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Chapter 7
Subchapter 7F
NC-OSH

CFR Revision 131

Field Information System Part I
Subpart M; Fall Protection in Construction
Final Rule

DISCUSSION:

On August 9, 1994, Federal OSHA promulgated a new occupational safety and health standard for Construction. This new standard, Fall Protection, Subpart M of 29 CFR 1926 with companion amendments, becomes effective February 6, 1995.

The companion amendments are to Subpart R of 1910 and Subparts E, H, N, P, Q, R and V of 1926. The Authority citation for each part is revised along with specific amendments as follows.

Subpart R of Part 1910: Subpart 1910.269(g)(2)(i) is revised to require all personal fall arrest equipment meet the requirements of Subpart M of Part 1926. [This amendment will be actually located in the future promulgation of 29 CFR 1910.269, Electric Power Generation, Transmission and Distribution.]

Subpart E: *Safety belts, lifelines, and lanyards*, 1926.104 is removed. Subparagraph 1926.105(a) is redesignated at 1926.753 (under Subpart R) and 1926.105 is reserved. Paragraphs (b), (c) and (f) of 1926.107 are removed.

Subpart H: *General requirements for storage*, 1926.250(b)(2) is revised to require each employee working in silos or other storage areas to be equipped with personal fall arrest equipment.

Subpart N: *Revision of Cranes and derricks* at 1926.550(c)(2) by replacing the requirement for safety belts and lanyards with a requirement for personal fall arrest systems. Also, the revision of 1926.550(g)(4)(i)(C) replaces body belt/harness anchorages with a requirement for personal fall arrest system anchorages.

Subpart P: The section heading of 1926.651 is now *Specific excavation requirements*, and 1926.651(l) is revised to require walkways over any excavations which employees or equipment are required or permitted to cross.. Further, all walkways 6

feet or more above lower levels must have guardrails which comply with the new 1926.502(b).

Subpart Q: Paragraph (f)(2) of 1926.701 is removed and the paragraph designation (1) is also removed from (f).

Subpart R: *Safety nets*, 1926.753 is added from former 1926.105(a). {See Subpart E above}.

Subpart V: Paragraph 1926.951(b)(4)(i) is revised to require lifelines and lanyards to comply with 1926.502.

ACTION:

This final rule at 29 CFR 1926, Subpart M was adopted verbatim in North Carolina by the Commissioner of Labor with an effective date of February 6, 1995. A copy of the regulatory text from the [Federal Register](#) announcement (Vol. 59, No. 152) is attached along with a copy of the adoption in 13 NCAC 07F.0201.

Please file this NC CFR Revision in Part CFR II of your Field Information System.

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