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OSHA Covid-19 Vaccination and Testing ETS

OSHA ETS was published in the Federal Register on November 5, 2021. Immediately numerous lawsuits were filed and the 5th Circuit issued a stay. On December 17, 2021 the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals dissolved the stay allowing OSHA to proceed with the ETS.

OSHA has announced new compliance dates for the ETS:

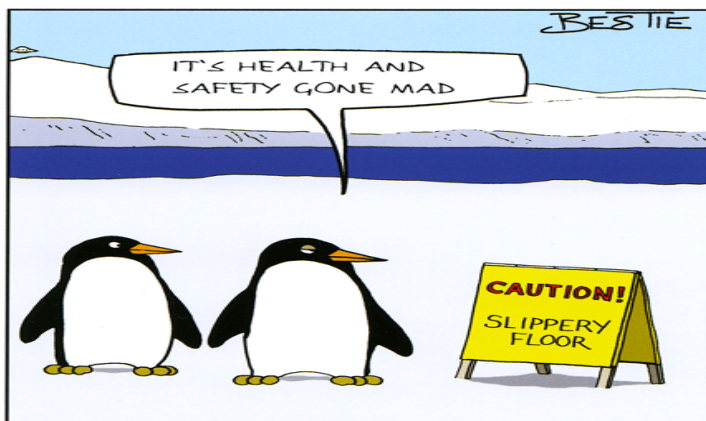
January 10 — Companies must be in compliance with the ETS and developed a plan including tracking their COVID-19 Vaccinated Employees

February 9 — Companies must be in compliance with the testing portion of the ETS.

For more information visit [COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing ETS | Occupational Safety and Health Administration \(osha.gov\)](#)

UPDATE: The Supreme Court reinstated a stay on the ETS on January 13, 2022. The stay remains in effect until the case returns to the Supreme Court on writs for petitions for certiorari and would automatically dissolve if the court denies the petitions. If it grants certiorari, the stay will remain in place until the high court issues its decision on the merits.

Reminder: OSHA 300A must be posted February 1—April 30.



Please become involved in your Arkansas Chapter. Help us grow and learn.

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OSHA FORM 300 Electronic Reporting

March 2, 2022, is the deadline for electronically reporting your OSHA Form 300A data for calendar year 2021. Collection will begin January 2, 2022.

Remember, not all establishments need to submit their OSHA 300A Data.

The Electronic Filing requirement applies to establishments of either 1) 250 or more employees, or 2) between 20 and 249 employees primarily in NAICS Codes 31-33 (manufacturing), and 23 (construction), and you are only required to submit the OSHA 300A annual summary.

The Recordkeeping Page on the OSHA Website has a link to the Injury Tracking Application where you can submit your OSHA 300A annual summary.

ASSP Courses

Do you need CEU's?
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about a topic?

ASSP offers several courses through their website. Some courses are free and some have a reduced fee for ASSP members.

You can sort courses based on live, online, Webinar, etc.

Take advantage of the resources available to you through your membership in ASSP.

For more information, visit

[ASSP Educational Events Calendar](#)



The 2022 Region III PDC will be held on **August 29 – August 31, 2022** at the Marriott Riverwalk located at 889 East Market Street, San Antonio, Texas. For complete details and to register visit www.RegionThreePdc.com.

CEUs – Attendees will receive **1.4* Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Credits** for attending the 2022 PDC (*pending approval).

For complete details, visit www.RegionThreePdc.com.

This Annual Conference provides one of the most sought after events in the region for attendees to learn the profession's best practices focusing on Safety, Health, Industrial Hygiene & Environmental Issues. The Conference is attended by over 250+ attendees annually and features an Exhibition of over 35+ Sponsors and Exhibitors. The three day event features 3 keynote speakers, 29 breakout sessions with 4 concurrent tracks and four workshops.

If you need immediate assistance, you can contact Erika May at 661-472-6591 or e-mail us at safety@regionthreepdc.com. For complete details and to register visit www.RegionThreePdc.com.

Safety Leadership Checklist: Do You Have What It Takes?

