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The Office of Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health (OPEOSH) conducts general and targeted inspections and investigations to ensure workplace safety. The OPEOSH has the authority to order the correction of any safety or health hazards identified during an inspection. These services are delivered by a staff of safety professionals.

Regulations and authorities

Health and safety alerts

OSHA Alerts

- [Link to OSHA's Campaign to Prevent Heat Illness in Outdoor Workers](#)
- [Link to OSHA's Alert concerning the use of scissor lifts during filming events](#)

OPEOSH Alerts

Periodically, OPEOSH issues Public Employer Safety and Health Alerts which address specific safety and health issues. Below is a list of Alerts that have been issued. Also listed below is an Alert that was issued by the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH).

- [Alert 39: Preventing Crossing Guard Injuries and Fatalities](#)
- [Alert 38: Preventing Worker Injuries and Deaths from Lightning Exposure](#)
- [Alert 37: Preventing Worker Injuries and Deaths Involving Surfboats](#)
- [Alert 36: Water Rescue](#)
- [Alert 35: Preventing Worker Injuries and Deaths Involving Tractors and Mowing Equipment](#)
- [Alert 34: Electronic Access/Egress & Electromagnetically Locking Door Failures](#)
- [Alert 33: Public Employers who Designate Employees to Engage in Tree Care Operations, Tree Trimming and Tree Removal \(June 2020\)](#)
- [Alert 32: Preventing of Eye Injury / Loss of Vision for Firefighters \(June 2020\)](#)
- [NJDHSS Public Health Alert – Filling of Oxygen Cylinders and Aluminum Regulators High-pressure Oxygen Systems \(June 1999\)](#)
- [MSA SCBA Equipped with AirFrame Carrier and Harness Assembly \(October 2006\)](#)
- [Alert 31: Confined Space Rescue \(October 2010\)](#)
- [Alert 30: ARRA Funded Youth/Temporary Workers in Public Sector Employment \(June 2009\)](#)
- [Alert 29: Preventing Workers Injuries and Deaths When Operating Golf Cars, Personal Transport Vehicles and Low-speed Vehicles \(June 2009\)](#)
- [Alert 28: Preventing Workers Injuries and Deaths as a Result of Leaf Collection Vacuuming Equipment \(February 2004\)](#)
- [Alert 27: Revision to the PEOSH Standards Regarding the Reporting and Recording of Work-related Injuries and Illnesses \(January 2015\)](#)
- [Alert 25: The Bloodborne Pathogen Standard \(29 CFR 1910.1030\) and Smallpox Vaccination Programs \(August 2003\)](#)
- [Alert 22: Bloodborne Pathogens Frequently Asked Questions \(April 2002\)](#)
- [Alert 21: OSHA Revises the Bloodborne Pathogen Standards \(29 CFR 1910.1030\) \(April 2002\)](#)
- [Alert 20: Preventing Workers Injuries and Deaths as a Result of Puncturing Aerosol Cans During Grinding Operations \(March 2002\)](#)

- [Alert 19: Preventing Workers Injuries and Deaths as a Result of Thermal Imaging Camera Use in Proximity of Portable Radios \(March 2002\)](#).
- [Alert 18: Revision to the PEOSH Standards Regarding the Reporting and Recording of Work-related Injuries and Illnesses \(May 2002\)](#).
- [Alert 17: Traffic Hazards for Firefighters, Police Officers and Emergency Medical Services Providers while Working Along Roadways \(January 2002\)](#).
- [Alert 16: Revision to the PEOSH Standards Regarding the Reporting and Recording of Work-related Injuries and Illnesses \(December 2001\)](#).
- [Alert 15: Preventing Workers Injuries and Deaths as a Result of the Release of Hazardous Energy by Motor Vehicles \(May 2001\)](#).
- [Alert 14: Thermal Imaging Camera Intrinsic Safety \(April 2001\)](#).
- [Alert 13: Preventing Workers Injuries and Deaths from Moving Refuse Collection Vehicles \(March 2001\)](#).
- [Alert 12: Protective Hoods for Firefighters \(February 2000\)](#).
- [Alert 11: Work Zone Safety for All Public Employees \(February 2000\)](#).
- [Alert 10: Fire Service Apparatus Purchases \(April 1999\)](#).
- [Alert 9: Respiratory Protection \(August 1998\)](#).
- [Alert 8: Automatic Conveyer Dishwashers \(September 1997\)](#).
- [Alert 7: Exposure to Tuberculosis \(June 1997\)](#).
- [Alert 6: Firefighters Protective Clothing \(September 1999\)](#).
- [Alert 4: Confined Space \(February 1997\)](#).
- [Alert 3: Lockout/Tagout \(January 1997\)](#).
- [Alert 2: Mandatory Reporting Requirements \(New Alert #18\) \(May, 2002\)](#).
- [Alert 1: High Voltage Contact \(September 1999\)](#).

Reference materials

Need assistance?

Public sector employer reporting requirements



Public sector (state and local government) employers must report to NJ OPEOSH all work-related fatalities within eight (8) hours and all work-related in-patient hospitalizations, amputations, and loss-of-eye incidents within twenty-four (24) hours.

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Private sector employer reporting requirements



Private sector employers must report to Federal OSHA all work-related fatalities within eight (8) hours and all work-related in-patient hospitalizations, amputations, and loss-of-eye incidents within twenty-four (24) hours.

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