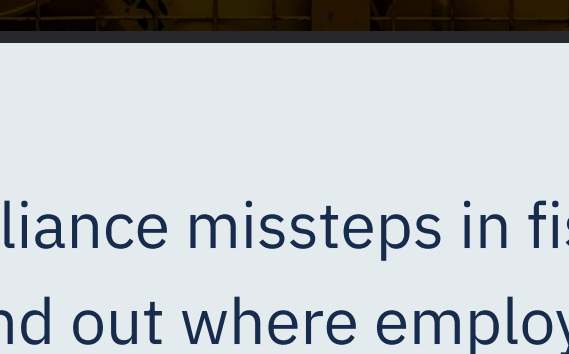


Top 10

OSHA Violations for 2019



What were employers' biggest compliance missteps in fiscal year 2019? Check out the latest list of OSHA's Top 10 Violations to find out where employers went wrong—and learn what you can do to avoid making the same mistakes.

The top 10 violations of FY 2019 are:

#10

Personal protective and lifesaving equipment (construction)—eye and face protection (29 CFR 1926.102)

1,411 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Failing to provide eye and face protection where employees are exposed to hazards from flying objects
- Failing to provide eye protection with side protection
- Failing to provide protection from caustic hazards, gases, and vapors



#9

Machine guarding (29 CFR 1910.212)

1,743 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Failing to ensure that guards are securely attached to machinery
- Improper guarding of fan blades
- Failing to properly anchor fixed machinery

Industries targeted:

- Machine shops
- Fabricated metal manufacturing



#8

Fall protection (construction)—training requirements (29 CFR 1926.503)

1,773 violations.

Commonly cited issues include

- Failing to provide training to each person required to receive it
- Failing to certify training in writing
- Inadequacies in training leading to the failure of retention by the trainee
- Failing to retrain in instances where the trainee failed to retain the training content



#7

Powered industrial trucks (29 CFR 1910.178)

2,093 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Deficient or damaged forklifts that were not removed from service
- Failing to safely operate a forklift
- Failing to retain certification of training
- Failing to evaluate forklift drivers every 3 years as required

Industries targeted:

- Warehousing and storage facilities
- Fabricated and structural metal manufacturing
- Framing contractors



#6

Ladders (construction) (29 CFR 1926.1053)

2,345 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Failing to have siderails extend 3 feet (ft) beyond a landing surface
- Using ladders for unintended purposes
- Using the top step of a stepladder, and ladders with structural defects

Industries targeted:

- Roofing contractors
- Framing contractors
- Siding contractors
- Painting contractors



#5

Respiratory protection (29 CFR 1910.134)

