

Revisions to the PEOSH Standards Regarding the Reporting and Recording of Work-Related Injuries & Illnesses



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Safety Bulletin
ATTENTION: All Public Employers

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This notice is being sent as a result of amendments to the Recording and Reporting of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses Standard (29CFR 1904). This includes changes to both procedures and forms used to report and record work-related injuries and illnesses.

Please ensure that this information is shared with all appropriate personnel.

ATTENTION!

Reporting and Recordkeeping Procedures and Forms Change on January 1, 2002

Effective January 1, 2002, the "NJOSH 200 Log and Summary of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses" will be replaced by the "NJOSH 300 Log of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses", "NJOSH 300A Summary of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses" and "NJOSH 301 Injury and Illness Incident Report".

Additional Significant Revisions Requiring Reporting

- Any needlestick injury, or cut from a sharp object that is contaminated with another person's blood or other potentially infectious material.
- Any instance when an employee must be medically removed from the worksite under the requirements of a PEOSH standard.
- All tuberculosis infections, as evidenced by a positive skin test or diagnosis by a
 physician or other licensed health care professional, after a known exposure to
 an individual with active tuberculosis.

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All requirements of the revised standard will be effective on January 1, 2002, with the exception of the following, which will not become effective until January 1, 2003:

- Musculoskeletal Disorders (MSDs)
- Work-Related Hearing Loss: Any Standard Threshold Shift (STS) in hearing acuity. (i.e.: Cases involving an average hearing loss of 25 decibels or greater in either ear).

The New Forms Will Be Designated As:

NJOSH 300, NJOSH 300A and NJOSH 301

Additional detailed information, applicable to both the public and private sectors, can be obtained from the United States Department of Labor, OSHA web site:

www.osha.gov



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