



TOP 10 CAL/OSHA CITATIONS

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Since January 1, 2000, 63% of all citations issued to County of Los Angeles departments resulted from alleged violations of 10 Cal/OSHA regulations. These regulations and common violations are summarized below. The text of the regulations can be obtained by conducting a search at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/samples/search/query.htm>.

Top 10 Cal/OSHA Citations at County of Los Angeles Workplaces			
Rank	Frequency (percentage of all County citations)	Cited Regulation (Title 8 CCR section number / name)	Examples of Common Violations
1	13.1%	6151 / Portable Fire Extinguishers	Failure to perform monthly extinguisher inspections, identify extinguisher locations, properly mount extinguishers, or perform annual maintenance.
2	9.7%	3203 / Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP)	Failure to establish an IIPP, conduct and record periodic safety inspections, or correct hazards.
3	7.2%	5193 / Bloodborne Pathogens	Failure to establish an Exposure Control Plan, maintain a Sharps Injury Log, affix warning labels to waste containers, or provide safety training to employees.
4	6.9%	2340 / Requirements for Electrical Installations	Failure to maintain adequate clearance around electrical panels, guard energized parts, or label disconnecting means for electrical equipment (e.g. circuit breakers).
5	6.7%	3362 / General Requirements (Sanitation)	Failure to maintain workplace in clean and sanitary condition, prevent infestation by insects/rodents, or control intrusion of water.
6	5.8%	3273 / Working Area	Failure to maintain floors free of dangerous projections/obstructions (e.g. nails) or maintain walkways free of debris and materials.
7	3.9%	14300 / Recordkeeping Requirement	Failure to post OSHA 300A summary of injuries/illnesses or record injuries/illnesses.
8	3.3%	3272 / Aisles, Walkways, and Crawlways	Failure to maintain 24" clearance in aisles, maintain stairways in good condition, or protect employees from slippery surfaces.
9	3.3%	5194 / Hazard Communication	Failure to train employees regarding hazardous materials in the workplace, maintain and make available Material Safety Data Sheets, maintain inventory of workplace hazardous chemicals, or properly label chemical containers.
10	3.3%	5142 / HVAC Systems to Provide Minimum Building Ventilation	Failure to perform and record annual HVAC inspections, or correct problems in a reasonable time.