




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

AKOSH Program Directive #12-02

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From: Grey Mitchell, Director 

Subject: **AKOSH - Commercial Diving Operations**

Please ensure that all members of your staff receive a copy of this program directive.

This Program Directive, PD 12-02, is formal notice that the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Labor Standards and Safety recognizes and will adopt by reference, the "29 CFR Part 1910, Subpart T – Commercial Diving Operations" OSHA Directive Number CPL-02-00-151. The enforcement application of this directive shall be limited to the jurisdictions established in the Alaska State Plan.

This directive was effective June 13, 2011. The directive includes consolidation of previously issued interpretations of standards in Appendix A, updated Appendix D regarding no-decompression air dives, additional clarification of requirements and duties of diver tenders in Appendix E, and updates multiple references related to this directive.

References:

- A. 18(b) Occupational Safety and Health Alaska State Plan – 18(e) final approval as of September 26, 1984.
- B. 8 AAC 61.1010, Alaska Administrative Code.
- C. 29 CFR Part 1910, General Industry Standards.
- D. 29 CFR Part 1915, Shipyard Employment Standards.
- E. 29 CFR Part 1917, Marine Terminals Standards.
- F. 29 CFR Part 1918, Longshoring Standards.
- G. 29 CFR Part 1926, Construction Industry Standards. F. OSHA Directives.
- H. CSP 01-00-002, State-Plan Policies and Procedures Manual, March 21, 2001.
- I. CPL 02-00-142, Shipyard "Tool Bag" Directive, August 3, 2006.
- J. CPL 02-00-135, Recordkeeping Policies and Procedures Manual (RKM), December 30, 2004.
- K. CPL 02-00-051, Enforcement Exemptions and Limitations under the Appropriations Act, May 28, 1998.
- L. CPL 02-00-150, Field Operations Manual (FOM), April 22, 2011.

- M. CPL 02-01-047, OSHA Authority Over Vessels and Facilities on or Adjacent to U.S. Navigable Waters and the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), February 22, 2010.

Other References.

1. OSHA Maritime Web Page.
2. OSHA Publications.
3. U.S. Navy Diving Manual (Revision 6).
4. Association of Diving Contractors International, Consensus Standard for Commercial Diving and Underwater Operations (6th Edition).
5. 46 CFR, Chapter I, Part 197, Subpart B – U.S. Coast Guard Commercial Diving Operations.
6. Occupational Safety and Health Guidance Manual for Hazardous Waste Site Activities (NIOSH/OSHA/USCG/EPA), October, 1985.
7. NOAA Diving Manual – Diving for Science and Technology (Fourth Edition).

Cancellation.

This instruction supersedes the following:

1. CPL 02-00-143, 29 CFR Part 1910, Subpart T – Commercial Diving Operations, August 11, 2006.
2. AKOSH PD 07-08, CPL 02-00-143 – Guidelines for commercial diving operations, August 11, 2006.

Attachment: OSHA Directive Number CPL-02-00-151

Clarifications: For the purpose of all OSHA Program Directive(s) adopted by AKOSH, the following terms are defined:

Where U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) refers to the following positions or locations; in Alaska their equivalent will be:

Area Director = Chief of Alaska Occupational Safety and Health (AKOSH) Enforcement section

Area Office = Labor Standards and Safety Division, AKOSH office located at 3301 Eagle Street, Suite 305, Anchorage, Alaska

Assistant Area Director = Chief of Alaska Occupational Safety and Health (AKOSH) Enforcement section

Assistant Secretary = Commissioner, Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Deputy Assistant Secretary = Deputy Commissioner, Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

National Office = Commissioner's Office, Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

OSHA = Alaska Occupational Safety and Health (AKOSH) Enforcement/ Compliance and Consultation & Training sections, located at 3301 Eagle Street, Suite 305, Anchorage, Alaska

Regional Administrator = Director, Labor Standards and Safety, Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Regional Office = Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Labor Standards and Safety, Director's Office, 1111 W. 8th Street, Suite 304, Juneau, Alaska

RSOL = Department of Law

SST (Site Specific Targeting) = Industry Specific Targeting System (ISTS)

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