

Did You Know?

Respiratory Protection was ranked #4
for OSHA's Top 10
Most Cited Violations in FY 2010

The standard is 1910.134 and the total violations were 4224. This standard directs employers in establishing or maintaining a respiratory protection program. It lists requirements for program administration; worksite-specific procedures; respirator selection; employees training; fit testing; medical evaluation; respirator use; and respirator cleaning, maintenance and repair.

TOP SECTIONS CITED

- 1910.134(c) Requires the employer to develop a written respiratory protection program.
- 1910.134(e) Sets the minimum requirements for the medical evaluation required to determine if an employee is fit to use a respirator.
- 1910.134(f) Requires fit testing and specifies the type of fit testing allowed, procedures for fit testing and how the results must be used.
- 1910.134(k) Requirements regarding respiratory protection training and information.
- 1910.134(d) General requirements for respiratory protection, including Assigned Protection Factors, respirator use in Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health atmospheres, and Maximum Use Concentration.

**An estimated 5 million workers are required to wear
respirators in 1.2 million workplaces
throughout the United States.**