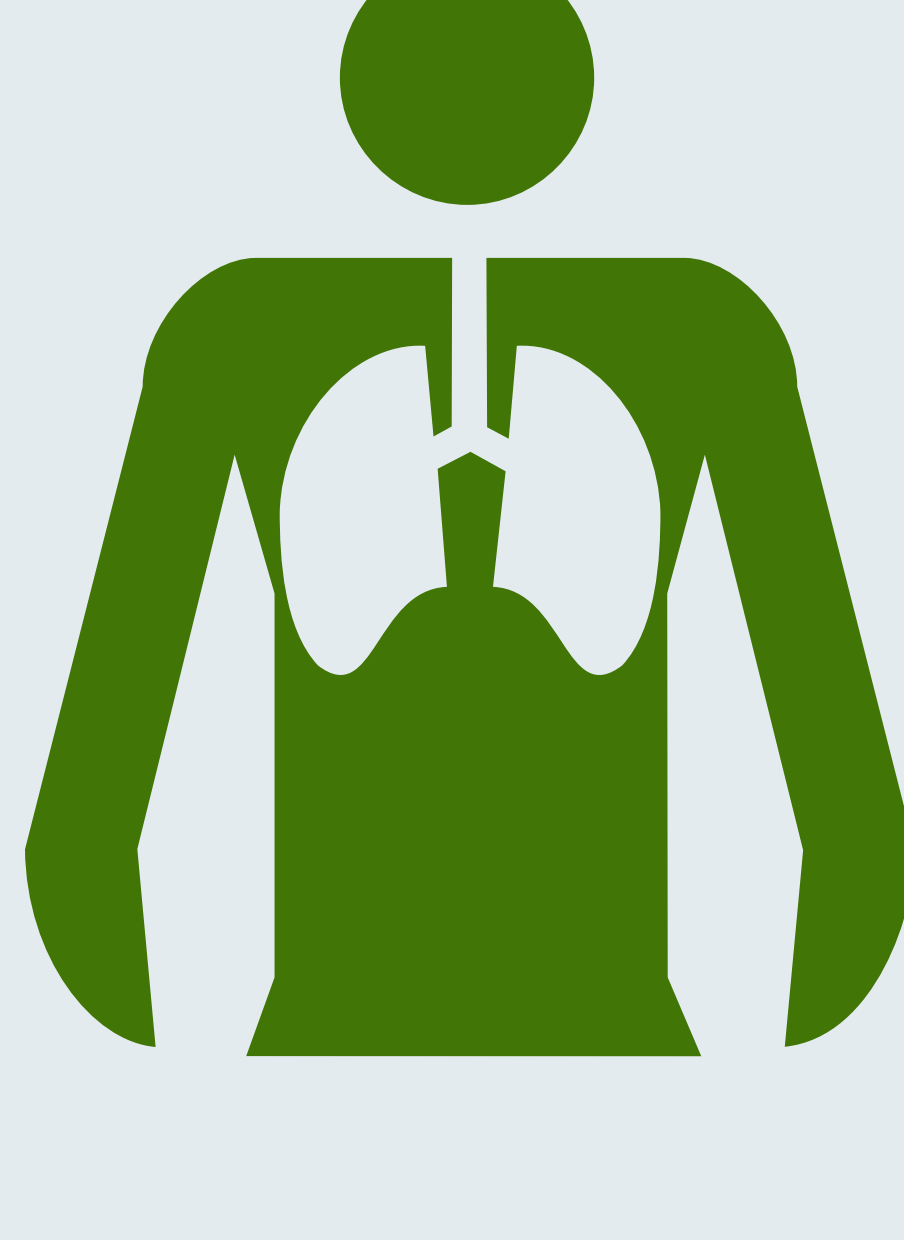
2,450 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Failing to establish a program
- Failing to perform required fit testing
- Failing to provide medical evaluations

Industries targeted:

- Auto body refinishing
- Masonry contractors
- Painting contractors
- Wall covering contractors



#4

Lockout/tagout (29 CFR 1910.147)

2,606 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Failing to establish an energy control procedure
- Failing to provide adequate employee training
- Failing to conduct periodic evaluations of procedures
- Failing to use lockout/tagout devices or equipment

Industries targeted:

- Plastics manufacturers
- Machine shops
- Sawmills



#3

Scaffolds (construction)—general requirements (29 CFR 1926.451)

