

Ten Most Frequently Cited Serious Violations by Agricultural Safety and Health Bureau

1. NCGS 95-129(1)—General Duty Clause
2. 1928.110(c)(2)(i)—Field sanitation—Toilet and handwashing facilities
3. NCGS 95-225(f)—Fire safety for migrant housing
4. 1910.132(a)—Personal protective equipment—General requirements
5. 1928.110(c)(1)—Field Sanitation—Potable water
6. 1910.135(a)(1)—Personal protective equipment—Head protection—General requirement to provide head protection when needed
7. 1910.142(l)(1)—Temporary labor camps—Reporting communicable disease
8. 1928.51(d)—Roll over protective structures—Operating instructions
9. 1910.142(f)(1)(iii)—Temporary labor camps—Laundry tray or tub for every 30 persons
10. 1928.110(c)(1)(iii)—Field sanitation—Potable Water—Single-use drinking cups



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When looking through this brochure, please remember the mission of the N.C. Department of Labor is greater than just to enforce regulations. An equally important goal is to help people find ways to create safe workplaces. This brochure, like the many other educational materials produced by this department, can help. Reading and using this information will aid you in developing a safety and health program that saves lives.

Compliance assists employers in improving their workplace safety and health programs to eliminate on-the-job injuries and illnesses through enforcement activity.

Consultative Services provides free on-site consultation regarding both safety and health issues. Services are provided to employers of limited size and to employers within high-hazard industries, assisting them to reach their goal of achieving a safe and healthful workplace for their employees. Consultative Services also administers the Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP), which recognizes small and mid-size employers who have developed and maintained effective safety and health programs.

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Ten Most Frequently Cited Serious Violations (Public Sector Only)

1. 1910.212(a)(1)—Machine guarding—General requirements
2. NCGS 95-129(1)—General Duty Clause
3. 1910.215(b)(9)—Machine guarding—Abrasive wheel machinery—Exposure adjustment
4. 1910.134(e)(1)—Respiratory protection—Medical evaluations
5. 1910.147(c)(6)(i)—Lockout/tagout—Periodic inspection—Annual inspection of energy control procedure
6. 1910.253(b)(2)(ii)—Oxygen-fuel gas welding and cutting—Cylinder storage
7. 1910.147(c)(4)(i)—Lockout/tagout—Energy control procedures
8. 1910.215(a)(4)—Machine guarding—Abrasive wheel machinery—Work rests
9. 1910.1200(e)(1)—Hazard communication—Written program
10. 1910.1200(e)(1)(i)—Hazard communication—List of hazardous chemicals known to be present

Ten Most Frequently Cited Serious Construction Industry Violations (Private Sector)

1. 1926.501(b)(13)—Fall protection—Residential construction—Employees protected 6 feet or more above lower level
2. 1926.102(a)(1)—Personal protective equipment—Eye and face protection—General requirements
3. 1926.503(b)(1)—Fall protection—Certification of training
4. 1926.1053(b)(1)—Ladders—Must extend 3 feet above landing or be properly secured to access upper landing
5. 1926.20(b)(2)—General safety and health provisions—Accident prevention—Frequent and regular inspections
6. 1926.100(a)—Personal protective equipment—Head protection—General requirements
7. 1926.503(a)(1)—Fall protection—Training program
8. 1926.1053(b)(13)—Ladders—Use—Top step not used as a step
9. 1926.1053(b)(4)—Ladders—Used only for designed purpose
10. 1926.405(g)(2)(iv)—Electrical—Flexible cords and cables—Strain relief

Ten Most Frequently Cited Serious General Industry Violations (Private Sector)

1. 1910.212(a)(1)—Machine guarding—General Requirements
2. 1910.147(c)(4)(i)—Lockout/tagout—Energy control procedures
3. 1910.147(c)(6)(i)—Lockout/tagout—Periodic inspection—Annual inspection of energy control procedure
4. NCGS 95-129(1)—General Duty Clause
5. 1910.212(a)(3)(ii)—Machine guarding—General requirements—Point of operation guarding
6. 1910.133(a)(1)—Personal protective equipment—Eye and face protection—General requirements
7. 1910.147(c)(7)(i)(A)—Lockout/tagout—Training and communication—Authorized employees
8. 1910.1200(h)(1)—Hazard communication—Training
9. 1910.28(b)(1)(i)—Duty to have fall protection—Unprotected sides and edges—Employees protected 4 feet or more above lower level
10. 1910.178(l)(1)(i)—Powered industrial trucks—Operator training—Ensure operator competency