



OSHA Fort Worth and Dallas Area Office – Stakeholder and Alliance Partner Newsletter

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This newsletter is designed to provide news and information regarding COVID 19 and current OSHA Operations and guidance. Please visit one any of the following links for additional information.

OSHA-DOL COVID 19 Guidance and Information

<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf>

<https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/>

<https://www.osha.gov/memos/2020-03-14/temporary-enforcement-guidance-healthcare-respiratory-protection-annual-fit>

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OSHA-DOL General Information and additional guidance

<https://www.osha.gov/quicktakes/03232020>

<https://www1.eeoc.gov/guidance/index.cfm> (this link provides EEOC COVID 19 Guidance)

Recording workplace exposures to COVID-19

OSHA recordkeeping requirements at [29 CFR Part 1904](#) mandate covered employers record certain work-related injuries and illnesses on their OSHA 300 log.

COVID-19 can be a recordable illness if a worker is infected as a result of performing their work-related duties. However, employers are only responsible for recording cases of COVID-19 if all of the following are met:

1. The case is a confirmed case of COVID-19 (see [CDC information](#) on persons under investigation and presumptive positive and laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19);
2. The case is work-related, as defined by [29 CFR 1904.5](#); and
3. The case involves one or more of the general recording criteria set forth in [29 CFR 1904.7](#) (e.g. medical treatment beyond first-aid, days away from work).



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OSHA-DOL COVID 19 Guidance and Information, along with other resources

<https://www.dol.gov/coronavirus>

<http://www.austintexas.gov/COVID19> provided in Spanish by the State of Texas

<http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1106836319273&ca=8b0537a8-ca17-4b63-83d4-113e5e309de1> – guidance for the construction work force

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> - CDC
Web Page and Guidance



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A note from our Fort Worth OSHA Area Director, Timothy Minor

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A note from our Dallas OSHA Area Director, Basil Singh

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This information has been developed by an OSHA Compliance Assistance Specialist and is intended to assist employers, workers, and others as they strive to improve workplace health and safety. While we attempt to thoroughly address specific topics [or hazards], it is not possible to include discussion of everything necessary to ensure a healthy and safe working environment in a presentation of this nature. Thus, this information must be understood as a tool for addressing workplace hazards, rather than an exhaustive statement of an employer's legal obligations, which are defined by statute, regulations, and standards. Likewise, to the extent that this information references practices or procedures that may enhance health or safety, but which are not required by a statute, regulation, or standard, it cannot, and does not, create additional legal obligations. Finally, over time, OSHA may modify rules and interpretations in light of new technology, information, or circumstances; to keep apprised of such developments, or to review information on a wide range of occupational safety and health topics, you can visit OSHA's website at www.osha.gov.