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## **OSHA HAZCOM STANDARD CHANGES**

OSHA has indicated it intends to update its Hazard Communications Standard, which is currently aligned with Globally Harmonized System (GHS) Revision 3, to incorporate provisions of GHS Revision 7. OSHA tentatively plans to begin this process in February 2019. While exact proposed changes are not yet known they may include: updated health hazard class definitions, modified criteria for categorizing flammable gases, and revised precautionary statements for some materials.

## **OSHA ISSUES FINAL RULE UPDATING STANDARD FOR CRANE OPERATORS**

OSHA is updating the agency's standard for cranes and derricks in construction by clarifying employer's duty to ensure competency of crane operators through training, certification or licensing, and evaluation. OSHA is also altering a provision that required different levels of certification based on lifting capacity of equipment. The final rule became effective on December 10, 2018. For additional information visit [bit.ly/2QsGsU1](http://bit.ly/2QsGsU1).

## **OSHA TOP 10 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018**

<b>VIOLATION</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>
1. Fall Protection – General – 29 CFR 1926.501	7,270
2. Hazard Communications – 29 CFR 1910.1200	4,552
3. Scaffolding – 29 CFR 1926.451	3,336
4. Respiratory Protection – 29 CFR 1910.134	3,118
5. Lockout/Tagout – 29 CFR 1910.147	2,944
6. Ladders – 29 CFR 1926.1053	2,812
7. Powered Industrial Trucks – 29 CFR 1910.178	2,294
8. Fall Protection – Training – 29 CFR 1926.503	1,982
9. Machine Guarding – 29 CFR 1910.212	1,972
10. Eye and Face Protection – 29 CFR 1926.102	1,536

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