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OSHA has announced the top ten most frequently cited standards following inspections of worksites by federal OSHA during FY 2011.

The Scaffolding and Fall Protection standards in Construction were the top two most cited, maintaining their positions from FY 2010.

OSHA publicizes this list to alert employers about these frequently cited standards so they can take steps to find and fix recognized hazards addressed in them before a worker suffers a preventable injury, illness or death.

This list links to each standard, as well as to solutions in Safety Smart, to help employers find and fix the hazards before OSHA shows up.

1. OSHA: 1926.451 – Scaffolding
2. OSHA: 1926.501 – Fall Protection
3. OSHA: 1910.1200 – Hazard Communication
4. OSHA: 1910.134 – Respiratory Protection
5. OSHA: 1910.147 – Lockout/Tagout
6. OSHA: 1910.305 – Electrical, Wiring Methods
7. OSHA: 1910.178 – Powered Industrial Trucks
8. OSHA: 1926.1053 – Ladders
9. OSHA: 1910.303 – Electrical, General Requirements
10. OSHA: 1910.212 – Machine Guarding