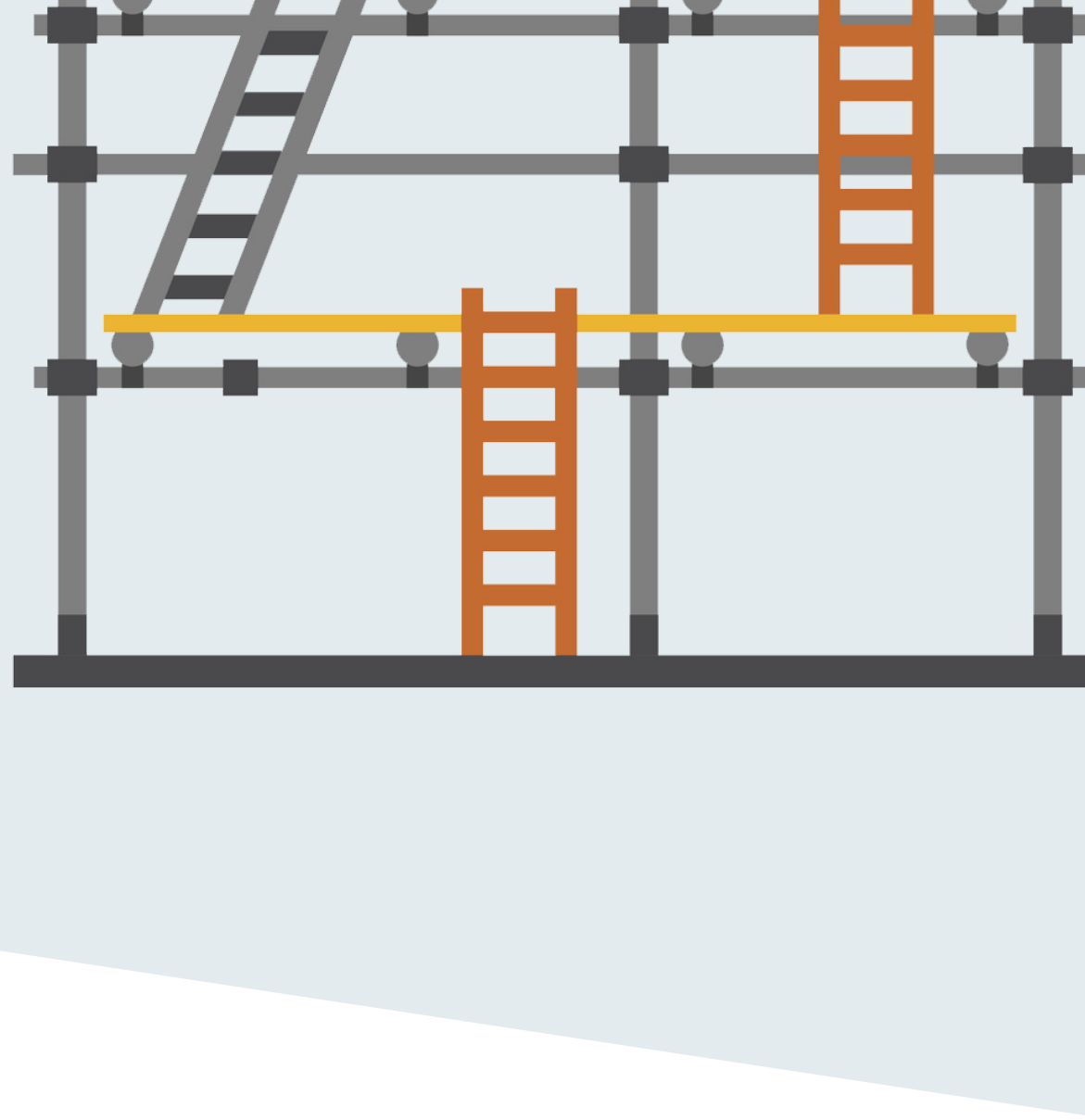
2,813 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Improper decking
- Failing to provide guardrails where required
- Failing to ensure that supported scaffolds are adequately supported on a solid foundation

Industries targeted:

- Masonry
- Siding
- Roofing
- Framing contractors



#2

Hazard communication (29 CFR 1910.1200)

3,671 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Lack of a written program
- Inadequate training
- Failing to properly develop or maintain safety data sheets (SDSs)

Industries targeted:

- Auto repair facilities
- Painting contractors



#1

Fall protection (construction)—general requirements (29 CFR 1926.501)

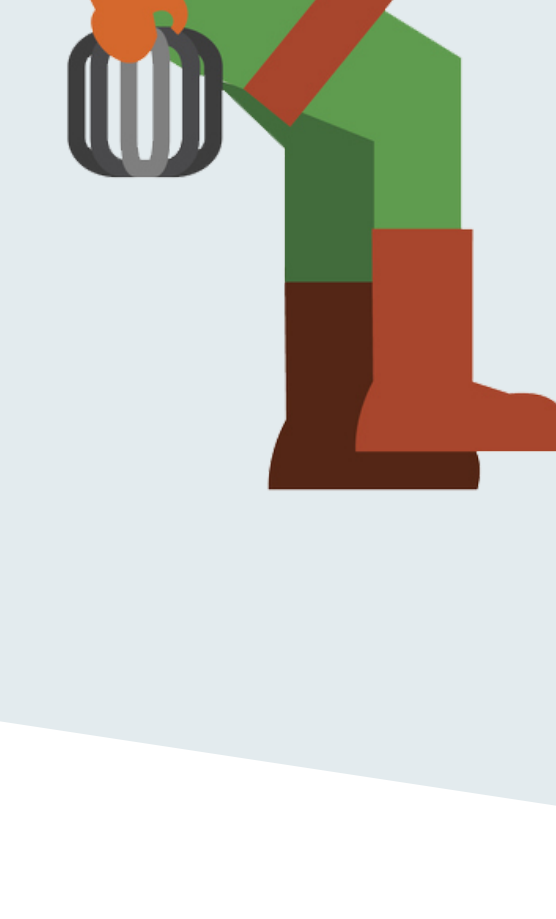
6,010 violations.

Commonly cited issues:

- Failing to provide fall protection near unprotected sides or edges
- Failing to provide fall protection on both low-slope and steep roofs

Industries targeted:

- Roofing contractors
- Framing contractors
- Masonry contractors
- New single-family housing construction contractors



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