

2017

OSHA's

Most Frequently Cited Standards

Landscaping Services (NAICS 561730)

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) keeps records not only of the most frequently cited standards overall, but also within particular industries. The most recent statistics from OSHA reveal the top standards cited in the fiscal year 2017 for the landscaping industry. This top 10 list comprises establishments that primarily provide landscape care and arborist and maintenance services such as installing trees, shrubs, plants, lawns or gardens and also establishments that provide these services along with the design of landscape plans and/or the construction of walkways, retaining walls, decks, fences, ponds and similar structures.

| DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATION | CITED STANDARD NUMBER | ACV* |
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| 1. General Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Requirements - Selecting the correct PPE, providing instruction, monitoring its use and maintaining the PPE to standards. | 29 CFR 1910.132 | \$1,239 |
| 2. OSH Act General Duty Paragraph - Giving employees a place of employment that is free from recognized hazards that are causing or likely to cause death or serious physical harm. | 5A0001 | \$4,252 |
| 3. Vehicle-mounted Elevating and Rotating Work Platforms - Ensuring the safe usage and design of powered platforms, man lifts and vehicle-mounted work platforms. | 29 CFR 1910.67 | \$2,221 |
| 4. Hazard Communication - Properly transmitting information on chemical hazards through a comprehensive program, container labeling, SDS and training. | 29 CFR 1910.1200 | \$419 |
| 5. Reporting Fatalities, Hospitalizations, Amputations, and Losses of an Eye - Following the reporting guidelines set by OSHA following death, hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye due to a work-related incident. | 29 CFR 1904.39 | \$2,530 |
| 6. Head Protection - Providing employees with head protection that meets ANSI specifications when they work in areas where there is a possible threat of head injury. | 29 CFR 1910.135 | \$2,110 |
| 7. Eye and Face Protection - General requirements for eye and face protection in the workplace. | 29 CFR 1910.133 | \$957 |
| 8. Selection and Use of Work Practices – Employing safety-related work practices to prevent electric shock or other injuries resulting from either direct or indirect electrical contacts when performing work near or on energized equipment circuits. | 29 CFR 1910.333 | \$3,999 |
| 9. Control of Hazardous Energy (Lockout/Tagout) – Following minimum performance requirements for controlling energy from the unexpected start-up of machines or equipment. | 29 CFR 1910.147 | \$3,827 |
| 10. General Requirements for All Machines – Providing proper machine guarding to protect the operator and other employees from hazards. | 29 CFR 1910.212 | \$2,868 |

*ACV (Average Cost per Violation) - The dollar amount represents the **average cost per violation** that employers in this industry paid in 2017. To understand the full capacity and scope of each standard, click on the standard number to visit www.osha.gov and view the language in its entirety. Source: OSHA.gov

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