



State of Alaska
Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Division of Labor Standards and Safety

AKOSH Program Directive 08-01

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From: Grey R. Mitchell, Director

Subject: **8 AAC 61.425 - Exemption from scheduled enforcement inspections; clarification on the procedures to be used by consultants to address the requirements in this Alaska Administrative Code.**

AKOSH Program Directive 08-01 supersedes all other program directives (06-04 and 06-04 Amendment) regarding 8 AAC 61.425 - Exemption from scheduled enforcement inspections.

This Program Directive, PD 08-01, is notice that Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Labor Standards and Safety will institute new administrative procedures to clarify employer and consultant responsibilities relating to 8 AAC 61.425.

1. AKOSH Consultation Officers will provide the employer with the exemption at the time of the initial closing conference if all the conditions are met in 8 AAC 61.425.
2. If the conditions are not met, such as the serious hazards are not corrected on site and/or the required safety programs are not in place at the time of the initial comprehensive visit, then the exemption will be withheld until the employer has provided documentation or received a follow-up visit that all the conditions in 8 AAC 61.425 have been met and a second closing conference has taken place with the employer and the consultant. Then the consultant will provide the employer with the exemption form.
3. The consultant will maintain documentation in the file whether the "Exemption" was given to the employer or not and when. Also, the consultant will enter in block 22 on the "Notice of AKOSH Consultation Visit" form, "Exemption" when the employer received one. This information will be added to the request log.

Please ensure that all members of your staff receive a copy of this program directive and understand how to implement these revisions.

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