

OSHA – Mandated Written Programs

The following is a “quick” list of programs that may need to be written for compliance with certain OSHA standards. The list does not include all OSHA mandated plans, certifications, notices, etc. This list focuses on those plans or programs, containing procedures, policies, permission, etc. that must exist in written form, that may be applicable to Ready Mixed Concrete Plants.

OSHA – COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS

Emergency Action Plan

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=9726

1910.38(a) & (b)(2)(i) through (iii) & 1910.120(q) – Generally, any facility with chemical, fire, or other hazards that might require fire response or evacuation must have emergency action and fire prevention plans. (These plans may be oral, rather than written, for employers with 10 or fewer employees)

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/evacuation/index.html>

This eTool will help small, low-hazard service or retail businesses implement an emergency action plan, and comply with OSHA's emergency standards.

Hearing Conservation Plan

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=9735

1910.95 - OSHA requires you to develop and implement a “noise monitoring program”, (noise monitoring is one of the elements of a Hearing Conservation Plan) wherever you have information that an employee’s noise exposure may exceed the noise action level. The standard, 1910.95, carries no requirement for a written element of any kind. However, you are required to maintain records of many of your activities, and to make them available upon request to OSHA and to your employees... to fulfill the requirements of the regulation it is extremely helpful to have a written program.

http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/pub/information/hearing_conservation.doc

Sample written Hearing Conservation program from OSHCON

<http://www.osha.gov/dts/osta/otm/noise/index.html>

This eTool is a chapter of the OSHA Technical Manual developed to assist OSHA staff in evaluating workplace Noise hazards.

Respirator Protection Plan

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=12716

1910.134 requires you to have a respiratory protection program consisting of written standard operating procedures if your workplace has any of the following hazards that cannot be controlled through engineering means alone:

Lack of oxygen	Fumes	Smoke
Presence of harmful dust	Gases	Sprays
Fogs	Vapors	Mists

and if; Your company has one or more employee who works with a respirator at any time. Personnel dust monitoring is recommended.

http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/pub/information/respiratory_protection.doc

Sample written Respiratory Protection program from OSHCON

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/respiratory/index.html>

The purpose of this eTool Advisor is to help you comply with the OSHA respirator standard. This Advisor will instruct you on the proper selection of respiratory protection and the development of change schedules for gas/vapor cartridges.

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Confined Space Entry Procedures

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=9797

1910.146 requires all employers to evaluate their workplaces looking for “permit-required confined spaces”. This requires the following steps:

- Evaluate for confined spaces; and
- Evaluate the hazards of confined spaces.

If you determine you have at least one “permit-required confined space and you have at least one employee enter the permit-required confined space you are required to have a written confined space entry program. (Ready Mix Plant permit required confined spaces might include the cold feed bins, silos, bag house, tanks, etc...)

<http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/videoresources/documents/oconfinedspac.doc>

Sample written Confined Space entry program from OSHCON

Lockout/Tag-out Procedures

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=9804

1910.147 requires your company to comply with the Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/Tag-out) Standard if servicing and/or maintenance takes place at your company during normal production operations in which: an employee is required to remove or bypass a guard or other safety device; or an employee is required to place any part of his or her body into an area on a machine or piece of equipment where work is actually performed upon the material being processed or where an associated danger zone exists during a machine operating cycle.

<http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/pub/information/loto.doc>

Sample written Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/Tagout) program from OSHCON

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/controlhazardousenergy/index.html>

Links to information relevant to the control of hazardous energy (lockout/tagout) in the workplace (OSHA).

<http://www.osha.gov/dts/osta/lototraining/index.htm>

Lockout/Tagout Interactive Training Program.

Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=10051

1910.1030 – Each employer having employee(s) who may incur skin, eye, mucous membrane, or parenteral contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials as a result of performing their professional duties shall establish a written exposure control plan.

<http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/videoresources/documents/obloodbornepath.doc>

Sample written Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan from OSHCON

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/bloodbornepathogens/index.html>

Links to information relevant to bloodborne pathogens and needlestick prevention in the workplace (OSHA).

Hazard Communication -

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=10099

1910.1200 requires you to have a written hazard communication program if you have at least one hazardous chemical on-site and have at least one employee.

<http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/pub/information/hazcom.doc>

Sample written Hazard Communication program from OSHCON.

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Personal Protective Equipment “Written Hazard Assessment”

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=10118

– Your company must comply with the requirements of **OSHA’s 1910 Subpart I**, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) general requirements for a certified/written Hazard Assessment (survey) if you have work situations which require use of eye protection, face protection, head protection, foot protection or hand protection.

Although not required, an overall written program for PPE can be very useful in the workplace, to document and specify all information relative to your company’s PPE program.

<http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/pub/information/ppe.doc>

Sample written PPE program from TDI.

Company Safety and Health Management Program – (recommended - Fed. Register 54(18): 3908-3916, Jan. 26, 1989) – Guidelines identify four general elements considered by OSHA to be critical to the development of a successful safety and health management program.

<http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/pub/information/safety.doc>

Sample written Safety Policy from OSHCON

<http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/videoresources/documents/ghspaccidentpre.doc>

Sample written Accident Prevention plan from TDI

Fall Protection Program – (recommended) A requirement for the Construction Industry only. A similar program is in OSHA’s “proposed rule making” stage that would/could make a written Fall Protection Program mandatory or General Industry.

http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/information/pub/information/fall_protection.doc

Sample written Fall Protection program from OSHCON

Hot Work Permit System –

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=STANDARDS&p_id=9853

(recommended for compliance with **1910.252**) Written procedures establishing a permit system insuring safe work practices as well as prevention and response procedures when work requires or causes open flames, arcs, or sparks that could cause fire or explosion due to the presence of flammable liquids, vapors, gases or solid combustibles.

Smoking Policy (Indoor Air Quality) – (recommended) another OSHA standard that is in the “proposed rule making” stage.