

OSHA'S TOP 25 VIOLATIONS FOR 2005



Every year, OSHA compiles statistics on violations to its standards. During 2005, there were 105,817 violations to standards ranging across all industry segments under federal OSHA jurisdiction, with adjusted penalties of nearly **\$34 million**.

The following table lists the top 25 most frequently violated regulations for Part 1910, General Industry. These are federal statistics and are the result of violations that occurred in states that are regulated by federal OSHA. Citations for states that operate their own occupational safety and health programs are not included in these statistics.

TOP 25 GENERAL INDUSTRY VIOLATIONS BY SUBPARAGRAPH

January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005

	Subject	Standard	Total Violations	\$ Initial	\$ Adjusted
1	Hazard Communication - Written program	1910.1200(e)(1)	2,395	\$1,110,276	\$427,951
2	Machine guarding - Types of guarding	1910.212(a)(1)	1,587	\$3,066,794	\$972,789
3	Hazard Communication - Employer must provide hazard information and training	1910.1200(h)(1)	1,124	\$256,272	\$90,687
4	Machine guarding - Point of operation guarding	1910.212(a)(3)(ii)	811	\$1,869,156	\$704,841
5	First aid - Eye wash/emergency shower facilities not in near proximity to employees	1910.151(c)	784	\$904,354	\$345,566
6	Guarding floor openings, platforms and runways	1910.23(c)(1)	744	\$1,303,417	\$401,865
7	Lockout/tagout - Establish energy control program	1910.147(c)(1)	732	\$842,465	\$286,927
8	Abrasive wheel machinery - Exposure adjustment/safety guards	1910.215(b)(9)	729	\$285,041	\$99,502
9	Hazard Communications - MSDS available for each hazardous chemical	1910.1200(g)(1)	718	\$98,975	\$37,093
10	Lockout/tagout - Written energy control procedures	1910.147(c)(4)(i)	700	\$1,203,548	\$393,020
11	Respiratory protection - Provide medical evaluation prior to fit test and respirator use	1910.134(e)(1)	694	\$467,800	\$75,976
12	Respiratory protection - Establish a written program	1910.134(c)(1)	691	\$472,093	\$159,669
13	Electric-Wiring methods, components and equipment-cabinets, boxes/conductors	1910.305(b)(1)	662	\$483,650	\$153,245
14	Hazard communication - Employee information and training	1910.1200(h)(1)	604	\$135,350	\$57,565
15	Powered industrial trucks - Operator training	1910.178(l)(1)(i)	563	\$752,932	\$194,475
16	Hazard communication - Labeling containers	1910.1200(f)(5)(i)	547	\$180,140	\$73,268
17	Mechanical power transmission - Pulley guarding	1910.219(d)(1)	544	\$550,791	\$173,771
18	Electric-Listed and labeled equipment must be used or installed according to instructions	1910.303(b)(2)	515	\$402,545	\$125,915
19	Lockout/tagout - Training and communication	1910.147(c)(7)(i)	512	\$535,450	\$205,612
20	Abrasive wheel machinery - Must use work rest	1910.215(a)(4)	502	\$350,752	\$119,627
21	Electric-Wiring methods, components and equipment-cabinets, boxes/conductors	1910.305(b)(2)	501	\$342,162	\$93,747
22	Compressed air - Reduce to less than 30 p.s.i.	1910.242(b)	494	\$366,789	\$130,136
23	Lockout/tagout - Annual procedure inspection	1910.147(c)(6)(i)	493	\$370,575	\$121,924
24	Personal protective equipment - Provide, use, maintain equipment in a sanitary and reliable condition	1910.132(a)	479	\$840,540	\$238,243
25	Hazard Communication - Maintain MSDS's	1910.1200(g)(8)	468	\$66,616	\$16,901

* Information derived from OSHA and J. J. Keller and Associates, Inc.

Additional OSHA Violations from CFR 1910 Subpart S – Electrical Include:

1910.302	Electric Utilization System	1910.331	Scope
1910.304	Wiring Design and protection	1910.332	Training
1910.306	Specific purpose equipment and installations	1910.333	Selection and use of work practices
1910.307	Hazardous (classified) locations	1910.334	Use of equipment
1910.308	Special Systems	1910.335	Safeguards for personnel protection

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