

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND
REGULATION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS

The South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (SC DLLR) will hold a public hearing on January 4th, 2017, at 10:00 AM. It will be held at South Carolina Department of Labor Licensing and Regulation (SCDLLR), 110 Centerview Drive, Room 108. The hearing is being held to determine if the Director of the SCDLLR will promulgate, revoke, or modify Rules and Regulations pursuant to Section 41-15-210, SC Code of Laws, 1976 to revise and amend existing health and safety standards for 29 CFR parts 1910 and 1926, as necessary to comply with federal laws.

OSH Rules and Regulations being considered at the hearing are as follows:

In Subarticle 6 (General Industry):

Revisions to Sections: 1910.6, 1910.21, 1910.22, 1910.23, 1910.24, 1910.25, 1910.26, 1910.27, 1910.28, 1910.29, 1910.30, 1910.66, 1910.67, 1910.68, 1910.132, 1910.139, 1910.140, 1910.178, 1910.179, 1910.261, 1910.262, 1910.265, 1910.268, 1910.269, 1910.1000

In Subarticle 7 (Construction):

Revisions to Sections: 1926.55,

Summary of changes: SC OSHA is correcting typographical errors in the final rule for respirable crystalline silica published March 25, 2016.

Also, OSHA is revising and updating its general industry standards on walking-working surfaces to prevent and reduce workplace slips, trips, and falls, as well as other injuries and fatalities associated with walking working surface hazards. The final rule includes revised and new provisions addressing, for example, fixed ladders; rope descent systems; fall protection systems and criteria, including personal fall protection systems; and training on fall hazards and fall protection systems. In addition, the final rule adds requirements on the design, performance, and use of personal fall protection systems.

The final rule increases consistency between the general industry and construction standards, which will make compliance easier for employers who conduct operations in both industry sectors. Similarly, the final rule updates requirements to reflect advances in technology and to make them consistent with more recent OSHA standards and national consensus standards. OSHA has also reorganized the requirements and incorporated plain language in order to make the final rule easier to understand and follow. The final rule also uses performance-based language whenever possible to give employers greater compliance flexibility.

Information on these standards may be obtained by viewing the following links:

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-09-01/pdf/2016-20442.pdf>

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-11-18/pdf/2016-24557.pdf>

Any omissions or corrections to the occupational safety and health standards being considered for adoption published in the FEDERAL REGISTER prior to this hearing may be presented at this hearing. These revisions are necessary to comply with federal law and copies of them can be obtained or reviewed at the SC DLLR during normal business hours by contacting the OSHA office at 803-896-5811.

Persons desiring to speak at the hearing shall file with the Director of the SC DLLR a notice of intention to appear and the approximate amount of time required for her/his presentation on the particular matter no later than December 22, 2016. Any person who wishes to express her/his views, but is unable or does not desire to appear and testify at the hearing, should submit those views in writing on or before December 22, 2016.

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South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (SC DLLR) does hereby give notice under Section 41-15-220, SC Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, that a public hearing will be held on January 4th, 2017 at 10:00AM at the SC DLLR Kingstree Building, Rm. 108, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, SC at which time interested persons will be given the opportunity to appear and present views on the occupational safety and health standards being considered for adoption.

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Subarticle 6 (General Industry): Revisions to Sections: 1910.1000
Subarticle 7 (Construction): Revisions to Sections: 1926.55

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OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION**

AGENDA

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
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January 4, 2017

**Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, Room 108
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina**

Call to Order Kristina Baker, Chief of Labor for South Carolina OSHA
Public Notice of this hearing was properly posted at the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation’s office of Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive in Columbia, South Carolina. Pursuant to SC Code Ann. § 41-15-220, 1976, an amended notice of this public hearing was published in 3 newspapers, one of which has circulation in upper, lower, and middle South Carolina; once a week for three weeks. Public notice of this hearing has also been provided to any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, as amended, relating to the Freedom of Information Act.

**Public hearing procedure and statement of purpose Kristina Baker
Chief of Labor for South Carolina OSHA**

Comments and opinions from the public

Adjournment Kristina Baker, Chief of Labor for South Carolina OSHA