



## OSHA Auditing: Federal Compliance Guide: Facilities

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### new and noteworthy

- **OSHA Adopts COVID ETS:** The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has adopted a COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) that applies to all settings where any employee provides healthcare services or healthcare support services. The ETS was filed in the Office of the Federal Register on June 17, 2021, and it became effective when it was published on June 21, 2021. New Module U has been added to this protocol to cover the ETS.

In addition, OSHA has issued a new directive, DIR 2021-02 (CPL 02), addressing inspection procedures for the ETS. The compliance directive is available at [https://www.osha.gov/sites/default/files/enforcement/directives/DIR\\_2021-02\\_CPL\\_02.pdf](https://www.osha.gov/sites/default/files/enforcement/directives/DIR_2021-02_CPL_02.pdf).

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### highlights of this release

- **Module U COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standard:** This new module has been added to this protocol to address 29 CFR 1910 Subpart U.

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### did you know?

- **Revised “Small Business and Health Handbook”:** OSHA and the U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) have partnered to revise a handbook on workplace safety and health information for small business employers. The “Small Business Safety and Health Handbook” is available at <https://www.osha.gov/sites/default/files/publications/small-business.pdf>.
- **Request for Mechanical Power Press Standard Updates:** OSHA has issued a request for information (RFI) seeking public input regarding potential updates to 29 CFR 1910.217 (Mechanical Power Press Standard). The RFI is available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/07/28/2021-15995/mechanical-power-presses-update>.

# release notes

*please review*

- **Enforcement Guidance for Tree Care Industry Update:** OSHA has issued an updated inspection memorandum at <https://www.osha.gov/memos/2021-06-30/inspection-guidance-for-tree-care-and-tree-removal-operations>.



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