

Which of these Top 10 **Marking Violations** is your company making?



Includes:

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Top 10 OSHA Marking Violations

(I've extended it to include the TOP 25 Violations to be safe.)

- #1.) **Fall Protection** (This category was the Top Marking Violation Penalty 07 - \$1,169,89.00)
Marking Violation Description Details: Roof Working – *Warning Line*
- #2.) **Electrical Listed**
Marking Violation Description Details: Labeled Equipment Installed - *Used*
- #3.) **Hazard Communication**
Marking Violation Description Details: Labeling Containers – *Chemical Identity*
- #4.) **Electrical**
Marking Violation Description Details: Identification of disconnecting *means and circuits*
- #5.) **Hazard Communication**
Marking Violation Description Details: Labeling Containers *Hazard Warning*
- #6.) **Portable Fire Extinguishers**
Marking Violation Description Details: *Identify*
- #7.) **Exit Routes**
Marking Violation Description Details: *Exit Sign*
- #8.) **Electrical**
Marking Violation Description Details: Listed / *Labeled or Certified Equipment*
- #9.) **Walking**
Marking Violation Description Details: Working Surfaces – *Load Marking*
- #10.) **Lockout/Tagout**
Marking Violation Description Details: Device Application - *Tags*
- #11.) **Ladders**
Marking Violation Description Details: Use – *Do Not Use Marking*
- #12.) **Exit Routes**
Marking Violation Description Details: *Directional Exit Signs*
- #13.) **Powered Industrial Trucks**
Marking Violation Description Details:
Changing Plates, Tags or Decals after manufacture – Approved Modifications

#14.) Exit Routes

Marking Violation Description Details: *“Not an Exit” sign*

#15.) Annual Summary

Marking Violation Description Details: *Certification*

#16.) Permit

Marking Violation Description Details: *Required Confined Spaces - Posting*

#17.) Electrical

Marking Violation Description Details:
Suitability of Equipment Examination of Label, Listing, or Certification

#18.) Powered Industrial Trucks

Marking Violation Description Details: *Nameplates and Markings*

#19.) Lockout/Tagout

Marking Violation Description Details: *Protective Materials and Hardware - Tags*

#20.) Ladders

Marking Violation Description Details: *Use – Traffic Barriers*

#21.) Annual Summary

Marking Violation Description Details: *How To Complete*

#22.) Exit Routes

Marking Violation Description Details: *Exit Sign Illumination*

#23.) Forklift

Marking Violation Description Details: *Front-end Attachments - Markings*

#24.) Accident Prevention signs

Marking Violation Description Details: *Traffic Control Signs*

#25.) Materials Handling

Marking Violation Description Details: *Aisle Marking*

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10 steps to a Emergency Action Plan

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First thing... Do you really need a Emergency Action Plan?

- All Employers are required to have one in place.
- An emergency plan must be in writing. (see special note below)
- Must be kept in the workplace and available to employees to review.



If you're an employer with 10 or fewer employees in a particular work place you can communicate the plan "orally" to your employees.

Your Emergency Action Plan Must Include:

- 1.) Procedures for reporting a fire or other emergency.
- 2.) These are procedures for an "emergency evacuation", including the type of evacuation and exit route assignments.
(ex. Fire evac, Earthquake evac, Robbery evac... And what routes to take.)
- 3.) Procedures to be followed by employees who remain to operate critical operations before they evacuate.
- 4.) Procedures to account for all employees after evacuation.
(Once everyone's out, where do they go for a head count?)
- 5.) Procedures to be followed by employees performing rescue or medical duties.
- 6.) The name or job title of every employee who may be contacted by employees who need information about the plan or an explanation of their duties under the plan.
(You need at least one person who is the "go to guy or gal" if there are any questions.)
- 7.) Employee Alarm System in place. AN employer must have and maintain an employee alarm system. The employee alarm system must use a distinctive signal for each purpose and comply with the requirements in [1910.165](#)



If you're an employer with 10 or fewer employees in a particular work place direct voice communication is an acceptable procedure for sounding the alarm provided all employees can hear the alarm.

8.) Training. An employer must designate and train employees to assist in a safe and orderly evacuation of other employees.

9.) Review of emergency action plan. An employer must review the emergency action plan with each employee covered by the plan:

- when the plan is developed or the employee is assigned initially to a job;
- when the employee's responsibilities under the plan change; and
- when the plan is changed.



10.) I didn't find #10 in the OSHA regs... for all I know it could be there somewhere. Either way, I strongly suggest you have each employee sign off on a "document" verifying that they were told all the minimum requirements.

So ultimately you're covered just in case you get a surprise visit from OSHA and one of your employees forgets. 😊

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Exit route identification is a big deal.

For example:

Stat's show the failure to have a "working bulb" in your exit sign is one of the most common issues fire marshals jump all over during their visits.

What's even worse ... it starts to build momentum and that fire marshal begins to look harder and harder to find other issues.

Exit route identification is often overlooked but easily helps create some heavy fines once it gets a fire marshals attention.

(Pardon the pun but from a F.M.'s perspective, "where there's smoke there's fire".)

Are you one of the 3,800 worksites OSHA will be targeting in 2008?

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OSHA is planning to target approximately 3,800 work sites in 2008.

Their primary list includes (according to a release by Occupationalhazards.com);

- Companies that reported 11 or more injuries or illnesses resulting from days away from work per 100 full time employees. (DAFII)
- Employers NOT ON the primary list, who reported DART rates of between 7.0 and 11.0 or DAFWII rates of between 5.0 and 9.0 will be placed on a secondary list.
- OSHA will continue to inspect nursing homes and personal care facilities.

One more thing. OSHA will also randomly select and inspect about 175 workplaces (with 100 or more employees) across the nation that reported low injury and illness rates for the purpose of reviewing their actual degree of compliance with OSHA requirements. (These establishments are selected from those industries with rates higher than the national DART and DAFWII rates.)



Just in case you neglected to respond to OSHA's 2007 data survey ... and you thought you'd be under the radar, think again!

OSHA will include some of those companies on their PRIMARY LIST!

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