standard number to visit www.osha.gov and view the language in its entirety. Source: OSHA.gov Design © 2013, 2015, 2017-2018 Zywave, Inc.