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Chapter 7
Subchapter 7C
NC-OSH

CFR Revision 105

Field Information System Part I Welding, Cutting and Brazing; Final Rule

Discussion:

On 11 April 1990, Federal OSHA published a new final rule to redesign and reorganize the existing standard on Welding, Cutting and Brazing at 29 CFR 1910.252. The new rule does not change the substance of the existing rule, nor does it affect the standard's present scope and application. The new rule is aimed solely at reorganizing and clarifying the format of 1910.252 to make easier substantive changes OSHA plans to make later this year. The revision is needed to bring the existing standard in line with the current state-of-the-art in welding technology and practices, and with the National Consensus Standards on which the original rule was based.

The changes include: placing the provisions with a more general application at the beginning of the standard where they can be more easily located; converting the current Section 1910.252 into four sections - 1910.252-1910.255; and following the Office of the Federal Register guidelines for proper paragraph numbering and cross referencing. Other changes include: the addition of equivalent metric units; changes to reflect the transfer of function among federal agencies; the deletion of a non-substantive provision adopted in error; and the updating of mailing addresses for the organizations that published the source documents.

ACTION:

This new federal final rule at 29 CFR 1910.252, 1910.253, 1910.254, and 1910.255 has been adopted verbatim by the Commissioner of Labor with an effective date of 2 July, 1990. A copy of the <u>Federal Register</u> announcement at 55 FR 13694 is attached. Please file this NC-CFR Revision with the attachment in Part I of your Field Information System.

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