

The Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development encourages employers and employees to reduce workplace hazards voluntarily and to develop and improve safety and health programs in all workplaces and industries.

Such cooperative action would initially focus on the identification and elimination of hazards that could cause death, injury, or illness to employees and supervisors. Upon request of employer, the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development will furnish a consultant who will inspect the premises and identify hazards without assessing penalties.

**MORE
INFORMATION:**

Additional information and copies of the law, specific safety and health standards, and other regulations may be obtained from the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Labor Standards & Safety, Alaska Occupational Safety and Health at the addresses shown at the bottom of this page.

**PROGRAM
COMPLAINT:**

Under a plan approved July 31, 1973 by the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the State of Alaska is providing job safety and health protection for workers throughout the State. OSHA will monitor the operation of this plan to assure that continued approval is merited. Any person may make a complaint regarding the State administration of this plan directly to the U.S. Department of Labor, OSHA, Region X, 1111 Third Avenue, Suite 715, Seattle, WA 98101-3212. Telephone (206) 553-5930

IT'S YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW About toxic and hazardous substances and physical agents

AS 18.60.068 requires this information be displayed in a prominent place on business premises.

- Employers must inform employees about the locations and nature of operations, which could result in exposure to toxic or hazardous substances or physical agents.
- Employers must train employees in the health effects of the toxic or hazardous substances and physical agents to which they are exposed and in the purpose, proper use, and limitations of personal protective equipment.
- Employers must keep on file and make available during the work-shift, Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for each toxic or hazardous substance or physical agent to which employees may be exposed. Employers must remove employees from exposure to the substance or physical agent if an MSDS cannot be obtained and provided to employees within 15 calendar days of a request.

The Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development will provide assistance to employers in the form of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS), program development aids, on-site program review, and safety seminars.

For more information, employers, employees and concerned citizens may contact the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development,

Labor Standards and Safety Division, Occupational Safety and Health, <http://www.labor.state.ak.us/lss/oshhome.htm>

◆ Consultation & Training 1-800-656-4972

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Juneau, AK 99802-1149
(907) 465-4855

◆ Enforcement 1-800-770-4940

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Anchorage, AK 99510-7022
(907) 269-4940

◆ 24-hour OSHA hotline 1-800-321-6742

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AS 18.60.058 (a) requires that employers must notify AKOSH/OSHA within eight hours of a fatality or in-patient hospitalization.

