

OSHA Update



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Respirable Crystalline Silica Rule



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- Published March 25, 2016
- Enforcement dates:
 - Construction: September 23, 2017
 - General Industry/Maritime: June 23, 2018
- Compliance Assistance Products
 - Website: www.osha.gov/silica
 - Small Entity Compliance Guides
 - FAQs
 - Videos
 - Training PowerPoint

Enforcement of the Silica Construction Standard

Inspection Site: Exit 45 bridge of I-81 Marion, VA 24354

Agency: VOSH

Inspection Date: 2/20/2018 - 8/6/2018

Citation 2 Item 1 Type of Violation: Willful-Serious

1926.1153(c)(1): Lanford Brothers Company, Inc., did not fully and properly implement the engineering controls, work practices, and respiratory protection specified for the task on Table 1 (x).

- a) Employees were required or scheduled to work > 4 hours/shift operating jackhammers to remove concrete from the bridge piers of the Exit 45 bridge (northbound bridge) of I-81 at Marion, Virginia, without the use of wet methods. This hazard was noted on Feb. 20, 2018.
- b) Employees were required to work > 4 hours/shift operating jackhammers to remove concrete from the bridge deck of the Exit 45 bridge (northbound bridge) of I-81 at Marion, Virginia, without using respiratory protection. This hazard was noted on May 16, 2018.

Date Violation Must Be Abated: August 20, 2018 Proposed Penalty: \$96000.00

Total Proposed Penalty: \$304130.00



Compliance Assistance 2017

OSHA helping employers



26,000 small/medium sized businesses helped through free consultation program (133,000 hazards corrected)

20 million visitors and **131 million page views** on OSHA's website

186,000 subscribers to OSHA's bi-monthly QuickTakes e-newsletter

247,000 calls to OSHA 1-800 calls for help

18,000 e-mail requests for assistance answered

5,000 outreach activities by Regional & Area Offices

Safe + Sound Campaign

- EVERY workplace should have a safety and health program that includes:
 - Management Leadership
 - Worker Participation
 - Systematic Approach to Find and Fix Hazards
- Wherever you are, take a step in the right direction.



Establishing and Maintaining OSH Relationships

- Develop your people skills.
- Identify your relationship needs.
- Schedule time to build relationships.
- Focus on your EI.
- Appreciate others.
- Be positive.
- Manage your boundaries.
- Avoid gossiping.
- Listen actively.

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