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New OSHA Recordkeeping Rule in Effect

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration's revised recordkeeping rule, became effective January 1, includes two key changes:



First, the rule updates the [list of industries](#) that are exempt from the requirement to routinely keep [OSHA injury and illness records](#), due to relatively low occupational injury and illness rates. This new list is based on the [North American Industry Classification System \(NAICS\)](#) and injury and illness data from the Bureau of Labor (BLS) statistics. The exemption for any employer with ten or fewer employees is retained, regardless of their industrial classification.

Second, the rule expands the list of severe work related injuries that all covered employers must report to OSHA. The revised rule retains the current requirement to report all work-related fatalities within 8 hours and adds the requirement to report all work-related in-patient hospitalizations, amputations, and loss of an eye within 24 hours to OSHA.

Employers have three options for reporting events: by telephone to the nearest OSHA area office during normal business hours; by phone to the 24-hour OSHA hotline (1-800-321-OSHA or 1-800-321-6742); OSHA is developing a new means of reporting events electronically, which will be released soon and accessible on OSHA's website.

For more information about the new reporting requirements, visit OSHA's webpage on the updated recordkeeping rule at

<https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping2014/index.html>

What Is Stormwater Smart?

"Be Stormwater Smart" and visit our website for Best Management Practices you can use to reduce the risk of adding pollutants to stormwater. <http://www.tempe.gov/stormwater>

You can also use this website to learn more about Tempe's Stormwater Management Program, to report illicit discharges to storm drains, or to file a stormwater related complaint.

Remember that it is a violation of the City of Tempe Code to cause or allow a non-stormwater discharge to a stormwater drain!

As required by Tempe's stormwater permit, Environmental Compliance Inspectors have significantly increased commercial and industrial stormwater inspections. If you would like to schedule an inspection at your facility, please call: (480) 350-2678.

