

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

Chapter 7

CFR Revision 147A

Subchapter 7F

Field Information System

Occupational Exposure to Methylene Chloride

Subpart Z, 29 CFR Parts 1910.1052

**Final Rule**

**DISCUSSION:**

On September 22, 1998, OSHA issued a final rule amending the occupational exposure to methylene chloride standard, 29 CFR 1910.1052 ([63 FR 50711-50732](#)). This amendment provides temporary medical removal protection benefits for employees who are removed from a job or transferred to another job following a medical determination that exposure to methylene chloride (MC) may aggravate or contribute to an existing medical condition. This rule also changes the start-up dates for certain employers to achieve the 8-hour time-weighted average (8-hour TWA) permissible exposure limit and short term exposure limit (STEL) through the use of engineering controls.

**ACTION:**

The September 22, 1998, final rule (63 FR 50711-50732) was adopted verbatim with an effective date of October 8, 1998. A copy of the referenced *Federal Register* is attached.

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