

## OSHA Directives

### STD 1-12.17 - 29 CFR 1910.213(h)(1), Radial Saw Guards

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TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS/OSHA

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SUBJECT: 29 CFR 1910.213(h)(1), Radial Saw Guards

#### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this directive is to provide clarification on the applicability of the subject standard as it relates to the saw mill industries.

#### 2. Documentation Affected

This directive supersedes Field Information Memorandum #75-49A dated November 9, 1975.

#### 3. Background

The Office of Standards Development is proposing a change in 29 CFR 1910.213(h)(1) that will limit its applicability to saw mill operations.

#### 4. Action

Under existing regulations, 29 CFR 1910.213(h)(1) shall continue to apply to saw mill operations. However, pending final promulgation of the proposed change, a failure to install a

lower guard on the type of saws used in production-line operations in saw mills (these saws are specified in 29 CFR 1910.265) shall be considered de minimus, providing that there has been no sacrifice to employee safety.

#### 5. Effective Date

This directive is effective immediately and will remain in effect until canceled or superseded.

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