

2014

OSHA's Most Frequently Cited Standards



Landscaping Services (NAICS 561730)

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) keeps records not only of the most frequently cited standards overall, but also within particular industries. The most recent statistics from OSHA reveal the top standards cited in the fiscal year 2014 for the landscaping industry. This top 10 list comprises establishments that primarily provide landscape care and arborist and maintenance services such as installing trees, shrubs, plants, lawns or gardens and also establishments that provide these services along with the design of landscape plans and/or the construction of walkways, retaining walls, decks, fences, ponds and similar structures.

DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATION	CITED STANDARD NUMBER	ACV*
1. General Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Requirements - Selecting the correct PPE, providing instruction, monitoring its use and maintaining the PPE to standards.	29 CFR 1910.132	\$997
2. Hazard Communication - Properly transmitting information on chemical hazards through a comprehensive program, container labeling, SDS and training.	29 CFR 1910.1200	\$384
3. Vehicle-mounted Elevating and Rotating Work Platforms - Ensuring the safe usage and design of powered platforms, manlifts and vehicle-mounted work platforms.	29 CFR 1910.67	\$3,064
4. Eye and Face Protection - General requirements for eye and face protection in the workplace.	29 CFR 1910.133	\$1,245
5. General Duty Clause - Ensuring that place of employment is free of recognized hazards that cause or are likely to cause death or serious physical harm to employees.	5A0001	\$2,625
6. Head Protection - Providing employees with head protection that meets ANSI specifications when they work in areas where there is a possible threat of head injury.	29 CFR 1910.135	\$1,146
7. Selection and Use of Work Practices - Selecting the proper practices to prevent electric shock or other injuries resulting from either direct or indirect electrical contacts when work is performed near or on equipment or circuits which are or may be energized.	29 CFR 1910.132	\$2,257
8. Respiratory Protection - Properly administering a respiratory protection program, selecting correct respirators, completing medical evaluations to determine which employees are required to use respirators and providing tight-fitting equipment.	29 CFR 1910.134	\$654
9. Guarding Floor and Wall Openings and Holes - Ensuring every stairway floor opening has proper railings and other protection.	29 CFR 1910.23	\$1,466
10. Crawler Locomotive and Truck Cranes - Proper use of cranes to hoist and swing loads.	29 CFR 1910.180	\$1,250

*ACV (Average Cost per Violation) - The dollar amount represents the **average cost per violation** that employers in this industry paid in 2014. To understand the full capacity and scope of each standard, click on the standard number to visit www.osha.gov and view the language in its entirety. Source: OSHA.gov

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