Safety leadership isn't a formula and it doesn't always come with a fancy job title. It's a mindset and a skill set that is essential for those who make careers out of protecting others on the job. How do you know if you have what it takes? Use this checklist.

- **The courage to question the way things have always been done.**

If you believe your organization's systems, procedures or cultural norms are inhibiting safety, you must be brave and speak up. Lives may depend on it.

- **The ability to communicate clearly in different environments.**

Safety leadership puts you in conversation with front-line workers, executives, peers and others who are listening for different information. Choose your words wisely.

- **A sincere interest in connecting with people and listening to what they say.**

It isn't enough to nod along during toolbox talks, incident investigations and meetings just to speed things up. People can tell when leaders really care.

- **A relentless desire to learn, explore and find solutions to problems.**

Education isn't over when you remove your cap and gown or finish your vocational training. Learning about safety is a critical and lifelong endeavor.

- **The willingness to see and be seen, in an effort to make safety visible.**

Safety doesn't happen on the sidelines. Effective leaders know when it's time to leave the office and relate to their teams on a human level.

- **Financial skills to budget, negotiate and advocate for better safety outcomes.**

Your organization should invest resources in ways that align with values and objectives. Help them understand why safety must be part of the equation.

- **Safety as a personal value, deeply rooted in your sense of who you are.**

Safety is a calling, not a 9-to-5 job. When passion is the reason you show up every day, you are better positioned to do great work and avoid burnout.

- **Technical knowledge of key safety concepts, informed by standards and laws.**

Understanding safety regulations is important, but it's also the bare minimum. Stay on top of your game with consensus standards and best practices.

- **Active investment in communities and relationships that help you succeed.**

Relying on others isn't a sign of weakness — it's a strength. Share what you know, ask what you don't know and remove barriers to community building.

- **The focus to manage distractions, complete tasks and achieve your goals.**

We live in distracting times. Do you know how to turn off push notifications, approach work with mindfulness and accomplish what matters most?

Learn More

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Upcoming ASSP Meeting Topics:

March—Hazard Identification and Assessment

April—Hazard Prevention and Control

May—Education and Training

June—Program Evaluation and Improvement

July—ISO 45001 Health and Safety Management Systems

August—ANSI Z490.1 Criteria for Accepted Practices in Safety Training

September—ISO 19001 Guidance for Auditing Management Systems

October—ISO 9001 Quality Management Systems

November—Managing and Communicating with Host Employers, Contractors and Staffing Agencies

Watch the website and social media for meeting dates and make plans to attend!



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Upcoming Events:

January 5 - NWAOSHAC / NWA ASSP Meeting

January 12 - Central Arkansas ASSP Meeting

February 9 - NWAOSHAC / NWA ASSP Meeting

February 9 - Central Arkansas ASSP Meeting

March 9 - NWAOSHAC / NWA ASSP Meeting

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August 29-31 - 2022 Region III PDC

About ASSE

Founded in 1911, ASSE is the oldest and largest professional safety organization. With more than 37,000 members worldwide, ASSE is a global association of occupational safety, health (OSH) and environmental professionals that advances the interests of its members and the profession. ASSE members create safer work environments by preventing workplace fatalities, injuries and illnesses. Safer organizations enjoy increased productivity, higher employee satisfaction and a better reputation, while recording less lost time, and lower workers' compensation and healthcare costs. ASSE members are classified in one of six member categories: professional, member, associate, international, student and emeritus. Members also can participate in practice specialties, branches, common interest groups and local chapters.

The Arkansas Chapter of ASSP would like to welcome these new members in 2021: Russell Bailey, Mike Raub, Cora Alexander, Joyce Louis, Charles McFarland, Jericho Roberts, Charles Collard Jr., Justin McCormick, Matthew Ireland, Dusty McDaniel, Rodney Tarbet, Misty Tims, Brian Smith, Shaun Robinson, Timothy Bogy, Kory Fortune, Joel Tippetts, Sam Best, Jennifer Garrison, Benjamin Morse, Michael Bailey and Courtney Del Donno.